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THE ROYAL VISITOR PLEASED WITH CITY

State Dinner at Government House This Evening--A Most Enjoyable Time Spent--To-Morrow's Programme.

His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught and his distinguished party spent a most enjoyable time yesterday afternoon, taking in the beauties of Victoria and district. Shortly after lunch at Government House the big party was drawn up in front of the castle, which has been the scene of so many brilliant functions, and whose hospitality is enjoyed by almost every distinguished visitor who comes to Victoria. Some sixteen years ago the Prince's father, the Duke of Connaught, visited Government House and laid the foundation stone of the

of scenery famous the world over. Oak Bay looked charming in the balmy afternoon--not a ripple on the waters, but just enough action in the tide to mark its incoming as it kissed the shore. The golf links were pointed to with pride by those who knew the grounds, and with a few links, others enjoyed a drive, a few went out in steam launches, while the Prince chose an auto drive. As stated, every-thing was of the most informal order, and the general verdict of the party was that a perfectly informal afternoon should be spent, each selecting from the many inducements offered that which more particularly suited his taste. Some went to the golf links, others enjoyed a drive, a few went out in steam launches, while the Prince chose an auto drive. As stated, every-thing was of the most informal order. Shortly after 11 o'clock the party was photographed at Government House. General Kelly-Kenny was seen by a Times reporter at the Diarl this morn-

Royal Highness and party were profuse in their praise of "pretty Victoria," and were unanimous in the expression that it is indeed a bit of the old country on the Pacific coast. The party returned to Government House in the evening, having enjoyed a drive which all declared to be a most enjoyable one.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.
A Morning's Business and an Evening's Pleasure--State Dinner.

The Prince and his party devoted the forenoon practically to business. There was a big accumulation of mail matter to be attended to, and a determined effort was made to clear the slate, so that the afternoon might be devoted to pleasure. As on yesterday, the weather was as perfect as it made to order, and the general verdict of the party was that a perfectly informal afternoon should be spent, each selecting from the many inducements offered that which more particularly suited his taste. Some went to the golf links, others enjoyed a drive, a few went out in steam launches, while the Prince chose an auto drive. As stated, every-thing was of the most informal order. Shortly after 11 o'clock the party was photographed at Government House. General Kelly-Kenny was seen by a Times reporter at the Diarl this morn-

Walizes-Amorosa, Clarence Christian Intermezzo-Spoon Time, A. Von Trise Selection-Faust, Ch. Gaudon Serenade-Moonlight, Neil Moret Walizes-Love-Land, A. Holzman Selection-The Prince of Pleas, G. Luders Intermezzo-Cavallerie Rusticana, P. Mascagni Gavotte-Dainty Dances, Ch. Blake Selection-The Gondoliers, Sullivan March-Hands Across the Sea, I. Albert Serenade-Sunbeams and Shadows, R. A. Keiser March-Jolly Corks, Lee P. Grabbe God Save the King.

The programme for to-morrow is that the Prince and party will leave in their special train for Duncan, and thence by canoe and auto to the fishing grounds. To-morrow will be spent whipping the waters of the stream, and on Friday the time will be cast and the fishing on the lake. Returning on Friday night the distinguished visitors will board the Princess Victoria, which has been prepared to receive them, and sail for Vancouver. The programme from the Terminal City to the Atlantic coast was given in yesterday's Times.

PREPARING FOR PRINCE.
Indications Point to Pleasant Outing For Royal Visitor.

Duncan, March 28.--(Special).--The weather conditions here are perfect. The water in the river is favorable, and everything promises a very pleasant outing for Prince Arthur and his distinguished party to-morrow and Friday. The fishing is very good, especially on the upper portion of the river, where W. A. Wolfe, of Victoria, made a fine catch, taking trout up to three and a half pounds weight. Win. Christie with two motor cars arrived this morning in advance of the party. He has closed his arrangements and will this afternoon take a spin over the road to the lake to personally investigate conditions. There will be quite a gathering of residents to welcome the Prince, but by request no formalities will be observed.

FOR NEW RAILWAY.
(Associated Press.)

Santiago, Chile, March 28.--President Flores yesterday signed a decree authorizing a loan of \$12,500,000 from a German financial house for the construction of a railroad from Arica, Chile, to La Paz, Bolivia.

WILL PREMIER WITTE RESIGN?
RUMORS OF CHANGES IN RUSSIAN CABINET

Report that Ministers of Interior and Finance Will Retire--Progress of Elections.

(Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, March 28.--Rumors of impending cabinet changes continue to circulate.

The Russ declares that beyond doubt the state of Premier Witte's health will force him to resign, and also predicts the resignation of Interior Minister Durnovo and Finance Minister Shipoff.

Provincial Elections.
St. Petersburg, March 28.--The province of Mestrom, European Russia, is the first to have completed its elections in the provincial congress. Forty-six peasants, nineteen noblemen, eighteen merchants, six professional men, and three priests were returned. The results show that the "small landowners," who in reality are only peasants of the more prosperous class, holding their property in severalty, stood together against the big landlords and chose exclusively peasants. The peasant electors are not classified, and have but one plank in their platform, namely, the distribution of land. The others are divided.

Troubetsky a Delegate.
Kaluff, Central Russia, March 28.--Prince Eugene Troubetsky, leader of the moderates, who refused to accept the portfolio of education in the Witte cabinet, has been elected by the land owners a delegate to the provincial congress.

UNITED STATES CONSULS.
Secretary of State Will Provide For Officers Legislated Out of Service.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, D. C., March 28.--Secretary of State Taft has determined to provide as far as possible for the American consuls legislated out of the service by the recently enacted consular reorganization bill. The blow falls heaviest upon the consuls in Canada, where no less than twelve officers are abolished.

namely, Anshersburg, Rockyville, Chatham, Goderich, Guelph, London, Peterborough, St. Thomas, Stratford and Wallaceburg, in the province of Ontario, and Grenville and Stanbridge, in Quebec.

Lack of business is the assigned reason for the abolition, and it was pointed out to the House that the British consular representation on the American side of the Canadian line was much smaller than the American force of consuls in Canada, the fact being that there was not a single British consulate in the states of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota or Ohio. Secretary Taft has decided that he will try and find places for as many of these officers as possible.

ARGUING MIDWAY AND VERNON CASE

THE EVIDENCE HAS ALL BEEN PUT IN

The Legal Points are Being Brought to Attention of the Chief Justice.

In the hearing of the reference to the Chief Justice under the Midway & Vernon Act this morning the taking of evidence was completed. Arguments were then begun upon the legal question as to whether the act had been complied with.

Yesterday afternoon upon resuming the hearing of the case, Smallles continued his evidence under examination by E. V. Bodwell, K. C. Witness said that a contract had been closed with the Okanagan Railway Company in July, 1905. In the same month work began with a large force of men, and was continued up to the time of the question being raised as to the subsidy being in doubt. Cross-examined by Deputy Attorney-General McLean, K. C., witness said that the syndicate had been paid \$100,000 of \$25,000 expense in floating the company. This included the expenses to England, etc. There had been about \$5,000 more spent for surveys, etc.

The Atlantic Construction Company was to pay \$100,000 to the syndicate, and the latter was also to receive stock. The syndicate got \$10,000 out of it. Of this \$5,000 went to pay legal expenses and \$5,000 was paid for work. Witness said that by the end of July the Atlantic Company had satisfied itself that the undertaking was a feasible one. After correspondence in November witness demanded that the company either go on with the work or forfeit the contract.

Cross-examined as to the Atlantic Company not going on, Mr. McLean wanted to know if he suggested that the C. P. R. had bought the company off. Witness said that he did not say that the C. P. R. had bought them off. These things had given another contract to this company thus drawing it off from the Midway & Vernon contract.

About December 29th the Atlantic Company gave up the contract. Previous to that time the letters received by witness from the Atlantic Company were that Mr. Loss would not give up his contract.

In July, 1905, if Sandenburg, Tolman & Co. had not gone into the scheme there were others who would have done so, and the money would have been assured.

Mr. McLean wanted to know how in 1905 witness was able to satisfy the Dominion government so that a subsidy was given.

Witness said this was done by Mr. Cairne, Mr. Arthur and the Okanagan Construction Company, satisfying the Bank of Montreal that they were well able to construct the line.

When the Midway & Vernon Railway Company was formed there were four Canadians and three Americans in it. The Canadians were A. R. Pope, D. H. McDowall, D. M. Eberts and R. Webb. When the two men were put at work on the railway, it was expected that within one month the work would be begun by the contractors.

To make the railway line complete would have required perhaps \$24,000 a mile or \$2,400,000. This would include rolling stock, etc.

In December, 1905, when witness reached New York he saw the letter written by the Bank of Montreal to the bankers in New York. This was when he first learned that the government questioned the right to pay the subsidy.

In March, 1906, Mr. Wood was in Victoria. The latter had informed witness that he had had an interview with the Premier, who had said that he would aid the syndicate in every way possible. He did not know at that time that Mr. Robertson, the solicitor for the company, was endeavoring to get a confirmation from the government that the act had been complied with with respect to the beginning of construction.

On February 4th Mr. Smallles said that the Premier had assured him himself in his office that the company had nothing to fear from the government, and that he (the Premier) would do all he could to aid the company.

