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SULLIVAN AGAIN IN RING.

John L. Knocked Out Jack McCormick in Two Rounds.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 2.—John L. Sullivan, ex-champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, knocked out Jack McCormick, of Galveston, Texas, in the second round of what was to have been a four-round boxing match, here last night. Sullivan was the aggressor all the way through. Sullivan weighed 273 pounds, and McCormick 196 pounds.

HIGHWAYMAN SHOT.

Chicago, March 2.—Firing through his overcoat pocket at two men who attempted to rob him, Assistant County Attorney Louis Balderson shot and fatally wounded one of them. A short time later, Frank H. Stamm, a negro, entered a drug store and asked to be given treatment for a wound in his breast. He was taken to a hospital, where Balderson later identified him as one of his assailants. The other escaped.

RUSSIANS RETIRING BEFORE JAPANESE

Kouropatkin is Withdrawing His Army To Tie Pass and is Meeting With Great Difficulty

Relief Force Failed to Intercept Japanese Flanking Column Which is Advancing on Mukden From the West—Fighting Has Been Desperate and Losses Heavy.

(Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, March 3, 5.30 p.m.—According to the latest information from the front, the battle is now general and of the most desperate character. The losses have been exceptionally heavy on both sides during the preliminary fighting.

Although it is not officially admitted, it is regarded as certain that General Kouropatkin is directing all his efforts to the withdrawal of his armies to Tie pass. It is now practically a rearguard action, but the task of extricating himself is proving very difficult. The Japanese have not only driven in his left but a column is already reported to have crossed the Hun river east of Pushun.

At the same time the Japanese are pressing the Russian centre under the cover of the fire of their siege guns and General Kouropatkin is gradually retiring before the Japanese advance.

The efforts of the Japanese to envelop the Russian right wing have been unsuccessful, but it has been forced back almost on a line with Mukden.

Two Russian divisions were dispatched to head off the wide flanking column advancing from the Liao river towards Simintin, about 30 miles west of Mukden, but according to the latest reports they were too late, the Japanese having entered the town yesterday.

ARTILLERY DUEL SOUTH OF MUKDEN.

Mukden, March 3.—A ceaseless artillery fire is heard ten miles southward. The roaring of the guns is becoming more distinct every hour.

The Russian losses during the last five days have been heavy.

The wounded are streaming through Mukden northwards, the hospital train service being infinitely better than at the time of the battle of the Shakhe river.

Great confusion prevails in this city, every means of transportation out of Mukden being used.

Night attacks are again the feature of the Japanese tactics.

During last night almost a corps of infantry was hurled against Gen. Bildeeling's right flank, and for hours the men fought in the darkness, the Japanese using hand grenades with terrible effect. The butchery on both sides was frightful.

Gen. Rennenkampf's troops acquitted themselves brilliantly, contesting the passes southeast for three days.

They fought continuously, the Japanese pressing them on all sides with heavy odds in favor of the Japanese.

On Thursday night the corps lost about 1,800 men, of which number 14 were officers. Over 1,000 wounded men have already arrived here.

The brunt of the fighting fell on Gen. Daniloff's division and Gen. Labaut's division, which held the heights of Tom-tom mountain. They were attacked last night, and the position twice changed hands, but morning found it still in the possession of the Russians.

Thus far Gen. Rennenkampf has successfully barred the way of Gen. Kuroki's columns.

THE FIGHT FOR LONE TREE HILL.

Sakheton, Manchuria, March 3.—Stubborn fighting has been in progress all day long.

Four Japanese divisions are about eleven miles west of Mukden. The Japanese to-day made two infantry attacks on Lone Tree hill, but were repulsed. They have resumed the bombardment of the hill.

The Japanese attacked the Russian extreme left wing at two points as well as at Goutaposs; where, during the morning, the fortification previously abandoned were recaptured by the Russians.

The bombardment of the Russian positions on the left and right flanks continued, while the Japanese swept Lone Tree hill with at least 2,500 shells from siege guns and mortars, the latter's projectiles being recognizable by their enormous explosive force and massive splinters. Towards evening the Japanese advanced on the right wing where the stubborn fighting occurred. Though the Japanese are pushing forward on the left bank of the Hun river the Russians

are maintaining a stubborn resistance.

Four Japanese divisions engaged in the turning movement on the Russian right on the Liao river to-day reached Saw-nip, about 11 miles west of Mukden. But Russian reinforcements were sent out and checked the advance. A Japanese attack on the positions east of Erigou at 4 o'clock this morning was repulsed.

Under cover of an artillery fire and a mist, the Japanese opened an infantry attack on Poutloff hill (Lone Tree) at 7 o'clock this morning, but were beaten off by the desolating fire of the Russian guns. A second attack at noon was similarly repulsed, after which the Japanese resumed the bombardment of the hill with siege guns preparatory to making an assault.

The losses on both sides are heavy, but those of the Russians are inconsiderable. Nog's Port Arthur veterans are participating in the present fighting.

The report that a detachment of Japanese cavalry has appeared at Simintin is confirmed.

RUSSIAN POSITIONS STRONGLY DEFENDED.

Tokio, March 3, 6 p.m.—Reports from the headquarters of the Manchurian army says that the Japanese bombardment of the main Russian position continues. The Japanese are using heavy guns, many of the Russian positions are strongly defended, and it is thought that the siege methods may be necessary to reduce them.

The following report has been received from the field headquarters of the Manchurian armies:

"The enemy in front of our forces in the direction of Singchin appears to be gradually receiving reinforcements.

"Our Ponsih force has captured the enemy's positions on the eastern heights of Kaotai pass and at Changko, which is two miles east of Tungkuo mountain. In the direction of the Shakhe river the enemy in front of our force made a small night attack, which we repulsed.

"The enemy on the right bank of the Hun river made a heavy counter attack on Chencheiyano and its western districts towards the river, but the attack was entirely repulsed.

"We have driven the enemy from Changtang and Sufangtai."

CARRIED TRENCHES BY BAYONET CHARGE.

Gen. Oku's headquarters in the field, March 2, via Fusan.—(Delayed.)—A Japanese detachment sent to reconnoitre about 550 yards north of Apahi, this (Thursday) morning, attacked the Russians and carried their trenches at a desperate bayonet charge against superior numbers.

The casualties suffered by Gen. Oku's army last (Wednesday) night and this (Thursday) morning were about 2,000, but the Russian losses were greater.

The Japanese are still bombarding along the railroad.

The movement is progressing in a heavy snowstorm.

THE CAPTURE OF A GERMAN STEAMER.

Tokio, March 3.—The commander of the Japanese warship which seized the German steamer Severus, bound for Vladivostok with coal, is reported to have held both ships, which were enveloped and disabled by ice, and drifted seaward all that night. The next morning we captured her.

The unknown steamer recently reported to be held in the ice between the islands of Kumanari and Hokkaido is drifting about. The Japanese guardships are unable to approach her.

ANOTHER REPORT REGARDING THE TACOMA.

Tokio, March 3.—It is reported that the American steamer Tacoma, bound from Seattle to Vladivostok, with 2,000 tons of salt beef on board, was caught in the ice north of Hokkaido about February 15th, and is still held there. It is added that the crew abandoned the Tacoma, but returned to her.

These reports cannot be confirmed on account of the danger to naval ships, which were avoiding the ice fields.

The London Times Russian correspondent telegraphs that he hears a war council will be held at St. Petersburg about March 5th to decide whether Gen. Kouropatkin shall be recalled. He adds that Grand Duke Nicholas or General Drakomiroff are mentioned as possible successors.

THE CZAR'S APPEAL TO HIS PEOPLE

CALLS ON THEM TO RALLY ROUND THE THRONE

The Empire Must Be Defended From Internal Enemies—The Proposed Mixed Commission.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, March 3.—The text of the Imperial manifesto published by the Official Messenger to-day calling on the country to rally round the throne in defence of the empire from its internal enemies is as follows:

"An inscrutable Providence has been pleased to visit our fatherland with heavy trials. A bloody war in the Far East, involving the honor of Russia and the command of the waters of the Pacific ocean, so urgently necessary to the consolidation of the peaceful prosperity, not only of our own but of other Christian nations throughout the ages, has imposed a great strain on the strength of the Russian people and has swallowed up many dear victims near to our heart. While the glorious sons of Russia are fighting with self-sacrificing bravery, risking their lives for their faith, for their Emperor and for their country, disturbances have broken out in our own land, to the joy of our enemies and our own deep sorrow.

"Blinded by the evil-minded leaders, revolutionists make insolent attacks on the Holy Orthodox church and the lawfully established pillars of the Russian state, thinking that by severing the natural connection with the past they will destroy the existing order of state and set up in its place a new administration on a foundation unsuitable to our fatherland. The outrage on the Grand Duke Sergius, who ardently loved the first capital of the empire and met his end amidst the sacred Kremlin, deeply shocks the national feeling of everyone to whom the honor of the Russian name and renown and his home are dear.

"We humbly bear the trials sent us by Providence and derive strength and consolation from our trust in the grace which God has always shown to the Russian people and from the immemorial devotion which we know our loyal people entertain for the throne. With the help of the prayers of the Holy Orthodox church and under the banner of the autocratic might of Emperors, Russia has already frequently passed through wars and disturbances, always issuing from her troubles and difficulties with fresh and unbending strength.

