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FIVE THOUSAND MEN PERISHED IN BATTLE

Terrible Death Roll the Result of Fight at Sebastopol--It is Semi-Officially Reported that Two Cruisers and a Transport Were Set on Fire and Sunk.

(Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, Nov. 30, 1.50 p.m.—The situation is very alarming. Russia is a complete blank so far as direct news is concerned, all telegraphic communication with the interior having ceased.
The workmen's council has decided that the general post office in St. Petersburg shall close at 3 o'clock this afternoon when communication with the outside world may cease.
The most disquieting reports are in circulation regarding the disaffection of the Guard regiments, two of which the workmen boast have definitely resolved not to fire on the people.
The government still manages with the aid of the administrative officers along the line to keep the line open with Sebastopol.
The manager of the Moscow office is himself working at a key there. The contents of cipher dispatches received by the Emperor from Vice-Admiral Birloff, minister of marine, however, are carefully guarded.
Five Thousand Killed.
St. Petersburg, Nov. 30, 2.30 p.m.—The navy department is closed, not only to the public but to officers except those on the general staff.
No official statement on the subject of the battle of Sebastopol yet has been issued and the public remains in the dark, compelled to be content with the countless rumors which are in circulation.

It is reported from a semi-official source that although the Otkahoff, the Dnieper and a transport were set on fire and sunk during yesterday's battle, the mutineers have not yet surrendered.
Vice-Admiral Choukhnin was in command of the loyal vessels, some of which, including the Pantelimon, participated in the engagements. General Baron Meller-Gakomelski, commander of the seventh army corps, with 21,000 infantry and artillery, was in chief command ashore.
The newspaper accounts of the details of the fighting at Sebastopol, which are based on the reports circulating in the city, are very conflicting, but they say the battle ended at about 5.30 this afternoon when the ships of the mutineers surrendered.
The Novosti says that 5,000 men perished on both sides. The leaders of the mutineers, it is added, have already been executed, two battleships have been blown up and mines have been laid at the entrance of the roadstead.
Attack on Loyal Ships.
Warsaw, Nov. 30.—According to the new details which have reached Warsaw regarding the sea and land battle at Sebastopol, the rebel fleet in the evening of November 28th, opened an attack on three loyal warships, the battleships Rostislav, the torpedo gunboat Captain Saeken and the armored cruiser Famyat Azova. The latter replied briskly, damaging the rebel torpedo

boat destroyer Svirepy and sinking a torpedo boat.
The coast batteries also joined in and set fire to the cruiser Otkahoff, commanded by the rebel leader, Lieut. Schmidt. The latter, with his faithful followers, tried to escape in boats, but were captured by loyal torpedo boats.
At the same time the Belostok regiment attacked the barracks occupied by the mutineers. Fifteen hundred of these, with 15 machine guns surrendered during the night.
The number of killed and wounded is not known.
Preparing to Flee.
London, Nov. 30.—Private advices received in London from Odessa tell of a most interesting situation there. While there is no disturbance at Odessa, the inhabitants are in dread of the arrival of one or more of the mutinous warships from Sebastopol, and are preparing to flee on sighting these vessels.
As to the actual happenings at Sebastopol, the people of Odessa are ignorant, but rumors of all kinds are afloat.
General Strike Feared.
Warsaw, Nov. 30.—The deadlock in the postal and telegraph service between Warsaw and the interior of Russia is practically complete.
The latest information from Moscow is that the soldiers of the telegraph battalion have refused to fill the places of the striking telegraph operators.
The greatest anxiety prevails here, where it is feared that a general strike involving the whole of Russia-Poland may break out at any moment.
The arrest of numerous prominent persons and their exile without trial continues.

DEVELOPMENT OF RAILWAYS IN CANADA

GROWTH OF BUSINESS DURING RECENT YEARS

At Times Existing Lines are Sorely Pressed to Accommodate the Freight That is Offered.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)
Ottawa, Nov. 22.—The development of a country and the extension of its systems of railways go together. Each acts and reacts on the other. New lines of railway are required to open up hitherto commercially inaccessible districts, whilst the peopling of these districts provides traffic and freight for the railways and brings an urgent demand not only for increased facilities, but also for further extensions.
The railway statistics given in the Statistical Year Book show this very clearly, and, without going as deeply into figures as is done by the compiler of that volume, afford a very valuable lesson as to the solidity of the growth of the country.
In 1881 there were only 7,200 miles of railway in operation, the C. P. R. being then under construction. In 1896 there were 16,214 miles of railway in operation, the main line, and many branches of the C. P. R. being completed. Thus in the sixteen years there had been an additional 9,014 miles of railway put in operation. In 1904 the figures show 19,421 miles of line in operation.
Being an Increase
of 3,217 miles over 1896. In addition to this there, were at the end of the latter year a immense number of charters for new lines, including the Grand Trunk Pacific line, which had been granted by parliament and many of which are now under construction.
The train mileage, that is the number of miles travelled by trains of all descriptions, was 27,301,306, and in 1896 it was 43,940,155, and in 1904 it had grown to 61,212,002. Thus in the sixteen year period the train mileage had increased 16,371,696, and in the eight year period, or the growing time of Canada, 17,371,697, or 732,988 more than the increase of the longer period. These figures of themselves show the growth of Canada's business, but they only faintly show this when compared with other statistics.
The number of passengers carried shows the growth of travelling in the Dominion. In 1881 there were 6,842,671 passengers carried, and in 1896 the number had grown to 12,059,022; whilst in 1904 it had reached 23,640,765. The increase in the sixteen year period was 6,116,392; and in the latter or eight year

period 16,681,742. So that in the shorter period the number of passengers travelling over Canadian railways had increased more than 60 per cent. more than it had in the longer period.
Turning to the amount of freight carried, it appears that in 1881 there were 12,665,323 tons carried, 24,248,294 in 1896, whilst in 1904 there were 48,997,519. Thus it will be seen that though the tonnage nearly doubled
in both the longer and shorter periods, yet the growth in the latter was much greater than in the former. From 1881 to 1896 the increase was 12,582,971, but from 1896 to 1904 it was 23,749,225. Whilst in the sixteen year period it increased at the rate of 761,986 tons yearly, in the eight year period it increased at the rate of 1,275,462 yearly, or at nearly four times the rate of the former term.
The gross earnings of the railways show equally remarkable signs of development. In 1881 they were \$27,987,000, and in 1896 they were \$109,219,426. The increase from 1881 to 1896 was \$81,232,426, or nearly 50 per cent., whilst from 1896 to 1904 it was \$49,845,139 or very nearly 50 per cent. In other words, whilst the increase for the sixteen year period was at the rate of \$1,297,171 yearly for the eight year period, it was \$6,130,642 or nearly five times as much.
Taking the working expenses it appears that here, too, the ratio of increase has been maintained, but this is not to be wondered at, as not only does the greater amount of work to be done require a proportionate increase of labor, but also wages have increased with the additional cost of living, and on all the lines labor is better paid than it was when the Dominion was younger. On the government lines especially, during the past four or five years, there has been a very considerable increase in the rates of pay to all classes.
In 1881 the working expenses were \$20,121,418, and in 1896 they had reached the sum of \$44,852,327, whilst in 1904 they had amounted to \$74,563,162. Thus in the sixteen year period
Increased \$17,719,915, whilst in the eight year period they increased \$29,644,225, or whilst from 1881 to 1896 they increased at the rate of \$22,229 yearly, from 1896 to 1904 they increased at the rate of \$4,959,103. This may at first sight appear an excessive increase, but when the ratio of working expenses to receipts is taken into account that appearance vanishes away. In 1881 the proportion of working expenses to receipts was 71.80 per cent., whilst in 1904 it was 74.40 per cent., so that the increase in the 24 years is only 2.51 per cent. Then, again, it must be remembered that working expenses does not mean only labor, though as has been already stated, there has been a considerable increase in that direction, but that this amount includes everything in use on a railway which is not chargeable of capital account. Coal, lamp and other oils, materials used in repairs, etc., all are included in this amount and the price of all these things has risen considerably in the market during the past few years.
The development is perhaps more

