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NEW DEAL WITH THE FALL FAIR

MAYOR MORLEY SAYS CITY MUST BE PROTECTED

His Worship Reports Other Deficits in Connection With Public Works

Mayor Morley announced at last night's meeting of the city council that as long as he remained mayor there would be no other cent paid out to the B. C. Agricultural Association unless the money were handled by the city officials and every precaution taken to see that the expenditures were regular, that he had opened negotiations with the city barrister looking to a re-adjustment of the relations between the city and the Agricultural Society, and that he had written to Secretary Smart informing him that the city would not be responsible for the expenditure of any further money in connection with the affairs of the association. Mayor Morley's attitude was warmly approved by his colleagues at the council board.

The remarks of the mayor followed the presentation of a report from a committee of recommendation that the outstanding accounts of the association be paid, they having inspected the books and accounts and found them in order.

Fullerton complained that fifteen musicians who had played in the band at the fair had not yet received their money.

Ald. Langley, a member of the finance committee, in response to questions, said that the committee had found from an inspection of the figures that there seemed to be some wild guessing on the part of some one as to estimated receipts and expenditures. Ald. Humber was opposed to the adoption of the report. He pointed out that there were several items in the accounts which appeared quite extraordinary. This it is shown that oats had been sold for the sum of \$562 and that it had cost \$1,641 to produce the same oats. He would like some member of the finance committee to explain what he thought of that.

Ald. Langley said he had mentioned that very matter to Mr. Smart and had said that there had been a loss on the oats. Apparently farming did not pay out at the fair grounds, Mr. Smart had accounted for the fact that there was such a small profit or loss by saying that the ground had never been drained.

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POSTAL MAY BE INCLUDED IN MERGER

Rumor on Wall Street That Other Companies Will Be Absorbed

(Times Leased Wire.)
Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 1.—The next step in the reported telegraph merger will be the absorption of the American District Telegraph Company by the American Telegraph & Telephone Company, according to a well-defined rumor in financial circles to-day. From the same source another report emanated to the effect that the Postal Telegraph Company soon would be included in the merger, making a complete monopoly of the telegraph, telephone and messenger business throughout the country.

JOURNALIST HONORED

Knighted for R. Kym-Thomson, Proprietor of the Adelaide Observer.

(Special to the Times.)
London, Feb. 1.—R. Kym-Thomson, proprietor and editor of the Observer, Adelaide, South Australia, has been knighted.

Sir R. Kym-Thomson, who has just been honored, was chairman of the Australasian delegation to the Imperial Press Conference, held in London last June, and later, when it became necessary for all the overseas delegates to organize, he was chosen chairman of the larger organization. His selection evoked a most happy one, for with a wide knowledge of overseas conditions and feeling, he combined all the instincts of the native born Englishman and a quick appreciation of what was fitting in the many situations which unexpectedly arose. His urbane did much to prevent friction, and more than once his conciliatory methods overcame what threatened to be the occasion for misunderstanding and ill-feeling. It was believed that he would be included among those who received the Royal Birthday honors, but the distinction has been deferred until now. The new knight was accompanied on his trip to the Old Land by his wife, daughter and son, and only reached home a few weeks ago.

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ELECTION CONTEST NEARING CLOSE

POLLING IN ENGLAND HAS BEEN COMPLETED

Only Half Dozen Scotch and Irish Seats Yet to Be Filled

London, Feb. 1.—The results of the election in England, Scotland and Ireland, have been completed. The final totals in England alone give the Unionists 233 seats, the Liberals and Laborites combined 227, for a Unionist majority of 24, compared with a Liberal-Laborite majority of 211 received in 1906.

The construction department of the House of Lords question will be raised in the new parliament by the introduction of a resolution before the budget is presented, re-affirming the privileges of the House of Commons with regard to money bills. The voting on this resolution will give the government a proof of the strength of its dependable majority in the House.

Davidt May Run.
It is reported that Michael Davidt, late Irish leader, will be a candidate for whichever of the two seats in Cork, which William O'Brien was elected from, decides to resign.

Labour Exchange.
The inauguration of the new system of national exchanges created by the Liberal government as a preliminary step in dealing with the unemployed problem took place to-day. One hundred exchanges will be started in February, and 150 more in the next six months. Their object is neither to give nor relief, but only to serve the men desiring work into touch with employers wanting labor.

MONTREAL CIVIC ELECTION

(Special to the Times.)
Montreal, Feb. 1.—The civic election is being held to-day and great interest is evidenced by the whole city. Polls all morning were packed owing to the amount of time taken by electors to mark ballots for the board of control, there being eighteen names on the ballot papers. It is not expected that more than forty thousand out of the eighty thousand qualified voters will be able to record their votes as a result.



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CITY WATCHING ITS AGREEMENT

SOME FRICTION WITH B. C. ELECTRIC CO.

Council Wants Terminating Clause in Enabling Bill Now Before the House

Why should E. V. Bodwell, K. C., solicitor for the B. C. Electric Railway Company, refuse to have it stipulated, in the enabling bill now before the legislature to give effect to the agreement between the corporation of Victoria and the company relative to the Jordan river power project, that such agreement terminates in 1937? The city council, proposes to find out, and to that end Mayor Morley and Ald. Raymond will wait on A. T. Goward, local manager of the company, to-day and discuss the situation.

The matter came before the board last evening by the city solicitors reporting that the company's solicitors are averse to any clause to that effect going before the legislature. The city in its petition to the House for an amendment to the Municipal Clauses Act has asked for the government to be averse to amending the act and suggests that a private bill be secured.

Ald. Langley thought that the matter should be closely watched by the city solicitors. He did not believe in having the agreement extended over the time in which the charter expires. The city should not allow any loose ends. It was not right to have such legislation pass the House. All agreements should expire with the 50-year concessions which had been given in the charter to the B. C. Electric Company.

Ald. Raymond said the old council was unanimous on the point. The petition should not go to the House without a terminating clause in it.

The mayor thought the company should be given no powers beyond the validation of the by-law. He had been opposed to the agreement in the first instance on general principles, but it was now the council's duty to protect the city's interests in every particular. He believed that if the council was so disposed, the city could bring the passage of the by-law into question. He felt confident that the city had no power to pass such legislation. In his opinion the by-law was not worth the paper it was written on, as it was passed by the people before the enabling legislation was passed, a case of putting the cart before the horse. If the company showed a disposition to try and get more than it was entitled to he would be in favor of throwing the whole thing out. He believed the city council should get the city barrister's opinion on the matter at once.

Ald. Fullerton did not believe in legislation, but the council should notify the company to fix the full agreement or else the by-law would be quashed. The city solicitor said that Mr. Bodwell in explanation as to why he did not want the terminating clause in the statute, said it was because it might frighten capitalists who were putting up a lot of money in the enterprise. It was finally decided to have the committee named wait on Mr. Goward at once in regard to the matter.

VICTORIA RACES ARE DENOUNCED

CABINET MINISTER AND MEMBERS ARE HEARD

Hon. W. Templeman Believes West Will Endorse Anti- Gambling Bill

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Hon. W. Templeman was heard in favor of the anti-gambling bill before a special committee of the House of Commons this morning. He described the race meeting at Victoria last year as a meeting simply for gambling purposes. The kind of racing at Victoria, Mr. Templeman declared, was not necessary to horse breeding.

Asked by Mr. Blain if he thought the West would endorse the bill, Mr. Templeman replied that he thought it would.

The minister of inland revenue read a number of letters from citizens of Victoria objecting to the class of racing which was held last year, declaring that it was detrimental to the best interest of the city.

Mr. Meredith, counsel for the Hamilton Jockey Club, protested vigorously against reading these letters. He claimed that he could get letters from merchants of Hamilton saying that racing was beneficial to the city.

G. H. Barnard, M. P. for Victoria, said he had seen the same class of people at the race meetings at Toronto as he had seen at Victoria. These people were to be seen at the chief hotel. He had heard a lady say that during the Woodbine meeting at Toronto she would not care to cross the rotunda of the King Edward hotel.

G. Cowan, M. P. for Vancouver, said he could not understand why betting was necessary for the running of horses and improvement of the breed. He said the people of Vancouver objected to the class of people that followed in the train of race meetings, and public opinion was against a repetition.

WORK TRAIN WRECKED

One Man Is Killed and Over Score Injured, Several Probably Fatally.

Lethbridge, Alta., Feb. 1.—One man dead and several dying among twenty-two injured workmen is the result of a wreck of a Canadian Pacific work train which crashed through a bridge yesterday near here. The dead man and injured are Bulgarians.

RIVER SEINE FALLING SLOWLY

SITUATION STILL CAUSES ANXIETY

Residents of Suburbs Complain of Action of the Civic Authorities

(Times Leased Wire.)
Paris, Feb. 1.—During the 24 hours ending at noon to-day, the Seine fell but a fraction over two inches at Point D'Austerlitz, and fears were expressed that the waters might rise again and raze their attack upon the city. The water at the bridge measured 25 feet 3 inches.

This slow recession, however, was attributed officially to a slight rise in the River Yonne, a tributary of the Seine. It probably will not greatly affect the greater river.

A general protest arose in the suburbs to-day because of the undivided attention the authorities are giving Paris, aside from the actual work of rescuing persons whose lives were menaced by the food, the suburbs have been practically neglected, according to their indignant residents.

The property loss in the outskirts of Paris and in the surrounding cities has been proportionately greater than in the capital.

Canada Ready to Assist.
(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Acting on the suggestion made in the Senate the government has cabled Canadian Commissioner Fabre in Paris asking him to ascertain if the French government will accept assistance for flood victims from Canada. If no objection is taken by France an emergency vote will likely be put through parliament immediately.

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OVER ONE HUNDRED MAY HAVE PERISHED

Bodies of Thirty-Five Victims of Mine Explosion Recovered—Only Known Survivor Tells of Struggle of Men Underground.

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Primero, Colo., Feb. 1.—After a complete investigation into the mine disaster at the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company's shaft, near here, in which thirty-two men are known to have lost their lives, the officials declare their belief to-day that 110 men were still in the mine. The bodies of thirty-two have been recovered. The only known survivor is Dianado Virgen.

Soon after the explosion, fire broke out in the main tunnel, it was quenched, it was believed, before it penetrated to the three other tunnels where the men are imprisoned. Rescuers are working frantically to save the men who are supposed to be entombed in the wrecked shaft. It was feared they would be dead before help could reach them.

Many of the dead probably never will be identified. The operatives were entered in the company's books by number. Many of them were not known by name even to the other miners.

The explosion occurred in the main tunnel of the four that comprise the mine. It blocked the entrance to the main shaft and until the debris can be cleared away, it will be impossible to learn whether any men survived. The rescuers, however, are heartening one another with the slogan, "Remember Cherry," apparently believing that if the men who were imprisoned in the wrecked Cherry mine lived until aid reached them, there is hope that their comrades have survived.

Overcome by Gas.
When the explosion occurred both fans, with which the property was equipped, were shattered and it was not until three hours later that the fans were repaired and a rescue party headed by General Superintendent J. P. Thompson was able to descend the air shaft. They discovered three bodies before they were forced to return to the surface. Five men, one of them a hundred yards away, were killed at the entrance to the main shaft by the concussion.

Shortly before 2 o'clock this morning Superintendent Thompson, who was directing the rescue work, was overcome by gas and taken to the surface. He soon recovered and again went below. Superintendent Thompson was reinforced by every superintendent and expert within reach of the mine, and hundreds of miners stood about the shaft last night begging for a chance to go in with the rescue parties.

Pitiful Scenes.
The heart rending scenes that followed the Cherry disaster, when wives and mothers rushed to the shaft to await news of some loved one caught in the death trap below, were re-enacted today to-day. The mangled bodies of five men, blown almost to atoms and scattered about the mouth of the shaft, were viewed with fearful apprehension by many women who almost expected to recognize a broken body as that of a husband or son.

A special train was sent from Trinidad early to-day, bearing doctors and nurses, and oxygen helmets to be used by the rescuers.

Rescued Miner's Story.
The death struggles of screaming and praying men, caught under ground in a five-went adit shaft, attempting to fight their way to safety, were described to-day by Dianado Virgen, the first miner taken from the wrecked Primero mine, Virgen, terribly injured, lay on blankets in an improvised hospital here and in broken sentences told, through an interpreter, what he knew of the disaster.

"There was a deafening roar," said Virgen, "after flashes of fire and then darkness. I remember falling to the ground. Then came a rush of men screaming, shouting and praying in their attempt to escape.

"I staggered to my feet, but was knocked down by men, who, with their clothing on fire, rushed along the tunnel insane from their agony.

"I was too weak to get upon my feet again, so I dragged myself along. Over dead bodies I crawled until I fainted. When I came to I heard the groans growing fainter and finally ceased. I believed all were dead.

"Then I heard the rescuers. I shouted as loud as I could but had no strength except to shout at intervals."

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Hearing in County Court of Action by Anderson Against S. Perry Mills, K. C.

Before Judge Lampman and a jury in the County Court to-day the case of Anthony Anderson vs. S. Perry Mills, K.C., an action for the recovery of the value of certain shares in the stock of the Canadian Northwest Oil Company, in which there have been several preliminary hearings, is being heard.

The amount involved is \$464.80, which Anderson alleges is balance due on account of certain shares of stock in the Canadian Northwest Oil Company which passed from him to the defendant Mills.

Mr. Mills acted as legal counsel for Anderson some months ago in the case of Black vs. Anderson in the County Court. Later upon the presentation of Mills' account for his services Anderson claimed the sum of \$464.80 as the difference between the value of the shares sold and Mr. Mills' costs. The latter in his defence denies the indebtedness and asserts that the shares in question were a gift from the defendant and without undue influence.

The morning session was occupied by H. W. R. Moore in addressing the jury. Mr. A. V. Bodwell, K.C., is appearing for Anderson.

When the case was called Mr. Bodwell asked leave to amend the defence, which was granted. His client would be prepared to deliver certain disputed shares into court.

Mr. Moore took the jury over the whole ground from the moment that Anderson first made the acquaintance of defendant on the steamer coming from Vancouver down to the moment of the opening of the case this morning and then Mr. Moore placed plain-iff on the stand.

Mr. Anderson told of meeting defendant casually on the steamer and striking up an acquaintance with him.

Mr. Moore: "What did you talk about on the steamer?" Witness: "Oh, we discussed a little of everything. We got on to religion, I think." (Laughter.)

Continuing, witness said that shortly after he made the acquaintance of Mr. Mills a legal difficulty arose with Captain Black and the Canadian Northwest Oil Company, of which he (witness) was manager and he thought it well to consult Mr. Mills.

The company was endeavoring to adjust Captain Black's claim by arbitration, and Mr. Mills advised witness to stop the proceedings. On this occasion he gave Mr. Mills \$25.

Mr. Bodwell at this point produced a letter signed by witness to Mr. Mills instructing the latter to act as his solicitor in the case with Black.

Continuing, witness said that after this date Mr. Mills frequently interviewed him and pressed him for more money. He (witness) could not understand why there should be any more money paid, as he believed that as the arbitration proceedings were to be dropped that would be the end of the matter, but Mr. Mills said it was important to watch developments and finally to appease him he consented to hand over 500 shares of stock in the oil company. Witness said that Mr. Mills suggested that he give stock, pointing out that it was contrary to law for a lawyer to accept payment for fees in that way, and that therefore there had better be an understanding about the shares. Finally witness had said if he would tell him what to write he would write it and he gave him a letter.

Mr. Bodwell produced the letter in question. It was to the effect that the witness (Anderson) gave to Mr. Mills five hundred shares in the stock of the Canadian Northwest Oil Company; that he predicted they would be selling for five dollars per share within six months and that "he hoped that he would be pleased with his present."

Mr. Anderson was still on the stand when the court rose for lunch. The case is being continued this afternoon.

INCREASED CUSTOMS. Indication of Growth of Trade Shown by Receipts.

There has been an increase of nearly forty thousand dollars in the customs receipts for the month of January over January of last year. About half the increase is in duties and the other half from Chinese who paid the head tax.

This is one indication of the revival of trade which is common throughout the coast and of the movement in Victoria.

The following are the figures: DUTY on goods imported \$2,000,000 Other revenues 710 Total \$2,000,710 The total amount for January of last year was \$70,716.90.

SURPLUS OF OVER HALF MILLION

STATEMENT REGARDING THE INTERCOLONIAL

Work on the Railway to Hudson's Bay to Commence This Year

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—A net surplus of \$662,388 for the first nine months of the present fiscal year in the operation of the Intercolonial railway under the new board of management was the gratifying announcement which Hon. George P. Graham was able to make to the Commons this afternoon in his annual departmental budget statement.

The vast improvements effected by the board of management is evidenced in the following figures: Gross receipts from April 1st to December 31st, 1909, \$7,023,200; increase, \$442,154; working expenses for nine months, \$6,410,912; decrease, \$157,067; net betterment, \$1,199,241. The expenditures on capital account for the year will be approximately \$1,250,000. Last year it was \$3,867,232. During the year 5 1/2 miles of track were ballasted. The average number of employees per month during the nine months has been 8,823, and the average payment in wages \$427,470.

Hon. Mr. Graham announced that items would be included in the supplementary estimates for beginning the work of construction of the Hudson's Bay railway this year.

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SUDDEN DEATH OF PIONEER NEWSPAPERMAN

Ric Fraser Passed Away Last Night at St. Joseph's Hospital

The death occurred very suddenly at St. Joseph's hospital last night of Ric Fraser, one of the pioneer newspaper men of this province who had been spending the winter in the city. Deceased was apparently in his usual health up to a couple of days ago when he entered the hospital for a temporary stay, and it was his intention to have left that institution to-day. The news of his death therefore came as a great surprise not only to his friends in the city but to the hospital attendants.

The late Ric Fraser was about 45 years of age. A widow and two children are left to mourn his loss. He has been a resident of the province for many years, and conducted newspapers in the outlying districts. He was well known at Rossland and Nelson, where he resided for some years. For some time he was editor and proprietor of the Nicola Herald. Some few days ago he told his friends he was thinking of starting a newspaper at Fort George.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

VICTORIA AMENDMENTS WERE APPROVED

Executive of Union of Municipalities in Session All Morning

All morning the executive of the Union of Municipalities have been in session in the city hall, examining the amendments which were asked by the city of Victoria, and approving most of them. The amendments asked by the other municipalities throughout the province will be passed upon and then the executive council will meet the Attorney-General to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The executive consists of Mayor Bell of Enderby (president); Mayor Plants of Nanaimo (vice-president); ex-Reeve Bose, of Surrey (Secretary); ex-Reeve Quick, of Saanich; Reeve Byrne, of Burnaby; and ex-Mayor Hall, of Victoria.

Mayor Plants was not present this morning.

CANADIAN FRENCH TREATY

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Feb. 1.—The Canadian-French treaty came into force to-day through the exchange of ratifications between Paris and London.

HIGH PRICE OF MEAT

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 1.—In order to bring the high price issue into the spot light of the law and have it determined in the courts whether the price at which a commodity is to be sold shall be dictated by corporations conspiring to control the business, preparations are being made here to-day to bring suit by those leading the fight against the high price of meat to restrain meat packers and wholesalers from dictating prices at which the meat shall be sold.

The action will be based on common law rather than any specific act of the Legislature, and it will be pushed through the lower courts and the Supreme Court with all possible speed.

Chief Justice Hunter has granted a decree nisi in the divorce application of Roskamp vs. Roskamp. There was no appearance on behalf of respondent or co-respondent. Messrs. Wootten & Goward acted for the petitioner.

Through an error it was stated that Herbert Thompson, who recently purchased a Chalmers-Detroit automobile, would be agent for that company. It appears that the agency of the Chalmers-Detroit machines has been in the hands of the B. C. Auto-Company of this city for several years and will so continue.

ENTOMBED MEN PROBABLY DEAD

LITTLE HOPE OF RESCUING MINERS

Many Women Spent Night at Tunnel Entrance Awaiting News From Rescuers

(Times Leased Wire.)

Primero, Col., Feb. 1.—The coroner stated to-day that he believes there is little chance of any of the imprisoned men being taken from the mine alive. The death toll grows with each trip the rescuers make from the wrecked mine. Forty-two charred and mangled bodies now lie in the improvised morgue near the mouth of the tunnel.

This morning when the sun rose scores of women, wrapped in shawls, were gathered at near the tunnel entrance as the officials would permit. Many of them had been there nearly all night.

As each lifeless form was carried past the wives and mothers that crowded as closely as possible to the mouth of the tunnel, they were standing gazed to see physical force to prevent them from breaking through the ropes and rushing to the death chamber that was established in a rude shack.

The rescuers now are practically certain that at least 78 men lost their lives, while but one escaped.

YEAR STARTS WELL IN BUILDING LINE

Large Increase for January Over Last Year's Initial Month

The month of January just closed shows a remarkable increase over last January. The permits issued at the city hall for last month totalled \$125,865, while in 1909 the first month showed only \$78,050 in value of building permits.

Next month should show even greater results comparatively as several large buildings will be started.

REV. J. FOTHERINGHAM DIED THIS MORNING

Well Known Presbyterian Clergyman Passed Away at Advanced Age

At his residence, 1225 Sunnyside avenue, Victoria West, the death took place this morning of the Rev. John Fotheringham in the 79th year of his age. Mr. Fotheringham, with his daughter, removed to Victoria from Grenfell, Sask., where he was one of the first settlers.

Mr. Fotheringham was one of the early Presbyterian ministers in Ontario where he rendered excellent service for a number of years, and after his removal to the northwest his services in organization of churches and supplying the new settlements with good ordinances were of great value.

A short service, conducted by the Rev. D. MacRae and assisting ministers, will be held at the residence to-morrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, preparatory to the removal of the remains to Grenfell for burial.

—Mr. Justice Morrison, of the Supreme Court, in the city, having been assigned to take Chambers here for the period of one month.