"Nevertheless the recent internal disorders and the instability of thought which have favored the spread of revolt and disturbances make it our duty to remind all those in the government institutions of their services and to call upon them to display increased solicitude in the safeguard of the law, order and security in firm consciousness of their moral responsibility as servants of the throne and of the fatherland.

"Thinking necessarily of the welfare of the people and firmly trusting that God, after He has tried our patience, will give victory to our arms, we appeal to the right-minded people of all classes to join each in his calling and his place and to display increased solicitude in the safeguard of the law, order and security in firm consciousness of their moral responsibility as servants of the throne and of the fatherland.

"Let all those rally around the throne, to Russia's past, honestly and conscientiously having a care in accord with ourselves for every affair of state.

"May God send down on the clergy holiness, on those in authority justice and truth, on the people peace, on the laws power, and on the faithful strength. In the consolidation of the autocracy and the welfare of our dear subjects. (Signed) "NICHOLAS."

Liberals Disappointed.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—Emperor Nicholas's manifesto entirely reiterating Russia's aspirations in the Far East and appealing to the loyalty of the people to turn away from sedition and support the government in order that the projected reforms may be carried out has proved profoundly disappointing to the Liberals. The latter believed that it will not only aggravate the existing critical situation, but is likely to precipitate a veritable crisis if this is the Emperor's final response to the practically unanimous demand of the intelligent class for a voice in the government.

People Will Participate.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—Emperor Nicholas this afternoon signed a rescript promising the people a voice in the preparation of the laws.

Will Listen To Suggestions.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—An Imperial decree commands that "in order that it may be possible for all our loyal subjects to be heard directly by the Emperor," the council presided over by the Emperor shall examine and consider in his name all the views and wishes that may be received from private persons and institutions in regard to perfecting the administration of the state and the

improvement of the welfare of the people.

Proposals Rejected.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—1.25 p.m.—As expected, the answer to most of the political conditions imposed by the workmen who met yesterday at the People's palace as essential preliminaries to elect 50 of their number to serve on the mixed commission of employers and employees, was a decided negative, and unless the workmen reconsider their attitude, the proposed joint investigation of the grievances of the employees and remedial measures is doomed.

Senator Schidlivsky, who was to preside over the commission, in his reply to-day, which was printed and placarded on the doors of the various meeting places and public places, drew a sharp distinction between economic and purely political conditions. He met, the men half way in regard to the former order, and gave a pledge that representatives would be immune from arrest or molestation on account of speeches or demands, so long as they confined themselves to industrial conditions.

As for the demands, he said: "They go far beyond the competency of the commission in the task committed to it by His Majesty, and require no answer on my part."

The workmen who found the doors of the general meeting place closed to them were invited to meet this afternoon by sections, according to the nature of the industry in which they are engaged, for the election of members to serve on the commission as originally contemplated. The neighborhood was full of police, large numbers of whom were hidden in courts, doorways, alleys and buildings in the vicinity. The workmen stood about in the snow discussing the situation quietly among themselves. They finally decided to hold sectional meetings this afternoon to decide on the measures to be adopted before proclaiming a general strike, and then dispersed.

Arrests at Warsaw.

Warsaw, March 3.—1.50 p. m.—The police made numerous arrests in the course of the night, including Stanislas Lubiecky, editor of the Kurier Codzienny. He is not believed to be connected with the agitation movement, but it is thought his arrest was ordered for its moral effect, Lubiecky being one of the best known persons in Warsaw. The police and military patrols have been largely increased, and are now stopping and searching persons in the streets for revolvers.

THE EARLES BILL HAS BEEN KILLED

BY THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE

The Measure Provided for Close Seasons for Sockeye Salmon in Puget Sound Waters.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, March 3.—A dispatch has been received here stating that the Earles bill, which provided for close seasons for sockeye salmon in the waters of Puget Sound and its tributaries during 1906 and 1908, was killed this morning at Olympia by the state legislature.

NAVAL DOCKYARDS.

Lord Selborne's Statement Regarding Those Outside of United Kingdom—London Gossip.

London, March 2.—In the course of a naval estimate statement, Lord Selborne said it has become possible to effect considerable economies in dockyards outside of the United Kingdom, accordingly those at Halifax, Esquimalt, Jamaica and Trincomalee will be reduced to cadres on which the expenditure in time of peace will be small, but which in war can be at once developed according to necessity.

Newfoundland.

Discussing the Newfoundland question, Lord Govan says it is idle to deny the reciprocity treaty between Newfoundland and the United States will militate against any arrangement for the colony entering the Dominion. But if the treaty falls through the jealousy of the American fishermen, then Newfoundland may find it to her advantage to come to terms with the Dominion. Even a reciprocal trade agreement would be better than the present aloofness. Reciprocity with Canada would doubtless lead the way to confederation.

Newspaper Rates.

The Associated Chambers of Commerce resolved to address a memorial to the postmaster-general calling attention to the rate of postage on magazines, newspapers and periodicals from the United Kingdom to Canada, urging upon him the necessity, in the interests of bureaus of trade and commerce, of taking special steps to assimilate such rate with the low bulk rate at present in operation between the United States and Canada.

TAKEN BY INSURGENTS.

Constantinople, March 3.—The towns of Aab and Yerin, southward of Sanaa, the capital of the province of Yemen, Arabia, have fallen into the hands of the insurgents.

All Hija Pasha, with five battalions of Turkish reinforcements, left Akaba on February 28th for Hodeida.

PREPARING FOR EARLY ELECTION

SESSION MAY CLOSE WITH DISSOLUTION

Discontent Among Supporters of Government—Socialists Showing Signs of Disaffection.

It would be no surprise if dissolution were to close the session this year. There is no attempt now on the part of the Premier and the Conservative members of the House to hide the fact that discontent and uneasiness reign on the government side of the House.

The Premier lives only from day to day, and he is never in a position to say what the next twenty-four hours may bring forth.

There is a strong element on his side of the House which recognizes that the government of the day is too small for the duties devolving upon it, and for the situation in which the country is found. These were appraised last session by the promise that the heroic measures undertaken would result in solving the difficulties. Their distrust increased as they found that further troubles were thrust upon them, and that the government's course last session only increased the difficulties with which the country has to grapple.

To-day these men who acknowledged themselves last year as supporters of Mr. McBride no longer pretend to be his followers. They take their own course on the bills brought up by the government, and some of them even threaten to resign and appeal to their constituents.

But the element from which the Premier expected an unflinching support even when others deserted him was the Socialist party.

This session there has been a tendency on the part of the Socialist party in the House to strike out from the Premier. The support from that party is known now by the government members to be of a very uncertain character, and at any time a crisis may occur.

The following dispatch from the Times special correspondent at Fernie indicates that the Socialists are preparing for a crisis.

"The Miners' Union here has received instructions for every man in the organization to register his vote in view of an election to be held in the near future. The general impression prevails that the Socialistic element in the House intends trying to oust the government on account of their failure to support the measures brought in by the government's masters."

In addition to this the Premier is said to be looking for a cry upon which to go to the country, feeling in nowise sure that he will not have to ask for dissolution.

DESPERATE NERVE.

Attempt Made at Burglary at the Hotel Victoria Early This Morning.

There is no doubt that a bunch of thieves are operating in this city. Within the past week quite a number of burglaries have occurred, although fortunately no large hauls have been made. But for consummate nerve the operation of a trio at the Victoria hotel this morning easily takes front place. It appears that the night clerk was in another part of the building, and John Wolfenden, one of the proprietors, was in the bar. Consequently, for the time being, there was nobody in the office. Taking advantage of this, three men who had been standing on the other side of the street, watching for their chance, doubtless, hurried across, entered the office, detached the drawer from behind, and started off with it. Just then, however, Mr. Wolfenden looked into the office from the bar, and seeing the men with the drawer, rushed at them. They hurried the whole thing at him and escaped. The proprietor's appearance was certainly just in the nick of time or the hotel would have been minus about two hundred and fifty dollars. Later, Sergt. Walker nabbed one man, whom the police think is worth investigating, and they have him at the lockup on the charge of vagrancy. His name is Bert Alton alias Smith. He was remanded until to-morrow morning.

On Wednesday night somebody got into the tea store of Hallam & Wyndham on Government street, and forcing open the till, stole nine dollars. Entrance was gained through the back door.

JAP GUILTY OF MURDER.

Spokane, March 2.—Henry Arao, a Japanese, has been found guilty of murder in the first degree by the jury in the Criminal court. The penalty is death by hanging. The Japanese murdered Sam Chong, a Chinaman, in Chong's tailor shop, Spokane, in December.

He stabbed Chong in a fearful manner, inflicting 13 or 14 ugly wounds. Arao escaped and was captured near Waverly several days later. No date is announced for sentence.

TRAIN DELAYED.

(Associated Press.)

Fernie, March 3.—The Great Northern train failed to arrive last night on account of mud slides between here and Rexford, Montana. The weather is very warm and the snow is all off the flats.



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CHINESE TELL OF JAPANESE ADVANCE

BATTLE REPORTED TO BE STILL IN PROGRESS

Oyama's Forces Are Now Near Mukden

WILL THE RUSSIAN ARMY WITHDRAW?

KOUROPATKIN SENDS DETAILS OF FIGHTING.

Revival of Troubles.

