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**FITZSIMMONS AND MCCOY.**  
The Pugilists May Shortly Meet in Six Round Contest at Philadelphia.  
(Associated Press.)  
New York, April 15.—A match probably will be arranged within a few days between Robert Fitzsimmons and "Kid" McCoy for a six-round battle before one of the Philadelphia clubs. Fitzsimmons has accepted the numerous challenges recently presented by McCoy's managers, and has declared his readiness for six rounds within three weeks' time at catch weights, or a bout of 20 or 25 rounds for

the middle-weight championship within two months.  
**NEGRO ELECTROCUTED.**  
Murdered His Wife After Failure to Effect a Reconciliation.  
(Associated Press.)  
Columbus, Ohio, April 15.—John Bennett, a negro, aged 25, was electrocuted at the annex of the Ohio penitentiary early this morning for the murder of his wife at Oberlin, Ohio, last December. The murder followed a quarrel and Bennett's failure to effect a reconciliation.

## THE TORPEDO BOATS FOUGHT ALL NIGHT

### Russian Account Says They Kept Up a Running Fight With the Japanese Until Early Wednesday Morning—The Sinking of a Battleship and Destroyer.

(Associated Press.)  
Port Arthur, April 14.—An engagement occurred at 6 o'clock yesterday morning between Russian torpedo boats and the cruiser Bayan and the Japanese vessels. The torpedo boat destroyer Beztrashi was sunk. Five of the torpedo boat destroyers, with the Bayan, returned at 7 a.m.  
The battleships Petropolavsk, Pobieda and Peresviet, and the torpedo gunboat Gaydamak, then put to sea.  
At 9.30 a.m. a terrific explosion occurred beneath the Petropolavsk, and the ship went down in two minutes.

The Japanese squadron, consisting of about 20 ships, remained in sight until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.  
In the afternoon the fighting between the opposing flotillas of torpedo boat destroyers lasted about an hour. The Beztrashi was surrounded by the three Japanese torpedo boat destroyers and sunk.  
The Japanese boats then withdrew and the Japanese squadron appeared on the horizon. Thereupon the Russian squadron left the roadstead, steering in the direction of the enemy's ships, which retired.  
Soon, however, the Japanese reappeared with a formidable force of about a score of warships. The Russian squadron returned to the roadstead and took up a position in line of battle, ready to receive the enemy.  
The sudden explosion which destroyed the Petropolavsk occurred almost immediately thereafter, and the battleship went to the bottom. Grand Duke Cyril and Capt. Jakovliff, the commander of the Petropolavsk, four officers and some 50 men were saved.  
The battleship-Pobieda was damaged amidships, and went into the inner harbor, where she anchored.  
The enemy's vessels, which were formed in two divisions, disappeared in the course of the afternoon.  
The fresh breeze, which was blowing throughout Wednesday, developed into a gale towards night.

**ENGAGED ALL NIGHT.**  
Russian Torpedo Boats Were Unable to Shake.

Port Arthur, April 14.—1.40 p.m.—The division of the Russian torpedo boats which put to sea on Tuesday night, kept up a running fight with the enemy until Wednesday morning, when the cruiser Bayan steamed out to aid the torpedo boat destroyer Beztrashi, which was crippled and unable to shake off the Japanese attack. The Bayan drove the enemy off, but the Beztrashi sank at 7 a.m.  
The Japanese torpedo boats withdrew, but almost immediately six Japanese warships appeared on the horizon.  
Admiral Makaroff ordered the squadron out to meet them, and the Japanese retired, but almost immediately reappeared, reinforced until the fleet consisted of sixteen or seventeen warships.  
The Russians put back to the roadstead and formed a battle line, when at precisely 10 o'clock, without warning, the Petropolavsk blew up and sank.  
The Pobieda received a breach amidships and retired to the inner harbor, where an examination proved that her injuries were not very serious.  
Grand Duke Cyril, Capt. Jakovliff and Lieut. Hakovsky, Midshipmen Syllite, Jenish and Hakomloff were rescued.

Reports as to the number of seamen saved are conflicting, one placing the number at 32 and another at 51.  
They were rescued by the torpedo gunboat Gaydamak.  
The cause of the destruction of the Petropolavsk has not yet been ascertained.

**HEARD FIRING.**  
There May Have Been Another Engagement Off Port Arthur on Thursday.  
Chefoo, April 15.—2 p.m.—Admiral Tash, in command of the Chinese cruiser squadron, reports that he heard intermittent firing in the direction of Port Arthur all yesterday (Thursday).

**SINKING OF BATTLESHIP.**  
Russian Officials Deny It Was Result of Being Struck By Torpedo.  
St. Petersburg, April 15.—The naval staff has no information confirming last night's rumor that the Japanese have succeeded in blocking the entrance of the harbor of Port Arthur.  
Grand Duke Cyril is being brought back to Russia, by command of the Emperor. At the Vladimir Palace the correspondent of the Associated Press was informed this morning of the receipt of a reassuring telegram from Liao Yang, where the Grand Duke has arrived with his brother Boris.

The admiralty authorizes the Associated Press to deny Vice-Admiral Togo's claim that the Japanese sank the Petropolavsk in a fight off Port Arthur. The officials declare positively that there was no naval engagement, excepting the torpedo boat destroyer fight, either preceding or following the loss of the battleship.