clearly seen, when comparison is made with some of the other portions of the British Empire. In railway development Canada
Stands Third in the Empire.
but when population is considered she should be given first place. In all the empire India stands first, having a population of 295,252,706 at the last census, and 28,851 miles of railway. Great Britain stands second with 41,007,552 population and 22,433 miles of railway. Canada, with 5,528,547 population, has just three thousand miles of railway, or 13.5 miles in operation. Australasia, with a population of 4,890,822 and 16,534 miles of railway, comes fourth. Thus where Great Britain has three miles of railway to every five million inhabitants, and India has less than half a mile, Canada has nineteen thousand miles, and Australasia and Canada stand nearly equal. This speaks volumes for the enterprise of the self-governing colonies, and the future which awaits them.
The immense and steady growth of railway business in Canada for the past few years is full of happy augury for the future, nor can one wonder on reading such statistics that at certain times, such as the rush of the output of the great western harvest to the sea, the railways are sorely pressed to accommodate all the freight that is offered them. No doubt the construction of the C. P. R. and the Canadian Northern lines are, by having opened up vast stretches of country, to be credited with much of this.
Development of Business.
but if this be so what will be the result of the completion of the Canadian Northern system as a transcontinental line, and the opening up of the immense northern wheat field by the construction of the G. T. P.
With the proportionate increase of business these figures, which have been quoted above, will be nearly doubled in the next few years, but what an enormous increase may be confidently looked for when the G. T. P. becomes one of the great competing lines of Canada. Now must it be forgotten that the even when these three transcontinental lines are completed there will still be room for more railways across the wheat fields of the Northwest.
DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.
Outbreak in Warehouse at Buenos Ayres—Loss Estimated at One Million Dollars.
(Associated Press.)
Buenos Ayres, Nov. 30.—A serious fire broke out here to-day in a warehouse containing inflammable merchandise, including 100,000 cans of petroleum. The fire is still burning as this dispatch is filed. The loss already is estimated at \$1,000,000.
Outbreak at Kansas City.
Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 30.—The warehouse of the Standard Oil Company at Kansas avenue and Blair street, Armourdale, a suburb, with 700,000 gallons of kerosene, was destroyed by fire to-day, causing a loss of \$175,000. An explosion of the oil forced down the walls of the building, making the destruction complete.

THE KAISER'S SPEECH

At the Opening of the Reichstag—Foreign Relations.
Berlin, Nov. 29.—Emperor William at the opening of the Reichstag yesterday read the speech from the throne. The speech was occupied chiefly with domestic affairs. Turning near the close of the speech to foreign affairs, the Emperor said:
"It filled me with high satisfaction that I was able to support the successful efforts of the President of the United States in bringing about peace between His Majesty the Emperor of Russia and His Majesty the Emperor of Japan. I greet Japan's entrance into the ranks of the great powers with sincere wishes for the peaceable civilization mission of this highly endowed people, and my lively sympathies attend the efforts which the neighboring friendly Russian empire is making toward a new order of things in its internal affairs. I hope that His Majesty the Emperor of Russia may earn the love and gratitude of his people as the pathfinder of Russia's happy future."
The Emperor also expressed his congratulations to Norway's government and people upon the election of a "royal couple to whom I am bound by friendly sentiments." The Emperor, continuing, said: "A glance at Germany's own international relations not fail to disclose the fact that we have continually to reckon with misconceptions of German ways of thinking and prejudices against the progress made by German industry. The differences which arose between us and France in the Morocco question had no other origin than in a disposition to settle without Germany's participation a question which the German empire also has interests to protect."

QUESTIONS BEFORE LOCAL SPORTSMEN

FAVOR INTRODUCTION OF A GUN LICENSE

Are Opposed to Prohibition of Sunday Shooting and Killing of Hen Pheasants.

Over one hundred sportsmen attended a combined meeting of the Victoria Fish and Game Club, and the two local gun associations held last evening at the Driard Hotel. Expecting the usual number Proprietor Harrison had set aside a cosy inner apartment for their use, but as the time for the opening of the proceedings drew near the crowd grew to such dimensions that even the accommodation of the sitting room was taxed to its utmost capacity. Upon motion J. H. Pooley was voted to be chair, and no time was lost in introducing the business on the tapis.
The first question, and that which created the most animated discussion, was the proposal to impose a gun license upon all carrying firearms for the purpose of killing game. Much to the surprise of those who have been active in bringing the matter to the attention of local sportsmen the principle was unanimously endorsed, although there was some difference of opinion in regard to the amount of the tax to be recommended. The original suggestion was \$2.50, but others present thought that it should be \$5 at least or else its utility would be so curtailed as to result in very little material benefit in the protection of game. Finally \$3 was agreed upon. One point upon which there was striking unanimity of opinion was that the license would be supported only upon the understanding, that the provincial government agree to devote the revenue thus derived exclusively to the improvement of the present system of protecting British Columbia's game during the closed seasons. Everyone seemed to think that the provisions of the Game Act were not enforced now as stringently as was desirable, and were quite willing that they should be taxed to the extent mentioned providing it would prevent the wholesale slaughter of the birds which Vancouver Island and the Mainland abounds, and which spend an enjoyable day at neighboring resorts at any time during the periods shooting was lawful.
Thus when the appended resolution, moved by J. Muirgrave and seconded by N. J. Gresley, was put it carried unanimously.
That in the opinion of this meeting, it is necessary for the better protection of game that a license of three dollars be levied on every person using or carrying a firearm usually used for killing game in the province of British Columbia during the closed seasons, when carrying arms in the course of their ordinary duties, and bona fide resident farmers, tenant twenty acres or more of cultivated land, and while shooting over land, shall be exempt from this license, and any person found carrying firearms without such license shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$100.
Upon other points there was little discussion. It was pointed out that it would be advisable in the interests of game protection that certain districts having an irregular boundary, should be "organized" by act of parliament, the reasons for this were enumerated, it being explained that at the present time the law allowed anyone holding a miner's license to shoot any quantity of any variety of birds or deer in these districts. Many who were not bona fide miners, but held certificates previously obtained were, therefore, able to slaughter as much as they might desire without rendering themselves liable to prosecution. Any fair-minded person would see the injustice of this, and it was proposed to ask the government to remedy it at the next sitting of the legislature. A motion asking for the organization of all that part of Vancouver Island south of latitude 50° was declared an organized district according to the provisions of the Game Act was passed without dissent.
Sunday shooting—the subject that was expected to rouse indignant protests—was dealt with in a quiet and common-sense manner. The communications from officials of the Lord's Day Alliance were submitted and filed. Those present expressed their disapproval of any such proposition. It would be unjust and without the results which those interested wished to bring about. It was loudly agreed, however, to leave the matter in abeyance, and to take no definite action until steps are taken to induce the authorities to prohibit shooting on the Sabbath.
One of the last issues debated was that of recommending that the shooting of hen pheasants be permitted during the last fortnight of the shooting season. Some contended that these birds were becoming so numerous that there could be no possible harm in making it lawful to kill them for a brief period annually. The majority, however, objected. Their argument was that there are already quite a number of hen pheasants killed either by mistake or intent throughout the shooting months, and that the adoption of such a suggestion would mean altogether too great a slaughter. In fact, it might seriously effect the following year's broods. One of the speakers made a very minute calculation, stating that only one hundred specimens were out per flock, it would mean six hundred for one day, and if

the average tag were only four birds—a very small average—it would mean the extermination of no less than two thousand four hundred hen pheasants. Those who were acquainted with the condition of game upon Vancouver Island would agree that the legalizing of such a slaughter would not be wise. It was decided to allow the question to drop for the present.
After according Proprietor Harrison a vote of thanks for the use of the rooms the meeting adjourned.