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Gen. Kouropatkin to withdraw northward which has been the gossip of St. Petersburg for the last two days. A private dispatch received last night concludes with this significant sentence: "Within two weeks you may expect great events."

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STRIKE RENEWED. More Men Have Quit Work at Moscow—Several Strikers Killed.

St. Petersburg, March 2.—According to reports from Moscow, several rioters have been killed in conflicts with workmen of the Orechov Suijewo manufacturing district. It appears that the fighting was between a faction who assaulted the manufacturers and others who intervened for their protection. Troops were dispatched to the scene of the disturbance. Another 10,000 men struck to-day in the large factories of the Viborg quarter of St. Petersburg.

Workmen representing nine groups met again to-day at the People's palace and ratified the demands drawn up March 1st by representatives of seven groups, and decided to meet at the same place at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning and await a reply until noon. If at that hour a satisfactory guarantee is not forthcoming, the delegates will leave the hall, decline to elect members to serve on the mixed commission, of which M. Schidlevski is president, and proclaim a general strike.

Riots at Warsaw. Warsaw, March 2.—A bomb was thrown from a window overlooking the station at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It fell in the midst of a group of soldiers, but did not explode. Disturbances are reported to have taken place in several parts of the city during this afternoon. A military patrol attempted to arrest some striking Jewish shop assistants who were engaged in forcing shopkeepers to close their premises. The strikers fired on the patrol repeatedly, but without injuring any of them, and then escaped.

During this morning's disturbances strikers stoned a foreman of the gas works, who died to-night. The other foremen are panic-stricken and refuse to work longer.

It appears that the chief point in contention between the company and the strikers is the latter's demand for the discharge of forty German engineers.

Disturbances broke out here to-night in connection with the strike of shoemakers. The strikers attempted to compel the owners to close their shops and paraded the streets, where they were met by a patrol. The soldiers drew their swords and dispersed the crowd, three strikers being wounded.

London, March 3.—According to the correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Times, the Russian government's wholesale concessions to railway strikers has contributed largely to the revival of the labor movement in St. Petersburg.

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OPENING OF THE QUEBEC LEGISLATURE

Speech From the Throne—Bishop Matheson Elected to Diocese of Rupert's Land.

Montreal, March 2.—The session of the Quebec legislature was opened with the usual ceremony to-day. The speech from the throne stated that the receipts for the year had exceeded the expenditures, despite the increased requirements of the public services. Legislation promised refers to education, agriculture and amendments to the License Act. The assembly elected Tessier, of Rimouski, Speaker, and then adjourned. Lawyer Dead.

Bellefleur, Ont., March 2.—Nathaniel Baldwin Falkner, one of the best-known lawyers in this province, died this morning after a brief illness from pneumonia. He was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, 68 years ago, and had resided here for half a century. He married Miss Murney, a daughter of the late Ed. Murney, M. P., and she, with one daughter, survive.

Bishop Elected. Winnipeg, March 2.—A meeting of the House of Bishops of the province of Rupert's Land was held yesterday at St. John, when their lordships selected Bishop Matheson for the position of Bishop of the Diocese of Rupert's Land and Metropolitan of the province with the title of archbishop.

Figures For Month. Winnipeg, March 2.—Customs collections at Winnipeg port during February were \$143,706. This is an increase of \$3,778 over a year ago. During February the C. P. R. land sales were 27,563 acres for \$118,278, an average of \$4.23 per acre. The Canada Northwest Land Co. sold in the first two months of the year over \$6 an acre. Inland revenue collections for February were \$90,327, an increase of \$4,747.

Old Fellows Meet. Winnipeg, March 2.—At Brandon this morning at the meeting of the Odd Fellows now in session, the election of officers for the ensuing year took place as follows: Grand Representative Judge Meyers, defeating R. N. Shanks; grand master, S. J. Robertson; Portage la Prairie; deputy grand master, W. Douglas; Carman; grand treasurer, D. E. McKinnon; Winnipeg; grand secretary, E. D. Herring; Winnipeg; grand warden, C. W. Willard; Brandon.

THE IMPERIAL COMMONS.

Small Attendance of Members and Reduced Government Majority.

London, March 3.—The House of Commons to-night in committee of supply considering the additional army estimate with a reduced attendance, gave the government a majority of only 26 on a minor amendment. The result of this division was received with an outburst of cheering by the opposition.

Mr. Lloyd George (advanced Liberal) immediately moved to report progress. He accused the government of filibustering in order to gain time and whip up the majority, thereby sacrificing the time of the House. He said it was evident there was a split in the ministerial ranks and that the Commons were tired of Mr. Balfour and the ministry.

Premier Balfour, in replying, said that if the Commons were tired of him it was an easy matter to secure a resignation. A division was then taken, the result being 167 to 191 in favor of the government. This majority of 24 was greeted with cries of resignation.

In subsequent divisions the government majority hovered around 26 and 28, and the matter was the subject of excited comment in the lobby.

As the House was rising Winston Churchill asked whether there was any truth in the rumor of Mr. Wyndham's resignation of the chief secretaryship for Ireland.

Secretary Alexander Acland Hood replied that the question ought not to be put to the Premier. It was untrue, he said, that either Secretary Wyndham or the viceroy, the Earl of Dudley, had tendered his resignation.

Mr. Chamberlain himself and many Chamberlaines were absent from the hall, without having been paired off last night, and the lax attendance on the first day of the session's real business has an ominous aspect for the government. The session was also the occasion for unseemly scenes and acrimony between the opposition leaders.

Mentioning the cabinet vacancies are still unfilled, and the belief is deepening that Ireland has proved a check to Mr. Wyndham's brilliant career. The Ulster Unionists display an undiminished determination to defeat Sir Anthony Macdonnell's policy. They have left London for Belfast to attend a demonstration in denunciation of Lord Dunraven's revolutionary scheme. War Secretary Arnold Forster, in a letter regretting his inability to attend the demonstration, says he considers the time one of great difficulty and danger.

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Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, mostly cloudy, and mild, with occasional showers.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 48; minimum, 40; wind, calm rain, 15; weather, cloudy, fog.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 6 miles N. E.; rain, .42; weather, cloudy.

Nanaimo—Wind, E.; weather, showery. Kamloops—Barometer, .30; temperature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 6 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 32; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 54; minimum, 54; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, fair, fog.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

GOVERNMENT'S BLUE RUIN CRY DENOUNCED

W. W. B. McInnes Attacked School Bill and Exposed Scandalous Administration of Crown Lands.

Victoria, March 2nd.

In the legislature to-day W. W. B. McInnes subjected the members of the government to a severe castigation on the score of lack of ability in handling the affairs of the province. He showed how unfairly the new School Act worked and contended that it could only result in rendering the school system inefficient. His address was a masterly reply to all the arguments advanced in favor of the act. Mr. McInnes did not content himself with an abstract attack upon the School Act, but showed that the saving in expenditure, which was attempted by the government, had been made up by the administration of affairs.

Several other contributors to the debate, which occupied nearly all of the afternoon, were present.

The Speaker and Attorney-General were absent during a good part of the afternoon attending the funeral of Sir Henry Crease. C. W. D. Clifford occupied the chair during the Speaker's absence.

Prayers were read by Rev. Dr. Campbell. Bill Withdrawn.

H. C. Tanner moved the second reading of the act to regulate the manufacture, inspection and storage of explosives.

Premier McBride pointed out that this was a measure which could only come from the treasury benches. He had expected the member for Saanich to withdraw the bill.

Mr. Tanner wanted some assurance from the Premier that a bill along this line would be introduced by the government.

The Premier said that he could not enter into any bargain in this matter. He would assure the member that he would go into the subject with him, and if deemed advisable a bill would be introduced.

Mr. Tanner thereupon withdrew his bill.

Bridges Act. The amendment to the Bridges Act was read a third time.

School Bill. On the adjourned debate on the second reading of the School Act, W. J. Bowser congratulated the country upon having a minister of education who was willing to face the responsibilities in the province and introduce a bill like this.

He remarked upon the silence of Mr. McInnes upon this bill. Referring to the opposition of the member for Delta, he said that it was a notorious fact that the rural municipalities had in the past not been paying anything towards maintaining the schools. He took exception of the remarks of Mr. Munro, that the Minister of Education had acted cowardly. If there was a government under heaven which was not guilty of cowardice it was this government.

He made reference to the establishment of a High School in Chilliwack at public expense, under the government of which Mr. McInnes was Minister of Education.

The constituencies of Chilliwack, Delta and Deswainey paid only \$23,000 into the treasury, and received for education \$69,000.

He referred to the reported remarks of Mr. Oliver at the time of the introduction of the old School Act in 1901, in which the member for Delta described the act as without principle, although now he praised the system.

Mr. Oliver, rising, challenged Mr. Bowser to read the whole of his speech in 1901, and he would find that the whole tenor of his remarks at that time would be found consistent with his remarks now.

Mr. Bowser, continuing, said that the remarks of Mr. Oliver were very much the same, inasmuch as he preached blue ruin then as now.

He contended that Vancouver suffered perhaps the heaviest by this act. The city would pay \$11,400 in taxation more than under the old system. He would meet the member for Delta in his city and discuss this act, although this taxation pressed upon them. This act would improve the efficiency of the schools, however. In Vancouver where there was an insufficient number of teachers as compared with Victoria, the result would be that the efficiency would be increased by additional teachers if sufficient aid was to be obtained.

