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A snug near town, 2 roomed cottage and lot.....750

Two lovely building lots, off Oak Bay avenue.....800

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HASTIE'S FAIR

FOR
Stationery and Confectionery At the Bottom.

EDWIN MAYO DEAD.

(Associated Press.)
Quebec, Feb. 19.—Edwin Mayo, of Fud'shead Wilson Company, dropped dead in the Chateau Frontenac to-day.

(Mr. Edwin Mayo was with the company when it appeared at the Victoria Theatre on Monday, November 27th.)

UNITED STATES ARMY.

Washington, Feb. 19.—Chairman Hall of the House committee on military affairs, to-day introduced a bill prepared by the war department to improve the efficiency of the army. It practically reorganizes the army.

AUCTION SALE

PANDORA ST.

Under instructions I will sell by public auction on

Thursday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. sharp

The entire contents of the above very desirably furnished residence.
Full particulars later.

W. JONES,
THE CITY AUCTIONEER,
Tel. 294. Established 1885.

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50 lbs. sacks, 25c per doz. 100 lbs. sacks 50 cts. per doz., either job or cotton, at

M. R. SMITH & CO.
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Driven Northward

Gen. Buller Again Attacks the Burgbers at the Tugela.

Boers Made but Slight Resistance and Were Forced Across the River.

Preparing for Another Advance to Ladysmith—Brabant Entering Dordrecht.

(Associated Press.)
London, Feb. 19.—Practically nothing is known of the progress of Lord Roberts's column during the last day or two, and speculation as to the ultimate gain from recent movements is necessarily unsatisfactory, when based on telegrams evidently vigorously censored. Many important points remain obscure. What has become of General Cronje's heavy artillery? One correspondent, it is true, says it was left behind at Magerfontein and Kimberley, but it is difficult to believe Roberts would not have mentioned a detail of such important account. Again, the statement that a large Boer force was

Massing Northward of Kimberley once more, raises in the minds of some experts the question whether Gen. Cronje was really with the force retreating on Bloemfontein. It is suggested that the latter is really the Free State main army under Gen. Prinsloo, supplemented by a portion of the Magerfontein command, while the main body, the latter under General Cronje, is trying to secure the Vaal bridge at Fourteen Streams, thus barring the way to Mafeking.

It is difficult to measure the full importance of Buller's movements. If he manages to seize Hangawana Hill, the way may be cleared for another crossing of the Tugela and another attempt made to reach Ladysmith

via the direct road north.

In Cape Colony, General Brabant seems to be successfully clearing the road for the advance of Gen. Gatacre.

The only official news up to 2.45 p.m. is a dispatch from Roberts, dated Jacobsdale, 11.45 p.m., Sunday, confirming the press announcements regarding Gen. Brabant's movements.

Bugler Dunn, the 15-year-old member of the First Royal Dublin Fusiliers, who was the first to cross the Tugela River, and who was shot in the right arm while running with the soldiers and sounding the "advance," saw the Queen at Osborne this morning. Her Majesty presented him with a handsome silver mounted bugle suitably inscribed. The Queen gave the lad a motherly embrace, and expressed the hope he would have a successful career in the army.

Good News.

London, Feb. 19.—It is said the war office has received good news from Gen. French with reference to Gen. Cronje.

For Home Defence.

London, Feb. 19.—An army order, issued to-night, invites reservists to re-join the colors for a year for home de-

BULLER'S DISPATCH

He Tells of an Engagement With the Boers Yesterday—Burgbers Abandon Their Position.

London, Feb. 19, 3.20 p.m.—The war office has received the following dispatch from General Buller:

"Chieveley Camp, Feb. 19.—I yesterday moved around the enemy's flank. The Queen's, who had bivouacked on the northern slope of Tugela, crossed the Nek and, supported by the rest of the second brigade, under Hildyard, assaulted and took the southern end of Monte Cristo.

"The Fourth Brigade on the left or western slope, and the Welsh Fusiliers, supported by the rest of the Sixth Brigade, assaulted the western flank of the enemy's position, while the Second Brigade and cavalry on the extreme right watched the eastern slopes of Monte Cristo, and drove back those of the enemy who attempted to escape there from our artillery fire.

"Assaulted by heavy artillery fire on their front and flank, and attacked on their flank and rear, the enemy made but slight resistance, abandoned their strong positions and were driven across the Tugela.

"I have taken several camps, a wagon load of supplies and a few prisoners. The weather was intensely hot and the ground traversed was exceedingly difficult, but the energy and dash of the troops has been very pleasant to see. They have done splendidly. The work of the irregular cavalry, the Queen's, the Scots Fusiliers and the Rifle Brigade, was perhaps the most noticeable, while the excellent practice of the artillery and naval guns, and the steadiness of gunners under very accurate fire, was remarkable. The accurate fire of the naval guns from Chieveley was of great assistance.

"Our casualties are not, I think, many."

Bombarding the Boer Position.

Durban, Feb. 18.—The bombardment of the Boer position on Hangawana Hill was continued yesterday, and fighting is still proceeding at 6 o'clock this evening.

It is said the British have captured hundreds of prisoners.

IN THE WEST.

Orange Free State Reported to be Preparing to Meet the British at Kot ylostein.

Capetown, Feb. 19.—A dispatch from Maseru says large forces are being sent from the Transvaal to the Free State under prominent generals.

It is also said the Free State is making desperate efforts to collect an army, to face the British at Koffyfontein.

An official proclamation orders all male inhabitants between the ages of 16 and 60, and enthusiasts declare that every one up to the age of 100 must go.

Typical fever is said to be playing havoc among the Boers at Colenso.

At Kimberley a report is current that Mafeking has been relieved, but the Boers are trying to conceal the information.

Brabant at Dordrecht.

Sterkstroom Camp, Sunday, Feb. 18.—The Boers are retiring, and Gen. Brabant's forces are now entering Dordrecht.

Macrum's Statements.

London, Feb. 19.—No action has been taken as yet by the British government in regard to the allegations made by Charles Macrum, former United States consul at Pretoria, nor has Ambassador Choate received any instructions to make inquiries in connection with the matter.