BOUNDARY FALLS SMELTER.

Has Been Blown In—One Furnace in Commission.

The Boundary Falls smelter was blown in Monday by W. G. Thomas, smelter superintendent for the Dominion Copper Company. The one furnace now in commission will reduce about three hundred and fifty tons daily from the company's Brooklyn, Stenwinder and Rawhide mines in this camp. The second furnace is to be blown in later. This amount will be doubled whenever the smelter is ready to blow in the second furnace. Manager Drummond will also probably increase the force of men at work in the three mines of the company here, as it is understood development is to be kept well in hand in advance of shipments. The beginning of shipments from these mines will cause the employment of another train crew by the C. P. R. on the Phoenix hill. This makes a total of over three thousand tons of ore daily now being shipped from the mines of Phoenix camp. The Granby output being twenty-seven hundred tons per day.
It is expected that the eight-hour day will be put in force at the Boundary Falls smelter, as it was last Monday at the Granby smelter.

THE JAPANESE- KOREAN TREATY

TEXT OF AGREEMENT RECENTLY SIGNED

Mikado's Government Will Have Control of External Affairs of the Hermit Kingdom.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—The text of the treaty between Japan and Korea, which was signed on the 17th inst., is as follows:
"The government of Japan and the government of Korea, desiring to strengthen the solidarity which unites the two empires, have, with that object in view, agreed upon and concluded the following stipulations to serve until the moment arrives, when it is recognized that Korea has attained national strength.
Article 1.—The government of Japan undertakes to exercise control over the external affairs of Korea, and the diplomatic and consular representatives of Japan will have the charge of the subjects and interests of Korea in foreign countries.
Article 2.—The government of Japan undertakes to see to the execution of the treaties actually existing between Korea and other powers, and the government of Korea engages not to conclude hereafter any act or engagement having an international character except through the medium of the government of Japan.
Article 3.—The government of Japan shall be represented at the court of His Majesty the Emperor of Korea by a resident general, who shall reside at Seoul primarily for two years, and shall perform such duties as may be necessary in order to carry into full effect the provisions of their agreement.
Article 4.—The stipulations of all treaties and agreements existing between Japan and Korea not inconsistent with the provisions of this agreement shall continue in force.
Article 5.—The government of Japan undertakes to maintain the welfare and dignity of the Imperial house of Korea.
In faith whereof, the undersigned, duly authorized by their governments have signed this agreement and affixed their seals November 17th.
Gonzoke Hayashi, E. E. and M. P. Pak Che Soon, minister of foreign affairs.
CARNegie's OFFER DECLINED.
Montreal, Nov. 28.—The by-law passed by the city council two years ago accepting the offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie of \$150,000 for a library, was repealed almost without comment yesterday. All that now remains for the city council to do is to thank Carnegie for his offer.
HONOR FOR JAPS.
(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 30.—King Edward has decided to confer the order of merit on both Field-Marshal Oyama and Admiral Togo.

JOHN CORT AND VICTORIA THEATRE

ANOTHER STRING TO HIS MANAGERIAL BOW

His Advent Here, May Mean Desired Changes in Local Playhouse— Five Year's Lease.

Local theatre-goers were very much interested in the announcement made by the Times yesterday that John Cort had leased the Victoria theatre for five years with the option of purchase. At the same time it was generally expected that a move would be made in this direction before very long in view of the tremendous battle that has practically been started between the syndicate and anti-syndicate forces.
John Cort is a pretty big man in the syndicate or the Northwest branch of it, and controls a considerable number of theatres because of that connection. He is the manager of the Seattle and Grand opera houses in the Sound city, and for years has had a great deal to say as to what shows would visit Victoria or give it the go-by. The owner of the Victoria theatre, Mr. Boscowitz, who returned from Vancouver last evening admitted that the lease had been taken up but said he did not think the new arrangement would affect the local stage, in fact, he thought the new management would be pleased to retain its present force.
There is no doubt about that last observation. It is a big question if there is a man in the Cort retinue or among the officials of Klaw Erlangson who is as indispensable as Ted North, who knows the Victoria and local conditions as a father does his firstborn. In fact Mr. North's familiarity with the modus operandi of theatre manipulating, which extends from the electric switchboard to the box office and bill posting, so impressed a dramatic writer in the New York Telegraph during his visit here that he delivered himself of a column eulogy and warmly invited the subject of it to the Atlantic metropolis.
It is to be hoped that the appearance of Mr. Cort upon the local theatrical horizon will mean an improvement in the roster of attractions. The average of one a week is somewhat slow and the quality of many might be greatly improved upon. It is also to be hoped that the new lessee will make some arrangement with Mr. Boscowitz for the alteration of the house. The fact is conclusive that few cities of Victoria's prominence on the continent have more dismal looking show houses. Of course nobody cares to make a big outlay of money without an appreciable return in sight, but with a good class of attractions, and the field properly worked up a profitably large clientele might be established for the Victoria theatre. Mr. Cort will have to give the public some show of the bill he will close the house.
The leasing of the Victoria by the Seattle manager, however, effectually closes the door to what are known as "independent" stars. These are the actors and actresses who are being exploited by the syndicate combination, which has been organized to fight the syndicate, and has acquired a considerable number of theatres. The only place Victorians could hear Mrs. Pliske, for instance, in this city would be one of the smaller amusement houses, which could hardly accommodate enough people to justify the venture. However, as independent stars have not been in the habit of visiting this city its condition in that respect is no worse than it was before.
TREASURE EXPEDITION.
Observation Incorporated in Seattle to Search for Hidden Wealth on Cocos Island.
"A novel business organization was incorporated Tuesday for the purpose of recovering hidden treasure," says the Seattle Star. The incorporators boldly declare it is their purpose to organize an expedition for seeking out and unearthing the \$2,000,000 of gold hidden by pirates on islands in the southern sea as far back as 1521.
The incorporators claim they know where the hidden treasure is, but that a mountain has toppled over upon it, and to wash away the mountain the Cocos Island Hydraulic and Treasure Company has been organized.
The incorporators are Captain Fred H. West of Vancouver, R. C. John W. Lamont, James A. Steele and E. E. Squires.
GERMAN INSURANCE LAW.
Equitable Life Must Increase Its Premium Reserve Invested in Germany.
(Associated Press.)
Berlin, Nov. 30.—The Imperial Insurance office has informed the representatives here of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, of the United States, that it will appoint a receiver to administer upon the company's property in Germany in the interest of the German policy holders unless the company increases its premium reserve invested in Germany as required by the insurance law of May, 1901.
Russian Foreign Secretary Lamsdorf has sent a note to the American chargé d'affaires, expressing the deepest regret at the recent attack on Second Secretary Robert Wood's Bliss, and adding that the prefect of police had been given instructions that the streets in the vicinity of the American embassy shall be better patrolled, &

VENEZUELA AND THE NETHERLANDS

SMUGGLING MAY LEAD TO FURTHER TROUBLE

Exiles Reported to be Shipping Fire- Arms From the Dutch Island of Curacao.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, Nov. 30.—The acute situation between France and Venezuela has for some time past distracted attention from the quarrel which the Venezuelan government already had on hand with her neighbors. Some diplomats here familiar with the conditions in that part of South America feel that in the near future other trouble may be expected and that some day the trouble between the Netherlands and Venezuela may be renewed, possibly leading to an outbreak between the two countries.
The chief complaint of the Netherlands government is the way in which the Venezuelan customs house officers exercise their right of search. It is alleged that many times without due cause the customs officers bring ships to their ports and keep their crews practically prisoners. The Venezuelan government on its side, has made several complaints about the smuggling trade which is kept on from Curacao into the harbors of Venezuela and which consists chiefly of firearms.
For the last thirty years there has been a law in Curacao forbidding the exportation of firearms, but the large colony of Venezuelan political exiles who came to the island to be near their old home and still be free to make new plots against President Castro make it extremely difficult for the Dutch authorities to enforce that law. The Dutch newspapers have begun to insist upon more vigorous action by their government, and it is felt here that after the French matter has been settled this probably will be the next trouble in the Caribbean sea.