COL. ENGLISH TO REMAIN IN CANADA

WILL SPEND TWO YEARS WITH CANADIAN FORCES

Important Work For the New Garrison at Signal Hill and Other Points.

Although the evacuation of Work Point barracks here, the last station to be held by a garrison of British regulars in Canada, is set for the beginning of May, propositions made by the heads of the militia department at Ottawa have resulted in an arrangement whereby Lieut.-Col. English, R. E., the commandant of the garrison, will extend his sojourn in this country for two years longer. The militia council wish to avail themselves of his services in connection with the work of properly organizing the more identical arms of the militia, and it is understood that Colonel English is willing to undertake these new duties. He will not remain in Victoria, in all probability, but will likely be either attached to headquarters staff at Ottawa, or will go on the instructional staff at the Royal Military College in Kingston.

Col. English is regarded as one of the smartest of the junior officers in the army to which he belongs, and his popularity in this city is great; his modesty being as noteworthy as his efficiency.

It is also regarded as a fortunate thing that so many of the men now in the barracks intend to transfer to the Canadian service. When the decision was reached by the Home and Canadian governments that the latter should take over the defences of Halifax and Esquimaux, it so happened that the local garrison was in the midst of building and mounting ordnance on new batteries on Signal Hill, overlooking Esquimaux harbor. Orders to discontinue this work followed, and hence when the Canadian force marches in to quarters here early in May, one of the first matters to which their officers must direct attention will be the prosecution of the work on this cliff. About two hundred tons of ordnance has to be drawn to the top of the hill and placed in position. The imperial troops performed this heavy manual labor for a half-penny an hour extra, and were familiar with the work of mounting and mounting guns. These Canadian forces cannot be expected to display the same proficiency, and certainly the cost per hour, over and above the regular pay, will be greatly in excess of the price over his regular wages which the imperial soldier-mechanic received.

Although it is understood that Canadian will man the post at first with a skeleton force, about 150 men, the officers of the Royal Garrison Artillery state that the station cannot be adequately kept up with a smaller force than now lies in quarters here, namely, about four hundred men. An artillery officer, discussing the matter, said that the retention of Col. English and other officers that a satisfactory arrangement has been reached with regard to pensions. The regular officers and men who choose to remain with the Colonial force will be allowed the terms of their Canadian service in computing retiring allowance and pensions. Canada in turn will pay to the imperial government that proportion of such allowance as would correspond to the time spent in the colony.

QUESTION OF TAX SALES DISCUSSED

A NEW SYSTEM IS UNDER CONSIDERATION

Alderman Yates' By-Law Proposes Radical Change in Present Method--Its Provisions Outlined.

At the last meeting of the city council a discussion of more than usual interest took place in the course of the consideration of the Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, a measure introduced by Ald. Yates. Readers of the Times will remember that this was left in abeyance upon suggestion of Ald. Fell in order to permit the city solicitor to submit a legal opinion as to the wisdom of adopting it at the present time. He thought that perhaps its provisions would interfere with those of the new provincial act dealing with the same matter.

The by-law, in brief, provides for the introduction of an entirely new system of the sale of lands, the owners of which have been delinquent in the payment of a mortgage levied upon them. Heretofore the custom has been to place them at auction, the person offering to put up the money necessary to free them from all such encumbrance for the least portion of the property in question being awarded the mortgage upon it, the same character. Thus, in the case of the real estate being much in demand, it often occurred, and still happens, that a bidder purchases as a fraction of an inch of the land by paying the taxes. By doing this he obtained a hold upon the real estate of much the same character as a mortgage, and providing the sum advanced was not redeemed within a specified time, was granted a deed and became the lawful owner of the property. Perhaps it is not proper to describe the system in the past tense, because it is still in vogue, although Ald. Yates' by-law aims at its elimination, and the introduction of a method which, he contends, should prove much more satisfactory, not only to the purchaser, but to the person or persons owning the property, and who, through some misfortune, might not be able to raise the money necessary for the payment of their taxes.

The method proposed is simplicity itself. Ald. Yates provides in the terms of the by-law which he has introduced to put the land upon which there is a delinquency in the payment in taxes up at auction in the ordinary way. That is, the property will be sold as it stands and as much money raised upon it in its entirety as possible. From the total sum received will be subtracted the amount needed for taxes, while the remainder will be paid into the hands of the original owner. The land then without any further question, Ald. Yates believes that this will do away with many undesirable intricacies, and operate much more smoothly than has been the case in the past.

What is troubling the city fathers at the present time in this connection, however, is not so much the comparison of the two systems, but how the passage of the proposed by-law will effect the sale it is proposed to hold sometime in the near future. At the present time there is about \$7,000 worth of property in arrears, and it is the intention to place this upon the market and augment the city treasury to that extent this year. In the present condition of the civic finances the money is badly needed, and both the mayor and aldermen do not wish to take any action likely to interfere with the sale if it can be prevented. Hence the willing acquiescence given Ald. Yates' suggestion to the effect that the city solicitor be asked for his views upon the subject.

The matter will come up for discussion at the next regular meeting of the city council.

FATAL FIRES.
Two Men Perished While Fighting Flames in Pennsylvania Colliery.

(Associated Press.)
Scranton, Pa., March 28.--George Barney and George Iseck were burned to death last night while fighting a fire at Dodge colliery. Their bodies were found to-day.

Freeman Killed.
Johnstown, Pa., March 28.--For three hours immediately after midnight this morning, Johnstown's business section was threatened with destruction by fire which was only placed under control after it had burned itself practically out, causing a loss estimated at \$50,000 and the death of one fireman, Wm. Campbell.

Early to-day it was reported that G. H. Santamore, a telegraph operator for the Publishers' Press Association, was missing. Santamore was in the office of the Johnstown Journal, which was burned out and after the fire he could not be found. It was feared he had perished in the flames.

HUNGARIAN ELECTIONS

It is Probable the Contests Will Be Postponed For a Few Months.

Buda Pest, March 28.--It is expected that as a result of yesterday's conference at Vienna between Emperor Francis Joseph and the Hungarian cabinet ministers it will be decided to postpone the elections for a few months when the government hopes to be able to obtain an effective majority.



PRINCE ARTHUR INSPECTING THE GUARD OF HONOR
This picture has an historic value apart from the visit of the Prince, as it is probably the last occasion upon which such a "duty" will be furnished by British regulars in Canada, as the troops will be replaced in May from the Canadian force. This guard of one hundred men, exclusive of the band, was commanded by Lieut.-Col. English, R. E.

Royal Jubilee hospital. The Duke of York was also among the royalties who were entertained in this historic old building, while the various official representatives of the British government who have occupied Rideau Hall have from time to time been welcomed at British Columbia's capital by her respective lieutenant-governors. And none entertained with more grace and hospitality than the present incumbent.

The big trap looked its best, with six spanking horses pawing the ground eager for the dash. Every seat was occupied, there was even a little crowding, to which the Prince did not at all object. His Royal Highness entered fully into the spirit of the conversation and was profuse in his expressions of admiration as bit by bit the beauties of the route presented themselves, an ever-changing panorama. Along Cadboro Bay road at a lively pace, and the placid expanse of water with its background of snow-capped mountains across the straits was viewed with an appreciation of the grandeur which has made this bit



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ANOTHER BLAZE AT MONTREAL

DAMAGE PLACED AT SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND

Inaugural Meeting of the Alpine Club—Man Lost His Life While Fighting Ice Blockade.

Montreal, March 27.—The large four-story buildings occupied by the Montreal Biscuit Company, St. Monique street, was destroyed by fire to-day. Loss placed at \$75,000. The building was recently purchased by John G. Turritt, M. P.

Montreal, March 27.—L. Duchastel De Montrouge, who has been for many years attached to the Consulate General de France in Montreal, has received the appointment of French consul at Vancouver, and will leave next month to take up his new duties in the west.

Man Drowned. Georgetown, Ont., March 27.—Chas. Reddy, was drowned here to-day. He was engaged with others in fighting the ice blockade at Sykes dam when he slipped and fell into the water. He leaves a widow.

Alpine Club. Winnipeg, March 27.—The inaugural meeting of the Canadian Alpine Club was held this afternoon, the proceedings being largely informal in character. A large number of representative Canadians and enthusiastic mountaineers were in attendance and all entered cordially into the question of exploring the wonderful and untraveled beauties of the Canadian Rockies.

Prof. Edward Simmons. That the efforts of the Williams Piano Company in bringing out the New Scale Williams are appreciated by artistic music lovers everywhere, is shown by the numerous letters of congratulation they receive. The following is an extract from a letter from Prof. Edward Simmons of Wolseley, N. W. T.

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WAGES OF MINERS.

Disagreement Reported at Conference at Indianapolis—President Mitchell's Proposal.

Indianapolis, March 27.—The joint coal committee of the bituminous coal operators of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania to-day reported a disagreement to the joint conference of the central competitive district, and after a session of three hours the conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning. The discussions and arguments presented during the afternoon established the fact that, in so far as indications can determine, the opposing sides are no nearer to a wage agreement than they were at the first conference. The present wage scale will expire Saturday, and unless an agreement is reached before its expiration, 25,000 miners in the four states mentioned will be called from the mines.