British officials declare it extremely improbable that consular letters were opened at Durban as alleged by Macrum.

Cable rumors that Choate might be recalled in order to show the United States government's resentment against the treatment received by Macrum at the hands of the British officials are declared at the United States embassy to be utterly ridiculous.

Milner's Proclamation.

New York, Feb. 19.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

"Outlanders who have been compelled to abandon their property in the Transvaal by reason of the attitude of the Boers, will be reinstated in possession should the British conquer the South African Republic, and Orange Free State. Information of the determination of the British government has reached the state department in the form of a copy of a proclamation issued by the British high commissioner for South Africa at Capetown."

The Chinese Question

Legislation Will be Introduced in Dominion House to Increase Poll Tax.

A Bill Similar to the Natal Act Will Also be Submitted.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Anley Morrison, M. P., had an interview to-day with Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir R. Cartwright in regard to increasing the poll-tax on Chinese, and also with a view of occupying legislation this session similar to the Natal Act, which would exactly meet the requirements of British Columbia, and would not be objectionable to the British government.

Mr. Morrison got assurances from the minister that legislation would be introduced at once to carry out the views he presented. The Chinese Act will be amended to increase the poll-tax, and a bill somewhat similar to the Natal Act will be introduced.

If this is done it will remove this troublesome question from the province to the Dominion, which can best deal with it.

In the House.

In the House to-day Col. Prior introduced a bill regarding the British Columbia Southern Railway. Mr. Morrison introduced bills respecting the Comox and Cape Scott Railway Companies, and Arrowhead and Kootenay railway.

Mr. Casey brought up, on the orders of the day, the question of the Pacific cable, pointing to the obstacles which were thrown in the way by the Extension Extension obtaining certain privileges from Australia, which would go far to block the construction of the Pacific cable.

A LETTER FROM AFRICA.

Private W. H. Brethour Writes to His Father From De Aar.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, Feb. 19.—Private W. H. Brethour, with the Royal Canadian Regiment in South Africa, writes his father, William Brethour, of Spanielton, from De Aar, South Africa, under date of December 6th, and the letter has been handed to your correspondent.

The young man says that his first impression of South Africa is a very poor one. He has not seen any trees except a few that were transplanted. It is very sandy in the vicinity of De Aar, and sand storms are of frequent occurrence. The weather in the day is very warm, but at night it is freezing cold. He says that "large spiders, centipedes and lizards are plentiful. Occasionally we find a spider or something in our coffee, but that is nothing compared with what we got on the Sardinian."

The writer says that one of the Victoria volunteers was sick all the way across and he was left at Capetown to look after the baggage, but he does not give the name of the man.

At the time the letter was written they were drifting and all anxious to get to the front.

Mr. Brethour says that there was a great deal of stealing on board the Sardinian. Only one supposed thief was captured. The man who had a stolen revolver in his possession was court-martialed and sentenced to forty-two days' hard labor.

All the money belonging to the soldiers was placed in a bank at Capetown to the credit of the men to whom it belonged. This included the draft from Victoria. If anything should happen to the captain of A Company, the captain of B Company would look after the money, and in case both were killed the Church of England clergyman would look after the interests of the soldiers.

IDAHO LABOR TROUBLES.

Investigating the Conduct of Military Forces Under Gen. Merriam.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, Feb. 19.—The investigation into the charges as to the conduct of the military forces under Gen. Merriam during the Idaho mining troubles last summer began to-day before the House committee on military affairs. Gov. Stevenson of Idaho, the state auditor, Gen. Merriam, ex-Master Workman Sovereign, of the Knight of Labor, E. J. Flanagan, of Idaho legislature, and Magistrate A. T. Millan, Idaho, and a considerable delegation of miners from the Coeur d'Alene district, were present. The entire time was consumed discussing the manner of procedure.

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The War in South Africa

Many of the Boers Are Now Returning to Their Farms.

Canadians With the Ninth Division Occupy Jacobabad-Borderers' Bayonet Charge.

Jacobabad, Feb. 17.—To-day Robert's troops entered this town, which has been in the possession of the British since yesterday.

When the Boers fired on the British on Wednesday the townspeople protested. Although the British shooting was considerably directed at the women, the shells were only directed at a ridge beyond the town, which was entrenched.

The invasion of the Free State has undoubtedly struck a hard blow, which may result in the evacuation of a large number of Free States.

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British entered Dordrecht, but left later. Retirement from Rensburg.

Arundel, Feb. 16.—The retirement of the British from Rensburg was most successful.

IN NATAL.

Durban Dispatches State that Fighting Has Occurred Daily.

London, Feb. 18.—Dispatches have been received from Durban, dated Saturday evening, giving reports of renewed fighting on the Tugela, where the censor had stopped all telegrams.

Arrivals at Durban from the Tugela say important operations are progressing and that fighting occurred daily since the commencement of the week.

London, Feb. 17.—A dispatch to the Evening News from Lorenzo Marques, dated to-day, says:

SITUATION REVIEWED.

Invasion of Free State May Bring Boers Out of Natal.

London, Feb. 17.—Writing of the situation in South Africa at midnight, Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says:

Lord Roberts has begun his campaign by striking at the principal Boer force in the western theatre of war, that of Commandant Cronje, covering the siege of Kimberley.

It was an attempt to turn the Boers position by a march round its left or eastern flank.

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Complete the Circuit

on the west. Perhaps, too, a force is making to the eastward south of Modder River, to intercept Cronje, though as the mounted Boers cover 30 miles a day, no infantry can catch them.

There is no doubt Kimberley is relieved, and that the railway will soon be reopened. This is a success, but the more valuable result—the destruction of a part of the Boer army—has not been secured.

There are disquieting features in the news. The capture by Boers, said to have come from Coleberg, of a large British convoy, may diminish the mobility of the British force, and is a proof of the energy of the Boer leaders.

BOERS MEAN TO REPLY

to Lord Roberts' advance by striking at his communications.

London, Feb. 16.—Lord Roberts visited the camp of the Highlanders this morning and made a brief speech to each battalion.