—F. S. Hussey, superintendent of provincial police, has been informed of the arrest at Mission of three half-breeds charged with the murder, in a drunken row, of Henry Garner, at Nicomen, on Thursday night last. The prisoners, who are three brothers, named Edward, Emil and Harry Wilcox, are being given a preliminary trial to-day.

DIED

RENDALL—On Saturday, January 29th, 1891, at Simcoe street, Robert Sinclair Rendall, aged 84 years, a native of Westray, Orkney Islands, Scotland. Funeral from the residence at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, February 1st.

CLAYTON—John Clayton, of Bella Coola, B. C., native of Bolton, Leicestershire, England, aged 88 years, who died at San Diego, California, on January 28th. He will be buried next Wednesday afternoon, February 2nd, from Hayward's undertaking establishment, Victoria, B. C., at 2 1/2 p. m., and from Christ Church Cathedral, at 3 p. m. Friends are invited.

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SNAP—Large lot, 61x181, on Cedar Hill road, adjoining Hillside, avenue, high school, Belmont, Tolmie, and surrounding country; splendid DE will be offered for \$300 terms. Apply James Morgan, Belmont, Tolmie, Government street.

CONTRACTORS—Wanted, filling in, must be cheap. Apply James Morgan, Belmont, Tolmie, Government street.

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FOR SALE—2 medium sized safes, to open with key. H. Stadhagen, Indian trader, 79 Johnson street.

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FOR RENT—Five room cottage on Hulton street, off Oak Bay avenue, partly furnished and close to car, rent per month. Apply F. L. Neale, 508 Yates street.

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MRS. P. V. JACKSON, medium and psychometrist, 1113 Douglas street, Pullman Hotel.

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MRS. THOMAS, maternity nurse, is now open for engagements; reasonable. 2522 Blanchard street. Phone 1187.

WANTED—An iron hand lawn roller, give weight and price. Box 384, Times.

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FOR SALE—Three blacksmith's hammers in good order. Apply John McKay, 72 Cormorant street.

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All the officers were re-elected at the annual general meeting of the Victoria Building Society on Monday evening and very gratifying reports were presented. A half-yearly dividend of

\$11 per share on the return of the capital stock was declared, payable on and after the 15th of February. At the close of the past year the members had received under return of capital stock the sum of \$40,000.

Miss Griggs of the Cadboro Bay school, having been appointed to the city staff, Miss Duncan will undertake the work at Cadboro Bay temporarily, and will probably receive the appointment to that school.

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NIGHT SCHOOLS PROVIDED FOR

ADDITIONAL CLAUSES FOR THE SCHOOL ACT

Balances on School Loan By-Laws Will Remain With Boards

Legislative Press Gallery, January 31. Educational matters occupied the attention of the House for some time today, the minister of education introducing his bill in amendment of the School Act, and a second reading being given to the bill introduced a few days ago regarding the medical examination of schools. For both of these bills Dr. Young asked the earnest and careful attention of the House and invited criticism and suggestion. He explained the two bills briefly but concisely. The bill amending the School Act was brought down by message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and was advanced to second reading stage so as to facilitate business in view of the early introduction of the railway measure.

Hon. Dr. Young, in moving the second reading of the act to amend the School Act, said its intent was not so much to amend the present act as to add to it. The educational system of the province was becoming so large that the department believed the time had come to make advance along some modern lines. The number of school teachers and pupils was increasing at a rate almost phenomenal. In South Vancouver, as he had been informed that afternoon, there was being made for the coming year provision for 1,122 new sittings, and the advance elsewhere was pretty much in proportion. The estimates would make allowance for forty more teachers in Vancouver. One difficulty met with was to keep pace with the demand for teachers. This year the government had decided to advance the salaries. True, the amount was not large, but it was the intention of the department to increase from year to year in the same proportion.

Further than that, in the present bill he was trying to make the certificate of such a character that the third class, the one with which the department had the most difficulty, would be valid for life, provided the Normal school training was taken. The first four months would be taken after leaving school and the certificates would then be good for three years. If after that the holder did not desire to try for a second or higher certificate they could get it made valid for life on completing the Normal school training. Thus the department hoped to overcome the difficulty in obtaining teachers.

Applications for normal schools had been made from many parts of the province. The Vancouver school was successful and its efficiency steadily increasing, but further than that school the department did not think the time ripe for building more. To overcome that it was proposed to allow the travelling expenses of student teachers and so their expense would simply be their maintenance while there. Another step in advance was the establishment of what would be termed superior schools. It was found that as pupils completed their course in the public schools many of them while desirous of going on to the High school were not able to do so on account of financial reasons. Twenty was the number for the establishment of a High school. To overcome that it had been decided to establish these superior schools if there were ten, and these, in conjunction with those training, would be made into one class. The department did not believe in the multiplicity of High schools because the attendance would be small, the salaries small and therefore the grade of teacher not what would be required.

Wherever the trustees decided to arrange for manual training the department would make a grant of not less than three-fourths of the initial cost of equipment.

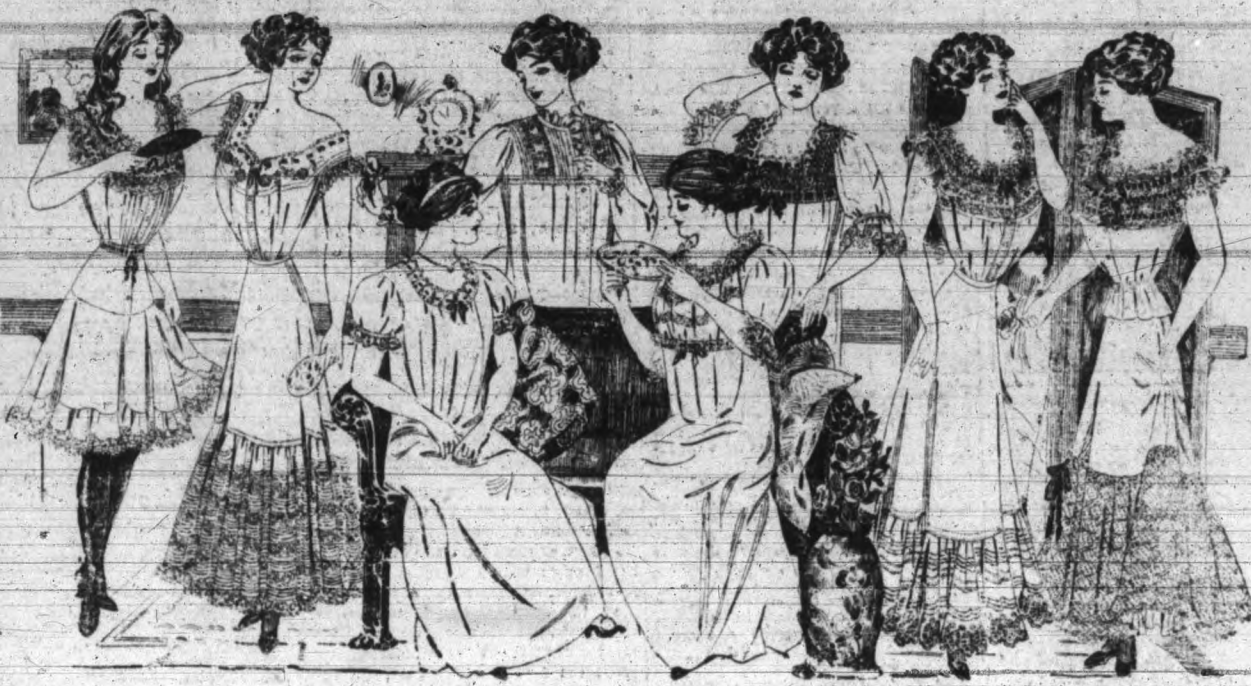
To overcome a difficulty school boards met with in the fact that if there was a balance on a school loan the amount was used by the municipality and not left to the credit of the board. It was proposed that such monies should be applied to school purposes alone. If the people voted \$15,000 and only \$10,000 was used, the remaining \$5,000 remained to the credit of the board. Another section provided that where there were delinquent school taxes upon any lands to a municipal school district from the territory outside the municipality the board could collect these.

School libraries would be assisted whenever a school board set aside a sum to establish one to the extent of one-half the amount, not exceeding \$50. He thought this amount enough as it would be a mistake to make a school library too large at first.

Night-schools would be provided for in a section which empowered boards to establish such, the department assisting to the extent of from two-thirds of the cost of a teaching staff in the cities of the first class to not more than four-fifths in rural districts. Where there were twenty or more persons of fourteen and upward a night school could be established. It was not intended to go into technical training until the process of the system was seen. Night-schools in Vancouver had been a gratifying success.

"This measure is one that has received considerable attention from the department of education," said the minister of education in conclusion. "The School Act works more and more satisfactorily from year to year." Correspondence with trustees was found more and more respect for the act. The

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KAMLOOPS RIFLEMEN. Kamloops, Jan. 31.--A special general meeting of the members of the Kamloops District Rifle Association was held in the board of trade rooms, when the principal business was the consideration of the resignation of the captain, W. J. Clarke, who is joining the R. M. R. This was accepted and Bruce Walker unanimously elected captain in his place.

LOGGERS' ASSOCIATION. Vancouver, Jan. 31.--At the annual meeting of the B. C. Loggers' Association the following officers were elected: President, C. A. McKinnon; vice-president, J. A. Smith; secretary and treasurer, D. J. O'Brien; executive council, Messrs. Keith, J. O'Brien, Magnuson, Dempsey, Wilcox, D. A. Smith, Black, Patterson, Buck and Norton.

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The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides of said street, with curbs, gutters and boulevards (including maintenance) and to construct curbs, gutters and boulevards (including maintenance) on both sides of said street between Vancouver street and Cook street. And that each and all of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Local Improvement General By-Law and amendments thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law upon each and every of said works of local improvement, and a statement showing the amounts estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited by the said works, and the reports of the City Engineer and City Assessor as aforesaid having been adopted by the council, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street, and that unless a petition against any proposed work of local improvement is presented to the council by the date of the first publication of this notice, the council will proceed with the proposed improvement as the same is shown on the said statement, and the cost of such improvement as the council may determine. WELINGTON J. DOW, City Clerk's Office, Victoria, January 11th, 1910.

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FEBRUARY**

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UNWARRANTED EXPENDITURES.

The McBride government spent \$280,700 without legislative sanction during the past financial year. As there was a general election on the expenditure under special warrant was of course extraordinary. For the greater part of this enormous sum sanction ought to have been had in the regular constitutional way. Seventy-five thousand dollars was expended upon the construction of or repairs upon roads, trails and bridges nominally because the circumstances were urgent, but actually for the purpose of influencing the votes of residents in both organized and unorganized districts. That sum was really nothing less than a gigantic bribery fund taken from the pockets of all the taxpayers of the province. Government candidates were quite candid in making that fact known, as they frankly told the electorate that it was useless to elect members to oppose the administration if they desired expenditure on public works. That exemplifies one prominent feature of the superb Conservative organization in this province. It was supposed that the organization of districts into self-governing municipalities would eliminate this vicious feature of wholesale corruption. Under the McBride regime it has merely intensified the evil. If an organized district elects an opposition candidate, the people are told that as they have elected to stand independent of government assistance in the prosecution of municipal undertakings, it is useless for them to expect provincial aid. On the other hand, government candidates during the late campaign, after indicating improvements which appeared to be urgently required and admitting that they were beyond the means of the municipality, said: "Elect me, and he work you desire will be carried out." And they gave proof of their powers by having the improvements undertaken instantly. That was the purpose to which the seventy-five thousand dollars for roads, trails and bridges was devoted throughout the province. To the influence of this bribery fund the defeat of John Oliver Delta can be directly traced. Doubtless it was applied with deadly effect in most of the other constituencies. That is a fair sample of the manner in which Premier McBride, now acclaimed as a statesman worthy of Dominion honors, practically brought about the inhibition of the Liberal party in the province as far as representation in the Legislature is concerned. The conversion of the civil service, of the House system, and of every powerful interest concerned in the exploitation of the resources of the province (the natural inheritance of the people), into cogs in the wheel of the political machine also assisted materially in bringing about McBride's magnificent triumph. The machine will continue to grind out splendid majorities until a general uprising against the most pernicious of all forms of despotism mashes it beyond repair.

In the meantime, we hope to see this indefensible system of spending a large proportion of the provincial revenue, a election years or any other year, by royal warrant stopped. It is an abuse which would not be tolerated in any other constitutionally governed portion of His Majesty's dominions.

BRITISH COLUMBIA PILOTAGE

There seems to be an impression in Victoria and Vancouver that the Dominion Government contemplates a radical reorganization of the pilotage service in the Coast waters. This impression is somewhat ahead of the facts, which can be explained in a few words.

In view of the attention the pilotage question has received from the Boards of Trade, shippers and shipping men in the coast towns, the Department of Marine and Fisheries last summer requested Mr. Thomas Harling, of Montreal, a gentleman familiar with pilotage matters, to look into the question and report his views. Mr. Harling spent some time in British Columbia, and interviewed prominent business men and shipping interests. The conclusions he arrived at are to be found in his letter to the minister, and are:

"It appears to me that one of the most important things to be done in connection with the navigation of the Pacific Coast is to have an investigation into the pilotage system. At present there are a few pilots in Vancouver and Victoria, another at New Westminster, one at Nanaimo and Comox. These pilots may in themselves be good men and thoroughly acquainted with the local conditions where they are posted, but there is absolutely no discipline, although they are supposed to be subject to a pilotage board, whose duties are merely nominal. What is required, in the opinion of a great many people conversant with the coast, and in which I fully concur, is as follows:

"1st. That a new service of British Columbia coast pilots be established under a board consisting of representatives from the different ports.

"2nd. That all pilots admitted to the service have to undergo regular annual examinations for efficiency.

"3rd. That when, through disability or old age, they become incapable of navigating steamers with safety, they should be required to retire on an allowance.

"4th. That junior pilots should be engaged from experienced seamen with, if possible, master's certificates of efficiency in the British or Canadian service.

"5th. That a rearrangement of the pilotage rates in proportion to the services rendered, but which will be sufficient to give each pilot not less than \$150 per month guaranteed.

"6th. That the pilot station be established at William Head near Victoria, where all vessels pass on their inward and outward passages, and that pilots be taken in their order and shall take them to their destination.

"7th. That the pilotage be compulsory on all steamers over 14 feet draft of water, except such vessels as are engaged in regular coasting business, which shall be allowed exemption from pilotage, provided their captains undergo an annual examination of efficiency and pay an annual fee towards the support of the pilot service.

The above recommendations, I think, would meet with the universal support of the principal merchants and shipping interests of British Columbia, although they may be opposed to some extent by local or personal interests. But I would further suggest that a commission be appointed, consisting of one or two independent persons thoroughly acquainted with shipping matters, in order to make an independent investigation of the subject. I feel sure that this is the only satisfactory remedy which could be applied to the present local deficiencies on the coast, and at the same time would not only increase the efficiency of the service, but tend to give confidence to underwriters and shippers."

These conclusions were embodied in a letter addressed by the department to the secretary of each of the pilotage boards, accompanied by a request for an expression of opinion from those interested in the matter.

Enquiry at the department has elicited the information that it was not intended to take any action towards a reorganization without the most careful consideration of the question in all its bearings.

TAX REDUCTION.

Up to a certain point the McBride government is to be commended for its decision to reduce the taxation upon the people of the province. It has, up to the point mentioned, adopted the suggestions of the opposition put forward during the late Parliament. The exemptions on improvements have been increased from five hundred to a thousand dollars. That was, we believe, a policy originally brought forward by Mr. Brewster, the member for Alberni. It will have a material effect in promoting the agricultural industry

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of the province, the one interest above all others in need of all the legitimate encouragement possible. Personally we know of more than one farmer who had firmly made up his mind to refrain from improving his land for the reason that immediately any improvements were made the assessor stepped in with his book of forms and, before any profit could possibly be derived from the results of enterprise, hoisted the assessment. Filing a settler for every improvement he makes is surely not the right way to go about the encouragement of the agricultural industry and wiping out the heavy "balance of trade" that is the text of every Minister of Agriculture who essays to speak on the subject of the magnificent opportunities of our farmers.

In the matter of tax reduction, in general as announced in the bill brought down yesterday, the government's policy is not likely to meet with absolute commendation after it is thoroughly analyzed. The usual policy of governments in fixing the rate of taxation, when direct taxation is necessary, is to apportion the burden in accordance with the assumed breadth of the back to which the load is to be applied. In this instance the accepted process is completely reversed. The incidence of taxation, is to fall most heavily upon persons in receipt of low incomes and most lightly upon persons receiving large incomes.

For example, on incomes above seven thousand dollars per annum the tax is to be reduced one and one-half per cent, whereas on incomes up to two thousand dollars per annum the reduction is to be one-half per cent only. On the intermediate grades of income this proportion of reduction is practically maintained. That is an example of the manner in which the McBride government is implementing its pledges of tax reduction. It fully bears out the naive confession of the organ which supports the government in all it does, right or wrong, "that it is not upon the man of large property that taxation bears most heavily, if he has to pay a good deal, he has a good deal to pay it out of." As a matter of fact, if the McBride government were to carry out the principle which is recognized in every other part of this and in other countries, salaries up to two thousand dollars (equivalent to much lower incomes elsewhere) would be altogether exempt from taxation. Instead of that it is proposed to lay the heaviest proportionate burdens upon the weakest backs.

Nothing is said in the bill brought down yesterday about the abolition of the revenue tax, an impost which is without any real justification whatever and is the cause of much vexation. But that measure comes under another head, and it may be that the Premier fully intends to implement his pledges in respect of it.

If the present government does not remain in power until it has had opportunity to "finish its work" it will be succeeded by a government that will abolish all direct taxation. But our natural resources are rapidly taking up to themselves wings.

The funeral of the late George Ernest Cook took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Isolation hospital to Ross Bay cemetery, where interment was made.

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This sale's object is clearance of merchandise of every description, its method is reduced prices. There are no half measures, and though the stocks are new and dependable as always and in every way acceptable the price reduction will be sharp, clean cut, and decisive. This sale constitutes an opportunity not to be missed by those about to furnish new homes and to obtain the following goods at a greatly reduced price: Dining Room, Parlor and Bed Room Furniture, Bedsteads, Mattresses, Springs, Dining, Bed Room and Kitchen Chairs of all makes, styles and designs. Carpets of every grade and manufacture, Seamless Squares, suitable for Drawing Room, Parlor, Dining Room, Morning Reception and Bed Room, in all the latest designs and colorings. Hearth Rugs in endless variety, Linoleums, printed and inlaid, the latter make being the best in the market for very hard wear, the pattern wears right through to the back of the cloth. In the soft goods department will be found Silk Brocades and Tapestries suitable for curtains and coverings in a large range of designs and colorings. Velours, Art Serges, Casement Fabrics, Table Covers, Portiere Curtains, Swiss embroidered and Lace Curtains, Cretonnes, printed Sateen, Lace Madras and Muslin Nets for Short, Long and Casement Curtains. All of the above reduced to prices that will demand a very quick and ready sale.

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- 4 SETS GOLDEN OAK AND EARLY ENGLISH DINERS 5 side, 1 arm. Sale price **\$12.70**
- 12 SETS SOLID OAK DINERS, leather seats, Early English. Reg. \$22.50. Feb. Sale price is..... **\$16.75**
- 4 SETS GOLDEN OAK, solid frames, leather seats, 5 side, 1 arm. Reg. \$22.50. Feb. Sale price..... **\$16.75**
- 1 SET ONLY MAHOGANY FRAMES, leather seats, 5 side, 1 arm. Reg. \$40.00. Feb. Sale price..... **\$25.00**
- 2 SETS GOLDEN SURFACED DINERS, 5 side, 1 arm. Feb. Sale price, set..... **\$10.75**

D.vans and Parlor Suites at Saving Prices

- 2 ONLY DIVANS, upholstered in real silk brocade, Sutherland design. Reg. \$37.50. Feb. Sale price..... **\$19.75**
- 1 ONLY 3-PIECE MAHOGANY PARLOR SUITE, upholstered in green plush. Reg. \$29. Sale price..... **\$19.75**
- MAHOGANY SETTEES, 2 only. Reg. \$19.75. Feb. Sale..... **\$11.75**
- 3-PIECE MAHOGANY PARLOR SUITE, 1 only. Reg. \$27. Sale price..... **\$23.75**
- MAHOGANY ROCKER, 1 only, seat in green plush. Reg. \$14. Feb. Sale price..... **\$9.75**
- MAHOGANY SETTEE, 1 only, upholstered sides, back and seat in silk brocade. Reg. \$28. Feb. Sale price..... **\$19.75**

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The value offered in Rugs and Carpets during our February Sale should arouse the buying enthusiasm of every person who wishes to economize, from the smallest Rug to the finest Carpets, prices have been substantially reduced.