Russia has formally acceded to Japan's request, made through the United States, to allow 600 Japanese refugees and the Japanese consular staff of the Island of Sakhalin (in the North Pacific, off the east coast of Asia) to return to Japan. They will be taken off in a neutral ship, which will be arranged for by the Washington authorities.  
**GRAND DUKE'S ESCAPE.**  
Swept From Battleship and Was Picked Up by One of the Destroyers.  
St. Petersburg, April 15.—A telegram from Grand Duke Boris to Grand Duke Vladimir, dated at Liao Yang, yesterday, gives Grand Duke Cyril's account of his escape from death in the disaster to the Petropolavsk.  
According to his story Cyril fell at the moment of the explosion to the port side of the bridge, and from there he lowered himself to the deck. He was then swept away by an immense wave, and sank to a considerable depth, but succeeded in regaining the surface. By his own efforts he caught a floating fragment of the Petropolavsk's launch, to which he clung for about ten minutes when he was picked up by the destroyer Benhaman.  
The telegram adds that Cyril's aide-de-camp, Lieut. Vonkuba, perished.

**UNCONFIRMED RUMOR.**  
That Grand Duke Cyril Is Dead—Last Telegram Stated He Was Improving.  
St. Petersburg, April 15.—3.25 p.m.—Persistent rumors are circulating that Grand Duke Cyril is dead, but the representative of the Associated Press cannot secure any information. On the contrary, Lieut. General Prince Gallitine, master of the Grand Duke Vladimir's household, is the Associated Press authority for the statement that the telegram received this morning reported the condition of the Grand Duke Cyril as being better.

**WAS IT WORK OF SUBMARINE?**  
Retired Naval Officer on the Disaster to Russians at Port Arthur.  
New York, April 15.—Expressions from St. Petersburg of the belief that the Japanese are using submarine boats in their Port Arthur attacks are given color by a statement credited to a retired naval officer in this city. He declares it to be the only way in which one can account for the succession of disasters met by the Russian ships.  
"It is incredible," he said, "that ships which undoubtedly have charts of the mines aboard should be blown up by them. One of the first things Vice-Admiral Makaroff did when he reached Port Arthur was to re-survey the harbor and locate the mines. What is the sense of these constant bombardments if they are not feints made in order to entice the Russian ships out? Theories that the Petropolavsk struck her own mines or that the Japanese planted a mine during a night attack are untenable, and we know that the Japanese have submarines. A United States naval officer landed at the Wring dock, an apparently unused wharf in a Japanese town, before the war, and saw a submarine surrounded on three sides by high fences, so that it was visible only from the water side. Before he had an opportunity to examine it, Japanese soldiers on guard drove him away with threats. They seemed highly indignant that he should have caught sight of the boat at all."

**JAPANESE REPORT.**  
Rear-Admiral Says Torpedoes Were Responsible For Sinking of Battleship.  
Paris, April 15.—The Japanese legation says Rear-Admiral Uriu's report shows that Japanese torpedoes sunk the Petropolavsk and damaged the Pobieda, and declares that the reports that submarine boats did the damage are incorrect, as the Japanese fleet has no submarine boats. The Japanese legation pays a high tribute to the late vice-admiral.

**FRENCH VIEW.**  
Officials Believe That Japanese Submarines Took Part in Fight.  
Paris, April 15.—Information received in government quarters now established the fact that a naval battle occurred between the Japanese fleet, consisting of 14 warships, and the force under the late Vice-Admiral Makaroff.  
From this the officials strongly incline to the conclusion that the destruction of the Russian ships and the loss of the admiral resulted from a naval engagement. However, the only definite in-

formation is that a battle occurred, and it is believed that the Japanese submarine boats took part in the engagement and caused the destruction of the Russian ships.  
The Petit Parisien's St. Petersburg correspondent says that Aide-de-camp Kedroff, who was betrothed to Vice-Admiral Makaroff's daughter, is among the lost on the Petropolavsk.

**THE JAPANESE ADVANCE.**  
Main Force Reported to Have Reached Wiju.  
Shanghai, April 15.—2 p.m.—Advices from Seoul, Korea, state that the main force of the Japanese has arrived at Wiju. It is also stated that in the future Japanese troops will be lauded at Chusan, near the mouth of the Yalu river.  
It is further reported that a Japanese transport has carried home severely wounded soldiers, who were wounded in the fighting on the march to Wiju.

**SICKNESS AMONG JAPS.**  
Reason Alleged for Delay of the Army in Korea.  
Tientsin, April 15.—It is asserted here that the reason the delay in the movements of the Japanese army in Korea is that over 12 per cent. of the troops are suffering from a malignant sickness, described as being a species of beri beri.

**BRIDGE DESTROYED.**  
Traffic Delayed and Trains Unable to Reach Yin Kow.  
New York, April 15.—The train from Port Arthur did not arrive here yesterday owing to the destruction of a bridge, says a Herald dispatch from Yin Kow, under the date of April 14th.

**CONCILIATORY.**  
Chinese Neutrality Proclamations Are Being Posted in Vicinity of Harbin.  
St. Petersburg, April 15.—A dispatch to the Vestnik, from Harbin, dated yesterday, says that the Pekin government is showing a more conciliatory spirit, and that the local Chinese authorities are posting neutrality proclamations daily.

The rich Chinese, the dispatch continues, fear the approach of the Japanese. The price of food in Harbin is rising, and the value of the rouble is falling.

**SEOUL PALACE DESTROYED.**  
The Emperor of Korea and His Suite Succeeded in Escaping From Burning Building.  
Paris, April 15.—11.10 a.m.—A cable report received at the foreign office here says that the imperial palace at Seoul, Korea, was completely destroyed by fire last night.  
The fire began in the evening and lasted throughout the night. Only the ruins of the palace remain.  
The Emperor and his suite succeeded in escaping to a near-by refuge.  
The report does not mention any loss of life, nor does it give the cause of the fire, but the recent political unrest in the Korean capital leads to fears that the destruction of the palace was the work of the rebellious element.