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TIPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

Indianapolis, Feb. 17.—S. P. Donnelly, president of the International Typographical Union, to-day announced that the committee for president were S. P. Donnelly, Indianapolis; J. M. Lynch, Syracuse; and W. B. Prescott, Indianapolis.

AN OLDER FOR LOUBET.

Paris, Feb. 17.—The Sultan's envoy, Murit Bey, presented President Loubet to-day with the insignia of a grand officer of the Order of Nichamitina, the highest decoration in the Turkish empire.

A FIGHT WITH POLICE.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 17.—A mob of soldiers from Fort Bliss attacked the city police station at 5 o'clock this morning with the object of releasing two of their officers, who had been arrested yesterday.

ITCHING PILES.

False modesty causes many people to endure in silence the greatest misery imaginable from itching piles.

COMMUNICATION NOT OPEN.

New York, Feb. 17.—The Commercial Cable Co. this morning sent the following notice: "The British P. O. request us to cancel yesterday's notice in regard to Kimberley. There is no telegraphic communication with Kimberley at present."

FOR THE BABIES.

There is no better medicine for the babies than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Its pleasant taste and prompt and effectual cures make it a favorite with mothers and small children.

TO CURE A COUGH IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

Wealth of Similkameen

Mr. C. W. Stooke Tells of His Travels Through the Mining Districts

Big Field for the Prospector—A Very Rich Copper Country.

(Special to the Times.)

Greenwood, Feb. 12.—Charles W. Stooke, better known as "Charley the Trader," has returned here from a three-weeks' trip in the Similkameen and Nicola districts.

From a careful examination of the Nicola district, he said, "I came to the conclusion that the evidences of mineral wealth are fully equal to any other section of the province.

The townsite is located 65 miles from Hope, on the Canadian Pacific railway, by trail, from Spencer's Bridge on the same railway it is 125 miles by wagon road, and from Greenwood by wagon road and trail it is 150 miles.

The townsite is owned by the Vermilion Forks Mining & Development Co., of London, England, of which W. J. Waterman, formerly of Vancouver, is the general manager.

There are two first-class hotels, three mining camps, a smith shop, a livery stable, assay office and a few nice residences.

The country has been prospected to a considerable extent, more properly speaking, I should say skinned over.

Speaking of the prospects he visited, he continued: "The best developed property is the Sunset, on Copper mountain, 12 miles south of Princeton.

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BLANCHARD'S MEN IN A RAID.

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Lieut. S. P. Laybourn has been transferred from A to B Company. Major Dunlop is camp quartermaster.

Some dealers may offer you "just as good" medicine in place of Dr. Pierce's, because there's more profit in the sale of the substitute. If any dealer thinks more of his profit than of your patronage, he's not entitled to your trade.

force of 24 men under him. The general manager of the company is R. A. Brown. I was all over the dump and I say conservatively that a pound of ore could not be picked up that was not highly mineralized.

Another promising property is the Lost Horse. It has a 250-foot surface showing and is owned by Robert Stevenson, the pioneer frontiersman of the Similkameen. He left Seattle in 1860 with the Collins' expedition and has been in that district and the Cariboo ever since.

Across the south fork of the Similkameen and directly opposite Copper mountain is Kennedy mountain, through which the great Copper mountain ore belt extends. The whole of the mountain you might say is practically staked.

There has been little development, outside of assessments, but the ore showing is quite as remarkable as that found on Copper mountain.

On Boulder creek, situated six miles from Granite creek, are the Big Four, Nancy Hanks, Comet and International claims. A remarkable strike was made on the Nancy Hanks of gold, silver and copper ore.

It is a noteworthy fact that on this creek the best gold values in the district have been obtained. The ledges of quartz are big ones, running from 50 to 75 feet in width.

The Nicola district, the ore is principally gray copper, gray copper carbonates, peacock and native copper, with remarkable deposits of iron and coal.

On the Clinehart group, located 40 miles from Granite creek on the Nicola road, a 22-foot incline shaft has been sunk, and a 50-foot tunnel driven below the incline, besides numerous surface open cuts revealing an enormous deposit of copper ore.

On the celebrated Big Soo there is a deposit of solid gray copper and copper glance, running as high as 40 per cent. On Ten-mile creek, in this district, lying between Nicola and Kamloops, are other deposits of gray copper ore, owned by Clapperton et al. of Nicola.

At Summit city, at the headwaters of the Tuleme, 45 miles west of Princeton, and 25 miles east of Hope, there are big bodies of galena and silver ore. Owing to its high altitude development work has been suspended during the winter.

On the South Fork of the Similkameen at Friday creek and Rock river camps are ledges of quartz carrying free gold and deposits of borate copper. I expect to return to that section, and I am firmly of the opinion that without a doubt the country, once it is known on the outside, will be the mecca of the mining operator and investor of the coming summer," he concluded.

THIN, WATERY BLOOD.

When the blood is thin and watery, the nerves are actually starved and nervous exhaustion and prostration soon follow. Feed the nerves with Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food and you will impart to them the new life and vigor of perfect health.

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They are manufactured by a new process and will OUT-LAST any other kind offered for sale.

WEILER BROS. HEADQUARTERS FOR Blankets, Down Comforters, Counterpanes AND ALL KINDS OF HOUSEHOLD LINENS, ETC., ETC.

The largest stock of the above goods in the city, including many Novelties in Bedspreads, Pillow Shams, Toilet Covers and Towels.

WEILER BROS. - VICTORIA, B. C.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between us, the undersigned, as Coal and Wood Dealers, in the City of Victoria, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Institute is free for the use of Sailors and shipping generally. It is well supplied with papers and a temperance bar. Letters may be sent here to await ships.

MARRIED WOMEN

If you are irregular or troubled with suppression write to Mrs. MARY W. WELLS, Box 381, Bridgeburg, Ont., and she will send you the formula that will cure your case in two to five days. No pain. This receipt has brought happiness to hundreds of anxious women.

NOTICE.

In the matter of Francis Ferguson Hatt, deceased, and in the matter of the Trustee and Executors Act.