President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, opened the discussion by saying: "It was my expectation that when we convened here this afternoon some proposition looking to an adjustment of our difficulties would be submitted by the operators. It is evident that they have not agreed among themselves to submit for the consideration of this convention any proposition looking to an adjustment of our relations: Everyone here who heard the report read by the secretary of the joint coal committee will know that the miners have gone out of their way to have even assumed authority to vote in their behalf by the miners' committee—to meet the grave and full responsibilities placed on them, not only as miners, but as countrymen and citizens, by the request and the suggestion of the president of our country; and it will become evident from the votes recorded here that at least four of the states, who must, and who rightfully shall, assume the responsibility for a disagreement if no settlement is reached.

"One state—one large producing state—has come in here and voted for restoration of the wage scale of 1903. That state has not only voted its entire production, but it has announced in addition thereto its intention to vote its mines in Ohio and in Illinois in favor of an increase in wages. It seems to me, gentlemen, that instead of sitting quietly, the gentlemen from the operators' side ought to say something in regard to their position. In accepting all the responsibility that may come to me personally without consultation with the gentlemen who employ me, I want to offer for the consideration of this convention a motion that as a basis of settlement there be restoration of the wage scale, the mining scale and the day wage scale and the dead work scale of 1903."

J. H. Winder, chairman of the operators, offered as a substitute a motion to adopt the present scale with all conditions existing at the time of its adoption, with the mining rate at Danville, Illinois, as a basis, and to include all cost of shooting, loading, timbering and inspection of shots.

After a number of speeches by exponents of each side, Phillips, of the Indiana operators, in a speech suggested the settlement of the differences by arbitration. He outlined no definite plan, however, and his suggestion was not further discussed. An adjournment until to-morrow was taken, without a vote on any proposition.

THE GERMAN NAVY. All Parties Except Socialists Favor the Bill.

Berlin, March 27.—During the debate on the naval bill in the reichstag to-day, Herr Spahn, the center party leader, formerly vice-president of the reichstag, supported the government. He said that Germany had to reckon on the fleets of France and Great Britain being arrayed against Germany's increasing fleets, adding: "We hope, and must attain the point that the enemy will have to consider whether it would be wise to attack Germany or not. Parliament ought to accept the bill without hesitation."

Baron von Richthofen, Conservative, said the nation was convinced of the necessity for a German fleet. It was impossible to have a colonial policy unless supported by a fleet. The admiralty secretary, Admiral von Tirpitz, said he believed the naval programme would only make the German fleet equal to that of France. All the political parties except the Socialists expressed themselves in favor of the naval bill.

FIGHT AT CHURCH SOCIAL. One Person Instantly Killed and Several Wounded.

Bluefield, W. Va., March 27.—Bloodshed and death ended a social at the Methodist Episcopal church at Cogdale, near here, to-night. Benjamin Copely was killed instantly, his wife was fatally hurt by having part of her head blown off by a shotgun, and several others received bullet wounds. Mrs. W. H. Harper was wounded in the side, and Henry Garden was shot in the leg. Two unknown men who fled after the fight were slightly wounded.

There had been hard feeling of long standing over the management of the funds which had been raised for the erection of a new church building. During the evening there was a clash between adherents of the rival factions. Guns were produced and shooting began. Mrs. Harper, Garden and James Hotten were placed under

arrest, pending a complete investigation by the authorities.

INSURANCE AFFAIRS.

Discussion in the House of Lords—Committee May Investigate.

London, March 27.—The Earl of Granard (Liberal), in behalf of the board of trade, replying in the House of Lords to-day to the Earl of Onslow (Conservative), who on March 9th gave notice of his intention to ask the government whether, in view of the disclosures made regarding certain insurance companies, it would be compelled to compel foreign companies doing business in Great Britain to keep in this country a sufficient proportion of their securities to cover the British policy-holders, said the government would appoint a select committee to consider the question.

In introducing the subject the Earl of Onslow spoke strongly of the alleged practice of the officers of insurance companies in advancing large sums to companies in which they were personally interested, and of the control of the three large American companies doing business in Great Britain. He reviewed the evidence of the Armstrong committee from which he concluded that there was no guarantee that British policy-holders might not awake some morning to find their assets had disappeared. In England, Lord Onslow added, a quarter of a million people were interested in the affairs of the American insurance companies, and the country could not allow that the slightest risk of loss should exist for those who had invested their small savings in insurance. He urged the government to pass legislation such as has been adopted elsewhere, compelling the companies to deposit approved assets to meet their liabilities.

During the course of his reply the Earl of Granard said that the suggestion of a guarantee to policy-holders on the part of foreign insurance companies was not unreasonable. The government had carefully considered the matter and thought that the best way to meet the request was by the appointment of a select committee, which he hoped he would be able to move shortly.

LIFE BOAT BILL.

United States Senate Authorize Construction of Life Saving Station and Tug.

A dispatch from Washington to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer says: The Piles bill, authorizing the construction of a life-saving tug for the north coast waters at a cost of \$30,000 and for the establishment of a life-saving station at Neah bay, was passed by the senate Monday. The bill will now go to the House and the Washington members will use their best efforts to secure its passage.

The bill providing for the construction and equipment of a first-class life-saving tug, also a launch tender to be used in connection therewith, for service on the North Pacific coast of the United States. It provides as follows: "Be it enacted by the senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That there be, and is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$300,000, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a first-class life-saving ocean-going tug, also a launch tender to be used in connection therewith, which said tug shall be equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus, surf and lifeboats, and such other modern life and property saving appliances as may be useful in assisting vessels and rescuing persons and property from the perils of the sea on the North Pacific coast of the United States.

"That said tug shall be constructed under the authority of the secretary of the treasury, operated by the revenue cutter service of the United States and officered and manned by the most skillful life-saving men available, and when completed shall be stationed at Neah bay, in the state of Washington, for service on the North Pacific coast of the United States."

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, the House of Commons, for an Act to incorporate a Company under the name of "The Pacific and Eastern Railway Company" with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway of standard or other gauge, rights, and privileges as are incidental or necessary thereto, including the power to build, purchase, charter or otherwise acquire steam and other vessels to be operated as ferries, and to operate such vessels as ferries at any point on the route of said railway where the operation of ferries may be considered necessary for or advantageous to the Company, and to construct, equip, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and its branches, and to transmit messages for commercial purposes and to charge tolls therefor; and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and to acquire and develop water powers for that purpose, and to lease, sell, distribute and otherwise dispose of the same; and to build, purchase, charter or otherwise acquire steam and other vessels for the carriage of passengers and freight, and to operate the same in connection with said railway; and to construct, operate and maintain irrigation canals; and to build, purchase, lease or otherwise acquire work and operate grain elevators and other warehouses and carry on a general warehousing business, and purchase and lease, and to lease, sell, distribute or otherwise dispose of the same, and construct and maintain docks, wharves and piers at any point on or in connection with the said railway and at the termini thereof or at any port of call of any of the Company's vessels; for the accommodation of vessels, elevators and warehouses, and to build, purchase, lease or otherwise acquire hotels and theatres at any point or points along the line of said railway, and to maintain, operate and carry on such hotels and theatres; and to receive from any Government, person or Corporation in aid of the construction, equipment and maintenance of the said railway and of any line of steamships or vessels running in connection therewith, or other means of land, transportation or gifts of money or securities for money, and to purchase or lease from any Government, person or Corporation any lands, rights or privileges, and dispose of such subsidies or aids in such manner as may be deemed most advantageous to said Railway Company; and to purchase, take over, lease or otherwise acquire the property, rights and franchises of any other Companies, and to lease or sell to any other Company the property, rights and franchises of the Company.

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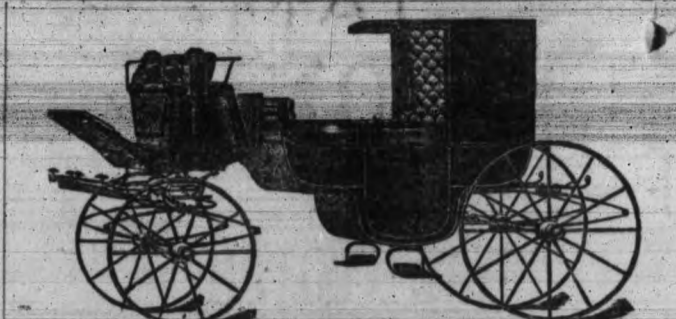
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ORCHARD'S CONFESSIONS.