**SITUATION IN RUSSIA.**  
Reports From Vienna State That There Is Considerable Unrest.  
New York, April 15.—A cable to the Times from Vienna says:  
"Siniater reports are afloat regarding the situation in Russia, but no confirmation of them has been received save an account of a bomb outrage in St. Petersburg, and reports of demonstrations against the war by workmen at Khar-koff. All accounts agree that the Russian state of mind is depressed both for military and financial reasons, while the Emperor is said to be inclined to despondency. Fancy doubtless plays a large part in these reports, but as Vienna has been in comparatively close touch with St. Petersburg since the commencement of the war, it would not be surprising if the present forebodings possess some foundation in fact."

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**BACK FROM ENGLAND.**  
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The date referred to by the correspondent in the above dispatch, March 31st, is probably according to the old style calendar, by which the event would have taken place on April 12th, according to the new style calendar.

Plunged in Grief. St. Petersburg, April 14.—The official bulletin conveying the intelligence of the loss of another torpedo boat destroyer and the accidental crippling of another battleship was almost as severe a blow as the loss of the Petropovsk yesterday, and plunged the whole town into a new grief. It is considered remarkable here that the Japanese did not take advantage of this terrible accident to attack Port Arthur.

After the official bulletins had been issued this afternoon there was talk of the possibility of the destruction of the Petropovsk having been caused by a submarine boat, but this received little credence in official circles.

It is confirmed that Grand Duke Cyril's injuries consist of burns on the neck and legs. A life buoy was thrown to Grand Duke Cyril, by which he sustained himself in the water until picked up by one of the boats which were lowered immediately by the other warships.

The exact character of the injuries to the Pobieda are not obtainable. The Petropovsk sank two and a half minutes after striking the mine. The Sinking of Battleship.

St. Petersburg, April 14.—The Associated Press obtained to-night what is practically the official version of the sinking of the battleship Petropovsk at Port Arthur, and it clears up, to a great extent, the mysterious features of that vessel's destruction. This version is as follows: Retiring before the advance of a superior Japanese fleet, the Russian squadron approached the entrance to the harbor. It was shortly after 8 o'clock in the morning, and most of the officers and members of the crew were at breakfast on the flagship, Vice-Admiral Makaroff was eating breakfast in his cabin and the wardroom was crowded with officers. On the bridge Grand Duke Cyril, his friend and two other officers were on watch, examining the narrow entrance preparatory to entering it. At about 8.30 o'clock there was a terrific explosion of the boilers, followed a few seconds later by a detonation from the well in which were stored the magazines. Huge raps were torn in the hull of the ship and the water rushed in. The centre of gravity having gone, the ship rolled on her side and sank.

All information tends to prove that a mine was responsible for the destruction of the battleship. The scene below will never be described as, so far as the crew were concerned, in escaping. The hot steam which scalded the men on deck indicated that must have been the character of the death met by those in the engine room. The men on deck were thrown in all directions, those falling into the water swimming and grasping the wreckage floated up in the vortex caused by the sinking of the ship. The remainder of the squadron immediately stopped and lowered small boats, and torpedo boats attempted as quickly as possible to the rescue of the survivors. Rear-Admiral Uru's statement that Vice-Admiral Togo's fleet was responsible for the sinking of the Petropovsk is officially denied here. A member of the general staff says that advice does not show that a naval engagement took place, unless the cornering and sinking of the torpedo boat destroyer Rosstrashin can be so denominated. That the Petropovsk was blown up by a mine placed at the entrance to the harbor to prevent the blocking of the channel is the opinion entertained by the general staff. There is a disposition in some circles here to raise a controversy as to whether the explosion occurred inside or outside the battleship. The Emperor this evening appointed Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, commander of the Black Sea fleet, successor to the late Vice-Admiral Makaroff as commander-in-chief of the Russian navy forces in the Far East, and has telegraphed him to go direct from Sebastopol to Port Arthur and assume command there. Yassili Vereshchagin, the famous Russian painter of war scenes, was Vice-Admiral Makaroff's guest on the Petropovsk. It is reported that he was lost with the ship. Nicholas T. Kravtchenko, the well-known Russian literary man, who was acting as correspondent of the Associated Press at Port Arthur, it is believed, went down with the battleship. Telegrams to him remain unanswered. The exact number of Vice-Admiral Makaroff's staff on board the ship when she sank is unknown. She had a complement of about 650, of which 52 were saved at last accounts. Was Ship Torpedoed? London, April 15.—A news agency dispatch from Port Arthur, by way of St. Petersburg, says that after a fierce fight between torpedo boats on the night of April 12th, the squadron went out in the morning into the roads and took up combat with fourteen large Japanese vessels. At 10.20 in the morning, as the result of an explosion, the battleship Petropovsk sank with her crew. The dispatch then gives a partial list of those saved from the vessel. The battleship Pobieda, to which Rear-Admiral Prince Ouklonsky had transferred his flag, the dispatch continues, is damaged on the water line. The enemy, the correspondent concludes, attempted to escape an open fight, remaining at a distance of 45 cable lengths. The Russian squadron ran back into the harbor under command of Prince Ouklonsky. The Daily Mail's Chefoo correspondent declares that advice from both Russian and Japanese sources indicate that the battleship was torpedoed. Admiral Makaroff, the correspondent says, was enticed outside and the Japanese torpedo boats crept behind him, dealing the blow as he was nearing the harbor on the return.