VICTORIA FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Headquarters Fire Department, Telephone No. 538.

List of Fire Alarm Boxes.

Do not despair of curing your sick headache when you can so easily obtain Carter's Little Liver Pills. They will effect a prompt and permanent cure. Their action is mild and natural.

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Apply to J. COGDARHIPP, on Premises.

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Frank Oakden, General Agent, Yates St. Hotel, or at Dean & Hiscocks, Yates St.

Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., Ltd.

Change of Time.

On and after Tuesday, February 20th, the Vancouver boat will leave C. P. N. Co. wharf, Victoria, at 7 a.m., every day except Monday.

Wood's Phosphodin.

The Great English Remedy.

To the Public of Victoria.

In view of the possible introduction of smallpox from the neighboring state of Washington, the provincial government has in contemplation the putting into force of "The Regulations of the Provincial Board of Health re Smallpox."

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The Tees Returns

Brings a Budget of News From the North-Atlin Will Boom.

Stampede to Koyukuk-A Sportsman's Paradise-Big Mining Deal.

Steamer Tees, which arrived today from the North, had a very small passenger list. There were but seven in all. E. K. Wilson and H. Howard were from Dawson, J. Neuman was from Atlin; A. L. McKay, from Bennett and Skagway; B. Draney from Namu Canyon, and E. W. Godson and Mrs. Buckholz from Skagway. Mr. Draney brought down four thousand cases of salmon which the Tees left for Vancouver this morning.

According to news received by the Tees the railway was in operation and had been for at least two weeks. All the cattle that had been stalled in the Gateway City had been got over to Bennett. Trains left Skagway on Monday and four the day following, all loaded with the Miller herds. Miller is taking in a band of 150 steers. The expenditure of this expedition will amount to \$40,000. Miller is taking in 25 men with 40 horses to look after the herd. He expects to get 75 cents per pound for the meat at Dawson.

News received from Atlin by the Tees is very favorable. It is said that inside of a fortnight everything will be booming in Atlin. The contract for nearly 500,000 feet of lumber for Hawkins' Hydraulic Co. has been let to George Sinclair, who will take in a sawmill to cut it. The Williams Co. on Birch creek will spend an equal amount. The Lord Hamilton Co. struck the ledge on their property near Nuggett Point on February 4th. They are in on it three feet already, and are not yet through the ledge. There is free gold sticking out all over it. It is learned that the reason work was stopped on the Anacosta mines at Atlin City was because the men could not make good headway with the hand drills, and that much of work was too costly. A diamond drill has been sent for and it is now on its way in. When it arrives work will be resumed.

According to news received from Dawson one of the largest deals ever made there in connection with hillside claims was put through on January 30th when the Anglo-Klondike Mining Co. completed the purchase of the Peterson and Kuzek claims, on the left limit of Fox Gulch, and No. 1 above Discovery on Fox Gulch, being the first of a series of deals for the purchase of claims which will aggregate over half a million dollars, the same company being the purchaser of all the company was recently organized in London.

Six and a half bench claims recently sold for \$25,000, and all on Bonanza. The Yukon Sun says: "A sale of considerable importance has been consummated by Egan Morrison, the broker. Acting for W. C. Wilkins, he sold to Messrs. C. Ginsberg, and Westberg six and a half bench claims, situated opposite Nos. 45 and 46 below Discovery on the left limit, Bonanza creek, and known as the 40' group, for the sum of \$25,000."

That there is gold at Big Salmon is shown by the fact that a late arrival at the Klondike capital tells the Sun that he saw a number of good-sized sacks of gold dust that had been taken from the ground on Livingston and Cottonwood creeks in the Big Salmon River district. Stories of strikes still continue to come from Jack Wade creek. A late arrival reported that a three-day run cleaned up \$600. Good showings are also reported from the claims and benches near Upper Discovery on Jack Wade. On No. 5 it is said that from \$3 to \$6 in the bucket has been taken out.