FORCED TO FLEE IN THEIR NIGHT CLOTHES

Home of J. Whittia, at Nanaimo Destroyed by Fire--The Occupants Had Narrow Escape.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, Nov. 30.—Another disastrous fire visited this vicinity this morning, when the home of John Whittia, who has a farm on the five-acre lot, a mile north of the city, was completely destroyed.
Mr. and Mrs. Whittia and their eight children were asleep in the house when the fire was discovered, and so fiercely was it blazing then that they had barely time to escape in their night clothes.

ONE STEAMER MISSING.

The W. K. Corey is the Only Steel Corporation Boat Unaccounted For.
Duluth, Minn., Nov. 30.—The big steamer W. K. Corey is now the only steel corporation boat unaccounted for. She was due at the harbor at midnight Tuesday, which means that she must have been exposed to the storm of Tuesday.
A number of boats reported from Cleveland last night as having been blown out and overboard, arriving during the night.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Nov. 29-5 a. m.—The pressure is rising again over the province and the low area is sinking slowly to the southeast.

Lower Mainland—Light winds, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional sleet or rain.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh westerly winds, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional sleet or rain.

Lower Mainland—Light winds, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional sleet or rain.

Nanaimo—Wind, strong, N. W.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.80; temperature, 22; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 14; minimum, 10; wind, calm; weather, -44; weather, snow.

Sag Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 6 miles W.; rain, .32; weather, fair.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 6 below; minimum, 8 below; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, fair.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 22nd to 28th November, 1905.

At the commencement of the week a storm developed on the Washington coast and moved southward, its progress being forced by an important area of high barometric pressure, which formed on the northern coast and spread inland through the province.

There was a rapid decrease in pressure in the Pacific states on the 22nd, followed by an equally rapid rise on the 23rd; these fluctuations caused unsettled weather, but with only light rain or snow.

On the 25th a storm arose, became central in Alberta, causing snowfall at Barkerville and Kamloops and generally throughout the Northwest provinces.

On the 26th another marked depression covered Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland and Oregon and Washington; the movements of this storm caused strong winds on the Straits with rain and snow, and its progress was much prolonged; during the rest of the week fresh ocean storms have occurred and the weather has been decidedly colder; the fall in temperature has been the result of an important area of high pressure which developed in the Yukon, where the pressure increased to 31.12 inches on the 26th.

In the Northwest the weather during the early part of the week was chiefly fair and moderately cold, but the high area from the Yukon gradually filled up the province, the temperatures at the same time becoming lower until, at the close of the week, a cold wave set in and the mercury fell to 15 below zero. Several blizzards occurred and snowfall was frequent.

At Victoria there were registered 10 hours of bright sunshine; highest temperature, 53.3 on 23rd; lowest, 28.2 on 28th; rain, 0.02 inch and a trace of snow.

At Vancouver—Highest, 49 on 23rd; lowest, 29 on 28th; precipitation, 0.24 inch.

At New Westminster—Highest, 50 on 23rd; lowest, 29 on 28th; precipitation, 0.32 inch.

At Kamloops—Highest, 49 on 23rd; lowest, 2 below zero on 28th; precipitation, 0.20 inch.

Barkerville—Highest, 32 on 22nd, 23rd and 25th; lowest, 14 below zero on 27th; precipitation, 0.30 inch.

Owing to wire trouble the returns from Fort Simpson are incomplete.

At Atlin—Highest, 44 on 23rd; lowest, 2 below zero on 27th; only a trace of precipitation.

At Dawson—Highest, 10 on 23rd and 25th; lowest, 18 below zero on 25th and 27th; precipitation, 0.10 inch.

SEBASTOPOL SCENE OF DESPERATE FIGHTING

Report that Barracks Held by Sailors Was Captured After Mutinous Ships Had Surrendered--Cruiser Wrecked.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 29.—Sebastopol was today the scene of desperate battle between mutineer sailors and the troops in the forts on shore. During the battle the town and the forts were bombarded by the guns of the cruiser Otchakoff, which now lies a burning wreck off Admiralty point, its hull riddled with shot and its flanking red signs of revolution drawn down.

Many of the crew of the Otchakoff were killed or wounded. According to one report the barracks of the mutineers were captured by storm after the mutinous fleet which is said to have numbered ten vessels, had surrendered and the whole position is now in the hands of the troops under General Nupoloff. The Associated Press, however, is unable to guarantee the correctness of this report.

During the naval battle the sailors on the shore entrenched in the barracks defended their position with machine guns and rifles against the attacking infantry. The mutineers' position lasting two and a half hours with the Otchakoff riddled and on fire, and the cruiser Dnieper and another vessel sunk. Lieut. Schmidt, who had been badly wounded, surrendered the entire squadron. The mutineers' sailors on shore surrendered to the first and second regiments. According to this report the Panтелейon (formerly the Klisla Potemkine) was injured below the water line and with a torpedo boat in shore on the rocky coast.

No details of the casualties or the damage sustained by the town are obtainable by the admiralty, but owing to confined space in which the battle was fought it is improbable that the town escaped without heavy damage. The demands of the mutineers is said to have included besides the fifteen proposals dealing with service conditions, the convocations of a constituent assembly, and the complete recognition of the liberties promised by the imperial manifesto.

Owing to the interruption of the telegraph, details of the battle are hard to obtain, but as the Associated Press is authoritatively reported by the general staff, the battle was begun by the troops on shore, who opened fire on the Otchakoff, which was defiantly displaying a red flag. The commander of the Otchakoff, Lieut. Schmidt, immediately accepted the challenge, replying with both batteries, one turned on the town, and the other on the fort Alexander batteries on the north shore.

According to a more detailed report received from another source and purporting to come from the admiralty, the battle began at 3 o'clock this afternoon, when Lieut. Schmidt, not receiving a reply to the demands of the mutineers, opened fire on the fleet of ten ships, to which the northern batteries of Fort Alexander, posted on the shore, and several vessels which remained loyal, replied.

The strike of telegraphers. St. Petersburg, Nov. 29.—The situation has again suddenly grown exceedingly grave. The Russian capital is shut off from telegraphic communication with the interior. The Panslavian strike of telegraph operators was declared yesterday in operation, and the workmen's council is deliberating whether to declare a general political strike throughout Russia to-morrow, predicating this time the alleged unwarranted arrest of the members of the peasants' congress at Moscow, and also calling on the people to compel the employers of St. Petersburg, who are locked out, to open their doors.

The telegraph strike draws an impenetrable curtain between the capital and the provinces. Such a crisis renders the position of the government almost desperate, as being in constant and instant touch with the military and local authorities in the interior is imperative. If the telegraph strike can be maintained the government will be compelled to grope blindly in the dark. The employees of the office here have not yet struck, but they are expected to walk out to-day. Only two lines are working out of St. Petersburg. Telephonic messages from Moscow, which are momentarily expected to stop, say that the operators on the Siberian lines and on all the lines

rock-breaking turn he requests some person from the audience to come on the stage and use the hammer, and also submit the rock to any one for inspection. During his stay in this city Mandy will be pleased to have any member of the medical profession of this city make an examination of his head. The other attractions for the week are Odell and Hart, the comedy sketch artists. They introduce an entirely different turn from that which they presented during their engagement in this city about eight months ago. It is new and up-to-date, and that it is well received is shown by the fact that they received recalls on five different occasions last evening. They will be seen at the Savoy every evening during the week and on Saturday afternoon.