ORDER-IN-COUNCIL HAS NOT APPEARED Nothing in This Week's Gazette Regarding Government's Decision in City Council's Appeal. There is no order-in-council in this week's Gazette regarding the disposition by the government of the city council's appeal from the demands of the police commissioners. According to some of the ministers the government has made up its mind on this knotty problem, but apparently it is extremely difficult about giving out its decision. The following appointments are gazetted: To the justices of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia: James Alexander Cunningham, of New Westminster; Frank Evans Holt, of Lorne Covek, Skeena river, deputy mining recorder. Paul Phillips Harrison, of Victoria, to be a notary public. F. W. Heaton, of Fort St. John, to be a deputy mining recorder of the Omineca mining division, with sub-recording office at Fort St. John, vice F. J. H. Bedson. The following companies have been incorporated: B. C. Loan, Land & Deposit Co., Ltd., capital \$50,000; Capital City Packing & Canning Co., Ltd., capital \$100,000; Gulf of Georgia Fish & Curing Co., Ltd., capital \$10,000; Kryalia Manufacturing Co., Ltd., capital \$7,000; Okanagan Fruit & Land Co., Ltd., capital \$75,000; Revelstoke Insurance Agency, Ltd., capital \$10,000; Skeena River Commercial Co., Ltd., capital \$25,000; Victoria Dock Company, Ltd., capital \$20,000. The Keremeos school district has been created. The Similkameen, Kelowna, Okanagan, Okanagan Mission and South Okanagan school districts have been re-defined. Notice is given that lot 4,427A, group 1, Kootenay district, containing 50 acres, more or less, situated on the north bank of the Kootenay river, about 12 miles west of Nelson, is reserved for government purposes. Sealed tenders will be received up to noon of Friday, April 23rd, for the erection and completion of a one-room farm school house at Arrowhead, West Kootenay, B. C. Notice is given that an extraordinary general meeting of the Vancouver Fur Company, Limited, will be held at the office of Messrs. McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard, solicitors, Bank of Montreal chambers, Victoria, on Wednesday, May 4th, 1904, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the following purposes, namely: (1) Authorizing an increase in the number of directors by one, making six directors in all. (2) The election of the additional director if the number of directors is so increased. Two Imperial orders-in-council relating to measurements of French and Spanish merchant ships are reproduced in the Gazette.

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WANTED—MALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED—A young man to drive grocery truck. Address 442, giving experience and references. SMART BOY WANTED. Apply Campbell's, 31 Fort street. WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times—it will help you.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED—Position as housekeeper for widower or bachelor, by middle-aged widow, experienced best of references. Address J. N., this office. WANTED—Waitress. Apply Dominion Hotel. WANTED—Two experienced house parlor maids, city; references. Agency, Richardson street. WANTED—Three nurse maids, four general helps one mother's help, Victoria West and city. Agency, Richardson street. WANTED—Dressmaking by the day. Mrs. Black, corner Catherine and Skinner Sts.

THIRTY-TWO DEAD. More Victims of Explosion on the Missouri Succumb to Injuries. Pensacola, Fla., April 14.—That the battleship Missouri had a narrow escape from being blown to pieces by the explosion of a magazine and also being beached, came to light to-day. Captain Cowles prevented this, when the vessel was within 250 yards of the shore, by ordering the ship's mate, Monson, to make six directions in all. (2) The explosion of the magazine, which was saved by jumping into the open magazine and closing the door behind him. It is stated that when the officers heard the explosion in the turret they realized the magazine would next explode and headed the ship for the beach. Capt. Cowles quickly stopped the plan and put the ship back to sea. When the magazine door was open when the explosion occurred, and standing against it were four charges of powder. Without a moment's hesitation Monson shoved these aside and jumping into the magazine pulled the door closed after him. The magazine was flooded. When the men opened the door they found Monson barely alive, the water having critically and guaranteed best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

It Makes Weak Women Strong. I suffered from female weakness for five months," writes Miss Belle Hedrick, of Nye, Putnam Co., W. Va. "I was treated by a good physician but he did me no good. I wrote to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for advice, which I received, telling me to take his 'FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION.' When I had used the medicine a month my health was much improved. It has continued to improve until now I can work at almost all kinds of house-work. I had scarcely any appetite, but it is all right now. Have gained several pounds in weight. I would advise all who suffer from chronic diseases to write to Dr. Pierce."

It Makes Sick Women Well. President Roosevelt has sent to the United States Congress a message recommending an appropriation of \$25,000 to compensate William R. Radcliffe, a British subject, for loss of property by a mob in Colorado in 1901. TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