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- AT **\$2.90**—White Enamelled Iron Bed, 1 1-16 posts.
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- AT **\$5.90**—White Enamelled Iron Bed, brass filler and knobs.
- AT **\$6.90**—Heavy White Enamelled Bed, brass spindle with 7 1/2 inch fillers.
- 6 ONLY EARLY ENGLISH BUFFETS, British bevelled plate mirror, 12x36 inch, top of case 20x46 inches, 2 plate drawers. Large linen drawer, 2 cupboards. Feb. Sale price..... **\$9.75**
- 1 ONLY EARLY ENGLISH BUFFET. Feb. Sale price..... **\$10.75**

Three Leaders From The Whitewear Section for Wednesday

- Corset Covers, Reg. \$1. for 50c
- Cambric Skirts, Reg. \$1.50, Wednesday, **\$1**
- A specially fine line of Cambric Underskirts are being placed on sale Wednesday. These are made with deep frill of fine lawn, with two rows of wide insertion, finished with wide lace. Regular \$1.50, Wednesday..... **\$1.00**
- Cambric Drawers, Reg. 75c, Wednesday, **50c**

A fine line of CAMBRIC DRAWERS will be on the special sale tables for Wednesday shoppers. These are finished with lace and regularly sell for 75c. Wednesday's Special Price..... **50c**

Foot Stools

- FOOTSTOOLS, Indian seats, etc., 9 only, Indian seats in golden oak. Reg. \$3.50. Feb. Sale price..... **\$1.90**
- FOOTSTOOLS, 11 only, Early English. Reg. price \$3.50. Feb. Sale..... **\$1.90**
- FOOTSTOOLS, 8 only, in select-ed 1/4 oak, nicely upholstered, Spanish leather. Reg. \$9.00. Feb. Sale price..... **\$6.75**
- STOOLS, 6 only, in Early English only, Spanish leather tops. Reg. \$7.50. Feb. Sale price..... **\$5.75**

- HEARTH RUGS.** Reg. \$2.50 for \$1.90. HEARTH RUGS, in all shades and designs. Reg. price \$2.50. Feb. Sale..... **\$1.90**
- CARPET SQUARES.** Reg. \$11 for \$8.75. A beautiful Carpet Square in floral designs, in fawn shades, size 3x3 1/2 yards, just the thing for your dining room. Reg. price \$11. Feb. Sale Price..... **\$8.75**
- CARPET SQUARES.** Reg. \$10, Feb. Sale \$7.50. A special saving is this in assorted floral designs, made of extra fine tapestry. Reg. price \$10. Feb. Sale..... **\$7.50**
- CARPET.** Reg. \$1.50 for 85c. At this price the range of carpets is large, which makes selection easy. They are in a number of splendid effects, including tapestry and Oriental. The regular selling price was \$1.50 per yard. Feb. Sale..... **85c**
- HEARTH RUGS.** Reg. \$4 for \$3.15. This is a specially fine assortment which sells regularly for \$4.00. Feb. Sale..... **\$3.15**
- CARPET SQUARES.** Reg. \$18 for \$13.75. CARPET SQUARE, extra fine quality Axminster in red; size 3 yards by 3 yards. This is a splendid bargain indeed. The regular price was \$18. Feb. Sale price..... **\$13.75**
- VELVET CARPET.** Reg. \$1.75, Made and Laid for \$1.25. Just think of getting fine Carpet at such a low figure, then, too, at this price we make it 16-ft any room and put it down for you, the only thing for you to do is to select it, in beautiful green and fawn effects, also Oriental designs.
- BRUSSELS CARPETS, body and border to match. Reg. prices \$1.25 to \$1.75. Feb. Sale price, made and laid..... **95c**
- SPECIAL LINE IN AXMINSTER CARPETS,** in designs and colorings suitable for dining, drawing, parlor and reception rooms. Reg. prices up to \$2. Feb. Sale price, made and laid..... **\$1.25**
- HIGH GRADE WILTON CARPETS,** body and border to match. Reg. prices \$1.75 and \$2. Feb. Sale price, made and laid..... **\$1.50**
- The above are very hard wearing carpets, and as we have only a limited stock, the prices made for this sale should cut them out quickly.
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- 2 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARES, seamless, 2 1/4 x 3 yds. Reg. \$6.50. Sale price..... **\$4.50**
- 1 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARES, seamless, 3x3 yards. Reg. \$7.50. Sale price..... **\$5.25**
- 2 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARES, floral design, 1 in fawn ground, 1 shades of green, size 3x3 yards. Reg. \$8.75. Sale price..... **\$7.50**
- 3 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARES, best English quality, in green, fawn and crimson. These make a good and useful carpet and will wear well. Size 3x3 yards. Reg. \$15. Sale price..... **\$12.00**
- 1 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARE, size 3x3 yards, fawn ground. Reg. \$10. Sale price is..... **\$7.50**
- 4 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARES, size 3x3 1/2 yards. Reg. \$9. Sale price..... **\$6.75**
- 8 ONLY TAPESTRY CARPET SQUARES, size 3x3 1/2 yards. Reg. \$11. Sale price..... **\$8.75**

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A masquerade dance will be held in Colwood hall on Wednesday, February 2nd. Gents \$1, ladies free.

A meeting of the Senior Anti-Tuberculosis Society will be held in the parlors of the Balmoral at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, February 2nd.

At the home of Mrs. Norman, Hillside avenue, the Women's Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid Society of First Presbyterian church will meet at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

In the police court this morning a woman, who at times gives trouble to her husband and also to the police, was put under the highest bail, having been taken in an intoxicated condition. Two other drunks were fined and a third forfeited his bail.

There will be a new series of moving pictures at the Victoria theatre tonight, showing some new and very interesting films. These will be repeated to-morrow evening, and as is the case with all the picture shows at the Victoria, will be well worth seeing.

The Berean Bible class and the Spring Ridge Epworth League will hold a vocal and instrumental concert on Wednesday, February 2nd, in the Spring Ridge Methodist school room. Ploewright's orchestra has been secured for the evening. Several well known local singers will also take part.

The Emmanuel P. Y. P. U. held a very successful meeting last evening. Frisler John Stevenson read an account of St. George and the Dragon, and dealt with the modern dragon of today, that of drink. R. S. Clements also read a paper on "How to Keep the Young Men in the Church," which was very much enjoyed.

R. Van Munster, M. A., left last evening with Mr. Van Munster for Vancouver, where they are to reside. Mr. Van Munster is a native of Holland. He came to Canada about six years ago, and before coming to Victoria resided in Winnipeg, where he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Manitoba University. For two years he has been teaching in the public schools here with good success, first in the South Ward school and afterwards in the Central school. He was a charter member of First Presbyterian Church Club, and also a prominent member of the Y. M. C. A. Debating Society. He was nominated as one of the candidates for parliamentary honors at the last provincial election. He recently accepted the appointment of lecturer on mathematics at Westminster hall, the British Columbia Presbyterian college at present at Vancouver. His intention is to study theology with a view to entering the ministry of the Presbyterian church in Canada. By Mr. Van Munster's removal to Vancouver, Victoria loses a man of ability in educational matters, and the school board a good teacher.

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MISSIONARY'S WIFE DIES IN CHINA

She Was One of the Party Which Left Here Last Fall

Word has just been received in this city of the death of Mrs. J. L. Stewart, the wife of one of the Methodist missionaries who went to China a few months ago. In company with her husband and a considerable number of other missionaries, Mrs. Stewart left Victoria October 27th. The party was bound for the headquarters of the Methodist missionary labors in that country, Chentu. The death occurred on the way up the Yangtze river, at a point called Chung King. In January, the exact date of her death has not been learned. Chung King is about 1,000 miles from the destination of the party.

The late Mrs. Stewart came from London, Ont. Her maiden name was Dinkin, and she was married in the city of London on September 2nd, just prior to starting on the way to China.

All members of Baxter Hive, Ladies of the Macabees, are invited to attend a meeting to be held to-night at 8 o'clock at Semple's hall, Victoria West.

Evangelistic services are being conducted nightly in the old post office block, Government street, by Mr. G. O. Bennett, of Vancouver. These meetings are entirely undenominational, and have for their object the revival and upbuilding of Christian people. A very cordial invitation is extended to all.

Miss Regina Waxstock, who took part in the amateur singing contest, and won several prizes, sang at the K. of P. hall Sunday night for the English Lutheran congregation, and was much appreciated by those who heard her. She is improving continually, and will no doubt develop to be a splendid singer.

The regular meeting of the Young Woman's Club of the Metropolitan Methodist church will be held on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the schoolroom of the church, G. Jennings Burnett will give an address on "Benediction, the Man and His Music." He will be assisted by several of his pupils who will render selections from the composer's works. The public is cordially invited to attend. A collection will be taken at the close.

There will be a special general meeting of the board of trade on Tuesday next, when it is hoped that there will be a large attendance. The purpose of the meeting is that of considering the instructions to the delegates from the board that will visit Ottawa in connection with harbor improvement and other questions affecting the city's interests with which representations can be made. For this reason it is very essential that the attendance will be as large as possible.

The funeral of the late John James Walsh took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, John street, where Rev. A. N. Miller conducted an impressive service, giving words of comfort to the bereaved family. The hymns "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and "Rock of Ages" were sung. There was a large attendance of the Orange lodge and A. O. P. attended in a body and conducted the last rites of their orders at the graveside. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The following acted as pallbearers: W. J. Clarke, George Grimmond and J. Brindley, representing the Orangemen, and S. P. McIntosh, R. Carter, and James Peag, of the A. O. P.

EVANGELISTIC MISSION CLOSED

GALE AND COLLISON LEFT LAST NIGHT

Leader of Campaign Objected to Any Personal References

The Gale-Collison evangelistic mission concluded last evening with a crowded gathering in the Metropolitan church. Four services in all were held during the day, but the final gathering proved the most remarkable of all. There was a morning service, a meeting with the city clergy in the afternoon, a later public gathering in the afternoon, an instructional class shortly after seven, and the final rally at eight.

Mr. Collison, whose voice on Sunday showed the effects of too great demands upon it, was in splendid form, and led the singing in a masterly way. He contributed as well a couple of solos in the exquisite manner which has endeared him to so many in the city. Later he thanked the choir, leaders and organizers of the First Presbyterian and Metropolitan churches for their loyal support, while his associate acknowledged the co-operation of the pastors and people of both churches.

Mr. Gale made a strong appeal for the Y. M. C. A. work in this city, and speaking with the knowledge which years of active secretarial work in the organization gave him, he spoke in the highest terms of the conscientious and untiring work of General Secretary Braze. The applause which greeted his remarks showed how fully they were endorsed.

Mr. Gale's final address was a talk to the new converts in the form of definite instruction, and his last appeal for decision brought scores of people to their feet.

Both Dr. Campbell and Mr. Holtz attempted to express their appreciation of the excellent work done by the visitors, but were only partially successful, as Mr. Gale strongly deprecated the introduction of the personal element.

The evangelists left last night for Calgary. They were given an enthusiastic invitation to return when opportunity offers.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Tiedeman, wife of Tudor J. A. Tiedeman, in San Francisco yesterday. Mr. Tiedeman is one of Victoria's native sons, but is now living in San Francisco, where he is manager of the Michigan Commercial Insurance Co. He is well known here, and he still pays visits to the city. Mrs. Tiedeman, it is understood, was also born here, and they still have many friends in this city.

A meeting of Victoria branch of the Imperial British Bazaar Association will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the A. O. P. hall. All friends are invited to attend.

DEFENDS SALT WATER HYDRANT

ENGINEER WHO DID WORK MAKES EXPLANATION

Some Minor Matters Before the City Council Last Evening

By courtesy of the city council, R. F. Lawrence, a former employee of the city engineer's department, was allowed, at the meeting last evening, to explain the condition of the hydrants of the salt water system and answer the criticisms which had been made in the press. He had inspected the hydrants before they were placed in position and afterwards, and they were found to be in perfect condition. After the fresh water had been turned in, however, it was found that in two cases the centre spindles had been wrenched and in eleven other cases the side gates had been wrenched. On Wharf street the side gates had been removed from a hydrant and a lot of concrete poured in.

Fire Chief Davis, who was also present at the meeting, declared that he had made an inspection of the hydrants and his report contained all the information he had to impart. He had never given any statement to the press relative to the condition of the system. The hydrants, all drained into pockets or pits, but the trouble was that some of these pockets would drain and others would not.

A. H. MacNeill, K. C., of Vancouver, solicitor for the Victoria Terminal Railway Company, whose company had received requests from the city solicitor to pay a legal bill of \$500. He wished to again point out that the bill would be paid when the by-law giving effect to the agreement for the use of Blanchard street was passed.

City Solicitor Mann, in reply to this, said that the passing of the by-law had never been made a condition on the payment of the legal charges. The letter from T. M. Brayshaw, regarding his claim for damages because of the delay in the paving of Government street, opposite his premises, was referred to the streets committee.

J. Cook tendered his resignation as assistant poundkeeper, and the same was accepted.

The action of the mayor in appointing Mr. Davis as janitor, succeeding Mr. Creed, was confirmed. The mayor intimated in reply to questions that Mr. Creed would be kept in the employ of the city in the capacity of messenger.

A letter from the poundkeeper advising the redrafting of the by-laws and the improvement of the pound premises was referred to the streets committee and the legislative committee.

A letter from the sanitary inspector, in which that official said that he had inspected the Isolation hospital and found the same in excellent condition, was received and filed.

Petitions from Mr. Justice Martin and others for the pavement of a portion of St. Charles street and W. L. Challenger and several others for a sidewalk at Port street, were referred to the city assessor for report. The petitioners asked that the Warwick system of asphalt be utilized.

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MISSIONARY'S WIFE DIES IN CHINA

She Was One of the Party Which Left Here Last Fall

Word has just been received in this city of the death of Mrs. J. L. Stewart, the wife of one of the Methodist missionaries who went to China a few months ago. In company with her husband and a considerable number of other missionaries, Mrs. Stewart left Victoria October 27th. The party was bound for the headquarters of the Methodist missionary labors in that country, Chentu. The death occurred on the way up the Yangtze river, at a point called Chung King. In January, the exact date of her death has not been learned. Chung King is about 1,000 miles from the destination of the party.

The late Mrs. Stewart came from London, Ont. Her maiden name was Dinkin, and she was married in the city of London on September 2nd, just prior to starting on the way to China.

All members of Baxter Hive, Ladies of the Macabees, are invited to attend a meeting to be held to-night at 8 o'clock at Semple's hall, Victoria West.

Evangelistic services are being conducted nightly in the old post office block, Government street, by Mr. G. O. Bennett, of Vancouver. These meetings are entirely undenominational, and have for their object the revival and upbuilding of Christian people. A very cordial invitation is extended to all.

Miss Regina Waxstock, who took part in the amateur singing contest, and won several prizes, sang at the K. of P. hall Sunday night for the English Lutheran congregation, and was much appreciated by those who heard her. She is improving continually, and will no doubt develop to be a splendid singer.

The regular meeting of the Young Woman's Club of the Metropolitan Methodist church will be held on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the schoolroom of the church, G. Jennings Burnett will give an address on "Benediction, the Man and His Music." He will be assisted by several of his pupils who will render selections from the composer's works. The public is cordially invited to attend. A collection will be taken at the close.

There will be a special general meeting of the board of trade on Tuesday next, when it is hoped that there will be a large attendance. The purpose of the meeting is that of considering the instructions to the delegates from the board that will visit Ottawa in connection with harbor improvement and other questions affecting the city's interests with which representations can be made. For this reason it is very essential that the attendance will be as large as possible.

The funeral of the late John James Walsh took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, John street, where Rev. A. N. Miller conducted an impressive service, giving words of comfort to the bereaved family. The hymns "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and "Rock of Ages" were sung. There was a large attendance of the Orange lodge and A. O. P. attended in a body and conducted the last rites of their orders at the graveside. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The following acted as pallbearers: W. J. Clarke, George Grimmond and J. Brindley, representing the Orangemen, and S. P. McIntosh, R. Carter, and James Peag, of the A. O. P.

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 1-3, a. f.—The high pressure area has largely developed both in extent and intensity and is spreading inland through this province into Alberta, and bright cold weather is general. Heavy rains fell yesterday in the Pacific states and light snow in Eastern Oregon and on the west coast of British Columbia. East of the Rockies snow is falling in Southern Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly winds, fair and cold to-day and Wednesday.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, fair and cold to-day and Wednesday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, 28; minimum, 27; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, 24; minimum, 24; wind, 12 miles S. W.; snow, .02; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 4 below; minimum, 4 below; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.29; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 5 miles N. W.; rain, .02; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 8; minimum, 8; wind, 3 miles S. W.; snow, .30; weather, clear.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.36; temperature, 26; minimum, 26; wind, 22 miles N.; weather, cloudy.

The death occurred yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital, of Seth Cooper, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cooper. The funeral took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Victoria undertaking parlors. Interment was made in Ross Bay cemetery.

The regular monthly meeting of the Friendly Help Society was held this morning. The report given showed that about the usual number of cases were assisted during the month. The following list of donations were gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Gould, cash; Mrs. E. C. Sangster, cash; A. Friend, cash; Mrs. Cooper, cash; collected, Mrs. Beaver, \$1.50; Miss Lawson, 50 cents; Miss Keast, clothing; Mrs. A. W. Esnouf, stockings; Mrs. Topp, clothing; Mrs. J. Fraser, clothing; Mr. Virtue, crockery.

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VICTORIA SCENE OF COCK FIGHT

GAME BIRDS BATTLE BEFORE SPECTATORS

Forty Feathered Gladiators Killed—Large Sums Wagered

That a cock fight took place here in Victoria in which forty birds were killed, and of one event of which \$500 was bet, is the information that has leaked out and which, it is said, has been bothering the police, who were notified secretly after the event had been pulled off.

The event took place Saturday week during the afternoon and evening and report also says it was continued on the Sunday. The affair was kept absolutely secret, and the knowledge did not reach police headquarters until after the birds had struggled in the cock-pit and forty had been killed. A search for those who took part in it has proved futile, although the cock-pit is said to have been discovered outside the city limits on the Burnside road.

The cock fight was apparently the biggest ever pulled off in Canada, and some of the birds fought from 8 till 10 o'clock. Although the names of those who were present are not mentioned, it is rumored that several members of the provincial parliament were at the sport.

Within a few miles of Victoria a regular cock-pit had been constructed, a temporary affair with tiers of seats surrounding it.

The owners of the birds were active in making wagers on the different events, and much money changed hands. One of the feature events, on which the owners of the birds had up \$500 each, resulted in the loser sustaining a broken leg. The owner, as soon as his bird was defeated through its leg being broken, destroyed it. The main cock-pit took place on the Saturday night, when the birds fought from 8 till 10 o'clock. Although the names of those who were present are not mentioned, it is rumored that several members of the provincial parliament were at the sport.

DAILY MAIL EMPIRE DAY RIFLE CONTEST

Prize List and Conditions of the Competition Are Issued

The Daily Mail Empire-Day rifle contest will take place this year on May 24th, and in special cases the clubs will be allowed to shoot on May 21st or 22nd.

The competition was commenced in 1906 when three teams entered. In 1907 there were seventeen, in 1908 there were 212 and in 1909 154 teams were entered.

For this year the prizes are as follows: The Daily Mail Two-Hundred-Guinea Cup to go to the club which makes the best score in the whole Empire. This cup to be held for one year only, unless, of course, the same club should win it two or more years running.

A Fifty-Guinea Cup to be won outright by the rifle club which makes the best score in the United Kingdom.

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These two cups will be won outright and will remain the property of the club which wins them.

Silver medals will be presented to the members of the four teams making the highest scores in the United Kingdom. Silver medals will also be presented to the members of the four teams making the highest scores in any part of the Empire outside the United Kingdom.

A massive silver spoon, similar to those awarded by the National Rifle Association, will be presented to the members of the most successful team in every section of the British Empire from which 12 or more entries have been received.

Below will be found the conditions governing the contest of 1910, and entries should be forwarded without delay to the editor of the over-seas Daily Mail, Carmelite House, London, England.

Range—200, 500 and 600 yards. Rounds—One sighting shot at each range (not to count), and the seven succeeding shots.

Position—Bleary position: standing, kneeling or prone. Rifle—Any 203 service rifle. Ammunition—Any.

Sights—Any, non-telescopic. Team—Eight highest scores on day of match to count as team. Any number of men from one unit may shoot.

The second and third-class targets to be circular. The dimensions will be the same as in 1909, viz: Bullseye—Second class, 500 and 600 yards, 20-in. diameter; third class, 200 yards, 6-in. diameter; scoring, 5 marks.

Inner—Second class, 500 and 600 yards, 32-in. diameter; third class, 200 yards, 15-in. diameter; scoring, 4 marks. The whole of the inner of the 200 yards target is to be white.

Maggie—Second class, 500 and 600 yards, 48-in. diameter; third class, 200 yards, 24-in. diameter; scoring, 2 marks.

Outer—Second class 500 and 600 yards, remainder of target 6-ft. in diameter; third class, 200 yards, remainder of target 4-ft. in diameter; scoring, 2 marks.

If targets are on square frames they must be neutralized to have the appearance at the fire point of being circular. No member can shoot for more than one club. The match to be shot under the direction of an independent range officer (who is not a member of the com-

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Local Winners Who Will Contest at the Indoor Meet

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This is as fast a sextette of runners as there is in Victoria and it is expected that they will bring back many prizes, as the events in which the athletes have entered are very suitable to them. When local runners have on other occasions visited Vancouver, they have met with remarkable success and they are looked upon to make a clean sweep this time.

The competition, however, will be keen as athletes from all over the province are going to the Terminal City to try their luck at the game.

The locals are entered in the following events: B. Vais, 50-yard dash, 50-yard hurdles, 220-yard dash and running broad jump.

H. Beasley, junior 50-yard dash, senior 50-yard dash, 800 yards, junior and 400 yards, senior.

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C. Carroll, one mile, senior.

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Charles Baylis, 800 yards, junior.

THE RING.
J. L. HAS DOUBTS.
(Times Leased Wire.)

Boston, Mass., Feb. 1.—The flat announcement that he thought the Jeffries-Johnson fight had been "fixed" was made here to-day by John L. Sullivan.

"I don't think Jeffries and Johnson are on the level about this fight," declared the odd-time champion. "Johnson can win if the bout is on the level." added John L., "but in my opinion the whole matter looks mighty bad. As a matter of fact, I don't think that Jeffries could be dragged into the ring with Johnson unless it was arranged so that Johnson would lay down."