At the Victoria. There have been many great little battles during the past two years, but few combats could surpass in fury and vigor the recent one between Battling Nelson and James Edward Britt. This contest was fierce, desperate, and fairly waged. Only a few people, of course, could reach Colpa to see the actual battle, but those who could not go can still see every blow and every movement of the Gray. The motion pictures taken at the ringside, when developed, turned out to be the finest set of fight films ever seen, perfect from start to finish, unequalled in clearness and perfection. The man

who was not at the ringside, after seeing these pictures, can talk off terms of equal knowledge with the man who occupied a ringside chair. Nothing is missing. J. W. Coffroth, president of the Colma club, where the fight occurred, is the owner of the copyright films. These pictures will be given at the Victoria theatre on Saturday next.

DISMISSED. Cases Arising Out of Alleged Shaughing of Sailors Have Been Dropped. Port Townsend, Nov. 29.—The action of the United States against Captain Tedford and Mate McMath, of the British ship Scottish Moors, in the shaughing case was dismissed by United States Commissioner Kuhn this afternoon on motion of District Attorney Frye, who advised to that effect.

William Ryan, sailors' boarding master of Tacoma, charged with the shaughing, appeared for trial and the government not being represented to prosecute, his attorney's motion for dismissal was granted.

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THE BURDEN OF TAXATION. "When we find from one such report (departmental report, Ottawa) that we paid \$7,000,000 more taxes last year than we paid nine years ago we all turn from the volume with a shudder." Such are the moralisings of a contemporary which cavilled when customs duties were decreased by the present government and has never ceased to argue in favor of an increase of taxation, and therefore of taking more money out of the pockets of the people as a means of increasing prosperity.

We wonder what the thoughts of the Sultan are as he contemplates the frowning guns on the warships of his contemporary, the comparative placidity of affairs in the regions of his ancient enemy the Czar. The irony of the situation lies in the fact that there is a Russian warship in the fleet which is demonstrating to the Caliph the iniquity of his conduct in permitting his subjects to rix, riot and commit murderous outrages upon the persons of their fellow-men.

The McBride government has had a goodly sum of the money wrung from the people in taxation in travelling through Europe and America. It has enjoyed itself so thoroughly, in fact, and its departmental labors have been so light, that it is determined to take the first favorable opportunity of asking the people to license it to continue the "good thing" it has struck.

DISCIPLINE IN THE SCHOOLS. Vancouver News Advertiser. Yesterday the provincial government passed an order-in-council appointing His Honor Judge Lampman, of the County of Victoria, a commissioner to investigate the drawing books of the pupils of the South Park school, Victoria. As the public is already aware from what has appeared in the press in Vancouver and Victoria, the board of examiners, at the examination held last summer, found that in the freehand and model drawing of some of the schools in both Vancouver and Victoria had used rules in their work, although the regulations of the department, under which such examinations are conducted, expressly state that "no ruler whatever is to be allowed in model drawing." The board of examiners dealt with the matter in their report in the marks awarded to the pupils, while a report was also made to the department on the subject.

We understand that in consequence of this action by the board of examiners remonstrances were made by the principals and teachers of some of the schools, the pupils of which were incensed by the board's report, criticising the report and denying the accuracy of the board of examiners' statement that rulers had been used. Among these protesting principals was the principal of the South Park school, Victoria, who is stated to have asserted that the drawing examination was conducted under her own supervision and that there could not, therefore, have been such violation of the regulations as appeared from the examiners' report. The same principal also had some of the pupils make affidavits to substantiate her assertion, in the end the Victoria board of school trustees thought it advisable to suspend the principal of the South Park school and reported the matter to the department. Ultimately that board, in consequence of the notoriety which the matter had caused, made an application to the council of public instruction to appoint a commission to inquire into the matter and the appointment of Judge Lampman is the result. As we understand the scope of his commission, it is limited to the making of such an investigation as will either establish or disprove the accuracy of the report of the

ing of millionaires. To-day we are paying the piper. The first individual the stranger who comes into our midst meets is the tax gatherer. The ingenuity of a revenue-raising expert has been taxed to discover ways and means of increasing the taxes. We are told that the labors of the most active corps of officials in British Columbia to-day have not been altogether in vain. By two processes, one of starvation on works really necessary and the other of turning the screw vigorously, the revenue has been made to meet the expenditures. At the coming session of the legislature a surplus will be claimed. On that surplus whether visible or invisible, whether real or specially manufactured for a special occasion, will rest the claim of the McBride administration to consideration as a business government.

CLEARING FOR ACTION.

The signs of a provincial general election are becoming more prominent on the political horizon. The Premier has gone East on a mission which is more or less obscure. Delinquent taxpayers are being compelled to pay up in order to pile up a surplus in the treasury if possible so that a cheerful story may be told by the Finance Minister at the coming session of the legislature. The House will meet early in January. The government will present as little business as possible, and early in the year the way will be clear and the ministers in a position to give their undivided attention to the business of "winning the confidence of the people." A tour of the province has just been completed, old grievances are believed to have been adjusted, the party in Nelson and elsewhere have been lined up in a solid phalanx. The arch disturber of the interior, John Houston, is out of the way, and it is desirable to cut off his communications so that he may not be able to come back again. A new daily paper will be established in Nelson early in the year, not as a business proposition, because two daily newspapers in a city of the size of Nelson cannot reasonably be regarded in that light, but as a worthy Tory successor of the Mugwump Tribune. It is evident, therefore, that the decks are being cleared for some action of importance. A good deal depends, of course, on the result of the visit of the Premier. He is going to consult the oracles—for his sake we hope not the oracles which send out predictions to his organ in this city of the prospects of other Conservatives in other elections. If the oracles are feeling well and are in a liberal financial state of mind—for daily newspapers cannot be established and elections conducted on purely moral reports—sources—we may look for dissolution of the House early in 1906.

board of examiners that the departmental regulations had been disregarded in some of the schools. There is no doubt that the government's action will meet with public approval. While the regulation forbidding the use of rulers in freehand drawing will be regarded as indispensable, if such a branch of education is to be of any value, it will also be seen that great injustice would be done to pupils who strictly observed the regulations if others were allowed to disregard them with impunity. But important as the observance of the regulation is on its own merits, that phase of the matter is as nothing compared with the necessity for insuring that discipline shall be enforced in the school system of the province, and that the highest possible standard of truth and integrity shall be maintained among both teachers and pupils. If the report of the board of examiners is accepted, some teachers and pupils have been guilty of a breach of discipline by disregarding the clear and definite regulations of the department. Besides this, if the examiners' report is correct, it shows that there was no escape from the conclusion that either some of the teachers or pupils—or, it may be, both of them—have not exhibited that strict regard for truth and honesty which should be the foundation and base of any system of education. Neither the government nor the department of education can be too zealous in maintaining a high standard of morality in the educational system, for the direction of which they are responsible, while it goes without saying that, without the enforcement of discipline, deterioration and inefficiency would speedily spread through the schools of the province.

Fans, mats, muffs, and false hair were first made by the ladies in Italy, and were brought into England from France in 1572.

When Captain Henry Beresford wrote to an Inland Revenue officer about a motor carriage fine he used crested notepaper, in consequence he was fined five guineas and sent to Bow street, London, for using armorial bearings without a license.

John Niblock, superintendent of No. 1 district of the western division of the C. P. R., and Mrs. Niblock and daughter, are among the guests at the Drriad. In an interview he said Alberta was making wonderful progress and that the past year has certainly been one of the greatest in the history of the West. Land, he said, had had previously been considered as useful only for pasturage was now being eagerly taken up. He spoke particularly enthusiastically of the conditions in Edmonton and Calgary.

A Lindsay, of the Wellington Colliery Company, left last evening for San Francisco. He expects to be absent in the south for some weeks, returning early in the New Year. Mr. Lindsay pays a visit to California twice a year to look into conditions connected with the company's affairs. San Francisco is a very large consumer of the company's coal, and Mr. Lindsay will inspect the mines and trade there.

R. W. Coleman, who has secured a position with the Brackman & Ker Milling Company, arrived here on Sunday to take up his duties. Mr. Coleman comes from the firm of G. N. Wood & Co., of San Francisco, and was formerly a resident of British Columbia.