WANTED—TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED—Detached or semi-detached cabin or rooms. Address "Cabin," Times Office. WANTED—A small house, in good locality, by a steady tenant. Address C. W. T., Times Office. LAND FOR SALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. FOR SALE—Good farming lands on Salt Spring Island. Apply to F. J. Bittan-court, auctioneer and commission agent, Office, 53 Blanchard St., Phone 2515. FOR SALE—At a sacrifice, section 24, Goldstream District, 125 acres of land, suitable for stock or chicken raising; must be sold. Write, making an offer, to Box 514, Vancouver, B. C. FOR SALE—At less than cost of improvement, 121 acres in Highland District; large main frame dwelling, log stable and other outhouses, about 50 fruit trees beginning to bear; make fine chicken ranch; good road; \$1,000; terms. Apply Times office. WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times. HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. \$1,000 BUYS A PRETTY COTTAGE in Victoria West, with full sized lot, all in splendid condition; easy terms if required. Heisterman & Co. FOR SALE—House, corner Head street and Esplanade road, with modern improvements. Inquire on premises, or 61 First street. WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times. FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. JAPANESE PLANTS—Fern plants and lily bulbs have just arrived at Japanese store on Government street, corner of Johnson street. FOR SALE—Horse, light wagon and harness; also second-hand buggy. Apply 97 Johnson street, city. DUCK EGGS and turkey eggs for sale, at 28 Green street. FOR SALE—New Columbia River boat. Apply Alex. Feden, 36 Fort street. EGGS FOR SETTING—Silver Grey Dorkings, \$1; Black Minorcas, 50c.; Fakhaducks, 50c. Leave orders Vancouver Bakery, Fort street. STRAWBERRY PLANTS, \$1 per 100, \$5 per 1,000; cabbage plants, early variety, 50c. per 100, 50c. for 200, \$1 for 300, \$2.50 per 1,000; few white broom corn left, 50c. each; also beautiful dahlias, \$2 per bush. Mount Tolmie Nursery. FOR SALE—One phaeton, two light wagons and four cars; cheap for cash. W. A. Robertson & Son, 56 Discovery St. LOST AND FOUND. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. LOST—On Sunday evening, at old Pritchard House corner, fishing rod, with one broken section. Will the person who picked it up please leave at Times Office? BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. THOMAS CATTERALL—16 Broad street. Building in all its branches; smart work and general jobbing. Tel. 820. CONTRACTORS. ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings; work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St., Phone 1012. CLEANING WORKS. GENTS' CLOTHES cleaned, pressed, repaired or altered, at 120 Yates street, opposite Dominion Hotel. All work guaranteed. James Dupes. PRACTICAL CLEANING AND PRESSING WORKS—Lace Curtains and Blankets a specialty. Paul's, 1625 Douglas street, Phone 1012. CEMENT WORK. SLATE AND GRAVEL ROOFING, cement sidewalks laid, etc. John Bell, leave orders at Nichol's & Renouf. EDUCATIONAL. PRIVATE TUITION—Bookkeeping, mathematics, English, preparation for all examinations, etc.; terms moderate. Apply Angus B. McNeill, 27 Bodwell street. KENNEDY—Voice specialist. Lessons in tone production, style, repertoire. Consultation at 12 Calderon avenue. SHORTHAND SCHOOL—15 Broad street. Special attention given to bookkeeping. Thorough instruction in bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting. E. A. Macmillan, principal. ART SCHOOL—53 Douglas street, cor. of Fort. All subjects, including wood carving and mechanical drawing, Martindale, master. Private lessons given. EMPLOYMENT BUREAU. EMPLOYMENT BUREAU—J. Devereux, 1 Richardson street. FISHING. FISHING SEASON IS NOW ON, and fishermen going to Shewanigan will save time by getting out at the 25-Mile Post where Julius Barron will be found with plenty of boats right on the fishing grounds. UNDERTAKING. W. J. HANNA, Graduate U. S. College of Embalming, New York, 102 Douglas street. Office telephone, 498. Residence telephone, 611. MACHINISTS. L. HAFEL, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street, Tel. 629. POTTERY WARE. SEWER PIPE, FIELD TILE, GROUND FIRE CLAY, FLOWER POTS, ETC. B. C. POTTERY CO., LIMITED, CORNER BROAD AND FANDORA STREETS, VICTORIA. PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS. A. & W. WILSON, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, Bell Hangers and Tinsmiths; Dealers in the best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc.; shipping supplied at lowest rates. Broad street, Victoria, B.C. Telephone call 125. ZINC ETCHINGS. SPECIAL DESIGNS for firm names or cut out by us in zinc. Just the thing to use in your advertisements, maps, plans, etc. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co. TONSORIAL. MRS. LUIS RUSSELL receives and visits ladies for scalp treatment and face massage with electricity, at 11 Rae street.