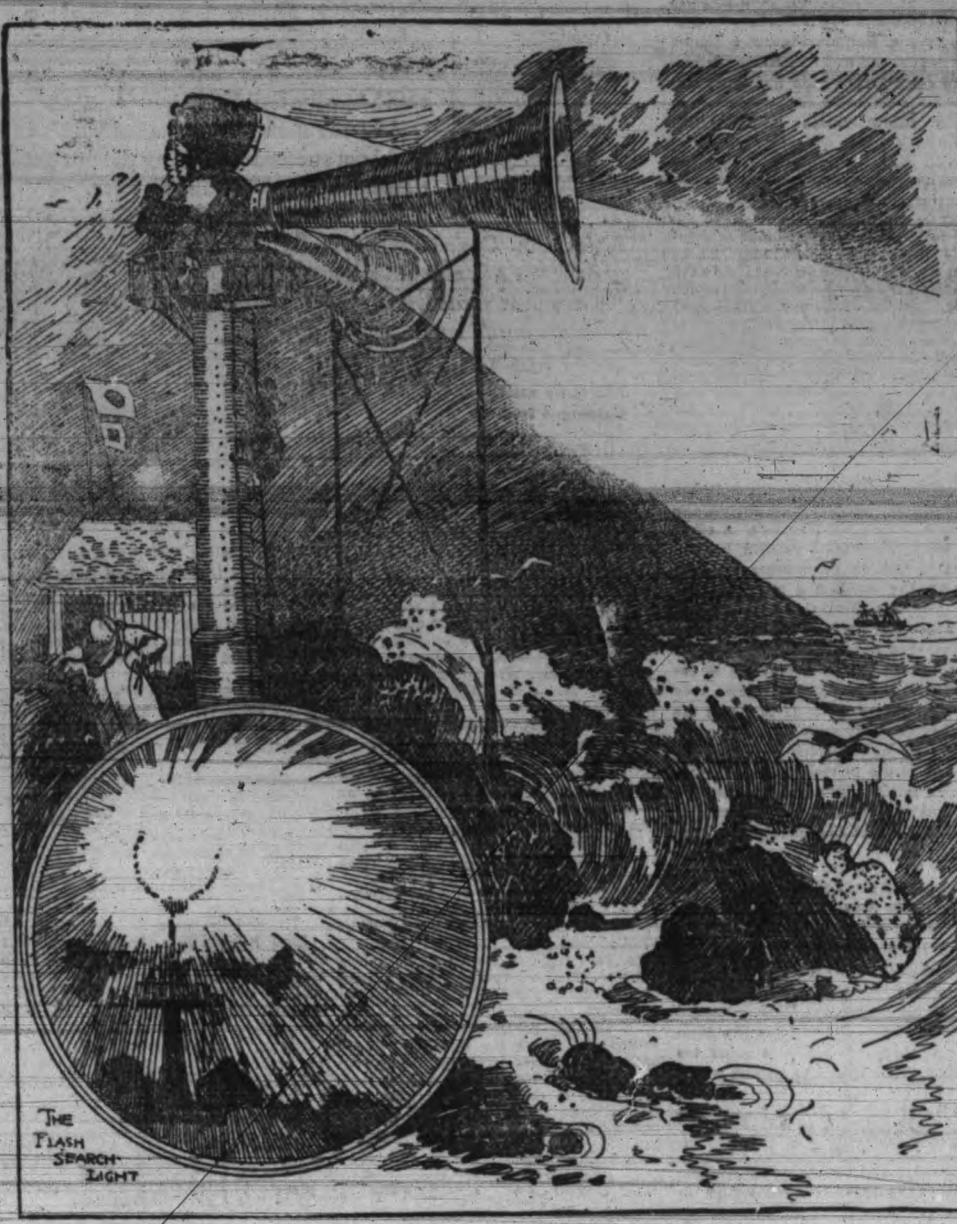
Many of the recently arrived northerners tell of the gold finds at the Koyukuk river and Louis Stetson, formerly of Seattle, who has reached Skagway from Circle City, tells of a stampede to the placers of that river. On the way from Circle to Dawson, he says, he met numbers bound down the river with log teams. Most had started for Nome, but since changed their minds and were going to turn off and go to the new diggings on the Koyukuk. So greatly has the rush down the river depopulated Circle, Mr. Stetson says, that there are now but thirteen people there. Col. Ray, in charge of the United States troops at Eagle, is building a trail down to Circle.

Mr. Stetson tells of the discovery of a great game region in the valley of the Porcupine. The country he speaks of lies along the Porcupine River. He and a party started up the river on March 3rd last year and spent all their time along the river, coming and going until late in July. They were in search of placers and traps, but found none. However, they say, they did find a paradise for sportsmen. Caribou and moose were seen in thousands. Mountain sheep were common. Bears prowled everywhere. Greyling swarmed in the streams and lakes. Ptarmigan were in common and many ducks were seen. It is notable that although thunder is unknown at Dawson, it is prevalent in this district.

The work of removing the rock from the Five Finger rapids is said to be progressing under Engineer Tache. Thirty thousand dollars has been spent in this one work of improving the navigable waters of the Yukon this winter.

The 2,000 employees of the Leitch Valley Coal Co. in the Hazelton region, have been notified of another increase of 2 per cent, in their wages, the increase having gone into effect on Feb. 12th.

In the Imperial House of Commons yesterday the supplementary army estimates were passed, £13,000,000, by 213 votes to 32.



FLASH SEARCH LIGHT FOR LIGHTHOUSES.

MAJOR BLISS FOR THE FRONT

At Skagway En Route to Ottawa When the Tees Sailed - Sergeant Willing to Pay \$500 to Get to Africa.

Major Bliss, of the Yukon field force, had reached Skagway when the Tees sailed, on his way to Ottawa for orders, presumably to proceed to South Africa for duty. He was accompanied by the Yukon as far as Minto, by Inspector Scarth, who is in charge of a special party that will make a thorough search to clear up the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Clayton, Rolfe and Olson.

Inspector Scarth, said Major Bliss, is to have the aid of five Indians in his search for the missing men, for not only will the skill of the tried police be employed in tracking in the bush and on the trail, but the Indians will be called upon to exert their native skill and training in tracking in the bush and on the trail.

The inspector has encamped a mile and a half this side of Minto with his entire party, and will remain there indefinitely. The entire place will be scoured by the police and Indians. The government is determined to do all that it can to ferret out this mystery. Money will be no object. "Thousands will be spent if necessary."

"Just what orders await me," said Major Bliss, "I am not positive, but very likely they are for me to proceed to South Africa. I left Dawson and proceeded to Selkirk with no intention of coming further. I went there merely to make an inspection of the field force at that point. Upon arriving there, though I found telegraphic instructions ordering me to proceed to Ottawa."

Several men who have been in the Yukon field force have already started for South Africa, but the majority are unable to get away, although there is a great desire among them to go. They would indeed be happy if only orders would come despatching them to the front. An idea of how anxious the men are to get to the front is gathered from an incident in connection with the efforts of one of the sergeants. A private in the command had been selected among other volunteers to go to the front. The sergeant was very disappointed in not being selected. He had saved \$500, and

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THE MARKETS

(Revised every Wednesday.)