Socialists in all portions of this continent are breathing forth threatenings and slaughter against the authorities of the United States for daring to place on trial one Moyer and others who are charged with being responsible for numerous diabolical outrages. The protestants are quite sure the alleged dynamiters had nothing whatever to do with the crimes laid at their door. The defenders of Moyer and his companions in crime will scarcely deny that the outrages were committed. Men were undoubtedly slaughtered, in some instances by wholesale, and then the programme was only carried out in part. Some one laid the plans and executed them. Who were interested in the prolongation of the reign of terror in Colorado and other states? The blood of the slain may not cry aloud for vengeance, but even if there be no voice proceeding from the soil it is the duty of the state, for the security of property, for the preservation of human life and for the well-being of society generally, to do all in its power to have the assassins brought before the bar of justice and punished. Competent detectors of criminals have for years been on the trail of the band. It is claimed that at least the right parties have been laid by the heels and lodged in the place where they ought long ago to have been. Who can tell until the case of the state is unfurled whether Moyer and his pals are innocent or guilty? The newspapers have published the story told by Orchard, who has confessed that he was the principal instrument in the hands of the soulless band. That tale has been substantiated by the most convincing of circumstantial evidence. But it is possible that the crime may not be brought home to the men charged in a manner satisfactory to a jury. Justice is sometimes very capricious as well as blind in the United States. But we shall presently have an opportunity to weigh the evidence and to form our own independent opinions upon the question of the guilt or innocence of the parties. In the meantime the child-like confidence of Socialists generally in the lamb-like innocence of certain Socialists particularly is more impressive of certain facts than it is convincing of the innocence of certain parties.

STIRRING THEM UP, ANYHOW.

Attorney Jerome, the public prosecutor for the city of New York, is kicking up a good deal of fuss about the misdoings of insurance magnates. He is going to have the offenders indicted, and all that sort of thing; but it is to be feared the affair is merely spectacular. Neither the men who made such free use of the money entrusted to them for other purposes nor the parties who received the money knowing it was dishonestly come by, will ever smell the inside of a jail, nor will restitution be forced. The magnates may feel impelled by the force of public opinion to restore to the treasuries of their companies portions of the funds fraudulently applied to unauthorized purposes, but the law will never compel them to refund a cent. And yet the revelations respecting the methods of handling funds entrusted to the high and mighty financial potentates who appear to have harbored the delusion that they were responsible to no higher authority than the officials appointed by themselves will do good. The magnates have received a severe shock. They realize now that the savings of the millions of people on this and other continents were not poured into their treasure-houses as a mere tribute to the genius of illustrious financiers, to be used by them to further their per-

sonal schemes and to maintain them in circumstances of affluence calculated to excite the envy of princes and real potentates. As a result of the general eye-opening salaries are being reduced, perquisites are being cut off, and business is being conducted in such a manner as to indicate that the directors of insurance companies have been brought to a realization of their responsibilities and their duties to the people who supply the money, and who have the right to insist upon its being applied to legitimate uses.

LACK OF TACT.

The conflict between the civil authorities and the ecclesiastical functionaries in France has always been more or less incomprehensible to us. We can understand the purpose of the republican government in undertaking to completely separate the state from the church and in deciding that as an immediate result of such separation all ecclesiastical property shall be subject to taxation. But was it necessary for the representatives of the state to attempt to carry out this programme in such a manner as to give offence to the sentiments of a very large body of the people? Our own McBride government, anxious as it is to create a schism and regardless as it is of facts in levying its assessments, does not proceed to the verge of brutal recklessness in taking inventories of the goods and chattels of the victims it purposes to tax. For a people having a reputation for subtle, instinctive finesse, it appears to us the French have bungled very clumsily in this matter. The government and its officials have not made allowance for the fact that all the people in all sections of the country are not so "forrard" in their views as are the Parisians, and even in Paris the methods of the assessors gave serious offence and caused riots. Superstition, or simple reverence, or whatever we may choose to call it, is still deeply rooted in the physical or the spiritual being of the peasant. A correspondent of one of the London papers quotes incidents to show the excitement stirred up by the taking of church inventories in Central France. He says that the peasants of the district of Saugues, in the Haute-Loire, are "out" like any border tribe. Men, women, and even children are armed with farm implements, and, in some cases, with guns; the churches are all closed, except to the band of picked defenders. Here and there preparations have been made to fell trees in order to obstruct the road, and it is even said that some roads have been mined. At St. Paul de Tartas, barbed wire entanglements surround the church for a hundred yards. A portcullis, weighted with lead, has been fixed over the porch. The windows have been built up with wood and stone. Loopholes have been arranged everywhere. Some of the slates have been taken off the roof in order to give light to the defenders, and a platform has been built all around, so that stones and hot water may be thrown at the gendarmes. As a company of soldiers was marching towards Montagnon, they were shot at from a wood. The inspector who was going to make the inventory at St. Martin de Fugeres was shot at and wounded in the arm. His horse shied and threw him, and he was taken back to Lepuy, where it was found that he was badly hurt. At Montregard, near Yssingeaux, the inspector was besieged in the Mairie. Three brigades of gendarmes marched to relieve him. Many of the gendarmes were badly hurt with sticks and pitchforks, and before the siege could be raised, they had to threaten the crowd with revolvers. At St. Pierre Breesthele the inspector found an empty church, draped in black. In the choir was a coffin inscribed: "Here lies Liberty."

A Washington dispatch says the trade of the United States with British Columbia amounts to about \$14,000,000 per annum. On the import side there are some very large decreases in 1905 as compared with 1901, notably bituminous coal, which was only \$1,509,752 in 1905, as against \$3,489,942 in 1901; copper ore, \$1,079,214, compared with \$2,792,552 in 1901; and lead ore, \$351,751, against \$1,764,666 in 1901. Copper pigs, however, increased from \$11,310 in 1901 to \$2,839,907 in 1905; timber and lumber from \$52,244 to \$746,376, and coke from \$41,511 in 1901 to \$363,929 in 1905. No substantial change has occurred in the volume of the total exports to British Columbia during the past five years. During the last fiscal year the principal exportations to that province were iron and steel manufactures, \$1,891,441; animals, \$469,259; fruits and nuts, \$147,684; provisions, \$410,119; and breadstuffs, \$381,513. There is a marked indication of a rapid growth of trade between this province and the United States. A great rush is expected as soon as the various railways now projected get properly under way.

Again Australia is showing the way, leading even the advanced British democratic government, which includes John Burns in its membership, and the McBride government, which inclines its ear to everything J. H. Hawthornthwaite, the worshipper of the red flag, has to offer. It is reported from Melbourne that the Commonwealth commission on old age pensions, with the Postmaster-General, as chairman, has issued its report. It proposes that the Federal government shall grant pensions of ten shillings weekly as a legal right, not as charity, to all persons of sixty-five years of age who have resided continuously in the Commonwealth

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We are extremely sorry if we have inadvertently stirred our contemporary to anger. We accept the explanation that "the Colonist exists as a newspaper by favor of its patrons." We really had no intention of attacking either the Colonist or its patrons through the impersonality of the Sunday edition. Would we be offending again if we were to say we merely sympathized with the patrons?

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What Other People Think

A TRIFLING ERROR. To the Editor:—Through the medium of your pages may I point out to the gentleman who was responsible for the editorial in the Colonist of Wednesday, the 28th, that Prince Arthur of Connaught is not the grandson of His Majesty King Edward VII, but the nephew. These little mistakes do not do any harm, but they make people laugh. BRITISHER.

RHODESIA'S LARGEST NUGGET. London Mail. Weighing 2.8 ounces, a gold nugget, which measures 5/8 inches in length and 3 inches in width, was recently found near Bulawayo. It is believed to be the largest yet found in Rhodesia, and is now in the British South Africa Company's museum at 2 London Wall Buildings, E. C.

Shipping

Two more steamships arrived from the Orient this morning, having been passed on route by the R. M. S. Empress of Japan, which arrived yesterday.

The steamer Yangtze, one of today's arrivals, brings the boilers, built at Box & Melachan's shops on the Clyde, for the C. P. R. steamer Princess May. These boilers weigh 30 tons apiece, and for the handling of them special cranes have to be installed aboard. The Yangtze left Yokohama on the 13th inst., and from the time of leaving Liverpool reports an uneventful voyage. Being only a cargo ship she carried no passengers, and of freight she has eight or nine hundred tons for this city. The Tremont, which also arrived this morning, has a small freight for Victoria and a good list of passengers for all ports of call. These included a company of Japanese acrobats. Her saloon passengers are: Major Walker, Mrs. Walker, W. A. Winsor, T. P. Keeney, Mrs. Keeney, Gladys Keeney, Robt. Keeney, Miss Hialop, Mrs. Quinan, W. H. Quinan, H. J. Quinan, A. F. Carrick, Mrs. Carrick, G. H. Fritchard, Mrs. Fritchard, A. T. Fritchard, D. G. Gray, Mrs. Terry, Master Terry, Mrs. Geo. Sutherland, Miss Nina Sutherland, Capt. K. Schoenwandt, Master Carrick, Miss Juliette Loty. Capt. K. Schoenwandt is here in connection with the salvage operations on the steamship Mariechen. He is representative of the company owning that vessel, and came here with the intention of going north to where she was wrecked. He was identified with the company's interests at Vladivostok.

During the voyage from Japan the passengers of the Tremont spent a merry time. Not a little of the entertainment was furnished by Miss Juliette Loty, an actress, who has travelled all over the world. She provided a number of entertainments, among them being a moving picture show. On the night before arrival it was W. G. Vint's turn to display his talents. Mr. Vint is the steward, and he furnished a dinner that would have done credit to any hotel in the land.

NAVIGATION ON SKEENA. The Skeena river is expected to be open for through navigation about the middle of next month. The passenger department of the C. P. R. has been advised that the Hudson's Bay steamer Mount Royal will leave Port Essington for Hazelton, upon the arrival of the steamer Princess Beatrice, which sails from here on April 21st. The Beatrice will carry a large quantity of freight for up river points.