He made reference to the extravagance under the old system, where the government were forced to pay \$35 for electric bells throughout a school. Schools were not repaired, but new ones replaced them.

Under the new act anyone living more

than three miles from a school would not have to pay towards its support. He thought the government acted wisely in adopting in large measure the School Act of New Brunswick.

There was no one who could better afford to pay the taxation necessary under the act than the farmers of the Fraser valley. The farmers of Delta had immense sums deposited in the banks in New Westminster at 3 per cent.

The government had in consideration the subject of setting aside certain reserves of land to be used for school purposes.

Under the old system the municipalities in some instances made money out of the teachers. In Vancouver they had teachers receiving \$480 a year. Teaching 50 pupils the government grant was \$650.

In outside districts the cost upon the parents would in no case exceed \$5. Was that excessive taxation? The criticism from the other side had been purely of a parishioner character. He would like to hear from men who knew something about educational matters.

He wanted the situation thoroughly understood. He was prepared to meet the constituents of Vancouver and tell them that he had voted for increased taxation upon them because it was in the public interests.

Before closing Mr. Bowser took occasion to charge that the leader of the opposition and Mr. McInnes dare not speak against the bill. He also credited Mr. Oliver with being the real leader of the opposition, and attempted to ridicule Mr. McInnes as having sought to be leader.

Chas. Munro Replies.

Charles Munro, in answer to the question put by Mr. Bowser, said that in many instances the residents of districts could not well afford to pay this extra taxation. He also explained that he had not charged the Minister of Education with being a coward, but had said that it was a cowardly act to put on taxation in an indirect way, when he would not do it directly.

W. W. B. McInnes.

W. W. B. McInnes was pleased that Mr. Bowser had at last been given an opportunity to address the House. (Applause.) When the debate on the address pertained to it was a keen disappointment to this member, who had doubtless a speech preparing for months. He was also disappointed when he got no opportunity to speak on better terms. He had the pent up energy on this occasion intended for three months.

Referring to the taking of a fling against the city of Victoria by Mr. Bowser, Mr. McInnes explained that many years ago, when Mr. Bowser had not the judgment he had at the present time, he had addressed a meeting in Victoria. He had taken occasion to call the audience boobies, which was naturally resented, and Mr. Bowser was hissed down. Ever since that time he had never missed an opportunity to take a fling at the people of Victoria.

He had no cowardly feelings with respect to this measure. This measure was a direct blow at the cause of education in this province. The reference to the need of the party whip to bring him into line in opposition to this bill was not well timed. He could assure the members opposite that no necessity was needed to bring him or any other member of the opposition into line against this bill. But on the other hand there were many who could not be forced by the whip to speak in support of it. To do that a source of scorn would be required, and he doubted if even then they could be brought into line.

With reference to the question of the disallowance of an Immigration Act, Mr. McInnes said there should not be a word heard from the other side. The government of which he had been a member had, when legislation was disallowed at Ottawa, immediately on the first day of the House reassembling, given notice of re-enacting it. The government in this case gave no such notice. He thought the Attorney-General had been very remiss in standing by the rights of the province.

He wished to say that although he was not the leader of this party, he was a loyal follower of his leader. (Applause.) He would ask Mr. Bowser who had sought to be Attorney-General, if he was loyal to his Attorney-General? (Applause.)

While Minister of Education an instance was brought to his attention where a city, a very important city of this province, was forced either to get further aid from the government or close the schools.

"What city was that?" asked Hon. Mr. Fulton.

"The city of Rossland," replied Mr. McInnes. The government of that day did not say "We will not give you any aid," as this government did. The government did not refuse the aid, and tell the city to close its schools. That would have been a disgrace. The government might better give up all claim to maintaining a democratic form of government. The right of every child in the country was to demand an education. It was the right to lift the children out of the environment into which he was born.

This act, it was represented, did not affect the city constituencies. This was incorrect. In the city of Nanaimo the cost of schools was \$17,000. Of this about \$12,000 was contributed by the government, leaving \$5,000 to be raised by the city. This new act would mean another \$4,000.

While it pressed upon the cities, it was disastrous to the rural sections. Last year an Assessment Act was passed which pressed heavily upon the residents on the rural parts. This measure added further discontent. The result would be that settlement in the province would be retarded. If people found themselves complaining they would be reluctant to settle down in any country.

This bill pressed upon the men who should be encouraged, that is those who were struggling on the frontier to maintain a large family.

The Premier spoke like a hero when he spoke of the older settled parties taking a burden upon themselves. It might be that in Delta the contributions from the government exceeded that received, but there were other rural constituencies where the order was reversed. What would they do with Newcastle, when three times as much was contributed to the exchequer as was paid out for all purposes?

It was ridiculous to apply an act like this to the present system of school districts. Delimitation of school districts was not arranged with respect to the raising of revenue, but only with regard to the convenience of children. This would result in taxing the man who happened

to be placed in a district where there were large families more than others. It might even be said to put a premium upon celibacy.

Instead of this system proposed the municipalities might better be made to meet the cost of education. This would not require any new machinery. In the parts of the province outside of municipalities the government received all the revenues. If they did this, was it not fair to expect that all the government services should be performed?

Apply the principle of this bill to other departments as well as education, and the ridiculous side of it would be seen. Why should the government not say to a district, here is so much for the administration of justice. If this is not enough they let crime run rampant.

This measure would impair the efficiency of the school system; it would lead to general confusion and would demoralize the school system.

It became the members of the government party to refer to the opposition crying blue ruin. This government constantly cried "We're broke."

Whether they were after the poor, jolly commercial traveller, in the clutches of the bank, after the farmer, or appealing to Ottawa for aid, it was the same cry, "We're broke, dead broke, we haven't got the money."

It was a positive scandal for any government to raise this cry in a rich province like British Columbia. This government did not intelligently administer the assets of this province. There was one opportunity for increasing the revenues which occurred to him. This was the taxing of the lands of the E. & N. railway belt. This would, at a low valuation as wild lands, give \$80,000 revenue. The Attorney-General was anxious to find out if the owner of the land was enabled to employ Chinamen in his coal mines. So anxious was he that he had gone to London with his chief clerk—not to argue the appeal but to get leave to have an appeal heard. (Laughter.) The Attorney-General, of course, got that leave to come back again next year and argue the appeal. When he (Mr. Wilson) took that holiday trip next year he would suggest that he add also another appeal, to find if the lands could not be taxed.

This province was a rich one—the richest of the Dominion. If properly administered the revenues could be obtained from the assets of the province to provide for all this shortage in revenue.

Quoting from a return brought down he showed that E. R. Greer got 3,535 acres of timber lands for \$61.25. P. Lund also received 25,808 acres for \$500. This showed how the affairs of the lands and works department were administered to the disadvantage of the provincial treasury.

There had been 1,800 acres alienated in Alberni constituency, where it was advertised for only 24 days. That was insufficient even to go and see the land. He felt sure that not more than \$1,000 would be paid for it. Yet these men would in turn ask probably \$100,000 for the same timber land.

He knew of another instance where land was acquired in this way for \$1,000, and the upset price asked afterwards was \$175,000. These were instances of where the revenue could be increased by a business government.

J. N. Evans. J. N. Evans protested against the bill. He read letters received from trustees in his constituency who were all opposed to the bill. He pointed out a difficulty in the way of taxes not being paid. Trustees would find themselves in the position of not being able to pay their bills. Schools under this act would not be as efficiently taught as at present. He objected to trustees having to furnish the municipality or government with an assessment roll. This should be reversed. He took occasion to refer to the fact that savings could be made to the province if civil servants were made to do more efficient work in their offices instead of being on the streets when they should be in their offices. The revenue tax should be better collected. He gave instances of this to show that the taxes collected from districts fell a long way below what it should, as shown by the names on the voters' list. The teachers attending the Normal school should pay fees enough to cover the expenses. The assessment act of last year fell far less hard than the present act. To interfere with the educational system was a dangerous thing. He hoped the government would withdraw this act.

H. E. Tanner. H. E. Tanner, speaking from the case of Saanich, said that in 1903 the constituency contributed over \$12,000 more than was derived from the government for education and public works. The same was true in 1904.

The people were not opposed to the principle of the act, but to the way it was worked out. It looked very much as though the government might intend to reduce the cost of civil service, as it would not be necessary to have double machinery provided. Under this act it would be difficult to get trustees in rural constituencies to perform the work. He contended that this measure would impair the efficiency of the school. The government could not put the blame upon the districts in that respect. This was chargeable to the government, and to the government alone. The government said "What can we do?" It were better for them to do nothing than to play this practical joke upon the people of British Columbia.

Parker Williams. Parker Williams said that the Liberal party had opposed the whole system of taxation imposed last year. How could the Liberal party solve the problem of making both ends meet? Public service reform simply meant the removal of servants who were opposed to the party. He gave the Conservative party credit for attempting to stop this system of borrowing from year to year. While he did not like all the features of the school act, yet he believed that amendments to the more objectionable features would be introduced.

W. Davidson moved the adjournment of the debate.

The Reserve Bill. On the second reading of the Songhees Indian Reserve Bill, Hon. R. F. Green said that in 1850 a treaty was made by the Indians from the Hudson's Bay Co. of a lease in perpetuity of this reserve. The reserve was not upon the same basis as other reserves, but there was no doubt

as to the rights of the province in the land. As long ago as 1850 the people of Victoria had sought to have the Indians removed to another reserve. So far this had not been accomplished. The Indians were the wards of the Dominion government, and as such must be dealt with very generously. In 1857 Mr. McInnes had come out and after conferences nothing was done.