Wheat, per ton	27.00/30.00
Barley, per ton	25.00/28.00
Oats, per ton	23.00/26.00
Hay (baled), per ton	15.00/18.00
Straw, per bale	5.00/7.50
Midlings, per ton	20.00/25.00
Beans, per ton	18.00/22.00
Ground feed, per ton	20.00/28.00
Vegetables:	
Tomatoes (per 100 lbs.)	1.00/1.25
Water cress, per bunch	5.00/7.50
Cabbage, per lb.	3.00/5.00
Carrots, per bunch	10.00/15.00
Lettsuce, 4 lbs. for	25.00/30.00
Onions, per lb.	3.00/5.00
Garlic, per lb.	3.00/5.00
Gherkins, per lb.	3.00/5.00
Radishes, 2 bunches for	5.00/7.50
Spinach, per lb.	3.00/5.00
Tomatoes, Island, 3 for	10.00/15.00
Turkey, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Fish:	
Salmon (smoked), per lb.	20.00/25.00
Salmon (fresh), per lb.	15.00/20.00
Oysters (Albion), per lb.	10.00/15.00
Oysters (Eden), per lb.	10.00/15.00
Cod, per lb.	8.00/10.00
Haddock, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Shrimp, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Flounders, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Perch, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Parm Produce:	
Eggs (Mantoba), per doz.	25.00/30.00
Butter (Della creamery), per lb.	15.00/20.00
Butter (Cowichan creamery), per lb.	15.00/20.00
Cheese (Canadian), per lb.	15.00/20.00
Meats:	
Hams (American), per lb.	10.00/15.00
Bacon (American), per lb.	10.00/15.00
Bacon (Canadian), per lb.	10.00/15.00
Lard, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Shoulders, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Mutton, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Veal, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Pork, per lb.	10.00/15.00
Fruit:	
Jap. Oranges, per doz.	15.00/20.00
West. Oranges, per doz.	15.00/20.00
Bananas, per doz.	15.00/20.00
Oranges, per doz.	15.00/20.00
Guavas, per doz.	15.00/20.00
Lemons (California), per doz.	15.00/20.00
Lemons (small), per doz.	15.00/20.00
Apples, per box	15.00/20.00
Pears, 3 lbs. for	25.00/30.00
Strawberries, per lb.	15.00/20.00
Wash. Navel Oranges, per doz.	15.00/20.00
Poultry:	
Dressed fowl (per pair),	1.50/1.75
Ducks (per pair),	1.50/1.75
Turkeys (per lb., live weight)	20.00/25.00
Duck, dressed, each	75.00/100.00
Game:	
Ducks, mallard, per pair,	75.00/100.00
Ducks, teal, per pair,	75.00/100.00
Rabbits (Australian), per pair	15.00/20.00

Samoan Letter

Remains of Several Wrecked Warships Still Lying in Harbor at Apia.

Interesting Description of Habits and Customs of Natives of the Islands.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Samoa, Jan. 25.—Leaving Leoluca on the 20th, we soon lost sight of Oranien in a murky mist, and with every appearance of dirty weather ahead, and arrived here at midnight after three days' steaming. But we didn't land before morning. This isn't much of a place for landing in the night. The banks of some of the wrecked steamers are still painfully "in evidence."

You recollect the severe blow in which all came to grief except the Calliope, which bravely put to sea "mid the cheers of the tars on board the other boats, which were all lost; driven on shore and broken up, and about 250 lives lost. The iron frame of a big German ship lies broken in two. The others sank in deep water outside of the reef or were broken up on the shore.

It is the poorest place imaginable for a harbor, reefs all about, and the heavy swell of the Pacific breaking unintermittently with a roar on the different reefs. This is the hottest place I've struck. As for growth, I should think anything would grow, that is anything adapted to a tropical climate. Good soil, plenty of moisture, plenty of good land, and rivers which could be used for irrigation, but comparatively little has been tried save natural products.

The unsettled state of affairs has been partly responsible for this, and with a settled, stable government, things will go ahead again. They are now trying cocoa, i.e. the plant from which cocoa and chocolate are made. The quality is first-class and the returns so far as tested have been satisfactory. Quantities of coconuts have been planted and are now in bearing, and copra (the dried nut) is the principal export. Copra is sold for about £10 per ton (\$50), and about 55 per cent. of it is oil, besides which the residue makes the finest oil-cake for live-stock in the world.

There is now little to be seen to commemorate the war of a year ago. The trees and plants have outgrown the destructive hail of lead and shell poured on them. I have seen the graves of some of the sailors who were killed. They are surrounded by a rope fence and have plain board "headstones." Near by are many more graves marked out by glass bottles, supposedly those of the natives who died there, for that was the scene of one of their engagements, and a little further on a sort of three storied grave, that of Malietoa.

Things are quiet here now, but there is no secret about their being disaffected on the part of the natives. Malietoa, the younger, was sent off to Fiji, while the transfer of power took place, and numbers of his followers are going away, and more to follow, if you can believe them. They are a fine race, hospitable and clever and a great advance on the Fijians, (of whom most anon). They are out at the ship's side in fine clinker-built boats of their own make, bringing crates of betel-nut shells, with silver or gold inlaid fans, mats, baskets, etc. They do all the passenger business and boating and charge you 5s. to take you ashore.

Apia is a long, straggling town of one street, and that follows the sinuosities of the beach, with liberal intervals of bush between the houses in places. A fine stream about as large as the Corvichean flows out through the town and is the bathing ground of the younger people, and a beautiful pool one mile up stream, about 20 feet deep, and as clear as crystal, is patronized by many.

R. L. Stevenson's house is on this river, but has changed hands and lost much of its historic interest. Some of the fighting was done in that vicinity, but visitors are not allowed there now. While Stevenson has his admirers as a man and a writer, he is generally condemned here for the part he took in public affairs, and it is conceded he would have done better to let politics alone.

Affairs are moving along slowly enough until the treaty is finally ratified by the three great powers, after which the German flag will go up, and the present tri-continental-municipal-chief-justice conglomerate will probably give place to a simpler form.

The three main islands here contain about 40,000 inhabitants, but it is hardly possible to state the number. There is not one hundredth of the land under cultivation. Land can only be got by purchase from those whose title was confirmed prior to the treaty; but less than forty years can be had from the natives.

About nine out of ten men here are married to Samoan women. The place is too hot for white women, who don't thrive here. The steamers from Auckland and Sydney call here every four weeks. It is fine to see the enthusiasm everywhere in the colonies on their being recognized as part of the empire. An instance in point is a list started by the engineer of the Hauroto to augment the funds for the widows and orphans. He had on his list only the passengers and small ports in the Pacific, but he had already £50 before his trip "was half done. Every one feels that he is part of the greatest Empire the world has seen, and feels that in the future it is capable of an almost indefinite expansion. VIDEO.

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NOTICE.

I beg to announce that I have purchased from Thomas Shaw the Marine Iron Works as a going concern, from January 20th. All debts will be collected and all liabilities assumed by Mr. Shaw previous to that date.