THE YUKON FLEET. Work of getting the Yukon river fleet of steamers from White Horse to St. Michael under condition for operation the coming summer is beginning. The preliminaries already are in hand. The White Horse already is having men arrive at White Horse to begin the annual repairs and overhauls of its steamers which are on the ways at White Horse. The Northern Commercial Company and others who have steamers at Dawson for the winter are preparing to get them into shape soon. The N. A. T. & T. also has some steamers wintering at Sunnysdale. Crews for the independent steamers Bohwatska, Monarch, Lightning and

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Prospector also will be getting into line at Dawson before long. It is expected that the first steamer to arrive at Dawson this year will be the Thistle, which is wintering at Lower Lebarge, ready to bring down the perishables and the mail which will be hauled across Lebarge and held ready to ship to Dawson by water as soon as the Thirty-Mile and the Yukon break. TWO NEW BARGES. The White Pass is preparing to increase its carrying capacity at once. Two more fine large barges are to be built at White Horse this spring by the White Pass Company for handling coal. The news is given out by William Taylor, the new Dawson agent of the White Pass. ST. PAUL'S CHURCH. Annual Spring Concert of the Presbyterians of Victoria West.

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Several Victoria gardens are especially attractive just now because of the bloom of the wax-like camellia. Mrs. J. W. Moore, of 14 Chambers street, has a tree which is ablaze with over 200 flowers. There were about 400 buds on the shrub before the frost.

Members of the Ladies' Aid of the Reformed Episcopal church announce that an Easter sale and afternoon tea will be held on Tuesday afternoon, April 3rd, at the residence of Mrs. Dr. J. D. Helmcken, 23 Langley street. An energetic committee has charge of the arrangements, and a pleasant time is guaranteed those attending.

Music lovers in the city are manifesting great interest in the forthcoming visit of Jean Gerardy, the greatest living cellist. The Victoria Musical Society, the Ladies' Musical Club and all friends of good music are striving to fill the Victoria theatre to its doors, and should meet with the encouragement so worthy an undertaking demands.

At the second concert given by the Ladies' Musical Club on Saturday afternoon at Walt's hall, a most delightful programme of both vocal and instrumental music was rendered. A very instructive paper on the Life of Schumann, written by Miss Saunders, of this city, and a member of the club, was read by Mrs. Powell. This was followed by vocal selections from Schumann, sung by the following well-known vocalists: (Gideon Hicks, Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Mrs. D. E. Campbell, all of which were greatly appreciated, as were also the instrumental selections especially Schumann's "Andante and Variations" for two pianos played by Mrs. Herman Robertson and Miss Brady. Mrs. Harry Young and Mrs. Herman Robertson also gave such a delightful piano solo from the same author, in fact it was a Schumann concert, and the hall was filled to overflowing.

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The first annual banquet under the auspices of the congregation of the James Bay Methodist church will be held on Tuesday evening, the 3rd of April. It will commence at 7 o'clock. The arrangements are in the hands of a capable committee, and the affair should prove an unqualified success.

The W. G. T. U. prayer meeting held in the hall on Yates street yesterday afternoon was led by Mrs. Holt. The subject for prayer was the White Ribbon Army and the officers and members. There was a good attendance and much interest was manifested. The subject for this afternoon is "The Youth of the City," led by Mrs. Teague. The meetings will be continued throughout the week. All are cordially invited to attend.

The parade committee for the Victoria Day celebration met last evening at the office of Dr. Garesche. Arrangements were made to have a May Queen. She will be selected by ballot. Nominations may be either married or single, and the price of the ballots was fixed at five cents. All nominations are to be signed by two citizens and will be received up to April 2nd by Dr. Carter. The question of the parade on the day of the celebration was discussed to some extent, but will come up before a future meeting of the committee.

There was a large attendance at the Metropolitan Methodist church last evening when an instructive lecture was delivered by Rev. M. A. Mathews, of Seattle, on the "Wealth of Altruism." In his remarks he said that selfishness was responsible for the majority of the evils of the nation, and he instanced the accumulation of wealth among the trusts. He went on to describe the effects of the same spirit upon domestic, social and political life. Continuing, he drew attention to what altruism would do for the betterment of humanity. An elimination of the worst form of selfishness would tend towards the uplifting of character. The man who made his aim in life the contribution of some happiness to mankind, such as the physician who practiced not for the money but because of his benevolence, was the true Christian. To the lawyer, the teacher and the minister the same was applicable. W. J. Dowler and D. R. Ker afterwards proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer, which was enthusiastically adopted.

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- Mason Street, 32, 1 story, 5 rooms, 13.00 do
- Head Street, 1 story, 5 rooms, 8.00 do
- Johnson Street, 293, 1 story, 4 rooms, 8.50 do

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The children of the city public schools are enjoying a vacation this afternoon in honor of the visit of His Royal Highness Prince Arthur. They may be seen in batches around town endeavoring to locate the Prince.

The remains of George Springer were laid at rest yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place from Hanna's undertaking parlors at 2 o'clock, and later at the Roman Catholic cathedral. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends.

At last Monday's meeting of the city council public works in various sections of the city were passed to the amount of \$12,000. The work has been put in commission to prepare the macadam necessary, and other work will be begun at once.

The management committee of the Victoria Horticultural Society have issued a prize list for their annual show which will be held some time in the month of June. Those desiring one may obtain it by applying to J. A. Bland, the secretary. The preparations for the show are proceeding apace and it promises to be one of the most successful in the annals of the organization.

An interesting address on Sir John Gladstone was delivered last evening at Christ Church cathedral by Rev. Canon Beaudin. This was the first of a series of lectures on the lives of Christian men. The speaker dealt with the early days of the French revolution, during which period Sir John lived and performed his great work. His remarks were listened to with close attention.

The Independent Order of Foresters held a very enjoyable entertainment in their hall on Monday night. A well selected programme, a tasty repast and dancing was the order of the night. A. Manson occupied the chair. Those who contributed to the concert follow: Mr. Chudley, piano selections; Mr. Melish, club swinging; Mr. Toombs, recitation; Mr. McGill, comic song; Mr. Hymie, song; J. W. H. King, recitation; Geo. Brown, song; Mr. Kennedy, song; A. Manson, recitation.

A press dispatch from Dawson says: "Some idea of how the approach of spring may be expected in the Yukon this season can be gathered from the records of last year. A comparison shows that March of this year thus far has been a little colder than March of last year. The greater part of the time in March of last year the maximum temperature was in the 20's above. The lowest maximum was four above and the highest 49 above, but the thawing point was not reached in the day time until March 27th."

George Shallard was charged in the police court this morning with having on Saturday last assaulted William Peddie. The evidence went to show that on the day in question the accused, who is an express driver, placed a box temporarily near the street railway tracks, and that Peddie, who is an employee of the company, removed it forcibly. A dispute arose as to which had the right of the highway, with the result that Mr. Peddie claims that he was assaulted. The case was adjourned at the request of the accused, for the production of further evidence.

A varied and attractive programme will be presented at the temperance meeting to be held in Inastie hall this evening. Geo. Carter will speak on "Liquor Licenses as a Business Proposition," and L. Tait will deal with the revenue aspect of the case. Rev. S. J. Thompson will speak on the subject of "Compensation," and there will be an address on "The Aspect of the Liquor Traffic as Seen by a City Missionary." "The Gambler's Crime" will be the subject of a series of stereoscopic views, to be given by W. M. Ilche. The admission is free.

PERSONAL

Rev. M. A. Matthews, of Seattle; J. K. Powers, of Lincoln, Neb.; M. M. Motie and wife, of Tacoma, who are spending their honeymoon in Victoria; F. C. Bousfield and D. McDonald, the latter a railroad contractor, of Winnipeg, are registered at the Dominion hotel.

T. D. Conway, of Ladysmith; Miss L. Thompson and Miss Carter, of New York; A. Ash, of San Francisco; D. Torrence, of Vancouver; and J. Reese and Mrs. Reese, of Hutchinson, Minn., are guests at the Victoria hotel.

Thos. P. Brown and R. J. McManus, of Montreal; John Tait, of Winnipeg; and D. H. Proctor, of Athens, are in the city. They are among those staying at the Driard hotel.

R. Marpole, superintendent of the western division of the C. P. R., came over from Vancouver last evening and is among those staying at the Driard.

Capt. Olive Phillips-Wolley and wife are among the guests at the Balmoral hotel.

ARGUING MIDWAY AND VERNON CASE

(Continued from page 1.)

agan Company. He carried out work from July 28th, 1905, to December. The work amounted to over \$67,000. There were over 200 men working during part of the time.

In reply to Mr. McLean witness said only \$10,000 was received on this account. There was due the remainder to himself at the time. The money was in the Bank of Montreal. He was told by the manager. For some reason the money was not paid over.

Mr. Bodwell said that if any stress was laid by Mr. McLean on the question of the telegram referred to in the evidence he would call Mr. McDowell to give testimony dealing with it.

It was agreed to call Mr. McDowell this morning, and the hearing adjourned.

This Morning's Proceedings.

Upon the opening of the case this morning D. H. McDowell was the first witness called. He had been identified with the Midway & Vernon since January, 1905.