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It is announced that a deputation from the Local Preachers' Association will take charge of the regular services in connection with the Victoria West-Methodist church this evening. All interested are cordially invited.

A session of the Y. M. C. A. mock parliament was held last evening at the rooms, Broad street. A bill to amend the Municipal Charter was up for discussion, a number of excellent speeches being delivered by members of both sides of the house. Next Wednesday evening the bill will be considered in committee.

A Rugby football match will be played between the Victoria Intermediates and the Central team on Saturday afternoon at Oak Bay. It will commence at 2 o'clock and should be closely contested. Members of the respective teams have been training steadily for the past fortnight, and should be in splendid condition for the game.

Last evening committees of the local Sunday schools, indicated by officials of the lecture rooms of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

His Honor Judge Lampman has not yet received his commission to inquire into the South Park drawing. While the reports were not quite complete they were generally satisfactory.

Victoria is to-day receiving in a very mild way a cold spell of weather that has spread over the Northwest Territories and British Columbia. Even stands much lower than it does here. Up the E. & N. railway and along the west coast there has been a heavy fall of snow, a fact to which the E. & N. train bore evidence on her arrival in the store street depot yesterday, the whole upper portion of the cars being covered. In Vancouver also considerable snow has fallen, while in the Northwest the thermometer stands 25 below zero.

There will be a general meeting of the Victoria West Municipal Association this evening at the rooms. Officers will be elected, and the improvements necessary to the district will be discussed. It is understood that the candidates presenting themselves for majority or aldermanic honours will be drafted. At any rate questions of vital interest to all holding property or otherwise directly concerned in the progress of Victoria's western suburb will be considered. It is expected, therefore, that there will be a large attendance.

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ATTITUDE OF THE JAMES BAY CLUB WITH REFERENCE TO BASKETBALL LEAGUE

No Definite Agreement Reached During the Conference Held Last Evening - Sporting Notes.

A conference was held between a delegation representing the Basketball League executive and members of the management committee of the James Bay Athletic Association last evening at the latter's club rooms.

One of the delegates outlined what had transpired at the first meeting of the league last Thursday, pointing out that, although the majority were against the proposal to reorganize, something had been said absolutely necessary if his club was expected to enter teams which had taken action which meant practically the same thing.

There was some general and irrelevant discussion following this interesting announcement. He said that the dispute had been referred by the James Bay management to the A. A. U. for a decision. In setting the case before that body the facts, the argument of the league and of the J. B. A. A. had been presented in a fair and unbiased manner. A reply had been received bearing out the club's contention in every particular.

Mr. O'Sullivan, continuing, said that the James Bays had introduced basketball in Victoria for the first time some ten years ago. Up till last season the club's teams had always taken an active part in the competitions and all disputes had been settled satisfactorily. In fact there had been no such unpleasantness as had recently been experienced. In his mind the James Bays had acted as only a self-respecting club would under the circumstances.

Had the matter been allowed to drop there, he continued, the breach might have been more easily healed. But the league then came out with a resolution.

Several matches are scheduled to be played at the Driford hotel this evening. Among them will be the games between B. H. Harris (90) vs. A. W. Harvey (90), and B. J. Perry (87) vs. I. B. Atkinson (89).

HANDBALL - J. B. A. A. TOURNEY.

As mentioned in these columns yesterday, the J. B. A. A. handball tournament is in progress. It commenced at the beginning of the week and will continue until all those entered have met all other competitors. Then the victor will be the fortunate one with the largest number of wins to his credit.



lution branding the James Bay Athletic Association as guilty of unparliamentary conduct. It was to this that the delegates objected particularly. In view of such a thing there seemed no way for the James Bays to send delegates to the old league. The best plan, in his opinion, would be to re-organize completely; "let the dead bury their dead," so that the clubs interested might work together in support of the game without allowing previous differences to interfere with it.

Some further debate ensued, during which the delegates asked whether the James Bay people had any proposal to make outside of re-organization, whereby a settlement might be reached. It was asked whether the rescinding of the motion declaring the conduct of the James Bays unparliamentary and a letter to that effect would have the desired result. Mr. O'Sullivan thought perhaps it would, but stated that it would be a matter for the management committee, as a whole, to decide at one of their regular meetings.

RUGBY FOOTBALL - NO POSTPONEMENT.

The announcement to the effect that the scheduled games between the Victoria and Vancouver Juniors and Intermediates on Saturday at the Terminal City have been postponed is without the slightest foundation. This statement is made by a prominent official of the Victoria club who adds that it is the intention of the two local teams to go to the Mainland in strength and with the determination to come away victorious. In order that the local interest may be in the best possible trim a general practice will take place tomorrow afternoon. According to reports the Vancouver team are training hard and express themselves as perfectly sure of turning the tables upon the Capital City team. Two first-class exhibitions are expected by enthusiasts.

THE COLLEGE CONFERENCE.

A New York dispatch says: "Ought the present game of football be abolished? If not, what steps should be taken to secure its reform? If abolished, what game or games may be possible in its place? These are some of the questions which are slated to be discussed at the meetings of the colleges when the game of American football will be taken up with a view to doing away with the rough play."

The meeting has been called by the New York University, who have invited every college with which they have competed since 1880 to send delegates.

"On this meeting it is expected that the future of the game will depend. With the call the announcement was made that the delegate from the New York University would favor a resolution to abolish the game. In the request for a conference each college is requested to send a delegate from its faculty and another from its athletic organization, which will make the meeting have a membership of forty. The colleges which have been invited are: Union, Syracuse, Hamilton, Wesleyan, Haverford, Princeton, Harvard, Bates, Stevens, West Point, Princeton, Columbia, Fordham, Uris, Lafayette, Rochester, Amherst and Swarthmore."

A South Norfolk, Conn., dispatch dated yesterday says: "A team of girl football players from Mrs. M. E. Meade's select seminary at Hillside defeated the second eleven of the Military Academy, of Norfolk, last week by a score of 12 to 0. The academy has voted to take the colors and letters from its pupils for a month as a punishment."

BILLIARDS - AT THE DRIFORD.

Several matches are scheduled to be played at the Driford hotel this evening. Among them will be the games between B. H. Harris (90) vs. A. W. Harvey (90), and B. J. Perry (87) vs. I. B. Atkinson (89). Both of these are expected to be exceptionally closely contested, and those interested are expected a cordial invitation to attend.

HANDBALL - J. B. A. A. TOURNEY.

As mentioned in these columns yesterday, the J. B. A. A. handball tournament is in progress. It commenced at the beginning of the week and will continue until all those entered have met all other competitors. Then the victor will be the fortunate one with the largest number of wins to his credit. It is claimed by those endorsing this system that every player is given a fair opportunity to prove his mettle. If one game is lost it does not necessarily mean that the chance of securing the championship is lost, there being still

plenty of time to regain lost ground. Among those who have submitted their applications for the rights of participating are the following: R. Foden, E. F. Leeming, E. F. Hughes, F. C. Davis, W. H. Jesse, W. T. Andrews, J. Donaldson, J. Y. Simpson, K. Gillespie, W. W. Northeast and T. C. Briggs. Games will be played every evening, and all wishing to witness them are invited to attend.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL - THE ISLAND LEAGUE.

Entries for the Vancouver Island league closed last evening and a meeting of delegates representing the clubs which have decided to compete will be held on Saturday night at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street. From what can be gathered, the Garrison, Egbert, Victoria United and Victoria West are the teams which will participate in the local circle.

With regard to the Nanaimo series there seems to be some misunderstanding. This is generally supposed to be a contest between the City and Ladysmith. Up to the present no entry has been received from the former, but there is reason to believe that it is due to an oversight it will be overlooked and the Nanaimo club permitted to take its accustomed place in the struggle for the Island championship.

HOCKEY - LEAGUE MEETING.