There had not been a government, he believed, in British Columbia which had not tried to do its best to settle this question. The government of to-day was anxious to have the Indians removed.

He had been asked why the bill should not specify that the city of Victoria should receive a portion of the land when the question was settled. He did not think this was necessary. The city of Victoria would be fairly dealt with.

J. D. McInnes said that in view of the fact that a return asking for information which would shed light on this subject had not yet been made, he moved the adjournment of the debate. The return asking for all papers relating to the acquiring of a new reserve.

The Chief Commissioner promised to bring down the return as soon as possible, and the debate was adjourned.

Incorporation of Fernie. On the second reading of the bill to carry out an agreement respecting the incorporation of the city of Fernie, the Premier explained that Fernie was situated in the midst of lands conveyed to corporations. Under the present law one-fourth of the land in any townsite went to the province. Fernie was so affected. The previous government in 1903 had granted the land to which it was entitled to the Crow's Nest Pass Railway. The town was seeking incorporation. In order to conform with the regulation it had to acquire the sanction of the Crow's Nest Coal Company. The consent of the coal company was obtained under certain conditions which were set out in the preamble. The citizens were agreeable to it, and he had no hesitation in recommending the act. The motion carried.

Second Reading. Geo. A. Fraser moved the second reading of the bill to incorporate the British Canadian Fire Insurance Company. The bill passed its second reading.

Notices of Motion. On Monday next Hon. C. Wilson to ask leave to introduce a bill intitled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act.'"

John Oliver to move, on consideration of the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair," for the purpose of going into committee of supply, to amend the resolution by adding after the word "chair" the following words: "But the House is of the opinion that the Assessment Act should be amended so as to make it more just and equitable before passing the estimates."

On Monday next J. A. Macdonald to move that an order of the House may be granted for a return of copies of all papers and correspondence relating to an application by John Elliot as consul for a flat for a petition of right to try certain questions relating to the mineral claim Pack Mule.

Questions. Mr. Brown on Monday next will ask the Provincial Secretary: 1. Did the government receive a request during the summer of 1904 to appoint fence viewers, under the "Line Fences and Water-courses Act," for any locality in Greenwood riding? 2. Were fence viewers appointed in pursuance of the said request? 3. If so, who were appointed? 4. If not, why not?

Mr. Brown on Monday next will ask the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: 1. Did the Columbia and Western Railway Company comply with the provisions of section 5, chapter 8, statutes of 1896, in respect to the survey of lands granted to them under the provisions of said chapter 8?

J. Murphy on Monday next will ask the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: Is it the intention of the government to provide in the estimates for a ferry across the Fraser river at Queen's?

J. A. Macdonald on Monday next will

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AN ALLEGED CRISIS.

We are sorry to hear that the McBride government is in such desperate straits. The Colonist says this morning that it is being terrorized by a gang of political bandits into incorporating within its general railway policy assistance of an indefensible character to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

We of course are not in a position to appreciate the difficulties the Premier has had to contend with in his desire to persuade his heterogeneous following to keep the government in power.

But our esteemed contemporary will have considerable difficulty in persuading anyone that Premier McBride will resign the emoluments of office rather than consent to a sacrifice of the lands or the interests of the province.

It is possible of course that in general the supporters of the government realize that the whole province is being aroused to fury at the means proposed to be adopted in order to raise the revenue said to be necessary to meet our obligations, and that it is believed the only hope lies in an immediate appeal to the people.

If for once in his public career Hon. Richard McBride could exhibit a trait of sincerity, stick to his alleged principles and court defeat, the cry of unfair discrimination by the federal authorities would not save him.

PEACE PARTY IN JAPAN

Proportions upon the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company.

A DISQUIETING SITUATION.

The United States, in the eyes of protectionists, is the only country in the world that enjoys "adequate protection."

Those conditions endured but for a time. The great war of the rebellion broke out and the resultant stress upon the finances necessitated the imposition of duties for the purpose of raising revenue.

The enormous latent wealth of the country, instead of remaining a storehouse of treasure for all the people, became a mine for the creation of millionaires.

It is not at all astonishing, therefore, that we find so conservative a publication as Henry Clews's circular commenting upon these developments and speculating upon the possibilities of their outcome.

An air of deep solemnity will pervade the precincts of the legislative halls of British Columbia this afternoon.

We would advise the Socialists in the House to watch out. Premier McBride is in quest of an excuse to out-manoeuvre them.

The Czar places all the woes of Russia on the broad back of an inscrutable Providence. A very proper and convenient scapegoat. There will be no audible protest from such a quarter.

PEACE PARTY IN JAPAN

Tokio, December 9.—Our last tiffin at the headquarters of Marshal Oyama in Manchuria had been of minced beef, potatoes and claret.

"Perhaps the war will end before then," said the departing American. "No, no; not before then. Not for a long time yet."

As Kodama is the strategist of Marshal Oyama's staff, he is entitled to say things that he may not truly believe; but it happened on account of a breakdown, that at Liao Yang next day he caught the same car as the man to whom he said this, and when midway to Dalny a message telling of the capture of 203-Metre hill was handed in, the general exclaimed, "At last! Now the rest is simple." (He meant the destruction of Port Arthur.)

"Does it change your expectation of a long war?" was asked, and he eagerly answered, "Come back in the spring." Then he went on as though he were the least concerned man in the world over the new plight the Russian stronghold had been put in.

In Tokio, from which point actual conditions are not so clearly discerned, and where tests of the spirit of the enemy are not so vividly realized as on the field, there is a great deal of talk about bringing the war to an end with Port Arthur's fall.

Quite naturally, the Japanese have now a keen eagerness for peace. A whole army corps, close to a hundred thousand men, has been pushed to destruction against the works of Port Arthur, and the operations at that point alone, by land and sea, have cost more than \$100,000,000.

One does not hear so much now about "Going to Harbin." When troops may be released from before Port Arthur and sent to reinforce the three armies held in check at the Shalio, there will be possibility of advancing the Rising Sun as far as Mukden.

British officers look for a spring campaign designed to take Vladivostok, cut railway communications between that port and Harbin, and occupy Kirin and the line branching from the Eastern Chinese railway at a point 125 miles north of Mukden.

By way of encouraging a young officer chafing at guard service, Nelson once remarked that it was "easier to fight the Nile six times over than to keep on station all winter in the blockade."

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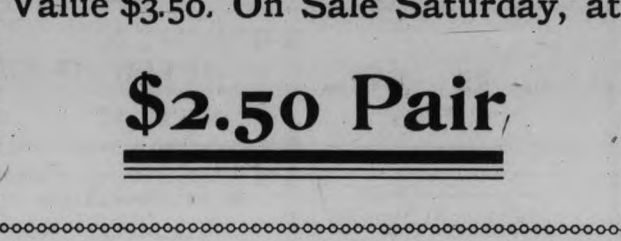


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—All those who are to play with the Victoria-United against the Garrison in the Island League Association football match at Work Point to-morrow afternoon are asked to take the 2.15 car from the corner of Government and Yates streets.

—As advertised in another column a meeting is called of all interested in phrenology in the Sir William Wallace hall, Broad street, for 8 o'clock to-morrow night, with a view to organizing a club in this city to take up that very interesting study. All are welcome.

—The Aberdeen Association acknowledge with thanks donations of magazines from Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Rickaby, Mr. Hargreaves, Mrs. Rykert, Mrs. J. Graham, Mrs. Plect Robertson, Mrs. H. A. Ross, Mrs. E. C. Hanington, Mrs. P. A. E. Irving, Miss Leeming and sergeants' mess, Fifth Regiment.

—Yesterday afternoon the W. C. T. U. held a Willard memorial and missionary meeting at the residence of Capt. and Mrs. William Grant. An excellent programme was rendered. It follows in part: Scripture readings; reading by Mrs. Spofford, "The Flower of Temperance Chivalry"; solo, Mrs. Clyde; quotations from Miss Willard's writings, and a synopsis of the W. C. T. U. mission work. There was a large attendance.

—The Pollard Lilliputian Opera Company, fifty strong, and all of them clever and talented juvenile artists, who have achieved world-wide distinction for the high excellence of their performances, will appear at the Victoria theatre on Monday, March 6th, for an engagement of five nights. The opening attraction will be "The Belle of New York." The company is strong, both numerically and artistically, than when it was here before. The "Pollard Twins" are two new additions, and are said to be as clever as the best in that line of more mature years. Daphne Pollard and Teddie Macnamara are still with the organization. New scenery and wardrobe will be shown, designed especially for the Lilliputians. Seats are on sale at Waitt's music store.

—The Watson Company presented "A Runaway Match" last night at the Redmond, and to say that they scored a hit is putting it lightly. All during the three acts the laughter came in no small volume, and as the curtain descended on the last act the verdict was unanimous that "A Runaway Match" was the funniest comedy ever seen in the Redmond. Mr. Watson, as Solomon Short, the country boy, was simply immense. Among the audience were the members of the Pollard Opera Company, and the happy laughter which rose from the sections occupied by these youthful stars showed how thoroughly they enjoyed the performance. "A Runaway Match" will be the bill for to-night, to-morrow afternoon and to-morrow night. On Monday it will give place to a fine dramatization of one of the most interesting of the Sherlock Holmes stories, and the Conan Doyle hero will come to life at the Redmond portrayed by Hayden Stevenson, who so successfully enacted the role of John Storm in "The Christian" a short time ago. "Camille," with Ethel Roberts in the title role, is announced for the latter half of next week.