He was questioned by Mr. Bodwell with reference to the telegram from Mr. Smallles to Mr. Wood containing mention of another message from witness who was in New York.

Witness said he wanted a letter from H. W. Poer & Co., brokers of New York, assuring him that the finances would be provided. The solicitor of these bankers asked that in order to make it doubly sure that the subsidies would be paid by the Dominion and the province, Mr. McGlam at Ottawa was asked to get assurance from Mr. Emmerson, which was done. Harold Robertson was asked at Victoria get the assurance of the provincial government. This was simply to make the assurances doubly sure.

Cross-examined by Mr. McLean, witness said that Mr. Robertson had sent a message which satisfied the bankers. Mr. McDowell said that he felt sure the message produced was what he sent, namely, "Wire through bank or attorney-general, but authoritatively that work complying with the statute has been done. Wire at once."

Mr. McDowell said he did not doubt he sent this message to Mr. Smallles, who in turn transmitted it to Mr. Wood in Victoria.

The Premier's answer to Mr. Robertson had been that the government did not intend to repudiate the claim if the act was complied with. Two responsible men, Price Ellison and R. Wood, had given assurance that the work had been carried out all right. Mr. Robertson's statement, to this effect satisfied the bankers.

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the government at that late hour to desire a reference to the court. Having some parliamentary experience he was surprised that the practice elsewhere pursued was not followed here.

Witness thought that the finance minister should have been satisfied with seeking the opinion of the attorney-general. An appeal to court was repugnant to bankers at a time when negotiations were in progress.

This closed the case for the company. Mr. McLean asked that H. Robertson should be called as a witness.

Mr. Bodwell pointed out that Mr. Robertson, as a solicitor, was privileged. He did not wish to keep back anything, but he was not able to say what Mr. Robertson's clients might wish him to reveal in the matter.

His Lordship said this was a bad practice which Mr. McLean was asking for to examine Mr. Robertson.

Mr. McLean said if Mr. Robertson did not wish to answer he could not force him. He was anxious to know what Mr. Robertson did in an endeavor to induce the government to agree that the act had been complied with.

His Lordship thought this was not admissible.

His Lordship further added that he had no doubt in his mind that from February, 1905, the government had doubts as to the subsidy act having been complied with.

Mr. McLean said he would not press for Mr. Robertson to answer on this point. He, however, held that it was important to take evidence as to the filing of the plans of the railway.

He held that under the Dominion act it was necessary before the work could be done that the plans should be filed and approved of. There was thus no railway.

Mr. Bodwell said this was under the Dominion act and the subsidy under consideration was the provincial one.

Mr. McLean said there was practically the same provision in the provincial act.

Mr. Bodwell said it would be found that this was not the condition.

His Lordship said there were apparently no plans filed with the provincial government.

Mr. Bodwell said that the plans had been submitted but the department returned them with the information that the paper was not of the kind used. The plans were filed at Ottawa, which did away with the necessity for filing them in the provinces.

His Lordship suggested that the filing of plans was for the protection of owners of land. He did not see that it could be said that railway construction was not begun because the plans were not filed. He thought that the work done by the Midway & Vernon Company being in conformity with the plans of the engineer as a part of the railway must be held to show an intention to build the railway. There was the doubt in his mind as to whether it could be shown that the filing of plans was absolutely necessary.

Mr. McLean held that construction could only be legally done under the act after the plans were submitted.

Mr. Bodwell held that the Dominion act did not apply. The money was to be paid upon the provincial act being complied with. Even under the Dominion act the statement that construction was not to begin until the plans had been filed was open to a liberal interpretation. This could only apply to lands where objection was raised. A company could surely begin construction on its own land or lands where no objection was raised without plans being filed. The filing of plans were necessary only where objection was raised to the company going on to the land. He cited judgments to support this view.

Mr. Bodwell further argued that even if the law had not been complied with there was an executive proceeding necessary to declare the act forfeited. The act was not self-executing. The statement in the act that it became null and void really meant it was void-able.

The court then adjourned until 2:15 this afternoon.

A service of praise will be held next Sunday evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, when Wesley's hymns will be sung, and the pastor will give short addresses on the text. The choir will also render special music.

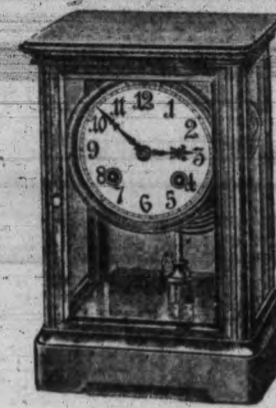
MORMON MINISTER KILLED.

Struck by Lightning While in the Pulpit.

Carson, Ia., March 28.—While preaching in his congregation Sunday Rev. J. B. Lentz, pastor of a Latter Day Saint church at this place, was struck by lightning, which caused his death within half an hour.

The bolt descended during a hard thunder storm and was communicated to the preacher by a chandelier hanging directly above his head. The shock threw him to the floor in an unconscious state, while many persons in the congregation were partially stunned.

After nearly every one had fled from the building Lentz was carried out but failed to regain consciousness. The church took fire, but it was saved. Lentz leaves a widow and two children.



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SUDDEN DEATH.

(Associated Press.)
Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 28.—Major James Low, collector of customs of the port of Niagara Falls, was found dead in his bedroom early to-day. He attended a meeting of the civic club last night. Major Low was born in Toronto January 24th, 1836.

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Sporting News

BASEBALL
OFFICERS ELECTED.

There was a large attendance at the annual organization meeting of the Hillside club held last evening. Enthusiasm prevailed all through the proceedings, and the interest displayed can be taken as a criterion of the prospects of the season's success of the Hillside team should do well during the summer months. Officers were elected as follows: President, J. T. McIlroy; vice-president, H. McConnelly; captain, W. W. Northcott; secretary, H. H. Kinsman; secretary-treasurer, W. H. Kinsman.

LACROSSE
TO VISIT MAINLAND.

In the near future Rev. W. W. Bolton, president of the Victoria Lacrosse Club, will visit the Mainland for the purpose of making arrangements in Vancouver and New Westminster for the coming season. As has already been stated in these columns, it is not the intention of the Victoria club to enter the senior league. It has been decided that it would only be a loss of time and, perhaps, money to attempt to compete for the championship under the prevailing conditions. Therefore Rev. Mr. Bolton intends trying to organize an inter-city league composed of teams from Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster, which shall largely be made up of intermediate players. So far both the Mainland organizations have expressed themselves in favor of the project, and Rev. Mr. Bolton's trip, it is understood, is for the purpose of maturing the plans as much as possible before the annual meeting of the B. C. A. L. A. His desire is to be in a position to outline the Victoria club's position in a clear, concise manner at that gathering.

A COACH ENGAGED.

Members of the management committee of the Victoria Lacrosse Club held a meeting last evening for the purpose of considering the applications received for the position of coach, in connection with the home team for the ensuing season. After some discussion, Lionel York, of Vancouver, was appointed. He will be engaged for six months and will take up

his duties on or about the 15th of April. His work will be to undertake the training of the junior, intermediate and senior players of this city. In other words, he will be placed in control of the local situation and will be expected to devote his whole time and attention towards advancing the interests of the Canadian national game in the capital of British Columbia. The managers and all who have given the matter thought believe that the plan should be very beneficial in its effect. They have adopted it because experience has taught them that the only way of developing a first-class senior team is by constantly keeping the attention of the younger athletes. This Mr. York has undertaken to do, and those who know him are confident that his endeavors will be crowned with success.

Mr. York first came to British Columbia some years ago, and shortly after his arrival he took on the Vancouver team. His worth was soon recognized, and it wasn't long before he was considered one of the best defence players in the Terminal City. Before coming West, Mr. York was in the Toronto team, and last year he went to Seattle and team. It will be seen that team's crack stick-handler. Mr. York has all the experience necessary to make him a valuable coach. His knowledge of the game is thorough and complete and no better man could have been secured to initiate the aspiring ones into the intricacies of the pastime.

ANNUAL MEETING.

It is unlikely that the Vancouver Lacrosse Club will have the use of the Brockton Point Club grounds this season on the same terms which prevailed last season, in fact, it is safe to say that lacrosse men will have to be more considerate in their demands if they wish to utilize the Point as headquarters during the coming summer. This question caused considerable discussion a year ago, was discussed at the annual meeting of the Brockton Point Athletic Association, held Monday night, and the consensus of opinion was that the financial arrangement which existed last year was not by any means reasonable. The lacrosse club received 70 per cent. and the association 30 per cent. of the receipts. "While no definite action was taken at the meeting it was suggested that a 50 and 50 per cent. basis be arranged this season. The matter, however, will come before the board of management at a meeting to be held shortly."—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

BILLIARDS.

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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL
MEETING AT LADYSMITH.

The annual meeting of the Vancouver Island Football Association will be held at Ladysmith on the 28th of April. Delegates will attend from all the clubs which took part in the competition this season. Among the business to come up will be the election of officers and several amendments to the constitution. It is understood that an arrangement has been entered into providing that these annual gatherings be held alternately in the different cities interested in the organization.

THE IRISH WAY.