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- Carpenters 2nd and 4th Thursday
- Cigarmakers 1st Friday
- Electrical Workers 2nd Friday
- Garment Workers 1st Monday
- Laborers 1st and 3rd Friday
- Leather Workers 4th Thursday
- Laundry Workers 1st and 3rd Tuesday
- Longshoremen Every Monday
- Master Carpenters 4th Wednesday
- Machinists 1st and 3rd Thursday
- Moulders 2nd Wednesday
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- Plumbers 1st and 3rd Tuesday
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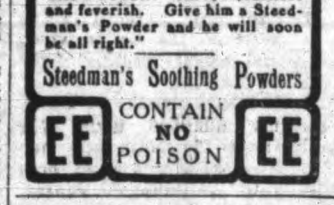
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Notice!

All persons interested in having the proposed British Columbia University established on Vancouver Island, are notified to be present at a meeting called for the purpose of selecting a suitable site for submission to those who will be appointed under the University Act to finally decide the matter.

City Hall, Victoria, on Tuesday, February 1st, at 8 p.m.

John Jardine

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders are invited, both separate and bulk, for all trades, except heating, plumbing and wiring, necessary in the erection and completion of a building for the Young Men's Christian Association, to be erected on the corner of View and Blanchard streets, Victoria.

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ALL THE NEWS—THE TIMES

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CITY COUNCIL TIMOROUS ABOUT PRIVATE BILL

City Solicitor Instructed to Ask For a Stay in the Proceedings

The city solicitor was instructed at last evening's meeting of the city council to ask the private bills committee of the legislature to stay proceedings in connection with the act being brought by the municipality of Oak Bay granting powers to lay water pipes through the city of Victoria.

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way of Oak Bay getting an ample supply of water.

The matter came up at last night's meeting on a letter being read from the city solicitor dealing with the nature of the application now before the legislature, and also a report of the legislative committee of the council. Ald. Marble started the debate by declaring that he protested against the Esquimalt Waterworks Company or the municipality of Oak Bay getting any concessions whatever from the city of Victoria.

Ald. Langley thought it would be unwise to place obstacles in the way of any municipality getting what powers it wished from the legislature if they did not conflict with the rights of the city. It ought not to be forgotten that Oak Bay was a part of greater Victoria. Why could not the two places work hand in hand for their mutual interests? He was opposed to allowing the Esquimalt company to lay pipes through the city unless the work was done under the supervision of the city engineer. If the right was given, Victoria should have entire con-

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trol as to laying, when and how. Every member of the board was agreed, apparently, that they did not want to extend the privilege of putting down pipes through the streets of the city. It was, therefore, necessary for the company or the municipality to get an agreement with the city on the latter's own terms.

The mayor pointed out that if the pipes were laid through the streets of the city they would become a valuable asset, as they could be tapped at any time in case of emergency, either for fire-fighting purposes or for an additional supply of water.

Ald. Humber was against granting the concessions. He pointed out that Oak Bay was getting an ample supply of water now and would never suffer. The mayor remarked that he did not think that any legislature would ever block a company from going through a city to supply water to a municipality which requested it.

ECZEMA



"For three long months I was not able to attend to my own needs; and for three weeks the eczema on my hands was so bad that I was unable to feed myself. I had to be fed as one feeds a baby, because I could not hold knife, fork, spoon or cup."

So says Miss Violet McSorley, of 75 Gore Street, Sault Ste. Marie, in telling how Zam-Buk cured her of eczema. She adds: "Hands, wrists and arms up to the elbows were covered with eczema. The itching and the soreness were nigh unbearable. As the disease developed, the skin actually peeled off, leaving raw sores. The palms, fingers, backs of my hands and wrists were all in this shocking state, and I was forced to sit in agony all the while. The raw sores were soon in a foul condition, and my finger nails, all except two, fell off. During the different stages of my trouble, I sought the advice of three different doctors and received treatment, but although getting slight relief at first, there was no cure. Amputation was at one time thought necessary, but the timely introduction of Zam-Buk prevented this fearful ending."

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FIRST PICTURE POSTALS.

It was in Switzerland that the mania for pictorial postcards first arose, and we well remember the astonishment evoked some dozen years ago at seeing the excitement of a party of Germans on their ascertaining that they could dispatch their, via Italy, a sheet of views of the Matterhorn. If one may judge from the very interesting collection of old Alpine prints now on view at the Alpine Club, Saville Row, our ancestors were also eager to carry away souvenirs of scenes unlike any to which they were accustomed, and of which the terrors and dangers were doubtless not unexaggerated. And so the Swiss, who were among the earliest to exploit colored engravings, provided them with material with a sufficient spice of exaggeration to satisfy those who stayed at home. These they dedicated to the "artists" of the "marvellous of nature," and for them they crowded into a single landscape a dozen Staubachs, and any number of alpenes and glaciers, with artists portraying them and peasants holding festivals beneath them.—London Globe.

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THE BANK OF VANCOUVER

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Subscribers of the Capital Stock of the Bank of Vancouver will be held at the Board of Trade rooms, Melson's Bank Building, 543 Hastings St., W., Vancouver, B. C., on Tuesday, the first day of March, 1910, at 10 o'clock a.m.
The business of the meeting will be to determine the day on which the annual general meeting of the Bank will be held.
To elect such number of Directors, duly qualified under the Bank Act, as the Subscribers may think necessary, who shall hold office until the annual general meeting of the year next succeeding their election.
To fix the qualification of the Directors subject to the provisions of the Bank Act.
To fix the method of filling vacancies in the Board of Directors, whenever the same may occur in each year.
To fix the time and proceedings for the election of the Directors, in case of any failure of any election on the day appointed for it.
To prescribe the record to be kept of proxies and the time not exceeding 30 days, within which proxies must be produced and recorded prior to any subsequent meeting, in order to enable the holder to vote thereat.
And to regulate such matters as by By-Law the Shareholders may regulate pursuant to terms of Sec. 18 of the Bank Act.
A. L. DEWAR,
Secretary of the Provincial Board of Directors.

NOTICE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE FREDERICK GILLES, LATE OF SHAWNIGAN LAKE, B.C., DECEASED.
Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claim against the said deceased are required to send the same, duly certified, to the undersigned, solicitors for Wm. B. Hall, executor of the will of said deceased, on or before the 28th day of February, 1910, and the said executor will not be liable for the assets to any persons of whose claim he shall not then have received notice.
CREASE & CREASE,
11 Port St., Victoria, Solicitors for the said Executor.

Provincial Exhibition General Meeting

A general meeting of Members and Advisory Board will be held in the City Hall, Victoria, on Wednesday, February 2nd, 1910, at 8 p.m.
The meeting will be opened to the public, and it is hoped that all citizens interested in the Exhibition will be present.
J. E. SMART,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co.

CLEARED LANDS
The cleared lots at Qualicum Beach, Newcastle District are now on the market in tracts of from thirty to forty acres.
For plans and prices apply to L. E. SULLY, Land Agent, Victoria, or L. E. ALLEN, Local Agent, Parksville.

BLAMES STATES FOR OVERTHROW

EX-PRESIDENT ZELAYA SAYS HE WAS TRICKED

Declares Influences at Washington Are Aiding Nicaraguan Rebels

(Times Leased Wire.)
Mexico City, Feb. 1.—In a statement given to a personal friend for publication after his departure from this city, Jose Santos Zelaya, former president of Nicaragua, who left last night en route to Belgium, made the startling statement that he was tricked by the United States into giving the revolutionists an advantage during the early stage of the insurrection. He said: "Our army had defeated the revolutionists on the San Juan river and was marching on Bluefields. The revolt would have ended in a week, when suddenly the United States asked us to declare a truce, while peace terms could be discussed. The truce was declared and before operations were resumed the insurgents received a large shipment of arms and ammunition from the United States."
"After that followed the battle of the Rama, in which the government army was defeated. We were tricked and played like figures in a game of chess by the powerful influences at Washington until the advantage was given over to the other side, just as Washington had planned."
"The American government is still determined that the insurgents shall win, but its pretence of neutrality, while arms and men come down on every boat from the United States, prevents an open avowal and the saving of thousands of innocent lives."
Zelaya declared that the execution of Groce and Cannon was a "mere incident."
"The United States had previously decided that I should be overthrown," he said. "Sparing the lives of Groce and Cannon would not have altered the plan at Washington. The policy of overthrowing my government was planned before Groce and Cannon had been heard of as a factor in the situation."
As a parting shot, Zelaya predicted that in the future Nicaragua would probably be ruled by large American corporations, "which seek monopolies in that country."

What Other People Think

THE PREMIER'S PROMISE.
To the Editor:—In this morning's Colonist we see in large print, Reduction of Taxation, Redeeming the Premier's Promise, etc.
It puts one in mind of a picture in Bony's "Pierian Progress," where the devil is trying to put out a fire by pouring on water. The scientist only understood why the fire did not go out when he went behind the scenes and saw that an unseen stream of oil was kept running into the fire.
The taxpayer cannot understand why his taxes are not reduced when he sees those large headings to that effect. It is only when he goes behind the scenes, as it were, and sees such a bill as that introduced by the Minister of Education, that he understands the show. In the "School Health Inspection Act" the legislature is asked to give the provincial board of health the power, by Sec. 2, to appoint an unlimited number of health inspectors; and by Sec. 4, that these inspectors may be Tom, Dick or Harry. The board of health at its own sweet will may fix the salaries of the fees of those Tom, Dick or Harrys at any figure it pleases; and by the same section the school district—a rural one at that—must pay the piper. Comment is unnecessary.
J. N. MUIR,
Feb. 1st, 1910.

SUNDAY CONCERTS.

To the Editor:—I feel constrained to enter as forcible a protest as I can against the misleading letter published in Sunday's Colonist and signed W. C. Wombles.
It seems incredible that a man in the position of the bishop should write such a letter when he must know that the Royal Albert hall, erected to the memory of Prince Albert the Great, is thrown open to the public every Sunday afternoon, where they can enjoy a high-class concert and listen to the music of the magnificent band of the Royal Artillery.
He must also know, because it is advertised in all the London newspapers, that under the auspices of the Sunday Society, founded by that excellent citizen and erstwhile Lord Mayor of London, Sir William Treloar, Bart., a large number of theatre and music halls in and around London have for many years been opened to the public on Sundays for excellent concerts, and that the bands of His Majesty's Guards and other regiments take part in them.
ARTHUR J. LEARY,
P. S.—I sent this letter to the editor of the Colonist, but that peculiar person is busy fogging out "Decorum" and "The Amusement of Life."
Victoria, Feb. 1st, 1910.

WATERWORKS.

To the Editor:—In looking over the water commissioner's report for 1909, which appeared in the Colonist of the 19th January, one is struck by the ingenious manner in which it is attempted to show that it would be cheaper to pay in advance and sinking fund on \$1,500,000 than to purchase from the Esquimalt Co. North Dairy pumping station... \$12,280 10
Yates street pumping station... 5,151 41
\$17,431 51
so that the cost will be less than \$29,000.
To avoid any quibbling, take the cost at six cents, the present average charge appears to be about fifteen, a fair allowance for maintenance, etc.
Suppose we raise \$1,500,000, we have to pay the interest and sinking fund upon that amount, and this does not relieve the city from paying in addition \$125,000 to \$150,000 a year for the use of the water. The commissioner does not suggest any

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(SPECIAL ACT OF PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE, 1907.)

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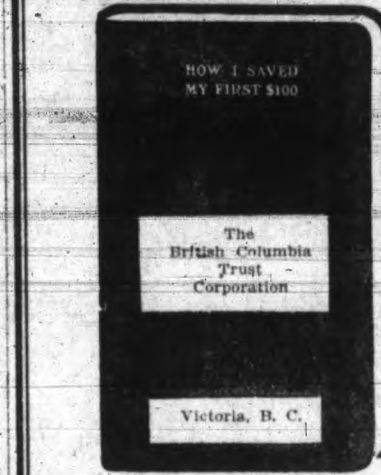
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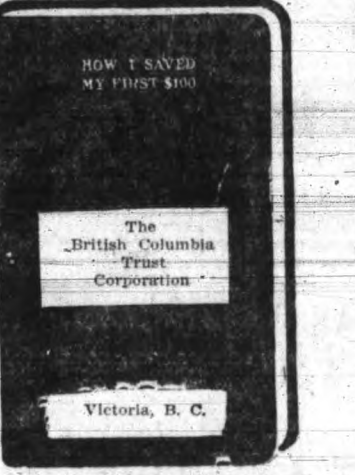
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Representatives of the B. C. Trust Corporation are now soliciting savings deposits throughout the city and suburban territory, and we feel confident that they will be welcomed by all thrifty people who are desirous of having a savings account and wish to learn the easiest and surest way to save money. These solicitors will give full explanation of how to open up an account with us—how to save systematically with a Pocket Bank—and how deposits can be made regularly at our institution.
If by any circumstance one of our representatives does not visit you, call or write to our offices for this information and a pocket savings bank. All our patrons, no matter how small or large their accounts may be, will be accorded the same courteous treatment.

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steps which should be taken to obtain an immediate supply.
The Goldstream can furnish a supply for from 25,000 to 150,000 people, and it is ridiculous to pass a supply-at-our-doors which can be obtained at short notice to wander aimlessly. That the Goldstream supply should be reserved for the use of this city and its environs goes without saying, and there is but little doubt that the government could be easily induced to make the necessary steps to that end, in the meantime an ample supply can be obtained from Goldstream for several years to come, and when that supply shows indications of becoming inadequate this city will have so far advanced in wealth and population that to take possession of and utilize its further resources will be a comparatively simple task.
I have no wish to pose as a pessimist, but if the statement that we are drawing more from Elk lake than flows into it is correct, we must not be surprised if we meet with a shortage of water and its accompanying evils next summer.
EDWARD MOHRN,
Victoria, January 31st, 1910.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

To the Editor:—It is proposed to send a delegation from the Board of Trade to Ottawa to urge the inclusion in the estimates of the present session a sum of money to be expended immediately upon the widening of the harbor by the removal of the rocks and other material lying off the eastern part of the Songessie reserve, and the reclamation of the area immediately to the rear of the proposed improvement. This is an integral portion of the scheme already laid before the federal government by the Inner Harbor Association, in 1907, and is being slowly but steadily carried out. Allow me also to state that the proposed improvements to the inner harbor have hitherto met with no support from the Board of Trade, and that the harbor committee of the board actually opposed this suggestion last year, and proposed carrying out coal bunkers over this area and thus destroying this very idea of widening the harbor in its approach to the railway bridge. As secretary to the Inner Harbor Association, I beg to assure the Board of Trade that Messrs. Templeman and Barnard are kept fully informed of all matters pertaining to the improvement of the harbor, and any expression of public opinion thereon. I may further assure the Board of Trade that these gentlemen are fully alive to all the commercial wants of their constituents, and have at all times given their readiest and best assistance in the advancement of those interests; and further that the Minister of Public Works has given a willing and favorable ear to their representations. This association was formed in 1907 for this very purpose, and has every reason to be well satisfied with the work so far accomplished.
Had the Board of Trade supported us before, instead of holding aloof, possibly more might have been accomplished, though I doubt it. But the present action of the Board of Trade, by ignoring the work we have done, and are doing, will in no way help the matter, and shows a petty spirit that is hardly commendable. If the Board of Trade are in earnest in their support of the improvement of the inner harbor, let them pass some suitable resolution endorsing our action, and send it to us for presentation, or send it direct



OLGA NETHERSOLE, WHO WILL BE AT VICTORIA THEATRE ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

to the government. Their present proposition can only lead the government to doubt the bona fides of the city of Victoria and regard it as a city of "catals" and a negligible quantity. United we stand, divided we may fall.
THOS. C. SORBY,
January 31st, 1910.

MOTERING DISTANCES.

The following shows the distances from Victoria of different points on Vancouver Island:

	Miles
Alberni	133
Cowichan	25
Comox	25
Strathcona	25
Duncan	25
Goldstream	25
Ladysmith	25
Nanaimo	73
Swains Bay	27

DISASTER FOLLOWS EGYPTIAN COFFIN LID

Accident Comes in Many Shapes to Those Who Handle It.

Superstitious persons will find secret satisfaction in the latest chapter—now to be told—of the story of misadventure and death that is associated with the curious Egyptian coffin lid, number 22-542, which stands in a corner of the First Egyptian room of the British museum.
A scientist who laughed at the superstition committed suicide recently, and an engineer who joined in his meretricious met with a serious accident.
The coffin lid, with its painted portrait, was bought by an Englishman at Thebes, from an Arab who found it in the tombs. On the way back to Cairo, a gun exploded, injuring the purchaser's arm so that it had to be amputated.
The coffin lid passed into the possession of another member of the party, who on arriving at Cairo heard that he had lost a large part of his fortune. He died soon afterwards.
A third member of the party died in poverty.
A fourth member of the party was shot.
The coffin lid was given to a lady in London. All kinds of misfortunes overtook her family, who suffered large financial losses.
A theosophist visited the house on one occasion, became very disturbed on entering and declared that there was something with a malign influence in the house. On finding the coffin lid she begged her hostess to get rid of it.
The coffin lid was sent to a photographer to be photographed. The photographer was startled to find that the photograph he produced showed what seemed to be the living face of a woman with a malevolent expression, instead of the cold staring face painted on the coffin lid. The photographer died mysteriously soon afterwards.
The owner agreed to get rid of the coffin lid and sent it to the British museum. The carrier who took it there died within a week.
Such was the story of the painted face of the priestess of Amen-Ra as compiled by the late Mr. Fletcher Robinson. Mr. Robinson's death took place a few months afterwards.
For five years since the publication of the story the painted form of the Egyptian priestess has stood in the corner of the first Egyptian room,

ANCIENT THEATRES.

The word theatre is of Greek origin, meaning a place for seeing. The invention of a building especially devised for dramatic representations was due to the Athenians. The first representations were given by the Greeks at the Dionysiac festivals, and were held on temporary wooden platforms. An accident occurring at one of these affairs in the year 500 B. C., induced the Athenians to begin the construction of a permanent building.
The first Greek theatre was completed in 449 B. C., although it is recorded that many towns in Asia Minor had built permanent theatres long before this. In ancient Sparta the theatres were used for assemblies of the people and dancers. The Greeks built their theatres on the slopes of a hill, but the Romans, who began the construction of theatres 100 B. C., built theirs on a level site.
The superstitious view is entertained by some of the museum attendants, who avoid the priestess' corner as if it were infected with the plague. Possibly this is partly due to the circumstance that since the priestess was installed in the museum two of the attendants in the first Egyptian room have died.
Another curious story has now to be told.
Not long ago two men discussed the story of the painted face and its reputed mysterious power. One of these men was a scientist of repute and the other was an engineer of position in London.
As a result of their discussion they went to the museum, inspected the cold, staring face on the coffin lid, and laughed then and there at the notion that there could be any evil spirit hovering over a cardboard coffin lid.
The scientist was shown to have occasionally expressed the view that suicide is an unthinkable and unpardonable crime. Some time after visiting the museum he committed suicide by taking a rare poison.
About the same time his friend, the engineer, had an unaccountable fall, which dislocated his shoulder and caused internal injuries. He refuses now to talk about the priestess of Amen-Ra.
There are some persons at the museum who would feel relieved if the priestess' coffin lid were quietly wrapped up, sent back to Thebes, and restored, if possible, to the tomb where the remains of the uncovered mummy may possibly still be lying.

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second act with the very capable leading lady, Miss Janet Dunbar, was a delicious bit of comedy, into the midst of which came the verification of my Barlow's of his daughter's identity. In the succeeding scene with the destroyer of his happiness, well played by Cesar Eagle, Mr. Warfield was restrained, but highly effective. An excellent piece of character work was that of Miss Marie Bates, as Miss Houston the landlady of the boarding-house where the music master lives. Her prototype can be found in any New England sitting. The balance of the supporting company were good.

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE OIL BELT

H. H. Blood Wires of Flowing Well Adjoining Locally-Owned Property
The following telegram was received at the office of the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Ltd., this morning:
"San Francisco, Jan. 31st.
The California-Midway well on section 32, adjoining our land on the northwest, came in yesterday flowing over top of derrick. During the day this doubled the value of our property. Will report later.
"(Signed) H. H. BLOOD."
This is the most important news received yet in connection with the affairs of this corporation. This stock is held in Vancouver Island and the Mainland, and has been selling for 25c per share, but advances to 50c to-morrow.

CHANCE FOR INVESTORS.

B. C. Trust Corporation is Doing Business in Victoria Now
The B. C. Trust Corporation is now prepared to do business in this city. Richard Hall, who is one of the directors, acting as agent in Victoria. The company is a British Columbia one with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000. F. S. Barnard of this city is chairman of the directors, while Hon. F. Carter is another resident director. The company will conduct a savings department. Representatives of the Trust Corporation are now soliciting savings deposits in the city. The company offer splendid inducements for small depositors as well as large investors.

DARING ROBBERY.

Thieves Wheeled the Stolen Burden Past a Policeman.
A daring robbery of a safe has been carried out at a dairyman's shop in Islington, London, kept by Evla Evans. Mr. Evans left the shop about 8 o'clock to go for a walk. Immediately afterwards some boys who were playing in the crescent saw half a dozen men, coming from different directions, assemble at the dairy. One of the men had a barrow. Two of the men entered by the side door, which, presumably, they opened with a duplicate key. One of the men reappeared a few minutes later, and then with three of the others re-entered, the sixth remaining in the street beside the barrow. The boys in the street presently saw the five emerge from the side door carrying a heavy object covered with a mackintosh. The burden was placed on the barrow and the company moved off, two proceeding down an adjoining road with the barrow and the others dispersing in different directions. A little way down the road the men with the barrow walked coolly past a policeman who apparently mistook them for costermongers. The thieves had apparently expected to find the whole of the holiday taken in the safe, but only a very small sum had been left in it.

Victoria Stock Exchange

Table listing various stocks such as American Canadian Oil, B. C. Amalgamated Coal, B. C. Permanent Loan, etc.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Table listing New York stocks including Amalgamated Copper, American Sugar, American Cotton Oil, etc.