ANDREW GRAY.

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WEATHER BULLETIN. Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 19, 5 a.m.—A low area low off this island is moving southward through Washington, Oregon and Utah...

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Unsettled, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Unsettled, with showers. Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.81; temperature 38; minimum, 33; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, .01; weather, cloudy, fog.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 32; minimum, 29; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, cloudy.

Nanaimo—Wind, S. E.; weather, fair. Kamloops—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, 16; minimum, 14; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, 12; minimum, 8; wind, 4 miles W.; snow, .04; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.05; temperature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 2 miles N. W.; min, .01; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Give your friends Blue Ribbon Tea. You will find it in the B. C. Guide...

The cheapest row in town for carpenters' tools and hardware. Onions & Pimley, Broad street.

Superfluous hair and all facial blemishes removed by electrolysis. Electric Parlor, 114 1/2 Yates street.

Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?

Tree Pruners, Pruning Knives, Hedge Trimmers and Garden Tools cheap for cash, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

Baker & Colston, coal and wood dealers, have dissolved partnership, the business being conducted henceforth by Mr. Baker only.

The annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on the second Thursday in March.

To-night at 8 o'clock the regular fortnightly meeting of the Natural History Society will be held, when W. E. Parsons, R. N., will read a paper on Fast Torpedo Boats and Torpedo Boat Destroyers.

The concert to be given in the Institute Hall, on Thursday evening 27th by the pupils of Mr. E. G. Wickens, with the assistance of Mrs. F. B. Pemberton and Mrs. J. D. Helmecken and some of the best local talent, is for such a worthy cause...

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The amount collected for the troops of the Strathcona Horse, who left this city a few nights since, was \$316, which was distributed as follows:

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McPhee's big show opens a week's engagement to-night in the A.O.U.W. Hall. Reserved seats are on sale at Lombard's.

Weller Bros. do a large trade with "Northern Points," and can supply goods for stores, hotels, saloons, etc., at the best possible prices.

Evangelist H. Middleton Wood will give an address in Waitt's hall, corner of Government and Fort streets, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. A. J. DeSain, president of the local S. P. C. A., has received an invitation from Mr. Ulrich, president of the S. P. A. in Paris, inviting him to attend the international meeting of the united societies...

Active preparations are being made by the Eastern Provinces' Old Boys for their first reunion at the Dallas Hotel on Wednesday evening.

On account of the disagreeable weather of the past few days the Sterling has decided to make Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 19 and 20, Double Trading Stamp days.

Under the auspices of the James Bay Epworth League, Rev. R. Hughes will tonight lecture in the James Bay Methodist church on "London, the World's Metropolis."

In the police court this morning the charge of assault preferred against Thomas Sabone was dismissed, the evidence showing that Wilson, the other man in the affair, was the aggressor.

The case of Gin Wing, charged with perjury, occupied the attention of the court for the greater portion of this morning's session. Evidence was taken for the prosecution, after which the case was adjourned until to-morrow.

Chas. J. Champness, son of Rev. Thos. Champness of the Wesleyan conference, who was in Victoria last year, will be in the city this week on his way back to China.

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MONEY TO LOAN. Heisterman & Co. NOTES FROM NANAIMO. (Special to the Times.) Nanaimo, Feb. 19.—The thirty-sixth anniversary of Pythianism was celebrated in this city on Saturday evening by an At Home, under the auspices of Lodge No. 4, Knights of Pythias.

WE DON'T. Promise to give Superior Clothing at inferior prices, nor will we sell inferior goods at superior prices. But we guarantee to give honestly made and fashionably tailored garments for men and youths at fair prices.

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CASTORIA. For Infants and Children. Instead of Trading Stamps we give 10 per cent. discount on all millinery and dry goods. Stevens & Jenkins, 84 Douglas street.

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A CELTIC NOVELIST.

An Eminent Scotsman Gives His Opinion of Some Notable Writing by a Young Highlander.

The following is the estimate of the young Celtic novelist, and of his three great works, particularly the latest, "Giltan, the Dreamer." The young Celtic novelist is a North of Scotland minister whose writings in the People's Friend, of Dundee, have made him famous and dear to all Scots the world over.

It will be remembered by many amongst the reading public that in the summer of 1888 Messrs. William Blackwood & Sons published in volume form a collection of short stories of Highland life, customs, manners, and myths, under the title of "The Lost Pibroch," the name of one of the tales in the volume.

It is a matter of surprise to many of the readers of the People's Friend, that the author of the "Lost Pibroch" should have been a young and unknown author, Mr. Neil Munro. He opened his wallet, and in that dainty piece of work, so cunningly woven and so richly jewelled, "The Lost Pibroch" shone like a gem.

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On leaving school, young Munro had not the uncommon fate which Destiny, with a kind of grim humor, assigns to the poet in his youth. He was apprenticed to a bookbinder, but who on this point of our life has ever heard of any youthful artist, aspiring to drive a hard bargain in the near future, the charges and the choir of the sun, who would with a contented mind fall in with the hum-drum drudgery of a scrivener's daily routine?

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Provincial News.

NELSON.

A deadlock occurred at the city council on Thursday night as a result of the members' failure to agree as to the best method of constructing the new city wharf.

A fatal accident took place Wednesday evening on the H.M.F. Mines wagon road by which Mrs. Hanna, wife of a former employee of the H.M.F. Mines Company, lost her life.

The victim of the accident was on her way to Nelson, and was riding on a load of fruit, two hauled by a team driven by William Haggies.

While crossing the Esperanza mineral claim the sleigh runners cut under on one side, and the entire outfit was thrown over.

Mr. Thack Oddy met with a serious accident on Friday, when he was driving a water factory at the corner of Eighth and Princess streets.

At St. Mary's hospital, in this city, at half-past one on Friday morning, the death took place of one of the best-known and most successful farmers of the Fraser valley.

Mr. J. Hopkins has been elected president of the Board of Trade, F. J. Fulton vice-president and E. T. W. Pearce secretary-treasurer.

The Ryan-Shields Sawmill Co. have over 100 men employed up North river getting out logs for the company.