CARNE'S ECONOMY GROCERY STORE TO OUR PATRONS: Owing to the great drawbacks and high prices we have been obliged to charge for our goods in the past, owing to the "CREDIT" system, we have decided to establish a CASH GROCERY, which takes effect on and after the first day of June, 1904. The reason we give you this period from to-day until June is to enable all our present CREDIT customers to become perfectly acquainted with the NEW ORDER, and not to be taken at a disadvantage. All will be treated alike, we will serve the BEST groceries at the LOWEST figure, and will constantly have SWEEPING ECONOMY CASH SALES EVERY WEEK, something like the following. Note the list carefully. Every item is a bargain, and every item is a staple. Now just watch for the fireworks: LIST NO. 1. 12 lbs. B. C. Sugar ..... \$ .50 1 Sack Flour, choice of brand, 1.35 4 lbs. Prunes, 40-50s, or 7 lbs. Prunes, 30-40s ..... .25 1 Gallon Vinegar ..... .65 4 lbs. Rice, Sago, Tapioca or Pearl Barley ..... .25 11 Bars Soap, Home Rule, White-Swag, Beltape or Cheerful Brands ..... .50 1 lb. of Tea, choice of English Breakfast, Gunpowder, Oolong, Young Hyson, Ceylon, Uncolored Japan ..... .50 2 Tins of Corn, Peas or Beans ..... .20 2 lbs. our celebrated After Dinner Java and Mocha Coffee ..... .40 1 Quarter Pound Tin Pepper, Mustard, Cinnamon, Cloves, Allspice or Ginger ..... .10 1 Pkt. Corn Starch, Wash Starch, Blue, or 3 Doz. Clothes Pins ..... .10 LIST NO. 2. 25 lbs. B. C. Sugar ..... \$ 1.00 2 Sacks Flour (your choice) .. 2.70 2 lbs. Tea, choice of English Breakfast, Gunpowder, Oolong, Young Hyson, Ceylon or Uncolored Japan ..... 1.00 3 lbs. our celebrated After Dinner Java and Mocha Coffee ..... 1.00 1 Sack B. & K. Rolled Oats .. .30 1 Twelve oz. Tin of Price's Royal or Sculling's Baking Powder ..... .40 1 Gallon Vinegar (malt or white wine) ..... .65 6 Pkts. Corn or Washing Starch ..... .50 4 lbs. Sago, Rice, Tapioca or Pearl Barley ..... .25 10-lb. Sack Salt ..... .25 3 Pkts. Stove Polish or 3 Tins Shoe Blacking ..... .10 1 B. Brick or 1 Pkt. Soda .. .25 2-lb. Brick Cold Fish or 2 lbs. Cleaned Currants ..... .20 5 lbs. Italian Prunes, 40-50s, or 14 lbs. 30-40s ..... .50 1 Bot. Flett's English Pickles ..... .20 1 Bot. Stretton's Worcester, Fish ..... .25 1 Pkt. Soda Crackers or 25 lbs. Soap ..... .25 1/2-lb. Tin Allspice, Pepper or Cinnamon ..... .10 1/2-lb. Tin Ginger, Cloves, or Mustard ..... .10 In order to get the benefit of the above low prices, the complete list of goods must be taken. In ordering by mail or telephone, state the number of the list you desire. All orders will be filled in rotation as they are received. MAIL ORDERS will receive prompt attention, CASH to accompany each order. By taking advantage of the above low prices you will surely strike a gold mine of opportunities, for the CREDIT store asks the CASH customer to PAY for the goods others receive and don't pay for. All goods and weights guaranteed. The Above Sale Closes on Saturday, April 23rd, at 10.30 p. m. All goods will be delivered within a radius of five miles from Carne's Economy Grocery Store, CORNER YATES AND BROAD. P. O. Box 329. Phone 586 Seed Peas And All kinds of field seeds. McDowell & Rosie 98 JOHNSON ST. TEL. 487. Kingham & Co. VICTORIA AGENTS FOR THE WESTERN FUEL CO., NANAIMO, B.C. NEW WELLINGTON COAL Lump or Sack ..... \$8.50 per ton Delivered to any part within the city limits. OFFICE, 54 BROAD ST. TELEPHONE 64. ENGRAVERS. TO ADVERTISERS—We make cuts which enhance the effectiveness of your advertisements one hundred per cent. Nothing so effective as illustrations. From \$2 upwards, according to size. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co.

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WHOLESALE AGENTS.

### WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 15-5 a. m.—Low barometric pressure covers the entire Pacific slope, and showers have been general from California to this province. The weather is still warm between the ranges, and as there is a great difference in temperature between the two sides of the Rockies thunderstorms have occurred both in Kootenay and Eastern Washington. A moderate cold wave at present covers the Territories and Manitoba, and four inches of snow has fallen at Minnedosa.

### Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair, with showers to night.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, partly cloudy, with occasional showers.

### Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.80; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, calm; rain, .07; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.80; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .06; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.08; temperature, 32; minimum, 30; wind, calm; rain, .04; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 30; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 52; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .18; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, 24; minimum, 14; wind, 16 miles E.; weather, fair.

### PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—W. Duck, L. McMillan, Carl Smith, H. P. Rothermund, W. H. McEwen, Mr. Merrill, B. B. Bowne, Mrs. Maynard, Chas. Thayer, J. B. Woods, W. B. Forbes, W. D. Cheney, Mrs. Cheney, J. W. Bennett, J. Brown, R. Perry, Mr. Fitzhugh, M. McLoughlin, Mr. Merrill, W. H. Sawyer.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—B. Jones, S. J. Russell, F. W. Smith, K. A. Schofield, Mrs. Linton, Mrs. Heather, A. Linton, J. Kerr, C. Black, B. Richardson, J. H. Greer, O. J. Mitchell, C. J. Bassett, S. Sherbourne, C. J. Chess, C. Montgomery, Mrs. Plewes, D. C. McHarg, Mrs. Plewes, G. A. Steele, Guy Heather, S. H. Arnold, H. L. Nightingale, A. McDonald, J. Robinson, J. Smith, Mrs. C. H. Lingley, Mrs. S. C. Lingley, Miss F. Conner, T. Neil, Miss McKinnon, H. Toke, G. F. Dutton, Mrs. Sherbourne, W. E. Davidson, J. E. Botterill, J. P. Thompson, Rev. H. M. Donaldson, C. H. Todd, S. A. Wing, Prof. Donagour Jouty, J. B. H. Rickaby, J. McDonald, Rupert Watson, J. McCorvey, E. C. Hutchinson, H. B. McKenley.

Per steamer Whetstone from the Sound—M. Wall and wife, G. Lalor, Geo. Brennan, H. G. Small, Jas. Smith, W. L. Smith, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Lehman, J. Berryman, B. Berryman, J. H. Wilson, W. Thompson, Wm. Price, Capt. Horne, R. S. Stacy, H. C. Henry, J. F. Lane, Jos. Peters, Miss Davis, Mrs. Jessup, Chas. Stinson, E. Potts.

### CONSIGNEES.

A duty of three-eighths of a penny per hundredweight is paid to the London city corporation on all grain brought into the port of London. The proceeds are by law devoted to the preservation of open spaces near London, but not (with the exception of the churchyard of St. Paul's cathedral) within the metropolis. Year before last \$4,000 went to Epping Forest, \$345 to Burslem Beeches, \$147 to Riddlesdown, \$381 to St. Paul's Cathedral, and \$9,140 towards paying off loans for the maintenance of open spaces.