Vancouver Stock Exchange

Table listing Vancouver stocks including Alberta Canadian Oil, Alberta Coal & Coke, International Coal & Coke, etc.

COBALT STOCKS

Table listing Cobalt stocks including Wheat, Corn, Oats, etc.

LOCAL MARKETS

Table listing local market prices for items like Fruit's Coal Oil, Bacon, Hams, Pork, Mutton, etc.

WHOLESALE MARKETS

Table listing wholesale market prices for items like Lemons, Raisins, Apples, etc.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Table listing Montreal stocks including Bell Telephone, Detroit United Ry, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON

Table listing New York cotton prices for various grades and types.

On the Half Mile

If you are familiar with the values of Victoria real estate within the half mile radius and aware of the pressing demand there is at present for such property, you will need no argument to convince you of the exceptional nature of the offerings that follow. If you are not familiar with the market conditions as they affect this neighborhood, better step in and inquire.

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AN ELEPHANT HUNT IN INDIA

Exciting Scenes at KEDDAH OPERATIONS
Arrangements Made in Honor of the Viceroy, Lord Minto

In connection with the visit of Lord Minto, Viceroy of India, to Mysore, the Times of India contains the following description of an elephant hunt:
The periodical keddah operations in the Mysore elephant jungles afford a spectacle brimful of excitement; nowhere in the world can they be witnessed except in India and here only in Mysore and in the extreme eastern provinces. Taking place about once in three years, they are generally made up of the presence of some other distinguished guest and most elaborate arrangements were undertaken on the present occasion in honor of Lord Minto. The jungles where the keddah takes place are forty miles from Mysore and thither a numerous party of the barcade and the game audited together and strove to hide their frightened eyes from the light and glare of the sun. The keddah was one large but not fully grown tusker and one huge female; the remaining eleven were mostly a size or two smaller and three were almost babies, one of these standing no higher than a donkey and appearing to have but little chance of surviving the grinding crush. The great beasts packed themselves together exactly like a Rugby football scrum. At one moment with their heads to the centre they would be shoving against each other and wheeling about in the centre of the scrum; at another the leaders would apply their heads to a portion of the barriers and the remainder pushing behind the whole pack would throw their weight against the timbers in a vain effort to force a passage. The behavior of these elephants was extraordinarily in variance with the usual habits of the animals which we associate with those trained to the service of man. A few angry bulls with their trunks would have demolished the stockade, but the notion of such a thing never occurred to the captives. Most pathetic were the struggles of the little ones to keep under the protection of their mothers and their onlookers; it was a constant source of wonder to see them emerge from the centre of the heaviest apparently unhurt. It is said that even the smallest baby among the elephants never gets crushed to death in the keddah. The big beast instinctively protect them and the little fellows find safety by sheltering under their mothers huge bodies. The signs of affection between the mothers and their young are a touching sight. It is related that at a large keddah in the jungle near here, where a drive was made a few days ago, a huge elephant found herself inside the stockade with her calf off-spring. With a scream she rushed out of the gateway again and finding the little one lost, it being the enclosure in front of her, thinking that she had conveyed it to a place of safety, she added their mother's and her own cries and their mothers then treat them with cruel violence, striving to drive them away into the jungles so that they may escape their own cruel fate.

down the river to prevent the victims breaking away, but their services were hardly needed. The herd passed in mid-stream for a copious draught and then continued their direct course across the ford. Many a time before they must have crossed here and their lumbering, careless movements showed that even now no sense of being driven was in their minds. This is an essential feature of a keddah drive. The herd moves forward, because the vile noises of human-kind disgust them. They flee away from man in search of peace. Once let the herd know they are being hunted and they turn on their hunters without more ado, and the most diabolical combination of shouting and fireworks will not prevent their breaking back through the beaters.

Inside the Corral.
Issuing from the ford at their familiar landing place, the elephants at once entered the wide mouth of a funnel-shaped stockade strongly built with the stems of young trees, with brushwood interlaced to conceal the stratagem from the unwarly animals. A minute later they entered a small, palisaded enclosure at the end of the funnel and a heavy gate immediately fell down and closed the entrance. The elephants were now in a circular stockade of only about forty feet in diameter. There were fourteen of them and as the spectators mounted the platform erected on the outside of the palisade a scene of wild interest met the eye. The poor trapped beasts surged around the enclosure in a pushing, struggling, solid mob. Fires and torches sent a terrifying glare through the apertures of the barcade and the game audited together and strove to hide their frightened eyes from the light and glare of the sun. The keddah was one large but not fully grown tusker and one huge female; the remaining eleven were mostly a size or two smaller and three were almost babies, one of these standing no higher than a donkey and appearing to have but little chance of surviving the grinding crush. The great beasts packed themselves together exactly like a Rugby football scrum. At one moment with their heads to the centre they would be shoving against each other and wheeling about in the centre of the scrum; at another the leaders would apply their heads to a portion of the barriers and the remainder pushing behind the whole pack would throw their weight against the timbers in a vain effort to force a passage. The behavior of these elephants was extraordinarily in variance with the usual habits of the animals which we associate with those trained to the service of man. A few angry bulls with their trunks would have demolished the stockade, but the notion of such a thing never occurred to the captives. Most pathetic were the struggles of the little ones to keep under the protection of their mothers and their onlookers; it was a constant source of wonder to see them emerge from the centre of the heaviest apparently unhurt. It is said that even the smallest baby among the elephants never gets crushed to death in the keddah. The big beast instinctively protect them and the little fellows find safety by sheltering under their mothers huge bodies. The signs of affection between the mothers and their young are a touching sight. It is related that at a large keddah in the jungle near here, where a drive was made a few days ago, a huge elephant found herself inside the stockade with her calf off-spring. With a scream she rushed out of the gateway again and finding the little one lost, it being the enclosure in front of her, thinking that she had conveyed it to a place of safety, she added their mother's and her own cries and their mothers then treat them with cruel violence, striving to drive them away into the jungles so that they may escape their own cruel fate.

Beating the Elephants.
The beat was carried out with marvellous skill. The elephants had been before the beaters for eight days and were brought up gently by a line of something like a thousand men over several miles of country. They were within a mile of the river ford when the Maharajah arrived with his guests to see the crossing. The din of the beaters steadily came near. Enormous trumpets and shrill horns joined their hideous noises, drums and bamboo rattles beat incessantly. Occasionally blank cartridges banged off and now and then the voices of the thousand men joined in with a tremendous yell. Above it all the splitting trumpet note of an angry, driven beast sent the air. As dusk advanced, rockets, crack-revolvers, and drums added their alarms to the barbarous ensemble. Every eye was strained to catch the first glimpse of the approaching herd and what was really only a few minutes of waiting seemed an age. At last a dark clump of elephants emerged from the undergrowth, lumbered into the stream with a tremendous splash, and still crowding in a bunch plodded slowly across. A number of shikar elephants, their mahouts carrying electric and burning flares, were posted up and

JOHN MESTON CARRIAGE MAKER BLACKSMITH ETC. BROAD ST. Between Johnson and Pandora.

the captives preparatory to their removal. There were two methods of procedure. The first was for the bigger animals and consisted of manhandling them to the side of the stockade, so that their hind legs could be lashed to the upright logs. The trained animals pitiously bawled the herd. Pushing, prodding, hurrying their monstrous weight in short charges under the guidance of the mahouts, they kept them continually on the move, so as to single out the larger animals. Mouths are being hunted and they turn on their hunters without more ado, and the most diabolical combination of shouting and fireworks will not prevent their breaking back through the beaters.

An Exciting Incident.
The operations just described consisted of a direct drive with a small enclosure, but this is not the usual process which entails a preliminary drive into a keddah several acres in extent and a subsequent hustling of the animals thence with a smaller stockade for the roping. There are two large enclosures this year and it is estimated that if added to the elephants tied up during the last two days these places contain another sixty or eighty. One batch was beaten up in a most exciting manner. It contained about forty-five elephants and was driven across the jungle for twenty-five miles. The procedure lasted sixteen days and twelve of these times the herd broke back through the beaters when nearly up to the stockade and had to be surrounded afresh. The whole crowd was at last brought up to the defile leading into the keddah when the gate, accidentally fell in front of them. The situation was saved by the presence of mind of one man. Seizing an axe he chopped away some of the ties of the stockade. A small gap opened and the elephants thinking this was a way of escape from the infernal noises of the beaters in their rare, rushed headlong into their prison. A feature of the keddah this year is that it has been organized and carried out entirely under the direction of Mysore officials without the assistance of the superintending officers, whom they have on former occasions invited from Assam and Burma. Only a certain number of expert beaters and ropers have been borrowed from outside the state.

RECORD TRAVEL TO VANCOUVER CHARLOTTE FILLED TO BERTHING CAPACITY

Grand Trunk to Put Prince George on Victoria-Vancouver Run

When the steamer Princess Charlotte left for Vancouver last night, just after midnight, she had every room full and a number of passengers sleeping on the benches in her lounge rooms.

It is stated that the reason for keeping the Charlotte on the run is because of the fact that the Victoria cannot handle the business alone.

Should the Grand Trunk Pacific railway decide not to put their steamers on the triangular run, it is understood that they will run the Prince George between this port and Vancouver.

With the C. P. R. running two steamers between Vancouver and the Grand Trunk line, they should be in a position to handle most of the business that is offered.

As soon as the spring opens the International Steamship Company will put one of their steamers back on the Seattle-Victoria run.

SIX MEN DROWNED

Official Log of Wrecked Harriet G. Comes to Hand

The official log of the Harriet G., which was wrecked in Alaskan waters, has come to hand.

"Sunday, May 16th. Lat. 54-42; Long. 135-12. Lying at anchor, Unimak Islands.

"Monday, 16th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Tuesday, 17th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

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"Tuesday, 24th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Wednesday, 25th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Thursday, 26th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Friday, 27th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Saturday, 28th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Sunday, 29th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Monday, 30th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Tuesday, 31st. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Wednesday, 1st. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Thursday, 2nd. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Friday, 3rd. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Saturday, 4th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Sunday, 5th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Monday, 6th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Tuesday, 7th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Wednesday, 8th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

"Thursday, 9th. Blowing strong west-southwest winds. Ship parted chain and drifting ashore.

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HER PHYSICIAN ADVISED

Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Columbus, Ohio. "I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound during change of life.

Another Woman Helped. Granville, Vt. "I was passing through the change of life and suffering from nervousness and other annoying symptoms.

Women who are passing through this critical period or who are suffering from any of those distressing symptoms should not lose sight of the fact that for thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which is made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills.

DEEP SEA VESSELS ARRIVE AT SEATTLE

Isthmian Used Coal and Oil Alternately as Fuel During Voyage

The deep-sea fleet in Seattle harbor was increased Sunday by the arrival of the American barque Louisiana, French barque Marthe Roux and the American Hawaiian liner Isthmian.

The Marthe Roux is 186 days from Antwerp. Good weather was encountered throughout the voyage until the North Pacific was reached.

The visit of the Isthmian is her second to the Sound. She was built by the Union Iron Works in San Francisco, and after a trip to the Sound and the Hawaiian Islands was taken to the Atlantic.

The Louisiana dropped anchor at Smith Cove about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, after being towed up the Sound by the tug Tyne.

The Isthmian is a 10,000-ton vessel, built in Seattle. She is owned by the Isthmian Steamship Company, which is a subsidiary of the Isthmian S. S. Co.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS

Seattle-Arrived: Steamer Tampico, from San Francisco; steamer Rionda, from Eagle Harbor; steamer Portland, from Valdez. Sailed: Barge St. David, for Port Townsend.

San Francisco-Arrived: German steamer Cleveland, from New York via Hongkong and Honolulu; British sloop of war Albatross, from Esquimalt.

Hamburg-Arrived: German steamer Astoria, from Seattle; San Francisco, from San Francisco.

Antwerp-Sailed: German steamer Elsak, for Puget Sound via San Francisco.

Tacoma-Arrived: Schooner Philadelphia, from San Francisco; Sailed: Steamer Queen, for Everett.

Aberdeen-Sailed: Steamer Norwood, for San Francisco; steamer Grays Harbor, for San Francisco; steamer Shoshone, for San Francisco.

PETRIANA FOR VICTORIA TRADE

WILL PLY FROM HERE TO NORTHERN PORTS

J. Galt, of Northern Steamship Co., Was Here Looking Up Business

John Galt, manager of the newly-formed Northern Steamship Company, and formerly manager of the Union Steamship Co., of Vancouver, was in the city yesterday looking up business for his two new steamers, the Petriana and another vessel which are at present on their way to this coast.

The new steamers, it is proposed, will run to Stewart City, Queen Charlotte Islands and other northern points, calling at all small ports in much the same manner that the steamers of the Boscawen line do at present.

The Petriana is expected to arrive here next week, but as she is suffering from a slight ailment, she may be here any day, as she has not been reported since she left Vigo, where she put in for minor repairs.

When the Petriana was brought to the mouth of the shaft there was a great demand by the throngs surrounding the mine. His condition is critical, but he has an even chance for recovery.

SLACK WATER, ACTIVE PASS, B. C.

Table with columns: Date, H.W. Slack, L.W. Slack. Rows for February 1, 1910.

SHIPPING GUIDE

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Chase & Sanborn's Seal Brand Coffee

Thousands of women buy coffee by the "Seal Brand" trademark.

They know that "Seal Brand" stands for quality—that it goes only with good coffee.

They know that "Seal Brand" Coffee is always the same—whether they buy it in Halifax or Vancouver or anywhere else.

Buy your coffee by the "Seal Brand" trademark and you are certain to get the very best coffee in the world.

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STAMPS WORTH OVER MILLION

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Every year the hobby seems to grow in popularity. Every year, too, the value of rare stamps increases.

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A little while ago the Prince of Wales, who is an enthusiastic collector, paid \$7,250 for one of the 2d. stamps, which are slightly less rare than the 1d. ones.

An idea of the growth of stamp collecting may be gained from the number of books relating to it. Mr. Melville's own library, an incomplete one, contains quite 2,500 books.

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SPECIAL WARRANTS FOR LARGE AMOUNT

During Year Government Spent Close on \$300,000 So Obtained

There were nine special warrants obtained from the lieutenant-governor during the fiscal year by the government according to a statement submitted to the House by the minister of finance.

The total was \$285,500, out of which \$280,724 was spent. One warrant was for \$100,000 for the purchase of lots adjoining the parliament buildings and another for \$15,000 to purchase lots adjoining the government house.

For the expenses of the general election \$25,000 was taken. For the installation of a water system at Prince Rupert a warrant for \$35,000 was obtained, this to be a first charge against the municipality when it is incorporated, and in September a warrant for \$5,000 was obtained for street lighting and fire protection at the northern city.

Other warrants were: \$25,000 to compensate William Hogan, of settlers' rights fame; \$15,000 for renewing electric light system and painting the interior of the buildings; \$7,000 for the Kamloops courthouse and \$75,000 for roads, trails and bridges on the island and mainland.

Two Vancouver railway bills were taken up by the railway committee of the Legislature this morning, but both stuck, one on a question of foreshore rights and the other on the point whether or not the deposit made as a guarantee of construction under a previous bill should be forfeited.

The Port Moody, Indian River & Northern Railway Company are seeking a charter for the construction of a line from Port Moody to the top of the north arm of Burrard Inlet.

Mr. Macdonald declared the scheme was a good, clean-cut one, which interfered with one and developed a fine section of country. There was no interference with the foreshore, and property would be enhanced.

Mr. McGuire (Vancouver) wanted to know how property would be enhanced more than by the boat transportation the people now had.

Mr. Macdonald replied that the people wanted both rail and water transport. Dr. McGuire backed up Mr. Williams, as to the main line authorized the committee should at least know in what direction it was intended to run them, it would be possible to get a charter for a main line one or five or ten miles long, and then have branches built twenty or forty miles long.

Mr. Dockett, one of the foreshore owners, on behalf of himself and others, expressed their willingness and desire to have the company run their line through.

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Stuart Livingston, Vancouver, said the charter was not a dog-in-the-manger one. The Nicola Valley Coal Company desired to build the road in order to protect themselves in the rates of the carriage of the coal, but anyone could have the charter who would build and guarantee their fair rates.

B. C. Coast Service SAILINGS TO Northern B. C. Ports, Queen Charlotte Islands and Alaska

S. S. AMUR-Sails FRIDAY, FEB. 4th, calling at VANCOUVER, Campbell River, Alert Bay, Swanson Bay, Hartley Bay, Claxton, Port Eslington, PRINCE RUPERT, Port Simpson, SETCHIKAN, Juneau, SKAGWAY, and every two weeks thereafter.

S. S. PRINCESS-Sails FRIDAY, FEB. 11th, calling at VANCOUVER, Campbell River, Alert Bay, Swanson Bay, Hartley Bay, Claxton, Port Eslington, PRINCE RUPERT, Port Simpson, SETCHIKAN, Juneau, SKAGWAY, and every two weeks thereafter.

S. S. QUEEN CITY-Sails EVERY THURSDAY AT 11 A. M. from VANCOUVER for Hardy Bay and way ports.

Table with columns: NORTH BOUND, SOUTH BOUND, Time Table NOW IN EFFECT. Rows for various routes and times.

ALBERNI-COMOX ROAD A LONG TIME BUILDING Six Thousand Dollars Spent on it in Five Years With Little Result

Speaking in Alberni Premier McBride has said more than once that what the people want even more urgently than railways is a wagon road between Alberni and Comox.

In order to get some information about the progress made and the government's intentions, H. C. Brewster put the following questions to the Minister of Public Works:

Is it the intention of the government to complete the Alberni-Comox wagon road during 1910? What amounts have been expended on this road to date?

Mr. Taylor replied as follows: "1,905-6, \$300; 1906-7, \$3,389.90; 1907-8, \$623.47; 1908-9, \$228.46; 1909-10, \$75.46—\$5,487.23. So, apparently, the road may yet do service in another general election."

SCHEME TO IMPROVE BRITISH WATERWAYS Commission Reports on a Large Plan for State Canals

A great scheme for the improvement of the inland waterways of England and Wales is outlined in the fourth and final report of the royal commission on the Canals and Inland Navigation of the United Kingdom just published.

The features of the scheme are: Formation of a waterway board for Great Britain. This is described as the "most urgent" recommendation.

The development of the existing system into four main routes, as through lines, connecting the Midlands or Birmingham district with the estuaries of the Thames, Mersey, Severn, and Humber, forming in appearance a rough cross. Cost of improvement, £17,533,910.

"Acquisition of existing canals to carry out the above scheme by state aid. In view of the chaotic canal system, as it exists, the commissioners urge that the only method to secure uniformity and efficiency is to establish a central controlling authority.

It is recommended that a new body, the waterway board, should be called into existence, to consist of three or five commissioners. It is suggested that the members should be paid and devote the whole of their time to the work. Whilst being, in the first place, appointed by parliament, the members should be entirely dissociated from politics, and should issue an annual report.

Advertisement for Grand Trunk Railway System, Chicago, London, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, Portland, Boston.

Advertisement for Canadian-Mexican Line, To and From Mexico, Europe and Eastern Canada, via Tehantepec Route.

Advertisement for White Pass & Yukon Route, TO THE KLONDIKE.

Advertisement for S.S. St. Denis, Will sail for Northern B. C. Ports WEDNESDAY, FEB. 2.

Advertisement for JNO. BARNESLEY, Agt. Phone 1925-534 YATES ST.

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SHIPPING REPORT

(By Dominion Wireless) Tatoosh, Feb. 1, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; wind E, 11 miles; bar., 30.55; temp., 35. Out, steamer 5.19 a.m. in steam schooner 5.19 a.m.

Cape Lazo, Feb. 1, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; calm; bar., 30.45; temp., 35; sea moderate. Point Grey, Feb. 1, 8 a.m.—Clear; bar., 30.45; temp., 35; sea moderate.

Estevan, Feb. 1, 8 a.m.—Clear; bar., 30.50; temp., 35; heavy swell. Eschena, Feb. 1, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; bar., 30.25; temp., 34; heavy swell.

CORONERS AND THEIR POWERS

LIVELY DEBATE IN HOUSE YESTERDAY

Socialists Allege That All Material Evidence is Not Always Taken Down

Legislative Press-Gallery, January 31. Two important taxation measures were introduced today by message from His Honor, a full consideration of these will begin at once. The afternoon session was enlivened by a brisk discussion in committee of the whole on one of the attorney-general's bills, ending with a show of hands on an amendment proposed by the Socialist leader.

Among the petitions presented today was one by H. B. Thornton on behalf of the city of Victoria, which protests against certain of the sections of Oak Bay's bill, and more particularly as to the right Oak Bay seeks to lay its water mains through the city.

The bill to amend the Coroners Act by giving power to have the evidence taken in shorthand where desired, was taken up in committee, H. H. Watson (Vancouver) in the chair.

The member for Nanaimo brought up the point mentioned the other day and moved the inclusion of the following sub-section: "All evidence submitted under oath at any inquest shall be taken down by the official stenographer and included in the report of the evidence."

The attorney-general said he could not accept this amendment. Coroners had to have control of their courts and say what shall be taken down.

Parker Williams considered that what a man ate at breakfast might often govern his conduct of an inquest at which he would preside. One time he would allow all valuable evidence to be taken and another time he would refuse. The matter should be settled by statute.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite was willing to alter the phrasing of his motion to cover material evidence. He instanced cases in which coroners had cut out of the record important evidence brought out by himself or counsel for the minor.

The premier maintained that the act as it is provides for the taking of all evidence at inquests.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite retorted that the act did not say that the coroner should take down all material evidence. As a matter of fact, legal counsel had no standing at inquests. It very often happened that material witnesses, who were on hand at an inquest, had been spirited away or discharged from employment before any civil proceedings came on.