NEW LEGISLATION SOUGHT FOR YUKON

DR. THOMPSON, M. P., ON WAY TO OTTAWA

Changes Will Be Asked in Laws of the Country in Interests of Miners.

Dr. Alfred Thompson, successor to Senator J. H. Ross as member for the Yukon in the Dominion House, who was declared elected on the 7th of January, and received his certificate of office six days later, is in the city. He is on his way to Ottawa. In the recent election he ran on the independent ticket, and defeated his opponent F. T. Condon by a majority of 618.

Dr. Thompson is a young athletic man—a thorough Canadian. He says he is going to appeal to parliament for improved legislation as a Canadian, appealing to Canadians irrespective of party bias. Briefly Dr. Thompson will ask that the size of the miners' claims be enlarged—they are now 250 feet by 1,000 on each side—a reduction in the miners' fees and the abolition of the royalty. The tenure of title to a claim is another matter on which legislation will be sought, and the government will furthermore be requested to provide for water ditches. These have been introduced. A half million dollars has already been expended on them in the district, and they are found to be a great success. The ditches are similar to those tried in the Northwest. In the Yukon they will secure water at a rate that will admit of low grade gravels being worked.

In pressing his claims for the abolition of the royalty and a reduction of the miners' fees, Dr. Thompson will endeavor to show parliament that machinery is now an important factor in successful mining, owing to the great depth at which bedrock is found, and that miners often after working out a claim discover that all they have in the way of profits is the machinery which they bought and paid for.

Dr. Thompson intends asking for a reduction in royalty not only on placer gold, but on gold and copper quartz for a few years.

He states that the coming season looks very promising for the Yukon. A great many more big ditches are contemplated, and will be built this year, and a railway from Dawson to the Bonanza and Eldorado creeks, a distance of 25 miles, will also be constructed this season. The ties for this were being bought when Dr. Thompson left Dawson. And there were other substantial reasons for believing that the future season was full of promise.

But a small section of the country has been prospected, and with the introduction of machinery and a great district of which comparatively little was known, yet to be worked, the outlook for the miner was most encouraging. The Yukon last year produced ten millions worth of gold.

Dr. Thompson will leave for Ottawa to-night. He was accompanied south by P. R. Ross, head of the educational department at Yukon.

FAMOUS MIND READER

Will Appear at the Crystal Theatre Next Week.

The people of Victoria will have the opportunity of seeing "Rosco," the famous mind reader and hypnotist, who will appear in person with the Rosco company of wonder workers at the Crystal theatre next week. This company endorsed by both the press and public of Vancouver, where they have just closed a two weeks' engagement, playing to crowded houses.

On Monday at 3 p.m. he will give a free exhibition of his marvellous skill as a mind reader by making a blindfold street trip. Starting from the Crystal blindfolded he will find a pin and book hidden by a committee of citizens. Driving back to the theatre, still blindfolded, he will find letter and word agreed upon by committee, and give the number of the page of the book. / This is considered by Mr. Rosco as one of the best tests he does.

Mr. Rosco has been before the public for the past 25 years as a mind reader and hypnotist, standing alone as a mind reader since the death of the famous Bishop.

—The annual meeting of the Friendly Help Association will be held on Tuesday, March 7th, at 3 o'clock in the city hall. The monthly meeting will be held at 2.30, at the same place. All friends interested in the work are invited to attend the annual meeting.

—The funeral of Miss Heathfield, the date for which was not fixed until today, owing to the hope that distant relatives might be able to reach here in time for it, has been set for Saturday at 2 p. m., from the family residence, Scoresby street, and 2.15 from Christ church cathedral.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Ministerial Association will be held in the Y. M. C. A. parlors on Monday morning. Rev. A. Ewing will open the discussion with a paper, "Notes on the Religious Awakening in Wales." The members are asked to attend prepared to contribute to the discussion.

—J. M. Finn, formerly leader of the Fifth Regiment band, is engaged forming an organization to play at Krus's Park, St. Louis, commencing on the 15th of May, the season continuing for several months. He is selecting a number of local bandmen, and intends securing the services of some of the soloists who accompanied him on his recent tour.

—A number of representative timber men and loggers are in the city pressing their claims upon the government for amendments in the Land Act.

INDIANS DO NOT CARE FOR SEALING

PREFER TO REMAIN AT HOME IN SPRING

Five Tenders in All Have Been Received For the Torpedo Boats—Marine Notes.

Capt. Dan Macaulay has returned from the West Coast, where he had visited some mineral properties belonging to his brother, and situated near Quatsino. Capt. Macaulay reports that the Eva Marie sustained little injury in striking a rock a few weeks ago. All the sealers which have visited the coast for hunters will get Indians, but none will secure a full complement, because the natives are indifferent about going out on spring cruises. A number stayed at home last year and made more money than if they had gone to sea. Seals came in close to the coast, and their catches along the shore were in cases considerably larger than those made by hunters aboard the schooners. This kind of success has turned the Indians against the spring cruises, and captains of vessels have found it hard in consequence to secure hunters. The Victoria Sealing Company have three Indian vessels out, and are fitting up the Victoria, which will sail in command of Capt. Byers in a few days. Besides this vessel the company's fleet are the Libbie, Allie, Algar and Dora Siewerd. Their vessels carrying all white crews, now sealing off the southern coast, are the Carlotta G. Cox, Capt. Christiansen; Vera, Capt. St. Clair; Casco, Capt. Munro; City of San Diego, Capt. Folger, and Diana. The independent schooner number three, they are the Jessie, Capt. Haan; Umbra, Capt. Searle, and Eva Marie, Capt. Jacobsen. Each carries an Indian crew. Capt. Peppert, the owner of the Umbra, is aboard that vessel this year.

FOR SKAGWAY RUN.

"If the intentions of the owners have been carried out, there is now en route to Vancouver from Glasgow a first-class steel steamer built especially for the Skagway trade to the order of the Union Steamship Company of the port," says the Vancouver Province.

"According to advices just received from Scotland, the vessel was to have set out on her long run around the Horn on February 5th. Should the new steamer have the advantage of fair weather on her long voyage, she should reach Vancouver within 70 days of the time of her departure from the Clyde. The steamer is of 1,300 tons gross, is 240 feet in length, has an indicated horsepower of 1,200, and it is estimated that she can make between 14 and 14 1/2 knots per hour steady steaming. The new vessel of the Union fleet was built at the yards of Bow, Maclellan & Company, Paisley. She is being brought out to this coast by Capt. Johnston and Capt. Thompson. The greatest secrecy regarding the building of this steamer has been maintained in Vancouver."

THE AMUR DOWN.

The C. P. R. steamer Amur arrived from Skagway yesterday, and before going out again will be tied up for general overhauling. The steamer sailed from Skagway on Saturday last and had a pleasant voyage south. Twenty-six passengers came south by the steamer. The first class passengers were as follows: W. Tular, W. Thibault, W. Wetz, G. Smith, Mrs. Chambers, W. W. Tronnes, H. Young, J. Eggert, and wife, M. Bride, B. Blauer, W. McKenzie, Mrs. Schultz, W. F. Fairbanks, A. E. Bain, Dr. A. Thompson, J. T. Ross, Miss Simpson, J. Jamieson, T. J. Bennett and W. Parkinson.

TENDERS FOR TORPEDO BOATS.

In all five tenders have been received by Mr. Harris, naval store officer, for the two torpedo boats offered for sale by the navy at Esquimalt. These tenders came from New Westminster, Vancouver, Nanaimo, Seattle and Victoria. In the most of cases the tenderers expressed their intention of placing the little craft into service if they secured them. Before a decision is made as to their disposition, however, the admiralty has first to be consulted, and for this reason it may be a number of days yet before a transfer is made.

CARMENCITA SAILS.

The schooner Carmencita, concerning which vessel there has been considerable mystery, was towed out to a point well down the Straits by the steamer Shamrock yesterday evening. As stated in yesterday's Times, she will proceed to Acapulco, via San Francisco, where she will receive a new Mexican registry, and will be renamed. The schooner has been put in a good sea-going condition while here, and will doubtless be seen in Behring Sea next fall.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Rancher Cut His Throat—His Wife Under Arrest Charged With Being an Accomplice.

"H. E. Huxham, a rancher and logger living on Bowen Island, made a determined attempt to take his own life Wednesday morning by cutting his throat," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. "He is now in jail on a charge of attempting to commit suicide, and his wife is also under arrest on a charge of being an accomplice.