Mr. Alex. D. Frex and Miss Gertrude Sanderson, of Greenwood, accompanied by some friends, drove down on Saturday, Feb. 10th, with the intention of being married in Midway.

A man named John Beaton, employed in the Golconda mine, situated about three miles from Boundary Falls, met with a serious accident on Tuesday.

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The sad death of a pioneer lady resident of this city took place on Saturday morning. She was Mrs. Annie Alcock, wife of Mr. Albert Alcock, of Fairview, who came to this city with her husband before the fire, and had resided here ever since, except for a short time at Lulu Island.

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DOMINION PARLIAMENT

Private Members have their Curiosity Satisfied as to Various Public Matters.

Ottawa, Feb. 15. (Saturday) being private members' day in the House of Commons saw a very light bill of fare which was disposed of half an hour before six o'clock recess hour.

Mr. Douglas introduced his bill of last session to regulate the grade in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

In reply to a question by Mr. Davin, the Minister of the Interior stated that it was not true that Gamont, formerly associated with Louis Riely, had been taken into the government employ.

Mr. Ferguson learned with surprise that the government had not bought for the occasion, but taken from the departmental stores.

In reply to a question by Mr. Casey, the Premier stated that the government has not been informed of the approval of any Australian government, granting permission to the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company to open offices or to acquire any other facilities for promoting the cable business.

The Fox Bay Settlers. In reply to an inquiry by Mr. George Taylor, Mr. Tarte said that although he did not see clearly what Mr. Taylor had to do with a matter which was personal to himself, he took great pleasure in saying that whatever misunderstanding might have existed in the past had been used in the House last session in regard to the Fox Bay settlers on Anticosti, he had reason to hope had been explained away.

Mr. J. B. Charlton is now on his way in to undertake the completion of the system down to Quispelle.

Mr. Davin wanted to know why, if Supl. Perry, of the Mounted Police, had volunteered for service in South Africa, his services had not been accepted.

The Minister of Public Works that the government is moving in the matter of the construction of the telegraph line between Quispelle, B. C., the present northern terminus of the government telegraph system, and Arlin, Ont., the nearest point on the new Dawson-Shawigan line.

Mr. Richardson secured from the Minister of the Interior a statement that the federal land grant to the C. P. R. as a subsidy for the construction of their main line, was twenty-five million acres.

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NOTICE TO BUILDERS. SEPARATE AND WHOLE TENDERS will be received at my office until noon on Saturday, March 3rd, 1900, for the erection of a three story brick building on Carr and 11th St., L. Lovell. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

BOILERS AND STEAM PIPES. Tenders properly sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday, March 5th, for 2,000 barrels of more, if required of White's Portland Cement; also for 2,000 11/2 inch (or more, if required) of Granite Curb Stones.

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With the Canadian contingent, the Y.M.C.A. have obtained a shed fitted up with tables and benches, harmonium, and oil lamps. Services are held daily.

I am pleased to say the health of "A" company is excellent. Stuart (Victoria) is slightly indisposed, but the rest of us are very fit.

Yesterday, the 9th, "A" and "B" companies, two guns of the R. H. A., the Q. M. I. and our Maxims went out re-completing in the direction of the Orange Free State.

January 12th I expect a big battle will be fought within the next week either at Magerfontein or Stormberg.

From those in the "know" I glean that we are to have a corps of mounted infantry comprising 100 men, who will be drawn from the companies, most likely one down from each.

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THE PASSING THROUGH.

New Commandant for Company 19, R. A., at Work Point—Arrivals at the City Hotels.

Of the arrivals at the Driard eleven are knights of the grip.

The McPhoe Company, who are to play for a season at A. D. U. hall, arrived by the Chamuel last evening.

United States lighthouse tender Manzanita, Capt. Gregory, arrived from Port Angeles this morning.

Steaming schooner Walter L. Rich arrived from the West Coast to go on the ways for repairs.

Steamer Senator, lately released from transport service, has been selected by the Pacific Coast Company for the Cape Nome service.

Steamer Queen City will sail tomorrow evening for Cape Scott, Quatsino and west ports on the West Coast.

TROUBLESOME CHINA.

Tosa-Maru, Brings News of the Deposition of the Emperor—A Warlike Edict.

Files of the Chinese papers received by the steamer Tosa-Maru tell of the de-throning of the Chinese Emperor, Huang Su, by a palace conspiracy.

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Yancouver, Feb. 19.—Fifty Chinese and four white men were captured in a police raid last night in a Chinatown gambling den.

News has been received of the drowning of Mike Jordan near Lund, 50 miles up the coast.

Among the passengers by the steamer Chamuel last evening from Vancouver was C. P. R. H. Hall, of the Hudson's Bay Co.

C. H. C. Moller, of a Tientsin money firm, which has done considerable loan business in connection with the Oriental railways, who has been spending some time at the Driard, left last night for Seattle.

Capt. Kelly, master of the lost Miami, and F. W. Brooks, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., are at the Victoria. They have been up at Oyster Bay looking after the wrecking of the Miami.

THE TRIP.

The spring meeting of the club will take place on Easter Monday, April 16th. There will be at least four races.

The Ladies' Cup—a steepchase for horses the bona fide property at the time of entry of members of the Victoria Hunt Club.

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Per steamer Chamuel from Vancouver Saturday—Paterson Shoe Co., J. Weston, Martin & R. Leuz & Lelover, A. Holmes, Clayton & Co., G. R. Jackson, S. Leizer, Allan & Co., Wm. Wilby, Voss & Leason, Saunders & Co., Young & Co., Hutchison Co., W. A. Ward, H. H. Brown, G. Todd & Sons, M. W. Watt & Co., M. R. Smith & Co., Wm. Christie, Haast's Fair, Joe McDowell, Henderson Bros, Geo. Magwood, J. Percy & Co., West Bros, Agent, D. Spencer, Vio-B & Co., Don. Exp. Co.

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Mr. Macpherson—From residents of Vancouver respecting Vancouver Incorporation Bill.

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SPORTING NEWS

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