The attorney-general said the whole scope of an inquest was to report to the attorney-general's department upon which could be based an opinion as to whether the criminal law should be put in motion. In some cases too much latitude had been allowed counsel for relatives to place the responsibility on a corporation and for the corporation to try to get out of it.

John Jardine attracted attention to the fact that while heretofore the depositions have always been read over to the witnesses the attorney-general's amendment did away with this, as the transcript of the shorthand notes would be sworn to by the stenographer and signed by the coroner, never being seen by the witnesses.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite remarked that there were very few shorthand writers in the cities of the province with the ability and experience to take evidence. It would frequently happen that stenographers, while doing their best, would make errors in note or transcript which the witness got no chance to correct. Everything which could throw light on the cause of the accident or suggest prevention in the future should be brought out at any inquest. There was nothing to complain of in the late Extension disaster inquest, but there had been several cases in which coroners refused to receive evidence.

A. E. McPhillips (Islands) complained that too many inquests degenerated into an inquisitorial inquiry of a nature to determine whether or not someone was responsible in an action for damages. Coroners were not trained to differentiate between what was material and what was not. That stage came later in civil actions. Mr. McPhillips took occasion to remark that Victoria had a most efficient coroner in the person of Dr. Hart, who discharged his duties to the satisfaction of the people and the public interest generally.

H. C. Brewster (Alberni) declared that he could not see where Mr. Hawthorthwaite's amendment improved the act, which already gave coroners mandatory power to call everyone who could give any testimony as to a death and to take down in writing "so much of such statements as are material."

"It seems to me," said Parker Williams, "that all a coroner is supposed to do, according to members opposite, is to find that a man is dead and liable to remain dead for a tolerably long time."

After further debate the matter was put to a vote, when the proposed amendment was defeated. Messrs. Hawthorthwaite, Williams, and Jardine voted for it, and Mr. Brewster voted with the rest of the House against it.

The attorney-general's bill to amend the Public Inquiries Act so as to permit of commissioners taking evidence under oath, a purely formal bill, was considered in committee of the whole. Fred Davy, in the chair, and its final reading will follow naturally.

Prospective Business. W. H. Hayward (Cowichan) has given notice that he will move the following resolution:

"Whereas it is deemed to be in the best interests of the province that Japanese and Chinese persons should be allowed to acquire titles to or hold land therein;

Therefore, I therefore resolved, that a petition be presented to his honor the lieutenant-governor, praying him to advise his excellency the governor-general of Canada that this House is of the opinion that legislation should be enacted by the parliament of Canada prohibiting such persons from acquiring or holding land within the Dominion of Canada."

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4. What was the cause of the delay in sending out the text books this year, so that many schools were kept without books for some weeks after the schools opened?

5. What steps does the minister propose to take to prevent a repetition of this delay?

6. Are the inspectors of schools paid anything besides their ordinary salaries for their services in connection with the examination?

EDMONTON TO HAVE HIGH LEVEL BRIDGE

This Will Enable the C. P. R. to Run Right Into the City

The long desired high level bridge across the Saskatchewan river, between Edmonton and Strathcona is at last about to become a fact.

John Jardine attracted attention to the fact that while heretofore the depositions have always been read over to the witnesses the attorney-general's amendment did away with this, as the transcript of the shorthand notes would be sworn to by the stenographer and signed by the coroner, never being seen by the witnesses.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite remarked that there were very few shorthand writers in the cities of the province with the ability and experience to take evidence. It would frequently happen that stenographers, while doing their best, would make errors in note or transcript which the witness got no chance to correct.

Everything which could throw light on the cause of the accident or suggest prevention in the future should be brought out at any inquest. There was nothing to complain of in the late Extension disaster inquest, but there had been several cases in which coroners refused to receive evidence.

A. E. McPhillips (Islands) complained that too many inquests degenerated into an inquisitorial inquiry of a nature to determine whether or not someone was responsible in an action for damages. Coroners were not trained to differentiate between what was material and what was not.

That stage came later in civil actions. Mr. McPhillips took occasion to remark that Victoria had a most efficient coroner in the person of Dr. Hart, who discharged his duties to the satisfaction of the people and the public interest generally.

H. C. Brewster (Alberni) declared that he could not see where Mr. Hawthorthwaite's amendment improved the act, which already gave coroners mandatory power to call everyone who could give any testimony as to a death and to take down in writing "so much of such statements as are material."

"It seems to me," said Parker Williams, "that all a coroner is supposed to do, according to members opposite, is to find that a man is dead and liable to remain dead for a tolerably long time."

After further debate the matter was put to a vote, when the proposed amendment was defeated. Messrs. Hawthorthwaite, Williams, and Jardine voted for it, and Mr. Brewster voted with the rest of the House against it.

The attorney-general's bill to amend the Public Inquiries Act so as to permit of commissioners taking evidence under oath, a purely formal bill, was considered in committee of the whole. Fred Davy, in the chair, and its final reading will follow naturally.

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STREET WORKS IN OAK BAY

ROUTINE BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Estimates For Road Repair in the Neighborhood of Ten Thousand Dollars

Nothing but routine business came before the Oak Bay council at the regular fortnightly meeting in the council chamber of Oak Bay avenue, those present being Reeve Henderson, and Councillors Newton, McGregor, Lott, Sproule and Hargreaves.

A little friction occurred in the meeting when Councillor Newton asked that something be done to improve Beach Drive, where the rock had recently been blasted out and big loose rocks were left on the road.

The reeve said he was tired of hearing Beach Drive mentioned. During the three years he had been in the council he had heard nothing else, while at the same time Cadboro Bay road was in a disgraceful state and had never received any attention. It was now the turn for the other roads to be repaired.

Councillor Hargreaves supported the reeve in this matter, saying that it was his opinion that the first duty of the council was to keep the old roads in good repair, especially the main thoroughfares.

Councillor Newton objected to being jumped on by the reeve, and stated that some of the things he had said were incorrect. The work he mentioned had been sanctioned by the council, whereas the work which was now being done on Cadboro Bay and Finney roads were not sanctioned by the council. Explanations were made and then the matter was allowed to drop.

The annual loan by-law passed its three readings, authorizing the borrowing of \$10,000 to carry the work on until the taxes were collected in July. Three public works by-laws were read three times, and will be discussed in the roads committee before the final reading.

The municipal engineer submitted his detailed estimates for the upkeep of the roads for the coming year. These amounted to something like \$10,000, and are an increase over previous years, and will necessitate the raising of more money. Whether an increase of taxes will be found necessary is not known, as the assessments will probably be raised in a number of instances, probably sufficient to cover the extra expense. Last year the taxes were taken off improvements and no extra rate levied, so that even if there is a small increase it will simply make up for the loss of the improvement tax.

K. Sprague and N. Laurie objected to a Chinese piggy on Hampshire road. The matter was referred to the health committee, but from the tone of the councillors in doing this it seems likely that short shrift will be given the pigs.

The engineer reported having offered Mr. Pyke, the contractor for the sidewalks, to pay him the \$250 authorized by the committee. This had been refused, Mr. Pyke saying that if they refused to pay him anything but the \$200 as proposed by him he would complete the work at once, no matter what the weather. The sidewalks when laid were injured by the frost, and will have to be refaced. This it was thought would be better done in the spring. The matter was referred back to the roads committee.

The engineer also reported that he had found a tract of three acres of land which would be quite suitable for municipal yards, and which could be purchased at a reasonable rate. This was referred to the streets committee.

The engineer, J. S. Floyd, was ordered to commence the work of the year and to make the roll returnable by the 31st of March.

Reeve Henderson asked the head of the various committees to be prepared to submit their estimates in the near future.

It having been found that the license commissioners had been wrongly appointed the council affirmed the previous appointments made by the reeve. The court of revision was also appointed to consist of Reeve Henderson and Councillors Sproule, Hargreaves, Lott and Newton. In the case of the absence of the reeve, Councillor Hargreaves will preside.

The report of the roads committee showed that the salary of Constable Dawson had been set at \$70 per month, but that he be not at present given a horse with which to make his rounds.

It was decided to push ahead the work of road building in the Golf Links subdivision, a delegation consisting of R. H. Pooley and W. E. Oliver having waited on the committee asking for this.

The report also showed that Charles Rivercombe, in company with the engineers, had been appointed to investigate and report on the work of the road roller, and that the unsanitary overflow from the septic tank on J. E. Smart's premises be left to the sanitary officer to investigate.

The council then adjourned.

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WAR CLOUDS GATHER IN THE FAR EAST

Increase of Russian and Japanese Armaments Attracts Attention

General von der Boeck, one of Germany's most brilliant infantry commanders, contributes a striking article to the Deutsche Revue bearing on the alleged critical condition of affairs in the Far East, says the London Chronicle. It is not General Boeck's opinion that any immediate outbreak of hostilities between Russia and Japan need be feared, but in view of the persistent preparations of both powers, the fact that they are steadily increasing their land armaments, and the still graver fact that the political situation is gradually assuming a darker complexion, he is inclined to think that the Peace of Portsmouth cannot last beyond the close of the year 1912.

The troops which Russia possessed in the Far East at the close of the war have been largely strengthened, so that at the present time they cannot be short of a power footing of 200,000 men, a force which were war to be kept out could easily and speedily be raised to 200,000 without drawing a single soldier from European Russia.

Another important fact noted by General Boeck is the strengthening of the defenses of Vladivostok, which has been raised to the rank of a first class fortress. But the weightiest item in the development of Russian power in the Far East will be, according to the decision to build the Agur railway. The Third Duma, in view of the importance of this railway, has unhesitatingly voted the necessary funds. The Russian government's decision to double the track of the Siberian line is a step the gravity of which cannot be overrated.

maritime cares is similarly engaged in strengthening her position on land. The thirteen divisions of her army when war broke out have been raised to nineteen, so that at the present moment her army on a war footing would consist of 550,000 and 120,000 horses. And as there is no lack of men in the mikado's empire General Boeck believes that were war now to be declared a million Japanese soldiers could take the field within a few weeks.

A most important factor in the altering circumstances is the renaissance of the Chinese military power. Japanese instructors swarm in China, and are swiftly building up a mighty military engine as their ally. The original plan of the Chinese government was to form thirty-six divisions, each of 10,000 men, and to have this entire force ready to take the field before the year 1922, but it is perfectly evident from the reports which have filtered through to Europe that this huge army will be ready by 1912, or ten years earlier than was originally intended.

General Boeck is inclined to believe from the reports of German officers who have recently visited China that in 1912 the Chinese will possess a well-equipped army of half a million men, the greater part armed with modern weapons, and with a discipline and organization infinitely superior to anything which China has hitherto produced. Boeck thinks that Japan's policy of Asia for the Asiatics with Japan at the head of a coalition of the yellow races will then be within measurable distance of realization. He regards the situation as one of extreme seriousness, and asserts that M. Stolypin, the Russian premier, and General Sakhomlinoff, the minister of war, view it in a most pessimistic light.

"The first case of its kind on record," was the medical comment concerning the death of Henry Balgry schoolteacher at Spidridge. Royal—Council school, Balgry, Eng. A granite floor had become slippery, and under Balgry's feet a workman treated to with slabs of soap, the fumes of which aggravated indigestion from which Balgry was suffering and caused death.

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FARMERS OPEN YEAR'S SESSION

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Many Resolutions Come Up—Address by the Superintendent

The B. C. Central Farmers' Institute convention opened this morning in the rooms of the agricultural department, W. E. Scott, deputy minister, presiding. There were forty delegates present.

The deputy minister, in opening the convention, said the department intended to continue the reorganization started by Capt. Tatlow. It is now classified into the different departments for stock, horticulture and poultry and that a B. C. Poultryman's Association will be organized. With all these associations worked through the department it was enabled to get a complete grasp on the agricultural work of the province. Development was needed. Last year the importations of sheep, poultry, horses and dairy produce into the province was \$10,000,000. All this should be raised in British Columbia. Mr. Scott then told of his trip to England with the successful British Columbia fruit exhibit, and the King's praise given to it.

Superintendent Hodson read his report for 1909, there being six new institutes last year and a membership of 4,000 as against 3,500 in 1908. There are 25 women's institutes organized, of which the department will issue bulletins and send lecturers twice a year and also provide a per-capita grant. Mr. Hodson advocated the percentage basis as payment of secretaries instead of a fixed sum and the employment of the best available men. The department last year sent out 30,000 bulletins and reports and the practical demonstration had increased. He asked for the support of all institutes and members thereof.

Maxwell Smith said that there was a movement on hand for the holding of the first annual Canadian apple show in Vancouver. He thought \$25,000 would be needed. It should be divided between the provincial and Dominion governments and the city that holds the show.

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ask for departmental grants to Women's Institute.

The Kent Farmers' Institute wants reduction of freight rates to and from the prairies, and Nicola will put a resolution that the C. P. R. fences in that district are inadequate, and the department should assist in getting farmers compensation for stock killed. Kamloops also wants the government to bonus approved stallions.

Summerland will ask that the government take steps to prevent tree selling frauds. Penticton also asks a similar protection in regard to nursery stock.

Arrow and Slocan Lakes want clover seed in wholesale quantities, delivered on the same basis adopted for stumping powder.

The thistle question is raised by the Nicola Institute, which wants action taken to prevent thistles spreading on crown lands. Nicola Institute also asks that the settler be given pre-emption land for improvements.

The Arrow Lake Institute also wants further concessions on stumping powder.

Robson Institute will ask that the government take over the ownership of telephone services.

Assistance to rural schools, to have horticulture taught therein, and several matters that come up annually, are also on the resolution paper.

The convention is again in progress this afternoon.

NEW DEAL WITH THE FALL FAIR

(Continued from page 1.)

Ald. Humber retorted that the grounds were in the same condition in 1908, yet in that year oats had been sold for \$300, the seed alone for which cost \$400. Mr. Smart must have known what the yielding capacity of the ground was. He said Humber retorted it would show that the deficit of the late fair would be found to be close to \$25,000, when the grants made by the city council were taken into consideration.

Ald. Mable said that was beside the point. The question was, should the city pay the accounts? He believed they should.

Ald. Sargison said he believed all the accounts were correct. No doubt some mistakes had been made from a business point of view. But it could hardly be said that with the buildings, which remained to the city as an asset, that the fair had made such a grievous showing. After some further debate it was finally decided to adopt the report of the finance committee, recommending the payment of the accounts.

Later in the evening the mayor announced that he had just discovered that two other substantial items must be provided for. The city is \$10,000 short on the salt water system and \$21,000 short on the improvements on the causeway. Humboldt street and Belleville street. It seemed to him very strange that the estimates of cost should have been so miscalculated.

The estimated cost of the local improvement work on the causeway and on Humboldt street was \$52,654, by far the greater part of which must be met by the city, as the C. P. R. cannot be taxed for its share. The improvements made for \$6,000, the cost of constructing the subway across the causeway, through which the wires are laid underground, this amount not having been included in the by-law which was submitted to the ratepayers.

The mayor added that this great deficit was rather hard on the council of this year. There would be a lack of the money necessary for the proper care of the streets.

Ald. Fullerton was surprised at such a poor showing, as he had been led to believe from the balance sheet that the excess cost in the case of the salt water system had been met.

ACTION AGAINST BANKING COMPANY

Mining Man Alleged He is Unable to Secure Stock Given as Security

(Times Leased Wire.) Mexico City, Feb. 1.—Sensational developments in connection with the suspension of the United States Banking Company, which may include criminal charges, are looked for.

The first legal action taken by any creditor, since the bank closed its doors last Wednesday morning was filed today by Harwood H. Simpson, a mining man, who made a formal complaint before the procurator of justice, alleging abuse of confidence. Simpson names the president, vice-president, the directors and managers of the institution. He alleges that some time ago he obtained \$15,000 from the bank, giving three notes for the amount which were secured by the deposit of 150 shares of mining stock valued at about \$100,000.

Recently, he says, he went to the bank to pay the notes and receive his mining shares, but the collateral was not forthcoming, and he was told to return later, when the shares would be restored to him.

Simpson says he learned that his shares were no longer in the possession of the bank, and he infers that they had been hypothecated by the bank to some other institution.

The fact that Jose Limantour, the Mexican minister of finance, offered to make arrangements with the National Bank of Mexico for the United States Banking Company over its difficulties just prior to its suspension developed today.

U. S. CRUISER FLEET

Honolulu, Feb. 1.—The Pacific cruiser fleet arrived here yesterday, one day ahead of the original schedule laid out in Washington. The fleet sailed from Yokohama January 21st. The ships will depart for San Francisco on February 5th.

Water may be purified by adding to it powdered alum in the proportion of one tablespoonful to 4 gals. of water. All that is impure will then sink to the bottom.



THE CURTIS SISTERS

Who are doing a high class singing tour at Pantages this week. This is their first appearance in Vancouver, although both have had a varied stage career. There was a hearty welcome yesterday afternoon and last evening.

CANNOT ACCEDE TO REQUEST OF COMPANY

Application of Dominion Trust Company of Vancouver is Refused

At last evening's meeting of the city council Mayor Morley and Ald. Bannerman made a verbal report as to their negotiations with the agents of the Dominion Trust Company of Vancouver relative to the construction of a big block on the corner of Humboldt and Government streets, opposite the post office. The company had asked the city council to give a guarantee that the plot of ground owned by the city and lying at the north end of the causeway, adjacent to the site of the proposed building, would not be built upon. If such guarantee were given the company would make the face of their building fronting on Government street of an ornamental character.

The mayor said last night that he and Ald. Bannerman had looked into the question very carefully, and had come to the conclusion that it would be most unwise for the city to give any such guarantee as was asked for. The city's property was worth at the smallest calculation \$46,000.

Ald. Bannerman concurred in what his worship had said. Although it might not ever be utilized as a site for a building by the city, the property was very valuable, and it would in his opinion be very foolish to enter into any such contract as proposed. The Dominion Trust Company had purchased an inside lot, and if the city did as requested they would in effect be adding about \$40,000 to the value of the company's holdings.

Ald. Humber thought it was childish to place any obstacle in the way of the erection of such a fine building. Ald. Langley thought his worship and Ald. Bannerman had acted quite properly in refusing to enter into the agreement proposed. Such an agreement would be in the nature of a bonus to the company, and he knew of no reason why the company should be bonused. People were not offering any bonus to Pemberton, who were putting up a very fine building.

Mayor Morley said, in closing the reference to the matter, that the action of the company did not in the slightest degree prevent the company opening further negotiations with the city.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

MRS. HOOPER'S DEATH

Well Known Pioneer of West Passed Away Recently at Emerson, Man.

Mrs. John Hooper, one of the pioneers of Emerson, passed away early on Saturday morning, as briefly stated in the Times, and the remains were interred in the cemetery there last Wednesday. Beside those of her late husband, the deceased came to Emerson from London, Ont., in 1858, and had lived in that vicinity continuously. The late Mrs. Hooper was a member of an old North Devon family, the descendants of which were among the early settlers in the western peninsula of Ontario, and where the names of Weekes, Stacey, Gould and Hill are well known in the townships around London, St. Thomas and Woodstock. All the living members of the family are resident in the West and nearly all were present at the funeral, the pallbearers being the sons and son-in-laws of the deceased. The husband of the deceased died about eleven years ago. Mrs. Hooper leaves to mourn her demise four sons and four daughters: Samuel Hooper, provincial architect of Vancouver; James Hooper, deputy provincial secretary and King's printer, and Martin L. Hooper, of the C. P. R., passenger service, residing in Winnipeg; Thomas Hooper, architect of Victoria; B. C. Mrs. T. C. Tennant, formerly of Emerson and Winnipeg, now residing in Vancouver, B. C.; Mrs. M. Laurie, of Morris; Mrs. F. S. Bell, of Emerson, and Mrs. J. McCaul, of Vancouver.

CHILD MURDERED

New York, Feb. 1.—Another child murder has started New York. It occurred in a house on East 57th street last night, where a man shot and killed one child, wounded another and killed himself. No cause is known.

ANCIENT BRITISH VILLAGE

What is believed to be the site of an ancient British village has been discovered on a hitherto undeveloped piece of land situated on a commanding hill to the north of the railway at Foxesdown, Bournemouth. The property, which for many years has lain covered with brambles, furze, heath, etc., has recently been cleared for building purposes, when the positions of two ancient barrows were clearly revealed. The smaller barrow contained a considerable quantity of burnt flint and bone dust, and on a road being cut through the larger barrow many urns of great antiquity were unearthed, a few of them in a perfect state of preservation. They were what are known as sun-dried, and belonged to the period before the bronze or iron age, being probably some 2,000 years old.

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SOME SPLENDID NEW ARRIVALS

NEW SPRING CARPETS are arriving—the first shipment being received yesterday. From now on we shall be adding to this stock and we suggest frequent visits to our carpet department if you would keep in touch with the latest in floor coverings.

The new arrivals are splendid examples—they are an index of what is to come. If newness and goodness will help, this season's carpet business should excel all previous records, magnificent as they may have been. Costs nothing to come and inspect. Get acquainted to-day.

New Wilton Rugs—Pretty Persian Effects

Certainly the outstanding feature of the rug display is this showing of new Wilton rugs just received yesterday. It is impossible to do their beauty justice in a description here. They are authentic copies of beautiful Persian rugs—mirroring not only in design, but also in coloring the beauty of those rich rugs. Close, minute pattern on ground of indigo, crimson or camel, with medallion centres and borders. Unquestionably the richest looking Wilton Rugs we have shown for a long time.

Size 9 x 12 feet. Each.....	\$42.50	Size 11 ft. 3 in. x 12 ft. Each.....	\$54.00	Size 11 ft. 3 in. x 13 ft. 6 in. Each.....	\$60.00
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Novio Hard-Finished Wool Rugs

Other New Arrivals

NOVIO SQUARES—a hard-finished wool style—are among the latest arrivals in the carpet department, the first of our Spring shipments. They embrace all the newest patterns, and we have them in greens, blues, browns and reds. Such Squares are desirable for bedroom use. They are excellent wearers and are decidedly attractive in appearance. Your size is included.