"Huxham and his wife came into town a few days ago, and both appear to have got on a spree. Huxham is said to have lost a considerable sum of money, and that and the whiskey he had imbibed prompted the rash act. The couple had rooms over a grocery store on Westminster avenue, and when the police arrived on the scene, the man was found lying on the bed with a gash in his throat, which had been inflicted by a razor. Dr. McFarlane was summoned, and attended upon the wound.
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Lace Sale
Odd pieces of Black and Cream Laces will be sacrificed on Saturday in this way:
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The cleanest glove stock in the city will have its prices cut away down for Saturday's selling:
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Nothing we have ever offered will create such enthusiasm as the values to-morrow in Women's Underwear:
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There cannot possibly be any more conclusive evidence of the rapid development of the Okanagan valley than the flourishing condition of the various towns which have sprung into existence there. The marked influx of settlers during the past few years has increased their trade and caused an extension of their boundaries, with the inevitable result that they have outgrown the garments of infancy, childhood and youth in turn, and are now bursting out in the full strength of maturity. Vernon first became a city, and with a substantial lead did not apprehend much rivalry from the other distributing points of the valley. But as this splendid tract of land became settled, Enderby, Armstrong and Kelowna began to sprout, and Vernon discovered that she had no monopoly of progress. The rivalry between Vernon and Enderby was very keen—keen from a business standpoint, socially, and in a sporting sense—but the former could always regard the other's efforts as the ebullition of youth, feeling secure in the supremacy of a city over a mere town.

But now a change comes over the situation. Enderby has climbed sufficiently up the ladder of prominence and importance to receive recognition, to be considered in the class of which Vernon was proudly the sole representative. According to the current issue of the Provincial Gazette Enderby has been duly incorporated, and after the first election will have a mayor and five real live aldermen. Then, oh Vernon, look well to your laurels, for the fight will be like unto the titanic conflict between Greece and Troy.

But there is another lusty youngster, farther down the valley, which has grown so rapidly of late that many freely predict that it will eventually become the entrepot of the Okanagan. This is the town of Kelowna, situated about thirty miles down the lake, and the shipping point for a particularly rich section of the district. It is only recently that Kelowna has forced to the front as a residential locality. It was crowded down by the water's edge as though it had been unceremoniously dropped out of a basket, and had stuck there. But back of it is a magnificent tract of choice land which, upon being thrown open for settlement, was seized upon with the greatest eagerness, and soon became dotted by residences and little domains until it resembled a checker board. And Kelowna, feeling the inspiration of the new life which has entered into her, has become restless in her deficient municipal attire. She wants another outfit, something that will suit, and so the Provincial Gazette contains her formal application for incorporation. The application bears the signatures of H. W. Raymer, G. W. Wilkinson, Chas. Burtch, J. P. Clement, Thos. Lawson, D. W. Crowley, R. H. Spedding and F. R. de Hart.

With three bustling little cities within fifty miles or thereabouts of each other the Okanagan valley is bound to hum. That there will be hot rivalry between them nobody of any experience in the world will doubt. It will be that rivalry which will give each place the impetus it requires, and all will be the gainer. Of course at times it will become unreasonable, but this will be nothing new. It is said that at one time the feeling between St. Paul and Minneapolis was so bitter that an entire Minneapolis congregation rose to their feet and walked out of the church on a certain Sunday because the preacher took his text from St. Paul. But there is plenty of room in the Okanagan valley for many prosperous towns, and they will be blessed with every requisite to a rapid growth.

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Sporting News.

THE RING
CLARKE v. GLEASON.
A match has been arranged between Bert Clarke and York Gleason for the 10th inst., at the Edison theatre.

HOCKEY.
A LEAGUE GAME.
The Royal Engineers and Vancouver teams will meet in a league match tomorrow at the Terminal City.

WRESTLING.
CARKEEK WON.
The match between Jack Carkeek and James Stewart last evening at the Savor theatre was very interesting. It was well contested, both men showing considerable cleverness. Finally Stewart's shoulders were forced to the mat—time 9 minutes and 20 seconds.

BILLIARDS.
LOCAL TOURNAMENTS.
In the Vernon tournament last night Capt. Robson defeated Mr. Cave by 250 to 241 points, and Mr. Robinson won from Mr. Menzies by a score of 250 to 138 points. The tourney will be continued to-night.

THE KENNEL.
CLUB MEETING.
A meeting of the B. C. Collie Club was held last evening, and proved very interesting. A number of communications were dealt with from other clubs, which contained valuable suggestions for the benefit of the collie breed. The club has decided to present two medals for the show, to be held by the Victoria City Kennel Club, which takes place on April 19th, 20th and 21st—one for the puppy class and one for the novice class, open to members of the club. It was also agreed to present diplomas to winners, the same to be furnished by the collie club.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
THE ISLAND LEAGUE.
A meeting of the Island League was held last evening at the residence of J. G. Brown for the purpose of considering the protest in connection with the recent league game between the Garrison and Egeria teams. This, however, was withdrawn.

GARRISON VICTORIOUS.
The Garrison and Egeria teams contested a league match at Work Point grounds yesterday afternoon. It resulted in victory for the soldiers by five goals to nil, the scoring being done by Provins, Crisp and Constable.

ANNUAL MEETING.
On Monday evening the annual meeting of the Victoria District Association will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street. Besides receiving reports from retiring officers and presenting cups and medals to the teams and players winning the three local series, business of some importance is to be dealt with. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock, and a full attendance of members is expected, while a cordial invitation is extended the general public.

GARRISON V. VICTORIA.
To-morrow afternoon the Victoria-United and Garrison teams will meet at Work Point in an Island league match. As announced in these columns yesterday the soldiers have reconsidered their decision to withdraw from the series. Instead they have determined to fight the league to a finish. During the past few days the players have been training faithfully, and the eleven that lines up against the civilians to-morrow will be in exceptionally fine condition.

The Victoria-United team, however, is not neglecting to make preparations for the struggle. Capt. Goward foresees a very hard contest, and will not be caught off his guard. He is just as determined

as the soldiers to win, and may be depended upon to leave no stone unturned in the effort to capture the match. Play will commence at 3 o'clock. Following are the respective teams:
Garrison—Goal, Warrell; full backs, Williams and Byrne; half backs, Ford, Paley (captain) and Price; forwards, Hazlewood, Constable, Provins, Crisp and Matthews.
Victoria-United—Goal, Jones; full backs, Goward and Lorimer (S.); half backs, Thompson, Lorimer (W.) and Hunt; forwards, Berkeley, York, Lawson, Tye and Lorimer (J).

BASKETBALL.
J. B. A. v. NANAIMO.
To-morrow morning members of the James Bay Athletic Association senior team will leave for Nanaimo to play the Coal City teams in the evening. The J. B. A. A. team follows: Guards, B. C. Pettigoll and V. Gray; centre, K. Hughes; forwards, Belyea and Peden.

A FRIENDLY GAME.
The Fernwood and Victoria West juniors played a friendly match last evening at the F. Y. M. A. hall. It resulted in victory for the latter by a score of 19 points to 8.

LAST SAD RITES.
The Funeral of Sir Henry P. P. Crease Yesterday Was Largely Attended.

Yesterday afternoon the remains of Sir Henry Pelling Crease were laid at rest, the funeral taking place from the family residence "Pentecost," Cadboro Bay road, at 2.30 o'clock, and later at Christ church cathedral. A large number of sympathizing friends gathered at the house, where brief services were held before the cortege left for the church. Among those present were Sir Henri Joly de Lothbier, Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, Hon. G. A. Walkem and other representatives of the judiciary. Government officials and employees and members of the Law Society and Navy League, besides a large number of representative citizens, also were in attendance to pay a last tribute of respect to one who has been so prominently identified with the history of British Columbia since Confederation.

At Christ church cathedral, which was crowded to the doors, impressive services were conducted by the Lord Bishop of Columbia, assisted by Rev. Canon Beaulieu, Rev. C. E. Cooper and Ven. Archdeacon Small, of Lytton. The full supplied choir was in attendance, meeting the cortege at the entrance and escorting the remains to the chancel. Several musical selections were rendered at intervals between sermon and prayers. "The Radiant Morn Has Passed Away" and "Oh, God, Our Help in Ages Past," were sung.

Leaving the church the sad procession wended its way to Ross Bay cemetery, where the last sad rites were performed. A profusion of floral tributes testified to the esteem in which Sir Henry Crease was held by his many friends and acquaintances. Handsome wreaths from the judges of the Supreme court, the Law Society, the Bar Association and the Navy League were particularly noticeable.

The following acted as pall-bearers: Hon. C. E. Pooley, K. C., Major Dupont, B. H. T. Drake, F. B. Pemberton, H. R. Beaven, P. O'Reilly, H. D. Helmecken, K. C., and S. A. Roberts.

The Russian police at Tzarskoe-Selo, who since the assassination of the Grand Duke Sergius have redoubled the ordinary precautions for the protection of the Imperial family, have arrested a suspect who claimed that he is a nephew of Gen. Fock, but whose papers are irregular and was found to be armed with a loaded revolver. An investigation is on foot.

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CHAIRMAN BOGG'S ACTION SUSTAINED

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Considered the Complaint Made by Trustee Jay About Supplementary Statement on Estimates.

The little squabble which has arisen in trustee circles over the question of estimates was last evening investigated at a special meeting of the school board called at request of Trustee Jay. Chairman Boggs presided, and other members of the board present were Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Jay, Mowat and Huggett. Trustee Jay had raised the point that the supplementary statement submitted to the council itemizing the requirements for which the annual appropriation was asked was incorrect and unauthorized. In this contention he was supported by Trustee Huggett, but other members of the board took an opposite view, and endorsed the action of the chairman.