Members of the B. C. Hockey League will hold a meeting on December 9th, when matters of importance will come up for consideration. A full attendance is requested.

MUST PROVE CHARGES.

Winnipeg, Nov. 29. - The executive of the Manitoba Hockey League will submit its President's motion to suspend the charges of professionalism among the clubs affiliated, under penalty of expulsion if he fails to do so.

CROW'S NEST LINE - C. P. R. Decides to Lay New Railings - Contemplated Improvements Will Cost \$1,250,000.

A dispatch from Cranbrook says the C. P. R. has decided to relay with new steel next year the entire Crow's Nest Pass line from Lethbridge to Kootenay Landing, a distance of two hundred and eleven miles. The total contemplated improvements will cost \$1,250,000. Each mile will take about 125 tons of extra expense of freight \$33, or \$385,275. Labor will cost about \$120,000 and the ballasting of the road for the new rails will mean an outlay of \$211,000, extra expense of one kind or another will exhaust the appropriation of \$1,250,000.

The effect of the improvements will be to make the road from Lethbridge to Kootenay Landing identical in performance and general equipment with the C. P. R. main arteries; while the object is to secure that the running conditions over the Crow's Nest Division shall be as good, safe and comfortable as those which exist between Spokane and St. Paul, Minn., via the C. P. R. and the Great Northern system.

Another aspect of this most important matter is the coal business which will be created between the Hommer coal mines of the C. P. R. and the city and neighborhood of Spokane when the

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Spokane-International is completed. The C. P. R. burns, on the Crow's Nest section alone, over \$16,000 worth of coal per month. What a saving the operation of the Hommer mines will mean to the company can be realized from this one fact. It is likely that coke ovens will go in at Hommer, and that from them the Trill smelter will be supplied in the future.

Besides the expenditure on cutters and bridge foundations the C. P. R. during the past summer spent \$38,000 on blasting, \$20,000 on widening the embankments; \$9,000 on taking down and removing loose rock from the sides of rock-cuttings and such places as there was a liability of those masses falling and obstructing the line and endangering life. A further sum of \$19,000 was spent in clearing the right-of-way, making in those departments alone an outlay of \$116,000.

ELECTRICAL TREATMENT.

Miss Ellison Has a Perfect Equipment in Balmoral Annex.

Miss Ellison, who for about two years has been practicing electro-therapy in this city, expects to leave in a few days for the Old Country, being summoned home by the illness of a relative. Her office in the Balmoral annex, however, will not be closed. Miss A. Carr, who for about nine months has been her assistant, and thoroughly proficient in the practice, will be in charge. Miss Ellison expects to return to the city about the end of February.

Miss Ellison, before coming to Victoria, had been for years a practical student of the treatment she uses, and in the Old Country had been an instructor in the system. She has been eminently successful in her own practice, and has complete apparatus for the work. Her radiant heat and light baths have been very successfully employed in cases of rheumatism, and a very dire variety of troubles.

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WORDS OF PRAISE WELL MERITED BY A WELL KNOWN ARTICLE.

So much has been written by the standard medical journals, of all the general schools of practice, in praise of the native, or American, medicinal plants which enter into the composition of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, that it is attempting to prove the various works on Materia Medica one hardly knows where to commence, since they are so voluminous that only the briefest and most important articles like this one, can be presented in a briefy.

Briefly let us say that the "Golden Medical Discovery" was named from the sturdy little plant Golden Seal, the root of which enters largely into its composition. Besides this most valuable ingredient, it contains glyceric extracts of Stone root, Queen's root, Black Cherrybark, Bloodroot and Mandrake root.

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CHAPTER XX.—(Continued.)

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LEGISLATURE TO MEET IN JANUARY

A DISSOLUTION IS REPORTED IN SIGHT

Hurried Trip of Ministers to the East is Concluded in This Way.

Before Premier McBride and Hon. R. G. Tatlow left for the East the provincial government decided upon calling the legislature together on Thursday, January 11th.

The hurried visit of the ministers to the East in fact generally coincided with the calling together of the House. The Premier before leaving intimated that there would be brought to the attention of the government at Ottawa some departmental matters which would not occupy longer than perhaps two or three days.

It is equally recognized that the visit will not be confined to Ottawa but there will likely be word received that side trips to Montreal and possibly Toronto may be undertaken.

It would appear as if a change had taken place among members of the government relative to railway negotiations. In former times the Premier was always assisted by Hon. R. F. Green.

THE BRITISH CABINET.

Report That Ministry Had Decided to Resign.

London, Nov. 30.—5.50 p. m.—It is understood on good authority that the Balfour cabinet has decided to resign and that the final steps will be arranged at to-morrow's cabinet meeting.

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CONVICTION SECURED.

Well Known Guide Fined Heavily for Infraction of Game Act.

Many Victorians acquainted with Wm. Manson, one of British Columbia's most celebrated guides, whose headquarters are at Lillooet, and who is reported to gather in thousands of dollars annually by taking parties of wealthy English and American sportsmen through the interior in search of big game, will be interested to learn that recently he was convicted of an infraction of the Game Act.

Writing to Secretary Musgrave, of the local Fish and Game Club, in reference to this case, he says: "Now about the Manson case. It came off on the evening of the 24th and a good fight was put up on both sides. The case lasted nearly three hours and in the end Manson was convicted and fined \$50 and costs. The case caused a great amount of interest, the court house being crowded. Mr. Murphy, of Ashcroft, defended, and Mr. Reid, of Coway & Reid, Vancouver, prosecuted. Everybody expressed satisfaction at the result, as it was felt that the case was lost, it would give some protection a setback. Manson took it very well, and it is to his credit that he came to me after it was over, acknowledged that he had been breaking the laws, but that he saw that it was to his advantage to protect the big game, and that now he would do all he could to help me."

BOARD OF WORKS.

City Council Decides Upon Certain Civic Improvements.

The public works committee of the city council last evening considered a quantity of business referred to them. In consequence of the complaint of Hawkins & Hayward with regard to electric lighting inspection rates, it was decided to alter the by-law in several provisions. The committee laid over the request of the British Columbia Electric Railway for permission to place a board on one of their poles at the corner of Yates and Government streets.

THE MIKADO BAZAAR

THE BEST JAPANESE STORE TO GET CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. Hand Worked Linen Collars, 10c. each and up. Hand Worked Linen Cuffs, 10c. per pair and up. Hand Worked Grass Linen Collars, 20c. and Cuffs, 30c. Hand Worked Handkerchiefs, 20c. and up. Hand Worked Linen and Silk Centre Pieces, Table Covers, Doilies, Silk Cushion Covers, Mantel Drapes, Chair Ties, and Handkerchiefs of all kinds. Gown, Jackets and Japanese Kimos, Money Boxes and Card Cases of all kinds. Lacquered and Porcelain Ware and all sorts of Curios. GREAT REDUCTION OF PRICES ON ALL LINES. SPECIAL PRICES FOR CHURCH BAZAARS, ETC.

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There's no better painting time than the fall. Weather conditions are usually very favorable to good results. It's best to protect your buildings against winter weather. You'll get a good job if you paint now with THE SHERWIN WILLIAMS PAINT. Covers most, looks best, wears longest, most economical. Ask for Color Card. Peter McQuade & Son, 78 Wharf Street.

SESSIONAL BUSINESS.

Applications to Be Made to the Legislature at the Next Sitting.

In the provincial Gazette this week appears notice that at the next sitting of the legislative application will be made by Robertson & Robertson to incorporate a company to construct a line from Vancouver to the northern boundary of British Columbia by way of Lillooet, Fraser Valley, Tacta Lake, Sitkine River, Teslin Lake and Chilkoot Lake. Eberts & Taylor give notice of a life insurance company seeking incorporation. D. Whiteside will seek amendments to the Gravelly Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Company's act of 1901. C. D. Mason gives notice that the B. C. Northern & Mackenzie Valley Railroad Company's act will be sought to be amended. It will be asked that all other necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges in that behalf. Dated 30th November, 1905. EBERTS & TAYLOR, Solicitors for Applicant.