A German medical paper reports that at a school inspection in Bradenburg an eight-year-old boy was presented who weighs 120 pounds and stands five feet three and one-half inches. The young prodigy is physically and mentally well developed.

TO STARVE IS A FALLACY. The dieting to stop eating because you have indigestion has long since been exploded. Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets introduced a new era in the treatment of stomach troubles. It has proved that one may eat his fill of anything and everything he relishes, and one tablet taken after the meal will aid the stomach in doing its work. 50 in a box, 25 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—24.

to have an adequate structure, and not a barn. It is further contended that the school board cannot possibly perform the duty devolving on it under the act, that of providing means of education for every child within a certain age limit, if the ratepayers refuse to sanction the institution of the necessary accommodation. The result is that Victoria receives an advertisement which will not be envied by any progressive community of the coast. In consequence of the defeat of the by-law, which one of the trustees accepts as an expression of the ratepayers against the granting of a tuition to pupils above the age of sixteen, he says he intends to introduce a resolution at the next meeting of the board providing that these pupils be excluded from the city schools.

As to the loan diverting by-law there was not the slightest doubt. There were but few dissentients in either ward, and the total in favor was nearly twice as large as the aggregate for the school by-law. The ratepayers undoubtedly understood this by-law, but they evidently failed to appreciate the seriousness of the problem, to the solution of which the trustees must more strongly than ever bend their energies. The result of the voting is as follows:

### SCHOOL BY-LAW.

North Ward.	222
Against	202
Centre Ward.	61
Against	68
South Ward.	92
Against	130
Total for	375
Total against	400

### LOAN DIVERTING BY-LAW.

North Ward.	378
Against	47
Centre Ward.	149
Against	21
South Ward.	208
Against	18
Total for	735
Total against	86

### POSITION OF METHODISM.

Its Immense Activity in Great Britain and the Colonies. "It is not a betraying of a court secret or committing any indiscretion to state that our Gracious Sovereign the King and the Royal Family are fully aware of the important position and the immense activity in good works of the Methodist church in Great Britain and the Colonies." says the London Methodist Times. "Last summer, in a private letter written by Lord Knollys, at the desire of His Majesty, and which we were allowed to see, sentiments of high appreciation of Methodism were expressed; nor is this expression confined to words. Fifteen months ago H. R. H. Princess Louise opened the Queen Victoria Seaman's Rest, built by Methodist money in Poplar. This help-apparent and the Princess of Wales have graciously consented to give public evidence of the interest they have evinced in the great project of the Wesleyan mission by opening in person the large hall of the new premises in City Road on Monday afternoon, July 11th. Loyalty to the Protestant Hanoverian dynasty impelled our forefathers in England to call many of their largest and finest churches by the name of Brunswick; and that loyalty increased in fervor, and spread to the confines of the Empire wherever the British flag floated and Methodists made their habitation."

### A TIP ON THE DARDANELLES.

War Between Russia and Japan Will Not Affect the Dardanelles. While the attention of the civilized world is turned to the East, we think the moment an opportune one to deny the statement made recently that the Dardanelles might be affected by the war between Russia and Japan. All smokers are convinced of the fact that the quality of the Dardanelles pure Egyptian cigarettes is always uniform. A trial will prove this fact beyond the shadow of a doubt. Sold everywhere in cork, silver or plain tips.

### ABSCORPT.

Indian Saul and his wife were brought from Barkerville on Tuesday night by Constable Walker, charged with the murder of James Kelly on the night of April 1st. Kelly was found in the Indian's cabin on Friday morning, April 1st, in an unconscious condition. Medical aid was summoned, and he lived for sixty hours, but did not regain consciousness. The Indian and his wife had left Barkerville early in the morning, and were arrested at Stanley. Their stories do not agree. The coroner's jury charged them both with the murder.

### NEW WESTMINSTER.

The city council is sitting as a court of revision and appeal, hearing over one hundred appeals which have been entered against the city assessment. The body of Ah Hong, the Chinese Cook who was drowned below Anacis Island Saturday evening off the Pykes dredge was found on Monday.

Colonel Otter's condition is reported much improved, all bad symptoms having disappeared.

### EARLY DAYS IN THE PACIFIC PROVINCE

John MacIure, of Matsqui, Recalls Interesting Events in History of British Columbia.

John MacIure, of Matsqui, in an interview in the Vancouver News-Advertiser, gives some very interesting reminiscences of the early days in the province. Mr. and Mrs. MacIure are among the pioneers of the province. They celebrated last Monday the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. S. MacIure, architect, of this city, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. MacIure, of Matsqui. In an interview Mr. MacIure says:

When the party of Royal Engineers came to British Columbia in 1858 it was just after the Hudson's Bay Company had relinquished control of this part of the Dominion. Gold had been discovered just before that, and the company realized that with a big influx of men it would be better if the colony were in the hands of the government, and grants of land were given in exchange. The party of Engineers, with which I was at that time, went up the Fraser river in the Hudson's Bay Company's steamer Discovery, and a townsite was laid out at Derby, a little below Langley. Colonel Moody, then chief commissioner of the crown colony, concluded that the site was too high up, and selected the present site of New Westminster, and there a second town was surveyed. It was at Derby that I rang the first bell for church service in British Columbia, on board the boat. Fort Langley had been one of the forts of the Hudson's Bay Company for perhaps 50 years before that time.