Size 2 1/2 x 3 yards, at each.....	\$11.00	Size 3 1/2 x 4 yards, at each.....	\$21.00
Size 3 x 3 yards, at each.....	\$13.00	Size 4 x 4 1/2 yards, at each.....	\$26.00
Size 3 x 3 1/2 yards, at each.....	\$15.00	Size 4 x 5 yards, at each.....	\$29.00
Size 3 x 4 yards, at each.....	\$17.50		

These will fit most any bedroom.

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TAPESTRY CARPETS, from, per yard.....	75¢	WILTON CARPETS, from, per yard.....	\$1.90
BRUSSELS CARPETS, from, per yard.....	85¢	AXMINSTER CARPETS, from, per yd.....	\$1.90

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Certainly no better choice or better values offered anywhere in the West. Back of every rug we sell stands this establishment ready to make good our guarantee of absolute satisfaction. Inspect our offerings in the following:

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TAPESTRY SQUARES, \$9.00 to.....	\$26	VELVET SQUARES, \$24.00 to.....	\$42
BRUSSELS SQUARES, \$16.00 to.....	\$42	SMYRNA RUGS, from \$30.00 to.....	\$55
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Size 3 x 3 yards, each.....	\$6.00	Size 4 x 4 yards, each.....	\$10.50
Size 3 x 3 1/2 yards, each.....	\$7.00	Size 3 1/2 x 4 1/2 yards, each.....	\$10.50
Size 3 1/2 x 3 1/2 yards, each.....	\$8.00	Size 3 1/2 x 5 yards, each.....	\$12.00
Size 3 x 4 yards, each.....	\$8.75	Size 4 x 5 yards, each.....	\$13.00

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Size 3 x 3 yards, at each.....	\$13.00	Size 4 x 4 yards, at each.....	\$23.50
Size 3 1/2 x 3 yards, at each.....	\$15.00	Size 4 x 4 1/2 yards, at each.....	\$26.00
Size 3 x 4 yards, at each.....	\$17.50	Size 4 x 5 yards, at each.....	\$29.00

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LITTLE PROBLEMS OF LOVE AND MARRIAGE

EXTRAVAGANT OR SLIPSHOD VS. PRACTICAL BUT PROSY.

BY BARBARA BOYD.



The sort of a wife that will make a man happy depends altogether upon his temperament and tastes. What one man would drive another to distraction. What are irritating faults to some pass unnoticed by others. So whether an extravagant but agreeable woman is preferred to the thrifty but uninteresting depends largely upon the man's predilections, in these directions.

Everyone is familiar with the agreeable woman who can talk most entertainingly, who can play the piano like a virtuoso or sing like a "leading lady," but whose house is a trail of disorder from garret to cellar and whose children are untidy and unkempt. Everyone also knows the woman whose home is always in apple-pie order, whose meals are faultless, whose children shine with cleanliness, but who is absolutely dull as a companion and who seemingly never has a thought above her dishpan and sewing machine. Which sort of woman is the better wife depends largely upon what a man wants in a wife.

The man whose sole delight is in the creature comforts of home prefers, of course, the practical, if prosy, helpmate. If he knows he will not be happy unless his home is orderly, his meals well cooked and well served, his money spent judiciously he would be foolish to marry a woman who would not give him these things. If he is content to go to sleep over his newspaper in the evening, or to seek the diversion he wants at a club or theatre, he will probably get all the "desires" in marriage from a wife of this practical order. If he needs and thrives on the fact that many of the ladies had placed their coupons in envelopes, which had to be opened before the coupons were placed in the big wheel which is always used for such occasions. The following is the official return of the scrutineers who had charge:

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LADIES WIN LOTS ON THE MAINLAND

Conclusion of the Lighthouse Soap Competition in This City

The two lucky ladies who won lots in the Lighthouse Soap drawing were Mrs. A. Lind, of Thupurn-Post Office, and Mrs. Charles Brash, Box 131, city. The drawing was held yesterday afternoon in Christie's shoe shop, corner of Johnson and Government streets, with R. E. Austin of the Western Soap Co. in charge, and two representatives of the press and G. D. Christie, proprietor of the store, as scrutineers.

The shoe store was packed with ladies when the box was opened. The latter was found to be full to the lid with coupons, between twelve and fifteen thousand having been deposited therein. Some delay was caused from the fact that many of the ladies had placed their coupons in envelopes, which had to be opened before the coupons were placed in the big wheel which is always used for such occasions. The following is the official return of the scrutineers who had charge:

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NEW GRAND THEATRE.

The detected detective forms the principal act at the New Grand this week in which are seen the Hickman Brothers and Reta Merrill, who play a farce for all the fun there is in it. The attraction is the trick settee, by which the detective hopes to remain undetected while getting in and out of the house. The settee is a bench in the garden and then becomes a couch inside the house. The scene is especially constructed to show the living room of an apartment and a garden scene on the outside. What the detective does and how he is detected form the plot of a very laughable farce which the audience at yesterday's matinee found most amusing and duly appreciated.

Elsie Harvey and the two Goldie boys put on the dancing turn that can be classed as the best this year. The boys are just in their teens and dance as well as the most experienced and better than many of their older competitors. Elsie Harvey is a bright and pretty singer, and the three performers have a change of costume during the act.

Do Valda and Zekka perform a very pretty act with highly accessories used in it. It is mainly balancing, but the best feat is the work of the woman who balances on a loose wire which is held in the man's mouth while he stands on his head.

Joe Browning and Al Lavan appear in a comedy sketch, "Nearly a Soldier," and all the fun a Jew character can throw into it is put there by Lavan. Thomas J. Price sings "Hearts and Homes," in a way which reaches the hearts of all who hear him, and the moving pictures bring a good bill to an end.

Russian Fish Pie.—Roll out some pastry to a square, cut edges evenly, and moisten all round. Have a filleted haddock scraped down, squeeze over it some lemon juice, and sprinkle with chopped parsley and lemon rind, with a pinch of pepper and salt. Lay this mixture on centre of square of pastry. Have two hard-boiled eggs cut into slices, and decorate the fish with these from top of pie towards the middle of the edge of each side of pastry. Fold corners of pastry like an envelope towards top of pie or fish. Join in the centre of the top, and decorate with pastry leaves. Brush with eggs, and bake three-quarters of an hour.

Social and Personal

G. E. Powell left for Vancouver last night.

Mrs. W. A. Allan is visiting friends in Vancouver.

J. H. Clarke crossed over to Vancouver last night.

H. P. Hemming left for the mainland last night.

Dr. Fagar left on a business trip to Vancouver last night.

P. F. Owens returned to Vancouver on last night's Princess.

J. E. Bowen left on his return trip to the mainland last night.

E. M. Trackell went over to Vancouver on business last night.

Chas. H. Lugin returned from Seattle yesterday afternoon.

H. Farrant, of Vancouver, spent yesterday in this city on business.

F. E. Pemberton went over to Vancouver last night on business.

W. K. Houston is spending several days in Vancouver on business.

Dr. Greaves was a passenger for the mainland last night on the Princess Charlotte.

T. A. Elford and family have taken up house again in their home on Elford street.

Dr. Mosely was among last night's passengers for Vancouver on the Princess Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Clay were passengers for Vancouver last night on the Princess Charlotte.

Capt. John Irving went over to Vancouver last night on the Princess Charlotte on a business trip.

W. S. McDonald and J. Mulligan were passengers on the Princess Charlotte last night for Vancouver.

J. W. Ambery, of Vancouver, after spending several days in this city, left last night for the Terminal city.

Miss Schofield, of Trail, who has been in this city for some time, left on her return to the mainland town last night.

L. D. Chatham, local passenger agent of the C. P. R., left for Vancouver last night on a business trip and will be absent from this city for several days.

NEGLECTED COLDS LEAD TO CONSUMPTION

Unless a complete cure is effected, the inflammation passes rapidly to the throat, bronchial tubes, and then to the lungs. You can't make new lungs any more than you can make new fingers or a new nose—hence consumption is practically incurable. But Catarrh can be cured, except in its final and always fatal stage. "Catarrh sufferers, meaning those with colds, sore throat, bronchial trouble, etc., can all be cured right at home by inhaling "Catarrhazone."

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OLGA NETHERSOLE.

Olga Nethersole, the eminent English artist, will present her new play "The Writing on the Wall," by William J. Horribal, at the Victoria theatre on Thursday night.

Miss Nethersole will be seen in the American drama, essaying the part of a modern young society matron of the New York four hundred, who becomes a tenement house reformer, a role so entirely different from that of her past portrayals that a woman less the great artist than she is would have found the change almost an impossibility.

"The Writing on the Wall" when produced caused a sensation. It presented a new subject to the theatre-going public: one that had never before been introduced on any stage, and one that is of vital interest to every citizen of the United States, because it affects the home and graphically discloses certain conditions existing in every large city in this country, that are so far reaching in their influence and purpose that the question is one

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DAUGHTERS OF PITTY.

Monthly Meeting of Society Deals With Work for Hospital.

The regular monthly meeting of the Daughters of Pitt was held at the Jubilee hospital on Monday, January 31st, at 3 p. m., with the president, Miss Leeming, in the chair, and sixteen members present.

The treasurer reported bills paid amounting to \$126.95, with \$4.45 balance on hand. A committee was appointed to purchase four dozen bath towels for the children's ward. Concerts are to be arranged by different members of the society for Sundays during Lent. All the members are urgently requested to meet in the workroom under the chapel every Monday afternoon to assist with the Lenten services.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the King's Daughters of Methosin for the sum of \$120. The Misses Wilkinson and Kirk were appointed visitors for February. The meeting was adjourned until February 29th.

FRANNELETTE SHEETS for double beds, etc. special prices. White, \$1.25 a pair; grey, \$1.20 a pair. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

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To Investors:

At the close of business to-day, February 1st, shares in the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Ltd., which have been offered at 25 cents, will be summarily swept from the market.

You, who have had the foresight to acquire these securities have yourself to thank. For, in my opinion—and I flatter myself I am qualified to speak—you have bought for 25 cents stock that will be selling at par (\$1.00) ere the radiant rays of a summer sun are full upon us.

* * * * *

Since this stock was first sacrificed at the public altar, developments in the Midway, California, field, where the drill is down more than 1,000 feet, have been red with sensation. Six gushers, varying in volume from 2,000 to 4,000 bbls. per day each, have been uncovered, all within three-eighths of a mile to one mile of this Company's holdings. I would not be so fanciful as to feign see 2,500 feet into the earth and tell precisely what's there. But with big wells all about, the contour and formation of the country exactly alike, you can safely bet you will get as big, if not a bigger well than your neighbor.

I take this opportunity to thank the people of Victoria and Vancouver Island who have rallied to the support of this corporation with a liberality that is remarkable. This is a poor man's corporation—the little fellows with their 100 shares and upwards have been the means of making it the big success it is to-day. You can count on your fingers and toes almost, those holding securities in excess of 2,000 shares.

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The big fellow who is looking for a chance to make a "quick turn" and get something for nothing is a noteworthy absentee, for which I am duly thankful. To express my opinion of the little clique of sure money operators, who have no good word for anybody and are constantly at war with themselves, would necessitate extreme adjectival prodigality. But, "let the dead past bury its dead!"

As this is written less than 500,000 shares have been sold, and while my company was directed to sell 750,000, the fact that the price of shares have been advanced may make unnecessary the disposal of this number. I know it to be the policy of the men behind the gun in the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Ltd., to have as few shares outstanding as is compatible with best results and the contingency may never arise where the vaults of the treasury will be opened and another block placed on the market.

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It is to the interest of the big shareholder, as well as to the little, to have the minimum shares out. Treasury stock, intact, lying dormant in the vaults, is like a dead man—it tells no tales. It is only that active stock that speaks its piece. The fewer the shares out, the greater the dividends, proportionately. So, 't behooves the big fellow as well as the little to keep the treasury barred.

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I have said over my signature before, I regard this the best buy on the market and a judicious purchase up to and including par. After February 1st these shares will be 50 cents and practically off the market, at that. This ship is off under full sail! It, at least, is one vessel the rocks are not waiting for.

John A. Redmond

President Royal Loan and Trust Co., Ltd.

The following telegram was received at the Oil Company's offices at noon to-day:

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 31st.

California-Midway well on section 32, adjoining our land on the northwest, came in yesterday, flowing over top of derrick. During the day this doubled the value of our property.

(Sg.) H. H. BLOOD.

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Victoria, B. C.

FACTS REGARDING VICTORIA VANCOUVER ISLAND

Victoria Must Make Enormous Progress During 1910, Because During 1910 the Following Will Be Under Way:

1. The largest amount of municipal work in the history of Victoria, including such works as the permanent paving and modern lighting of Yates, Douglas, Fort and other streets.
 2. Alberni extension of the E. & N. Railway.
 3. Cowichan Lake extension of the E. & N. Railway.
 4. Construction of the Goldstream Pipe-line by the Esquimalt Waterworks Company; which, together with the existing City Waterworks system ensures a most abundant supply of water to Victoria and adjacent districts.
 5. Development of electric power at Jordan River, at a cost of \$1,500,000.00, by the B. C. Electric Railway; and the extension of this Company's railway lines in the city of Victoria, and throughout the adjacent farming and fruit growing districts.
 6. Increased train services on the E. & N. Railway and on the V. & S. Railway.
 7. Many fine new buildings, such as the Empress Hotel addition of 68 rooms; the magnificent Pemberton block (said to be the largest office building in British Columbia); the "Times" newspaper and office building; the Sayward block; large additions to the Parliament Buildings; Grand Trunk Pacific Railway's extensive docks and offices, and several other new wharves; new station of the Victoria & Sidney Railway; the \$100,000 Y. M. C. A. Building; large addition to the Dominion Hotel; enlargement of Sawmills; new schools, etc., etc.
- The Building Permits exceeded on the 18th of January the total Permits for the whole month of January last year.
8. Completion of the magnificent scenic Mill Bay wagon and automobile road.
 9. The re-establishment of Esquimalt (two miles distant from Victoria's present boundary) as a Naval Base by the Canadian authorities.
 10. Extensive harbor improvements in Victoria Harbor.
 11. The laying out and improvement of several very large residential tracts adjacent to Victoria.
 12. In addition to the present large fleet of steamers entering Victoria, there will be an increase during 1910 of from fifteen to twenty passenger steamers alone, including such new vessels as the palatial Grand Trunk Pacific Railway's steamers, the "Prince Rupert" and "Prince George" (sister ships to the well-known C. P. R. "Princesses"), and various other large new vessels of the C. P. R., the Alaska Steamship Co., the Boscowitz Steamship Co., the Mackenzie Steamship Co., etc.

GUARANTEE

The Above Facts are guaranteed to be an exact and correct list of some of the known improvements that are to be made during the year 1910.

VICTORIA, Vancouver Island, advanced greatly during '09, and ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS WERE BROKEN, in the value of new buildings; bank clearances; amount of municipal work; sales of real estate; tourist trade and increase in population.

BANK CLEARANCES

Victoria Bank clearances for the first three weeks in January, 1910, show the following percentages of increase over the corresponding periods of 1909:

First week, increase	87%
Second week, increase	97%
Third week, increase	48%
Fourth week, increase	71%

SOME NOTEWORTHY OPINIONS

The Premier of British Columbia, in his New Year's message said: "British Columbia during the past year has enjoyed wonderful developments, and everything points to 1910 being the most prosperous year in the history of the Province. The expansion of the coming twelve months will be unexampled, and an indication of the great future of the Pacific Coast of Canada." Victoria is the capital of British Columbia, the farthest West city in Canada; and the wealthiest per capita in America.

The Prince and Princess of Wales said of Victoria in 1904: "It was the most beautiful city they had seen in their trip around the world."

Rudyard Kipling said of British Columbia's climate: "It is the most perfect in the world, and the best of it is experienced in Victoria."

We fully endorse the following extract from a New Year's Editorial in one of Victoria's newspapers: "Victoria is a magnet of itself; this climate of ours, and it does not belong to Victoria alone but extends over a large area, is one of the most valuable of our assets. Nature made this part of Vancouver Island for a home for people. She prepared the land for it, so that there may be innumerable homes and picturesque surroundings. She has spread out a series of panoramic views, such as one might search in vain elsewhere to discover. She endowed us with beautiful water stretches. She blessed us with the finest of climates. She protected us from malaria and insect pests. She gave our soil a fertility that will enable it to produce the finest of vegetables, fruits and flowers. These are real assets."

Greater Victoria to-day is the same size (namely about 50,000) that Seattle was in 1897 when the Klondike rush began; we think those who read this page must agree with us when we assert, as we do, that Victoria's prospects to-day are undeniably superior to what Seattle's were when Seattle's great expansion commenced in 1897.

General inquiries regarding Victoria or Vancouver Island may be addressed to the following:

THE MAYOR OF VICTORIA
VICTORIA BOARD OF TRADE
VICTORIA DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

In Addition we Confidently Anticipate the Following During the Year 1910:

1. The Canadian Northern Railway to commence construction on the Barkley Sound and Victoria Railway, etc.
2. The construction of various large new sawmills at Cowichan Bay, and other points, and an enormous increase in the lumber business, as on Vancouver Island is the largest accessible compact body of merchantable timber in the world.
3. Canadian Pacific Railway to clear up for settlement large tracts of land along the line of the E. & N. Railway.
4. The construction at an early date of Iron and Steel Works on Vancouver Island.
5. The opening up during 1910 of several new coal mines on Vancouver Island.
6. The establishment at Victoria or Esquimalt (two miles distant from Victoria's present boundary) of additional shipbuilding facilities on a much larger scale than at present existing.
7. We confidently look forward to a great increase in the population of Victoria during 1910, and with increased Steamship and Hotel accommodation the Tourist Season of 1910 will undoubtedly be the heaviest on record.
8. We estimate that the "out-of-the-ordinary" expenditure during 1910 on new developments tributary to Victoria will amount to from \$6,000,000 to \$8,000,000.

Climate

The climate of Vancouver Island approximates closely that of Great Britain, modified by its geographical situation. The proximity of the snow-capped Olympian mountains has a marked effect on the summer temperature, which is never intensely hot, while the Japan current, striking the west coast, brings with it moisture and heat, which temper the severity of the winter. The remarkable advantages Victoria enjoys over all other coast points, the small amount of rainfall and moderate temperature, are strikingly illustrated in the meteorological returns for the years 1907, 1908 and 1909. The influence of the Japan current, and other factors combine to produce a result which is perhaps best shown by the fact that the isothermal lines showing highest temperature in summer and lowest temperature in the winter, intersect at Victoria, thus demonstrating that it enjoys the double advantage of both the ideal summer and ideal winter temperature. The following is a condensation of the returns in question:

Average temperature, 1907	50.5 deg.
" " 1908	50.0 deg.
" " 1909	48.5 deg.
Rainfall, 1907	22.0 ins.
" " 1908	26.70 ins.
" " 1909	29.98 ins.
Average highest temperature at Victoria during the last 20 years	84.2 deg.
Average lowest temperature at Victoria during last 20 years	17.3 deg.

INVESTORS

Enquirers regarding investments, lands or homes, will receive a list of reliable firms with whom they may transact business, upon application.

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**TO INVESTIGATE
COST OF LIVING**

Inquiry Decided Upon by Committee of United States House

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—The ways and means committee of the House has decided upon an investigation of the cost of living. A sub-committee has been appointed to plan the investigation.

Card Crusade.
New York, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Anita Comfort Brooks, president of the Gotham club, has inaugurated a card crusade, asking every woman in the United States to write President Taft demanding he break the "meat trust."

Mrs. Brooks sent thousands of letters throughout the country as a start for an endless chain. If this move proves successful she will next attempt to break the "fish trust" by the same means.

It is reported that the "meat trust" plans to fight the boycotters on their own ground by reducing the shipments of dressed meats and raise the prices because of the shortage.

LOST IN MOUNTAINS.

Timber Cruiser Wanders in Wilderness for Nine Days—May Not Survive.
Eugene, Ore., Feb. 1.—To wander through the dense Siuslaw mountain wilderness for nine days with but little food and no shelter, was the experience of Bernard Schwerling, a timber cruiser of Portland.

Schwerling, with a number of fellow cruiser, was employed on the

**ENGLISH REVIEW OF
B. C. SALMON MARKET**

**Peabody & Co. Give Imports
From This Coast for 14
Years Past**

The following review of the English salmon market is, so far as it affects British Columbia, been taken from the report of Henry W. Peabody & Co., of London and Liverpool:

As early as March rumors were afloat that prices had been made for 1909 pack, but no business was actually reported until April or May. At that time a considerable business was done in 1-lb talls at 25s, 1-lb flats at 24s, and 1/2-lb flats at 26s 8d, ex quay Liverpool, and there were plenty of buyers on English terms at 6d advance on these figures. It was some time before the larger packers would consider making any sales of 1909 pack. In July, however, some anxiety seemed to be felt by the packers, and they reversed their decision and made prices for the three leading shapes as follows: 1-lb talls, 25.10; 1-lb flats, 25.40; 1/2-lb flats, 26.25. The price for talls and flats was looked upon here as about the price expected, but it was immediately realized that 26.25 was much too low for the comparatively small quantity of 1/2-lb flats prepared for. The result was that about 80 per cent of the preparations for this shape were disposed of within a week of the opening price, and although it will eventually be shown that 80 per cent of the preparations for 1/2-lb flats were actually packed, the price advanced very rapidly from 26.25 to 27.25, and even as much as 27.40 has been paid for this shape, an advance of 1.15 per cent. Half-lb flats at 25.45 were difficult to sell until well on in August, when it became evident that the Fraser pack could not possibly reach the quantity prepared for. One-pound talls for the same reason advanced to a prohibitive figure, and very little business was done for Fraser or Skeena packs. British Columbia packers seem to have lost sight of the fact that if they refused to sell they were in danger of allowing the Puget Sound packers to unload a large quantity of their salmon on this market, and it certainly was unfortunate for British Columbia that when sales were being made fairly freely at 25.75 for talls, 26 for flats and 27.35 for 1/2-lb flats, the Puget Sound packers should offer a larger quantity of their output at prices considerably below the English equivalent to the British Columbia prices. In some cases these prices were not actually lower in currency, but the Puget Sound packers figured on a discount of 1 1/2 per cent, and a commission of 5 per cent, together with a drawback on tin plate, none of which are calculated in British Columbia. A certain quantity of late run has been packed this year, of which reports as to quality vary considerably. It appears, however, that the quantity packed from the 15th to 20th of Sep-

tember was satisfactory in quality, while that which was packed after that date is most undesirable.