SHIPPING HOODOO.

Meyer, Wilson & Co. received a cablegram last night which indicates that a hoodoo is still hovering over the cargo ship bound from Europe to Victoria. The message came from Captain Driener of the French barque General Neumayer and stated that his vessel was forced to put into Buenos Ayres in a leaking condition. "Thorough repairs will be necessary," concludes the skipper, "and it is probable that the cargo is partly damaged." It is supposed that she ran into a gale off the Horn and after being in a leaky condition beat back up the coast, where it would be possible for her to get assistance and receive needed repairs. The General Neumayer left Hamburg for Portland on August 28th, with a full cargo of cement consigned to Meyer, Wilson & Co. of Portland. It is explained that the two boats, another vessel which has sailed from Europe for the Columbia river this year have been more or less disabled before the voyages were half completed.

A CUT IN RATES.

A dispatch from Seattle dated Wednesday says: "The steamer Dakota arrived to-day from Japan and China, making a better run to this port than her sister ship, the Minnesota. It is the Dakota's initial voyage. The Great Northern Steamship Company, operating the two boats, announced a new second class round trip rate of \$250 to Hongkong. Heretofore the only round trip rates have been first class, the Hongkong rate being \$337.50."

MARINE NOTES.

According to advices from Japan the steamship Ping Suxy left Yokohama for Victoria on Monday last. Steamer Queen City will arrive from the West Coast between 5 and 6 o'clock this evening.

ALL NON-BELIEVERS CONVINCED

Once doctors thought Catarrh incurable. Now they know better because every case yields to Catarrhazine. It cuts out the phlegm, cleanses the membranes and instantly relieves headache. Stop experimenting—use Catarrhazine—that's all.

Millions of Smokers Use MOGUL Egyptian Cigarettes. CORK TIPS, 15c per box.

What Other People Think

To the Editor—I came to settle down in Victoria some four months ago. If I were required I could give the city, and more especially its people, a testimonial of almost superlative excellence, but there is, at least, one small fly in the ointment. Like many more, I happen to live in rooms, and board in the city. I am also what many regard as somewhat of a curiosity, a reetotaler. Now, sir, when the day's work is over and I have had my supper, I like to indulge in the pipe of peace while I pay attention to the news of the day, and what many people never think of, revel in the wonderful and, to me, interesting variety of advertisements which appear in the pages of the Victoria Times. I have found no place where this is possible, except in the saloons, and as I happen not to possess the requisite amount of "cheek" to avail myself of their conveniences, without spending money with them, if I would smoke, I must perforce perambulate the pavements, and by and by, of late the streets have been occupied by a rough unkid sort of wind with a rather keen edge. There are "libraries" (inverted common phrase Mr. Pfinster), and reading rooms provided by philanthropic people, where the unmarried working man may spend his time during evenings, but these, doubtless, very good meeting places, it seems to me, are hardly broad-minded, or shall I say imaginative enough to comprehend the desire of a working man to smoke a pipe of tobacco after his day's work is over, hence in the case of many a young fellow, habits and associations are made, by sheer force of circumstances, which may lead to his undoing physically as well as morally, as a result of this lack to which I have referred. There are other conveniences I might mention which British and Canadian and continental cities of much less importance than Victoria consider a sine qua non, but in this beautiful city the public are compelled to "spoon" on the keeper of the saloon. Men must have to put their scuppers in their pocket, but in the case of the other sex, to use a hackneyed term, it is a blot on the escutcheon of the city, to ignore the necessity of such a provision, the lack of which has, without doubt, occasioned much suffering, and probably any medical man would agree, irreparable injury. ONE AFFECTED.

TOOK LAUDANUM.

Young Man in Jubilee Hospital—Police Investigating.

TORONTO TEAM DEFEATED.

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—The Toronto Association football team, champions of Canada, and heretofore undefeated, was beaten to-day by the All-Philadelphia eleven by a score of 8 to 6.

Real Estate Bargains

5-acre block, all cleared and fenced. 7-acre block, mostly cleared and fenced and in high state of cultivation. Only 10 minutes' walk from tram line, at sacrifice prices in order to close an estate. B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Limited 40 Government Street

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We are now grinding Coco Cake into meal, and mixed with our Creamy Chop feed makes the finest milk producer on the market.

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Notice to Advertisers

A LADIES' NURSE of much experience would like engagements, all classes of invalid or aged patient; highest references. Box W. H., Times Office.

TO RENT—5 roomed house, 50' Frontal street, with modern conveniences. Rent \$11, including water.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS, 85 and 86 a month, in the Douglas House, on Elliott street, Douglas Gardens; worth investigating. Mrs. O'Connell.

DIRECT FROM THE FARM—Grain fed pork, roasts, chops, spare ribs, pigs' feet, sausage, head cheese, leaf lard, etc. Robert Eccles, provisions, Todd Block, Douglas street.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

Tenders are invited up to 7th December, 1905, by the undersigned for the purchase of all that piece or parcel of land situated in Victoria City, known and described in Lot 7, being a sub-division of Acre Lot 20 or Twenty-Five Acre Tract of Section 10, Colquhoun Cove Farm, Esquimalt District. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. WM. HUMPHREY, 105 Cadboro Bay Road. Dated 29th November, 1905.

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CLAY'S

TEL. 101. 39 FORT ST. THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Nov. 30.—The tariff commission will resume its sittings in the West again, beginning at Winnipeg on the 4th and 5th December, Brandon 6th, Regina 7th, Prince Albert 9th, Calgary 13th, and Edmonton 15th.

C. P. R. FREIGHT RATES. Company Has Not Yet Decided Whether Request of Coast Merchants Was to be Concurred.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Nov. 30.—Canadian Pacific Freight Agent Geer will this afternoon announce to the Board of Directors of his company has not yet come to a conclusion regarding the Calgary freight rates question.

A meeting will be held at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon of the day on which the last is closed by the Clerk, Hence, Justices of the Peace, and other authorized persons, before whom the declarations will be made, are respectfully requested to NOTE THEREON THE HOUR, AS WELL AS THE DATE, when such declarations are made before them.

As the 31st day of December, 1905, is Sunday, in order to fulfil the requirements of Section 4 of the said Act, the voters' list will be closed on Saturday, the 30th day of December, 1905, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

By order of the Municipal Council. WELLINGTON J. DOUGLAS, City Clerk. Victoria, B. C., November 29th, 1905.

Electric Light Treatment

(Recommended by Doctors.) For Rheumatism, Sciatica, Sprains, Malaria, Nervous Debility, etc., followed by Massage. Apply Miss Ellison, Balmoral Block, 74 Fort street. Phone 1110.

BORN. SPECK—At New Westminster, on Nov. 27th, the wife of George R. Speck, of a son.

FERGUSON—At Vancouver, on Nov. 28th, the wife of F. W. Ferguson, of a son. COLKER—At Vancouver, on Nov. 27th, the wife of A. Colker, of a son.

MARRIED. HOCKIN-BRANSON—At Vancouver, on Nov. 28th, by Rev. J. Simpson, W. A. Hockin and Miss Mae C. Branson. DE SILVA-WILCOX—At Vancouver, on Nov. 28th, by Rev. J. Simpson, Ernest P. De Silva and Miss Viletta May Wilcox.

DIED. WADE—At Surrey Centre, B. C., on Nov. 27th, Daniel-John Wade, aged 83 years and 9 months. RUSSELL—At Phoenix, Arizona, on Nov. 29th, Robert John Russell, a native of Victoria, B. C., aged 29 years.

The funeral will take place on Sunday, December 3rd, at 2.45, from the family residence, Russell street, Victoria West, and at St. Paul's church, at 3 o'clock. Friends will please accept this "tribute of sympathy."