When the first railway was laid in the North of Ireland, level-crossings were more frequent than they are now. When the trains began running at once a flood of demands for compensation for injured cattle began to reach the company. As time went on the claims began to increase not only in number but in size in each individual case. Every animal seemed to be more valuable than its predecessor.

At length the manager of the company lost his temper. "They talk about breeding," he said, "it seems to me nothing improves live stock so much as crossing it with a locomotive."

While waiting for a train in Grand Trunk railway waiting room, London, a woman was attacked by a large rat. The rodent sprang on her lap and when she attempted to knock it off the animal seized her by her lower lip and apparently could not free itself until a by-stander seized it by the throat and forced it to let go. The woman's lip is badly torn and the front of her dress is torn to shreds.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

NELSON.

Peter McGregor, a native of Scotland, who had only been in the country a short time died Wednesday at Adley's ranch, at Waneta. His age is given at 35 years, nothing further being known of him.

GRAND FORKS.

The commissioners of the former municipality of Columbia (now amalgamated with Grand Forks) are making some extensive improvements. They have let a contract to W. Ben Thom, of this city, for a fire hall which will cost some \$1,800. They have also let a contract for the immediate building of some 1,500 feet of sidewalk to Captain Distrow.

GREENWOOD.

A new ore crusher has been installed by the Granby Company to take the place of the one destroyed by fire last December. This will have a capacity of 1,500 tons every ten hours, and will greatly facilitate the work.

The writer has been removed from the Helek mine and works at the new progressing satisfactorily. The mine is shipping four or five cars per day to the Dominion Copper Company's smelter at Boundary Falls.

The E. P. U., which has been bonded by Mark E. Madden, of Chicago, and local capital, will be worked in connection with the same parties. A cross-cut 400 feet long will be run from the Gold Finch into the E. P. U., opening up an immense stoping ground, and obviating the necessity of a long trail. By this means the mine can be worked cheaply at a good profit.

YMIN.

The Ymir General hospital is now equipped with an X-Ray machine. The project of securing a public swimming bath, for Nelson, which was suggested a few weeks ago, is meeting with very general favor. The initial difficulties and cost, it is said, will not be serious. The chief problem is to get some responsible public organization to take hold of the scheme, and carry it to a successful completion.

John Proctor, who has been J. S. Carter's assistant in the local C. P. R. passenger ticket office for some considerable time, has just received well-deserved promotion. Proctor has been appointed travelling passenger agent with headquarters at Calgary. Mr. Proctor leaves for Winnipeg this week to report at headquarters and obtain instructions as to his new duties, and he will then proceed to Calgary.

Lord Ernest Hamilton spent three days in Nelson last week, visiting the property of the Hall Mining and Smelting Company, of which he is director. Lord Ernest is also chairman of the board of directors of the Le Roi No. 2 Mining Company of Rossland. On his trip he visited that company's property in the Boundary district, looking into the smelter situation. Seen by a member of the News staff, Lord Ernest said: "This is my first visit to Nelson, and the first to British Columbia in seven years. I was in Victoria in 1899 and made a trip to the Yukon and Alaskan districts, which I enjoyed very much. I think British Columbia has made wonderful progress since then in every way. Even at that time I was convinced that the country had a splendid future in store for it, and that it should not have long to wait for realization."

On my present trip I went first to Rossland to visit the Le Roi No. 2 mine, of which I am chairman. The property is doing very well, and its future looks very bright. The most recent developments are very satisfactory. The fissure vein discovered some time ago has surpassed our expectations. So many of the properties in the camp are irregular and poky that at first little significance was attached to it. However, development was pressed and the results are very gratifying. The vein is now proved for 1,300 feet and the limit has not been reached at either end. The vein runs through and beyond the Josie dyke, with no diminution of value. It is only two feet wide, but the ore is very high grade. I really can't say what it will average. It runs as high as \$200 to the ton. I do not imagine, of course, that the average will be anywhere near that figure; but it is distinctly above the average of the camp. I then visited the Boundary, Grand Forks and Greenwood, and spent some time at the various smelters studying their latest improvements and, in general, their progress. Yes; that was with a view to further improvements here at the Hall Mines smelter. We are constantly making improvements, and lately at a very rapid rate. I think the prospects of the smelter are excellent, and that steadily improving conditions may be looked for. The recent reduction in the rates for treatment, the rising prices of silver and lead, improvements in smelter processes, and the steady development of the district, will all contribute. I don't know that the smelter can, without extensive additions, treat a much greater amount of ore than is sometimes available. What we desire most is a steady supply. Of course I understand the uncertainty of the supply is due to many causes, and the character of the roads and of the mines. We are drawing supplies from a great number of small shippers. A few larger properties would give us a large and much steadier supply. However, good conditions and good terms from the smelters may in time develop small properties into larger ones. On the whole, I consider that the outlook is decidedly bright, and I am more than pleased with what I have seen."

HATS AS BRAIN INDICATORS.

It is a well-known fact in the hat trade, says the Tailor and Cutter, that there is a difference of two sizes between the average hats worn in Birmingham and Glasgow, and it is generally conceded that the average size in Birmingham is smaller than in any other town in the kingdom. Taking the whole of England, the average size of hat required by men is a 7, or nearly 22 inches in circumference; in Wales 6 1/2 is the average; the Irishman averages a 7 1/2; while the cannie Scot's average is 7 3/4. King Edward for many years wore a size 7 hat, but his size at present is 7 1/4.

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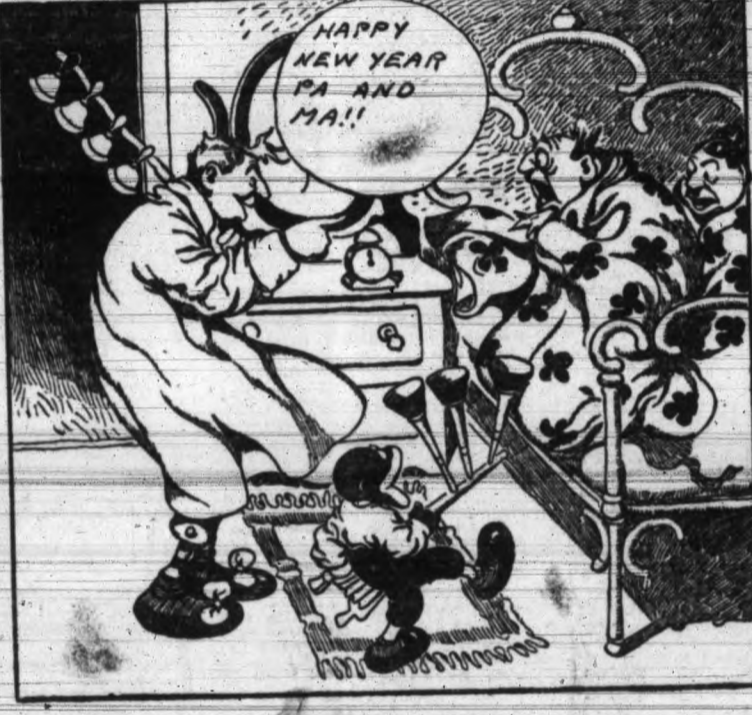
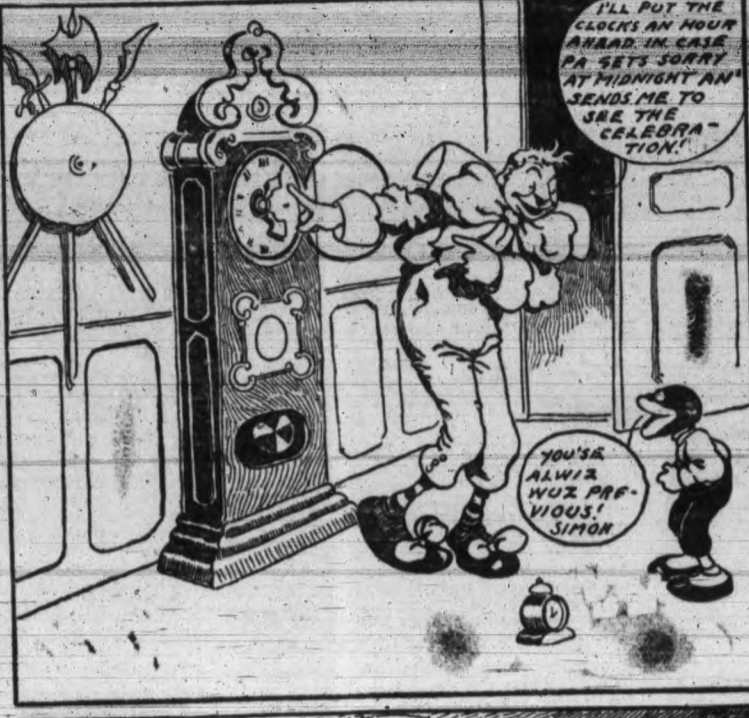
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TALKS ON ADVERTISING. Every day in Victoria some people make up their minds to move, if you have a vacant house or apartment you should have something to say to these people. You can reach them through a "want ad" in the Times.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS. Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 8 and 30, not reserved, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Municipal Notice. Sewer Rental and Sewer Construction Tax. Public notice is hereby given that under the provisions of "The Sewers By-Law, 1902" the roll for the year 1906 has been prepared and filed in my office.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA. TENDERS. Sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 p.m. on Monday, the 2nd April, 1906, for the supplying of certain Water Meters.