For reference purposes we repeat the figures showing the total imports of salmon from the North Pacific Coast for the years 1894 to 1909, and bring these up to date by the addition of the imports for 1909:

Total imports, 1894	322,228
Total imports, 1897	1,119,693
Total imports, 1898	1,214,985
Total imports, 1899	926,935
Total imports, 1900	1,922,155
Total imports, 1901	1,603,511
Total imports, 1902	1,734,567
Total imports, 1903	967,078
Total imports, 1904	993,063
Total imports, 1905	792,550
Total imports, 1906	1,232,019
Total imports, 1907	501,506
Total imports, 1908	677,442
Total imports, 1909	823,376

**FOUR PERSONS
BURNED TO DEATH**


Six Others Are Seriously Injured Before Aid Reaches Them

Seranton, Pa., Feb. 1.—Three persons were burned to death and six seriously injured by a fire of unknown origin, which destroyed the residence of Mrs. Patrick Joyce here yesterday. The dead are, Mrs. Patrick Joyce, 55 years of age; Mrs. Marnie Joyce, 39 years of age; F. Sweeney, 1 year of age.

The fire had gained strong headway before it was discovered and the victims were cut off from escape. Neighbors broke in the doors and succeeded in rescuing the six who were saved, but the two women and the child were dead from suffocation before being reached.

Old Woman Perishes.
Benicia, Cal., Feb. 1.—Alone in the little cottage near Benicia barracks, that she had occupied for more than half a century, and two feet to her from the flames that mounted the walls, Mrs. Margaret McGuire, 80 years of age, was burned to death yesterday. A few charred bones were all that remained where she searched for her body among the smoking ruins. Mrs. McGuire had retired shortly before midnight. Her daughter, Miss Mary McGuire, a teacher in the Alameda schools, put out the light and made everything fast before she departed. The origin of the fire is not known, but it is supposed the aged woman lighted the lamp after her daughter had left her. When neighbors reached the burning house they found it impossible to enter.

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The average price of these Swiss troop horses is about 145 sterling, says Bally's Magazine, and as most of these horses are imported from Ireland and north Germany, their price is considerably higher than it would be in this country. Thus the State secures the services of a horse for an annual outlay of about 14 10s.; but there are certain other expenses which must be included in this estimate, such as the cost of the establishment for remount depots, etc., which raises the total cost of horses for the Swiss government to about 18 12s. a year.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR CHARLES POPHAM, LATE OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, DECEASED.

All persons indebted to the estate of Arthur Charles Popham, late of the City of Victoria, British Columbia, deceased, are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to Frederick James Popham, Mary street, Victoria, B. C., and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to send particulars, duly verified, to the said Frederick James Popham before the 25th day of February, 1910, after the said date the estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims only of which the executor had then notice.

Dated the 21st day of January, 1910.

H. E. A. COURTNEY,
Room 25, Five Sisters' Block, Victoria, B. C., Solicitor for Frederick James Popham, Executor.

CIVIC NOTICE

APPLICATIONS, stating age and experience, accompanied by photograph (in case the applicant is not personally known to the members of the City Council), will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 25th Feb., 1910, at 2 p.m., for the position of City Solicitor, who will be expected to devote his services exclusively to the legal work of the Corporation. The salary attached to the position will be at the rate of \$3,000 per annum.

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City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., January 25th, 1910.

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All persons having claims against the estate of Edward Cody Johnson, late of Victoria, B. C., deceased, are requested to send particulars, duly verified, to Wootton & Goward, solicitors, etc., Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, B. C., on or before the 22nd day of February, 1910.

Dated the 22nd day of January, 1910.

WOOTTON & GOWARD,
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SURFACED OAK CHIFFONIERE—Very massive and roomy, with British bevel plate mirror. Regular value \$18.50. February Sale Price..... \$11.85	SPECIAL BED OFFER—Including brass mounted iron Bed, good mattress, cotton felt top and bottom, woven wire springs, with supports; in all sizes. While they last \$8.15	DOUBLE SPINDLE KITCHEN CHAIRS—Reg. 75c sellers. February Sale Price 45c	COUCHES—Well upholstered in tapestry. Regular value \$6.50. Feb. Sale Price \$3.95
Or with oval mirror..... \$12.35	THREE-PIECE SETS, in silk tapestry. Price from..... \$17.55	DINING CHAIRS—Regular value \$1.35. February Sale Price..... 90c	COCOA MATS—Only a limited number. While they last, each..... 25c
GOLDEN OAK FINISHED ROCKER, with cobbler seat. February Sale Price... \$1.90		PARLOR SUITES, 5 pieces, upholstered in velour, mahogany finished frame. February Sale Price..... \$21.65	IRON BEDSTEADS in all sizes; white enameled and brass mounted. From..... \$2.75

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ACRES—Modern home, Pandora avenue, above Fernwood.
790-Lot, 60 x 120, Oak Bay Avenue, \$1,500—4 1/2 acres, Burnside road, cleared.
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2 acres, Mount Tolmie, all cleared and fenced, splendid soil, \$3,000.
30 acres at Dun, 20 acres cleared, modern house and all implements, fully stocked, \$6,500.
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10 1/2 acres buys new house, close to Hillside avenue, \$1,075.
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\$5,000—Only for 4 splendid lots and 7- roomed house on Quadra Street.
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\$1,200—Well situated lot on Pandora Street.
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\$5,300—House and two lots Kingston Street.
\$7,500—Two houses and lot on View Street, above Blanchard.
\$1,900—Each, for 2 lots on Dunedin Street.
\$950—Two lots on Craigflower Road, View Street.

FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE, MONEY TO LOAN.

TO CENSOR PLAYS.
Vancouver, Jan. 31.—The Ministerial Association of the city has made an application to Mayor Taylor for the appointment of a morality officer in the city, whose present duties should consist of exercising a censorship over the theatres and the plays they produce, and also to inspect the bill boards in the city in order to prevent the displaying of posters for theatres and other concerns to which objection has been taken by many people.
Dr. Faubus Purey, president of the Ministerial Association, and Rev. J. P. Westman, secretary, held a conference with his worship and the whole subject was gone into in detail. While their present scope is not supposed to be further than along the lines mentioned, it was proposed by the reverend gentlemen that in the future the work of the officer, if one were appointed, should extend to a general inspection of the moral conditions prevailing in Vancouver.
Mayor Taylor has promised to take the matter under advisement, and will bring it up before the police commissioners.
There is still a tendency to increase in the age at which men and women marry in the Old Country, the average age now being 23 years for the bridegroom and 21 for the bride.



ENJOYABLE CONCERT
AT GORDON HEAD

Dancing Followed Musical Pro- gramme—Anniversary Smoker

(Special Correspondence)
Gordon Head, Jan. 31.—The annual Burns' concert and dance, held in the district hall on the 28th inst., was a big success. The hall was crowded and a splendid programme was rendered. After the concert daily refreshments were served by the ladies. W. E. Hill, song, James Grant, "Auld Lang Syne." H. Disher provided excellent dance music and dancing went up till an early hour. The programme was as follows: Instrumental selection, Miss Mabel Irvine; song, James Russell; recitation, Sam Pollock; song, James Grant; song, Miss Offerhaus; recitation, M. Dunnett; song, W. E. Hill; song, Percy Gray; song, Charlie King; song, James Grant, "Auld Lang Syne."

The first anniversary smoker of the Court Douglas branch of the Foresters held in the Temperance hall, Cedar Hill, was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. About a hundred invitations were issued for the occasion. The following took part in the programme: Mrs. E. W. Collins, M. J. Williamson, Miss Hazel Shaw of Victoria, is visiting Mrs. Thomas Todd, Cedar Hill.

MINING PROPERTIES
AGAIN IN OPERATION

The Sullivan and Fern, Long Idle, Are Being Extensively Developed

Nelson, Jan. 31.—The features of the ore shipments for the past week were the large number of shippers to the Consolidated Company's smelter at Trail, 33 properties sending in over 12,000 tons of ore. The first shipment to Trail has been made from the Sullivan in East Kootenay, and the Fern, close to Nelson, two properties long idle, but now being extensively developed. Appended are the details:

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Boundary.	Week.	Year.
Granby	23,927	104,459
Mother Lode	9,908	38,233
Snowshoe	5,191	14,540
Other mines	1,040	1,040
Total	40,526	158,343

Roseland.

Week.	Year.	
Centre Star	3,543	13,135
Le Roi	581	1,347
Le Roi No. 2	41	144
Velvet	10	13
Total	4,821	16,537

Slocan-Kootenay.

Week.	Year.	
St. Eugene	618	1,523
Richmond-Eureka	134	388
North Star	126	282
Blue Bell	198	274
Whitewater	42	203
Queen	28	74
Rambler-Cariboo	45	146
Highland-Buckeye	21	98
Silver Cup	13	143
Yankee Girl	262	545
Granite-Poorman	30	63
Eastmount	31	63
Sullivan	76	76
Maestro	35	35
Silver King	249	547
Duncan	7	7
Fern	7	7
Standard	23	91
Lucky Boy	3	3
Peco	7	7
Ferguson	53	33
Mother Lode	90	90
Rambler	4	4
Summit	28	28
Utica	14	28
Other mines	4	411
Total	2,323	5,405
Grand total	47,858	180,407

SMELTER RECEIPTS.

Week.	Year.	
Granby	25,257	104,579
Consolidated Co.	12,619	36,923
B. C. Copper	9,408	39,204
Total	47,284	180,706

MAYOR OF VERNON.
Vernon, Jan. 31.—H. W. Husband, who was elected mayor by acclamation on January 11th, put in his resignation at the first meeting of the new council, on account of the dissatisfaction expressed over the methods whereby his resignation paper was held back until the last moment, has been again elected. Last week he ran in opposition to H. W. Knight and secured a majority of 55 votes.

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EIGHT-ROOMED HOUSE—On lot 37 x 120; Fort street, near St. Charles street. This is a modern house with furnace, three open fireplaces, separate toilet and bath and has a brick foundation. All in first class condition. Price, \$3,000. Terms.

FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE—Hillside ave- nue; lot 33 x 120. Price, \$1,800 cash; terms.

VANCOUVER STREET—Close in, eight-roomed house, modern and in good repair; corner lot, \$3,300. The price of this house has been reduced to \$4,200, \$4,700 cash; balance on mortgage at 7 per cent.

COMFORTABLE HOME—With parlor, living room with bay window and fireplace, kitchen, back kitchen, bath and toilet, and three large bedrooms, within 10 minutes' walk of any part of business district, on Pandora avenue. Price, \$4,500. Good terms.

OAK BAY—Water front; extra large lot, 50 x 180, fine beach. Price, \$1,050. \$350 cash, balance one and two years.

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LARGE LOTS, corner McClure street, \$1,000.

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LOTS 14 and 15, 20 ft x 120 ft, King's road, between Cook and Blackwood streets, \$25 each; 1-3 cash, balance 12 months at 7 per cent.

LOTS, 5, 2, 15, 20 ft x 120 ft, Blackwood street, between Hillside avenue and King's road, \$25 each; 1-3 cash, balance 1 and 2 years at 7 per cent.

LOT 30 ft x 120 ft, fronting on Empress Ave. and Bay street, near Cook, \$500; 1-3 cash.

LOT, Oak Bay Ave., junction Fort street, 50 ft x 120 ft, 1-3 cash.

1 ACRE, facing Hillside, near Galkanda, 3 roomed house, H. and C., about 20 fruit trees, small fruit, \$350; half cash, balance 1 and 2 years, 7 per cent.

LOTS, 20 ft x 120 ft, and 20 ft east part of 52, having 87 ft on Yates, near corner Vancouver, \$2,000; \$500 cash, balance terms, 7 per cent. Agreement of Sales purchased.

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Vernon, Jan. 31.—At the annual meeting of the Farmers' Institute the election resulted in the return by acclamation of the principal officers as follows: President, R. Gillespie; vice-president, W. Scott Allan; secretary, H. P. Lee; directors, L. A. C. Kent, L. Norris, E. B. French, Sr., C. Quenell, R. A. Newhall, H. D. Scott, A. H. Venables and E. Trask.

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\$4,500—140 ACRES, 20 fenced, 50 partly cleared, all cleared, 50 apple, 1/2 acre strawberries, besides raspberries and logan berries, 8-room house, good barn and outbuildings, good road, 1 1/2 miles to P. O., store and R. R. Easy terms.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH- WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age may homestead a quarter section (100 acres more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion survey agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by brother, sister, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister. Residence in certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section consisting of a homesteaded section in each of six years from date of homesteaded entry (including the time required to earn homesteaded patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homesteaded right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a pre-empted homestead in certain districts. Price \$100 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available lands on either odd or even numbered sections south of Township 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 25, and west of the third Meridian and the South Railway line. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$500.

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BEDROOM No. 2—Dresser and Stand, Toiletware, full-size Iron Bedstead, Springs and Mattress, Curtains, Rockers, Tables, Chairs, Carpet Squares, Blankets, Sheets, Spreads, Comforts, Pillows, etc.

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DATES ARE SET FOR 1910 SHOWS

VICTORIA'S ATTITUDE SEVERELY CRITICIZED

Premier Present and Speaks to the Visiting Delegates

The meeting of dates for the fair for 1910 was "discovered" last night to be a longer task than anticipated by the delegates who attended the convention of the B. C. Fair Association for 1910, for it was found at first that nearly every delegate wanted—and must have, in fact he could not do without—a Saturday. As there were not enough Saturdays to go round, Mondays were given to some but these rebelled, as it would mean that the exhibitors would have to gather their exhibits on Sunday. The trouble commenced with the first name on the circuit, Comox, declaring it would rather do without the association's assistance and judges than take the dates September 12th and 13th first given it. Later on others said they would just have a Saturday, and Monday also appeared to be an unsatisfactory day.

The delegates from the mainland declared that Victoria had taken a high hand in show affairs, and that the Victoria dates should be put after Westminster. If this was done the exhibits from the lower mainland that were taken to Westminster would be brought on to Victoria. Fred Turgoose, speaking for Saanich, said they wanted to be just before Victoria and he thought that the Victoria fair was held too soon, that being the cause of the defect.

J. Rodman, the Kamloops delegate, thought Victoria suited Victoria and took a most serious attitude to give the other fairs. "If Victoria can run without the support of the other fairs let her do so," he said, "but she will first have to knock Westminster right out of it."

J. Stewart, of Surrey, thought Victoria should come after Westminster.

The chairman explained the weather conditions regarding Victoria fair, and called on Dr. Tolmie, who was present at the conference and considered as J. E. Smart, Victoria's representative, had not attended, Dr. Tolmie was asked to speak.

Dr. Tolmie asked the Kamloops representative: "Who started fairs in British Columbia, anyway?"

A voice—Ladner.

Dr. Tolmie went on to show Victoria's position, which is that the association has always selected dates after consultation with Westminster and the exhibitors who would show here. He did not think Victoria could sacrifice itself entirely for the other shows, and if put later the show would probably be ruined by rain. He felt, however, that Victoria would do what it could for the assistance of all, and if the matter could be set over two days or so, the delegates would have held a meeting and considered the matter. He thought the city would try to do what was best for the greatest number without sacrificing itself, and would perhaps be able to arrange with Westminster satisfactorily.

While the discussion was in progress the premier entered the room and was introduced by Deputy Minister of Agriculture, W. E. Scott.

The premier made a short address to the delegates, saying it was the deputy minister's plan to have uniformity in the arrangement of provincial fairs. The legislature had endorsed the work of the agricultural department in the past by generous appropriations and great good to the province and the farm industries had been accomplished. He thought there should be no clash on dates between the societies or general policy. For the past he held the credit of the success was due to the farmers, and now in 1910 a larger appropriation than ever had been asked for. There were good judges wanted and the department called for uniformity and efficiency. The work of good judges in the past had raised the efficiency and standard of production. The premier thought with the department handling the matter, a joint scheme of advertising and publicity might be found less costly individually to the societies. His good friend, Capt. Taffew, had accomplished many reforms in the department, and it had been the anxious desire of the government to make the department workable and attractive. There was, said the premier, still a great deal to be done, and they proposed to do all that was possible. "We want the British Columbia fair to be the progressive fair in Canada," he said. The premier concluded with a reference to Mr. Scott's triumphant tour of England and Eastern Canada.

When the Premier withdrew the delegates held a meeting to settle the dates, and finally settled on the date and the Saanich date standing over until later, the other dates were set.

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The scheme of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, the president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, for providing ready-made farms for emigrants to Canada, was expounded by C. W. Peterson, the general manager of the Canadian Pacific Irrigation Colonization Company, in a paper read before the Colonial Institute at the Hotel Metropole, London, recently.

The main features of the plan are that a home may be ready for the settler and his family immediately on his arrival in Canada; that all the preliminary work to make the farm productive at the earliest possible moment will have been performed prior to his arrival; and that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company will augment the settler's capital by practically making him a loan, to be expended by the company in providing necessary improvements.

To make the colonist almost immediately revenue-producing, it would be the aim of the company to break up a portion of each holding, probably from 40 to 50 acres, the year prior to his going into occupation, so that there might be a crop available in a few months after he had taken possession. This crop should provide a cash income during the first season, varying from \$100 to \$250, according to the season and the state of the grain market. The total cost of putting up the necessary buildings, preparing the crop, providing domestic water supply and enclosing the holding, with a suitable fence, is practically inexhaustible. When the entire project is finally completed about 4,000 miles of canals and waterways will be in operation. The price of the land is from 13 to 18 lbs. per acre.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, who presided at the meeting, said that the population of Canada had been increasing by leaps and bounds, and it would not be surprising if the present 7 1/2 millions became 12 1/2 before 1920, and by five the greater proportion of the new five millions would come from the United States—the majority of them very desirable settlers. But it was very much wished that there should be a number among them of those who had been brought up under the British flag.

OLDEST OF ADULTERANTS.

In some countries adulteration has grown to dangerous proportions, and the second international congress for the repression of adulteration in food and drugs, held in Paris, has been an event of considerable interest. At the recent meeting of the French Association of Science, M. Dorveau traced the history of what is perhaps the oldest known adulteration of food—the adulteration of coffee with chicory. The name of the fitted inventor of this mixture is unknown, but after a long discussion the date of the invention has been fixed at 1690—when the Dutch practiced it. It does not seem likely that William III. brought it to England, but France adopted chicory in 1765, and the French, who did not use it till 1771, have since then been more active than any other people in spreading the adulteration.

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Albert Simmons, twenty-six, a laborer, was charged at Old street, London, with attempting suicide. Police Constable Mills said the prisoner told him he had swallowed a quantity of poison, and produced a packet containing some pills of lemon. The witness took him to St. Bartholomew's hospital, where he was detained until the following day.

A physician from the hospital said it was extremely doubtful whether the prisoner had swallowed any of the poison. The prisoner now said his motive was to get away from the young woman he had arranged to marry in consequence of some reflections she had made upon him.

A young woman in court broke into sobs and said: "Oh, Albert, you know it's a lie."

The prisoner, on his return to the prison, was ordered that the prisoner doctor might report on the accused.

Patrol to the Edge of the Great Empire

Annual Report of the Mounted Police—One Long Patrol

The annual report of the Northwest Mounted Police, tabled in the Commons, contains the usual record of faithful, and in many cases heroic, service quietly and efficiently performed, "the finest police force in the world."

The strength of the force now stands at 51 officers and 600 non-commissioned officers and constables, or practically the same as in the previous year.

They are stationed at ten divisional posts of 148 detachments. The farthest being detachment on the Arctic coast, is 2,500 miles from headquarters, and it takes two months to make the journey. Commissioner Perry states that the governments of Alberta and Saskatchewan have asked that the present arrangement for the employment of the force, which expires on April 1st, 1911, shall be continued for five years, and he recommends that this be done.

During the last fiscal year 14 cases of murder were dealt with by the mounted police and 5,845 cases of crime were registered, as against 6,377 during the previous twelve months. There was a decided increase in the offences against women, 81 cases being entered, resulting in 41 convictions. The crop of horse thieves was also large, giving 41 convictions during the year, as against 29 for the preceding year. Crime caused by excessive drinking accounted for 1,581 convictions. There were 129 convictions for prairie forest fires. Some of these fires, the cause of carelessness, were very destructive, and in some cases lives were sacrificed. During the year 1,940 prisoners were received, and the guard rooms have been overcrowded. At Calgary prisoners were refused because they could not be accommodated.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the report is the story of the special patrol made by Inspector Pelletier and three constables from across the northern part of Canada from Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, to Chesterfield Inlet on Hudson Bay, a total distance of 4,347 miles. Part of the journey the party had to subsist on raw deer meat, and on the voyage from Fullerton to Port Churchill their boat was wrecked, and they safely arrived only after appalling hardships and narrow escapes both by sea and land. "Of the many and arduous patrols made by the force," says Commissioner Perry, "this has been the most extended and difficult."

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