The board had prepared a statement for the council of the estimates for the coming year, according to which \$77,000 is needed for all requirements. Of this \$40,000 will be wanted for salaries. The board had first prepared a statement for January salaries, but the council insisted on a statement for the year. This was made out, but at the last moment the chairman was informed that the Mayor would not sign the cheques unless the statement was itemized. This information the chairman provided. In it he classified the Boys' Central school as having eleven teachers instead of twelve as Mr. Jay contended, and the repair work mentioned was based on the architect's report, which had not been endorsed by the board.

This was the crux of the whole misunderstanding. Trustee Jay argued that there were twelve teachers on the Boys' Central staff. One appointment only dated to June 1st. It was not right, he maintained, to classify this teacher as a substitute, as had been done, because the position was one which would have to be filled to the end of the year. The chairman had by a rule of the thumb placed in the estimates \$1,670 for additional salaries and \$900 for increases in salaries.

With regard to the sum of \$4,500 required for school repairs, and included in the statement submitted to the council, the board had not contemplated a particular expenditure for each school. In the sum mentioned as being needed for the Boys' Central there was an item of \$1,100, which the board had agreed would not be spent in the manner indicated. Trustee Jay took up the whole statement of repairs, and showed that what was presented to the council was based solely on the architect's figures.

Trustee Mowat condemned the whole method of the board in getting up the estimates of the year. He described it as very unbusinesslike. He thought the question at issue was a mere quibble.

Trustee Mrs. Jenkins said that while

the board did not intend to lay out the whole expenditure for repairs along the lines suggested, yet it was agreed that the money was required.

Trustee Mowat said that the statement made out this year was the same as that prepared last year.

Trustee Jay added that all he could say was that it was sent in for the purpose of deceiving the council.

To this Trustee Boggs retorted with the remark that if this was true the statement that was sent in last year was also made for the purpose of deception. The statement this year was prepared, as former statements had been for several years.

Trustee Huggett objected to the manner in which the supplementary statement had been prepared more than to what it contained, while Trustee Dr. Bolton considered that the chairman had justification for what he had done.

Trustee Jay then moved the following: "That the council be informed that the board does not approve of the statement sent in by the direction of the chairman on the 27th February; that it was prepared without the sanction of the board, and was erroneous."

Trustee Huggett seconded the motion. It was then put to the meeting and defeated by a vote of three to two. Chairman Boggs then suggested that the board this year make out a detailed statement of the expenditure of the board during the year for the public's benefit. This had not been done for a number of years, but should be.

A couple of communications from the city council were next received and filed, and the meeting adjourned. Trustee Mowat stated before the trustees left the meeting that he understood that the council proposed cutting down the school estimates, which other members of the board declared the city fathers had no authority to do.

APPROVED UNDERTAKING.

Plan of Britannia Power Company—Notices in Current Gazette.

This week's Gazette contains notice of the approval of the following undertaking of the Britannia Power Company: To construct a dam in Britannia creek, Howe Sound, New Westminster district, and to convey the water therefrom by a pipeline along and approximately parallel with the creek to its intersection with the tram line at the intermediate terminal station, and thence along the said tram line and approximately parallel thereto to a powerhouse situated on lot No. 892, at Britannia beach. The power will be developed by means of water wheels and electric generators and other necessary appliances, and it will be utilized to supply power to the concentrating, crushing and other machinery of the Britannia Copper Syndicate, Limited (Non-Personal Liability), at the said beach, and for the purpose of operating the Britannia group of mineral claims, situated about three and one-half miles inland from the beach. The company further propose to construct an aerial tramway for the purpose of carrying ore from the said group of mines to the reduction works, and for all other purposes incidental to the business of an aerial tramway. That for the purpose of generating power the company will acquire or lease one thousand four hundred and fifty inches of water to be taken from Britannia creek and to be diverted by means of a pipe line.

The following companies have been incorporated: People's Trust Company of East Kootenay, Ltd., capital \$10,000; Skeena Development Company Syndicate, Ltd., capital \$25,000; United Supply & Contracting Company, Ltd., \$100,000.

Notice is given of the withdrawal from the Ososyoos division of Yale of a described section of that district, which is established, and will be maintained as a separate land recording division, to be known as the Similkameen division of Yale.

The following appointments are gazetted:

Harry Freahe Bishop, of Victoria, to be a justice of the peace within and for the province of British Columbia.

Alexander Ball, of Vancouver, to be first assistant of the Industrial school at Vancouver. Francois Xavier McPhillips, of Vancouver, M. D., to be visiting physician of the said Industrial school.

Ernest Willard Beckett, of New Westminster, to be a clerk in the land registry office at the said city from 1st March, 1905, vice A. H. E. Beckett, resigned.

Angus McInnes, of New Denver, to be registrar of voters for the Slooan electoral district, a registrar under the Marriage Act, and recording officer under

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NOTICE.

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A. G. SNELLING, Sec.-Treasurer.

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NOTICE

Take notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their next regular sitting, for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors at the premises known as the Western Hotel, on Store street, Victoria, B. C., to John Henry Connell.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1905. N. HANSEN.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the B. & N. Railway Land Grant.

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W. W. CORBY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior, Dept. Interior.

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Work will be commenced next Monday or Tuesday on the Craigflower road extension of the B. C. Electric Railway.

The police court returns for February follow: Drunk, 25; infractions of streets by-law, 4; vagrancy, 13; stealing, 3; infraction fire prevention by-law, 1; theft, 1; cruelty to animals, 1; indecent exposure, 1; obtaining money under false pretences, 1; perjury, 2; assault, 1; in possession of intoxicants, 1; burglary, 1.

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DECIDED TO MAKE CHANGES IN POLICY. Resolution Adopted at the Convention of the Dairymen and Live Stock Association.

Delegates to the annual convention of the Dairymen and Live Stock Association assembled at the parliament buildings yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

One of the first questions to be brought up when the convention opened in the afternoon was that of the future policy of the association. It was contended by a number of those present that the present system was unsatisfactory.

This debate continued for some time, the advantages and disadvantages of altering the association's policy being carefully deliberated. Not only was it thought that a change is necessary regarding the importation of stock, but many were of the opinion that some steps should be taken to instruct the farmers of British Columbia in the art of dairying.

Whereas the importations of dairy products into the province last year amounted in value to \$1,727,000, the quantity of butter produced in the province during the same period was in the neighborhood of 2,000,000 lbs.

And whereas a large quantity of live stock, much of it good breeding, is produced in British Columbia, and a considerable proportion does not find an adequate market because of the lack of proper information.

Be it resolved, that the future policy of the Dairymen and Live Stock Association of British Columbia will be in the direction, firstly, towards the education of the producers of dairy products in the art of dairying, to the end that a superior article of uniform quality may be produced at the least possible cost.

Commodore Goodrich and party of naval officers left for the Sound on the steamer Whatcom last evening. They will travel overland, via the Northern Pacific railway, not over the Great Northern road, as mentioned in last evening's Times.

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THE MAIN POINT. MORE EVIDENCE IN A FAMOUS ACTION. EXAMINATION OF A 'FRISCO ATTORNEY. Was Called by Defendant's Counsel to Give Testimony Regarding Statements of J. A. S. Lowe.

The storm centre in the celebrated case of Hopper v. Dunsmuir has again shifted to Victoria. This, of course, is not a new experience, for it was here that the original trial took place before Mr. Justice Drake.

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WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS. February 22nd to 28th, 1905. Victoria Meteorological Office. The weather during this week has been abnormally mild throughout the western portion of the province.

Those who were attracted to the Admiralty court room this morning by the prospect of a rehearing of the rather ancient case of Vermont v. Abbey Palmer before Mr. Justice Marlin, sitting as a judge in the Admiralty court, were at first disappointed.

Four countries—Bavaria, Austria, Wurtemberg and Switzerland—border on the Lake of Constance. Passengers on the boats have heretofore had much trouble in finding out what stamps to use on their letters.

A Serious Question. A persistent bad cold will run into consumption unless it is relieved in time. So it is with the little daily wants of the people—they grow serious if not promptly filled.

DIED. NICHOLSON—On Wednesday, March 1st, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nicholson, of Dalton street, Victoria, West. HEATHFIELD—On Wednesday, March 1st, May Toland, beloved daughter of Mrs. S. L. Heathfield.

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NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT. Pursuant to the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1901: Notice is hereby given that Charles Hackett, of 96 George Road, Victoria, British Columbia, master mariner, has by indenture dated the 2nd day of March, 1905, assigned all his personal property, real estate, credits and effects which may be seized and sold under execution, to Francis Gilbert Richards, of the Law Courts, Victoria, British Columbia, sheriff, and residing at No. 294 Yates street, in the said city, in trust for the general benefit of his creditors.

LAND REGISTRY ACT. Take notice that an application has been made to register Andrew Agnew as the owner in fee simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Mayor and Clerk of the Corporation of the city of Victoria to Andrew Agnew, bearing date the 24th day of September, A.D. 1904, of all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the said city of Victoria, in the province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as being, firstly, the whole of lot three (3), in blocks I and J, section 74, map numbered 304, and secondly, part of lot eight (8) in blocks I and J in section 74, map numbered 304, and secondly, part of lot eight (8) lying to the east of a line being an extension of the divisional line between lots two (2) and three (3) in said blocks I and J to the southern boundary of said lot eight (8).

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