LEGAL. SMITH & JOHNSTON-Barristers, Solicitors, etc., Parliamentary and Departmental Agents, Agents before the Railway and other Commissions and in the Supreme and Exchequer Courts, Ottawa. Alexander Smith, W. Johnston, 1014-1015, Victoria.

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Duly instructed by Mrs. Maud Debrisay, will sell by

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At her residence, 4-Heywood avenue, to-morrow, March 29th, at 2 o'clock, the whole of her Household Furniture and Effects, including a first-class Piano by Fischer, a quantity of Oak Furniture, etc., etc.

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Desirable Furniture

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Almost new Domestic Sewing Machine, Golden Oak Sideboard, Extension Dining Table, 7 Dining Chairs, Settee, Upholstered Arm Chairs, 7-Piece Parlor Set, Rattan Chairs, Bed Lounge, Walnut and Oak Centre Tables, Overstuffed Arm Chair, Lady's Writing Desk, 12 Cushions, Oak Rockers, Pictures, Hanging Lamps, Curtain Poles, Blinds, Brussels Carpets, Carpet Squares, Linoleum, 3 Birch and Ash Bedroom Suits, Mattresses, Enamelled Bedstead, Feather Pillows, Blankets, Bed Linen, Table Linen, Toilet Sets, Crockery, Glassware, Plateware, Fine Jade Jewellery, Conspicuous, Kodak, large quantity of Electric Fittings, Garden Hose, Tools, Cooking Utensils, Famous Cooking Range, etc.

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And find out how good it is. We are sole agents for this better than the ordinary coal. Try it. Telephone 97.

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Cause chapped hands, face and lips.

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Rates: American plan, \$1 to \$1.50 per day; European plan, rooms, 50c, 75c, and \$1. Single meals, 25c, and up.
J. C. VOSS, Proprietor.

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Each of these countries makes a distinctive cheese. We carry all.
MELROSE FALLS CANADIAN CHEESE, per lb. 20c.
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MEETING OF DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Earl Grey on the Necessity of School Children Being Able to Shoot.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 28.—At the annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association, held this-afternoon, Colonel Gibson, of Hamilton, presided. All the old officers were re-elected.
Earl Grey, replying to a vote of thanks, said that no Briton could qualify himself as a good citizen unless he became efficient with the rifle so that his services would be at the disposal of the crown when required. He spoke of the necessity of training school children to shoot, and offering prizes for the cadets at Rookliffe.
Sir Frederick Borden said that the people who talked about military training in Canada were making themselves ridiculous. Canada only spent a small sum on military pay head. "We were only beginning to do our duty, and more was expected of us, not less," he said. "As a self-respecting people we should be ready for an emergency." Canada had spent one million in rifle ranges in the last ten years.

G. H. PERKINS ARRESTED.

Former Vice-President of New York Insurance Co. Charged With Grand Larceny.
(Associated Press.)
New York, March 28.—Geo. H. Perkins, formerly vice-president of the New York Insurance Co., was arrested to-day on a warrant charging grand larceny in the first degree, issued by Magistrate Jos. Moss. Mr. Perkins declares that his imprisonment and restraint are illegal, and that no evidence of any crime or act justifying his arrest had been submitted to Magistrate Moss, and that the magistrate was without jurisdiction to issue the warrant.

A Test Case.

New York, March 28.—Geo. W. Perkins, member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., bankers, and formerly vice-president of the New York Life Insurance Company, was technically placed under arrest to-day in the proceeding which District Attorney Jerome has begun to test the legality of political contributions by insurance companies. The warrant was issued upon information presented to Police Magistrate Moss, and the allegation upon which it was issued was based on the transfer of \$48,702 of the funds of the New York Life Insurance Company to Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of the Republican national committee in 1904, in which it is charged that Mr. Perkins received the money from the insurance company and paid it over to Mr. Bliss. Immediately after his arrest Mr. Perkins, through his counsel, Lewis A. Delahfield, secured a writ of habeas corpus from Justice Greenbaum of the Supreme court, by which Mr. Perkins was released from custody, and the case was taken direct to the Supreme court. Argument on this writ was adjourned until Friday afternoon next.

THE INSURANCE INQUEST.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 28.—The insurance commission met again to-day. It was shown that Mr. Fitzgerald, superintendent of insurance, had made a report to the minister of finance against the valuation of real estate, because it would take too long to do this. It also came out at the meeting that K. W. Elangmuir was one of the trustees for the Mutual Reserve Life Company of New York. Mr. Elangmuir is one of the commissioners making the enquiry.

WILL ENLARGE PLANT.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, March 28.—Owing to growing business and recent contracts received from the Grand Trunk Pacific railway the Hamilton Powder Works Company, of this city, will make extensive improvements to their plant, practically doubling their capacity.

SANGUINARY FIGHT.

Bodies of Six Italians, Hacked With Knives, Found in House in Minneapolis.

(Associated Press.)
Minneapolis, Minn., March 28.—The bodies of six Italians, covered with blood and terribly hacked with knives, were found by the police in an old frame building on Tenth avenue conducted as a laborers' lodging house. Four of the bodies were found in a first-floor room, and a bloody trail led into the cellar, where two more were discovered.
It is believed the men were victims of a fight last night in which twelve men took part.
The place was rented to nine Italians, who, it is now believed, constituted a "Mafia" or "Black Hand" organization. They brought three others to the lodging house last night. After midnight six men were seen to leave the house. The police had heard a noise, but thought it was only a little fight and paid no attention to it.
This morning an investigation was started. The door was broken open, and a horrible sight was revealed. Blood lay in pools all about the room, and besides the four dead bodies were found three long knives with their blades bloody.
The murderers had evidently let the injured men bleed to death for the wounds were not deep, but rather long slashes, running lengthwise along the loaths. The faces were also frightfully cut and marked.
In a tin box on the floor of the room was found a cheque for \$373 made out to Nicolò Demiri. The box also contained \$500 in Italian gold, pieces and \$400 in American currency.
The police believe the victims were lured to the spot and then told that they must die. A fight was started and during the fight not only the three victims, but three of the assailants were killed.
Apparently robbery was not the motive, for the money was left untouched and the victims all had small amounts on their persons.
The nine men who rented the place were mysterious in all their movements during the two months of residence in Minneapolis.

TURKEY AND STATES.

The Porte Must Settle School Question Before Washington Considers Customs Duties.

(Associated Press.)
Constantinople, March 28.—In reply to further representations made by the Porte on the subject of the proposed increase in the customs duties, the American legation has reiterated that the government at Washington can make no concessions until the American demands for a settlement of the schools and other questions are granted.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, having determined that it is desirable to construct and lay permanent sidewalks of concrete on the following streets, viz.:
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3. South side of Erie street, from Dallas road to St. Charles street.
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6. West side of Government street, from Toronto street to Dallas road.
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8. North side of Quebec street, from Menzies street to Oswego street.
9. North side of Michigan street, from Government street to Menzies street.
And that each and every of said works should be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law," and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-Law, upon the said works of local improvement, giving statements showing the amount chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property benefited thereby, and their reports having been adopted by the Council,
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reports in question are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk's Office, C. M. C. Victoria, B. C., March 28th, 1906.



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- Extension Tables, 8 foot, Golden Oak at..... 18.00
- Extension Tables, 6 foot, Golden Oak 1/4 cut at 22.50
- Extension Tables, 8 foot, Golden Oak 1/4 cut at 25.00
- Extension Tables, 8 foot, Golden Oak 1/4 cut at 40.00
- Extension Tables, 8 foot, Weathered Oak at..... 30.00
- Extension Tables, 10 foot, Antwerp Oak at..... 45.00

THESE ARE ONLY A FEW OUT OF MANY DIFFERENT TYPES. SHAPES ARE BOTH SQUARE AND CIRCULAR ENDS. OUR STOCK IS COMPLETE AND READY FOR YOUR INSPECTION.



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SYLVESTER'S CHICK STARTER is a proper balanced ration which is to be fed dry in limited quantities four or five times a day, and you will have no trouble or loss by disease. It is all there because we manufacture in our mill nothing but poultry foods and consequently the tender little chicks that have not the strength to digest such coarse, fibrous products. All grain is weighed with special care and proportionally mixed, thereby guaranteeing the best chick food on the market to-day. You save enough young chicks to more than pay for the feed.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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- WANTED—Millinery improver, at once. Henry Young & Co.
- WANTED—A nursemaid. Apply morning, 9 to 11, 48 Birdcage Walk.
- STRONG BOY WANTED—For bakery. 34 Yates street.
- TO LET—115 Superior street, modern conveniences, rent moderate. J. Peirson, 38 Douglas street.

DIED.

ROARKE—On the 29th Inst. in the State of Washington, Thomas P. Roarke, aged 38 years, and a native of Victoria, B. C.
The funeral will take place on Thursday at 8.45 from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, and 9 o'clock at the Roman Catholic church.
Friends please accept this intimation.

IN MEMORIAM

STEPHENS—Died on March 29th, 1906, C. E. Stephens, beloved son of W. J. and E. Stephens. "Gone, but not forgotten."

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