"The steamer Beaver, which now lies deep down in the Narrows at the entrance of Vancouver harbor, was at that time in all her glory, and I came up the Fraser river in her to swear to James Douglas, afterwards knighted, as the first Governor of British Columbia. "In 1859 the river was over-run with miners, and at Langley there was a large encampment. Prospectors were washing the river all along from Langley to Hope, and beyond. I went up to Cariboo myself in 1863, after my return from Bute Inlet, a trip made to inquire into the massacre of Waddington's party. Only one escaped of 17, the Indians having stabbed the men to death after having pulled the tents down on them. I was on Williams creek in the days when great quantities were being taken out, and in two days in one place there was as much as one man could lift brought to the surface. "In 1865 the construction of the telegraph line by the Collins Overland Telegraph Company was undertaken from New Westminster north along the east bank of the Fraser river, crossing at Quesnel. At that time the first cable had been laid across the Atlantic, and had broken, and it was the general opinion of electricians, with the exception of Cyrus Field, that the project would not be successful. A company was organized in New York to build the line from New Westminster to the Behring Straits, and connect with the Russian lines on the other side, thus giving a continuous line to Western Europe. This cable was repaired, however, and, after spending about \$5,000,000 in the work, we stopped. We had proceeded to a point about 55 miles north of the Skeena river building our stations as we went along, and stringing the wires. There was as much as 27 tons of wire left in the houses along the trail.

"The country was lovely, being then as it is now in its natural state. The verdant valleys looked more like English domains and parks than anything else. At that time the Hudson's Bay Company officials were growing fine vegetables at Fraser Lake, and finer soil I never saw. "Yes, I was on Burrard Inlet long before Vancouver was ever thought of. One time I was with a pleasure party which came from New Westminster to see the sawmill of Moody, Deets & Nelson, and it was after the first of the firm that Moodyville was named. The last afterwards became a member of the legislature and Lieutenant-Governor of the province. I slept on the shores of English Bay in the early sixties, and had many an opportunity to have taken 100 acres where Vancouver now stands. At that time no one would have taken the land as a gift. On the whole peninsula, particularly between the place where Vancouver now is and New Westminster, the timber was very heavy, and deer, elk and other game abounded in the vicinity. "Mr. MacIure took up land at Matsqui soon after his arrival. Mr. MacIure's mother, too, is still living. She is 95 years of age, and resides in Australia, and takes an active interest in the events of that part of the Empire.

Mrs. Hannah Coleman, of Cleve, near Yatton, Somersetshire, celebrated her 103rd birthday recently. The old lady, who retains her faculties and keeps wonderfully well, is attended by her widowed daughter, who is herself nearly 80 years of age.

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THE SCHOOL BY-LAW.

The defeat of the school by-law by the ratepayers yesterday places the trustees in a rather serious predicament. They are called upon by the law to provide certain accommodations the taxpayers have refused them the means of providing. It will now be the duty of the School Board to consider means whereby the situation temporarily forced upon them can be tided over. The reactionaries and the enemies of progress have had their way for the time being because of the apathy of the people as a whole. In the face of the vote polled it cannot be seriously contended that it is the will of the populace that Victoria shall lag behind her sister cities in Canada in providing the facilities necessary for the education of her children. The people must simply bide with patience another opportunity. Given a full understanding of all the facts and the knowledge that if they do not take the trouble to make their will known the people who live in a bygone age and are afflicted with the spirit of that age will take advantage of their indifference, there is little doubt of what the verdict will be.

It is said some of the trustees talk of "carrying out the will of the people as expressed at the polls yesterday." It will be a sorry day for the city of Victoria if it should ever be possible to say in sincerity that the voice which spoke yesterday was the voice of the majority of the people. It would be a lamentable thing if it should be advertised to the world as a fact that a city situated as Victoria is has decided to curtail in any respect the facilities for the education of children. We have been boasting of the number of people who have come amongst us from less favored localities to settle because of the attractions of the climate here. And it is a fact that several families have been attracted by the inducements we have held out in addition to the favorable character of the atmospheric conditions. But the climatic attractions of Victoria are not so transcendent that we can afford to advertise to the world that we shall refuse to provide educational facilities such as are common in every other city of any pretensions on the continent of America. The less we say about the vote of yesterday the better. The School Board will be carrying out the will of the great majority of the people if it views the verdict as the result of a mis-carriage of public opinion and a misunderstanding, and proceeds about the public business as though such a vote had never been recorded. We believe the members of the Board who act on such an assumption will receive the hearty approval of the electors at the polls, and that the ratepayers will rectify the blunder when given the opportunity.

POSSIBILITIES

In England the prophets are lifting up their voices and warning the people that the time of their declension as a nation is at hand unless they take heed and mend their ways. Publicists in this country are apt to overlook the fact that certain practices which they vigorously condemn are not confined to America; they are becoming general in communities that pride themselves on the fact that they are in the van of the army of civilization. On a scroll recently held up in Great Britain so that all could read was written the warning: "We don't want children now, though it was said in the old times 'blessed is he who hath his quiverful.'" But the day will come, yonder from the East, it may be, when England will cry in vain for her children. We can blotch cotton, bath steam engines, do everything but rear men, and this is the beginning of decay. Enlarging on this subject, one of the latter-day prophets of England traced in vivid phrases the growth of the newspaper-seeking instinct in ancient Greece, and the attendant neglect of the sanctity of the marriage state, the shirking of its responsibilities, which accompanied her decay. The same de-

graduation of matrimonial life appeared in Rome, as though civilization carried with it the seeds of its own decay. The Roman matron of the smart set despised her home, he said, and left her children to the slaves. But in the North there were barbarians who lived a natural life with grit and loyalty, and they hammered at the gates of decadent Rome until it fell. Some of the stagnant peoples of the East, the cradle of the race, are emerging into new life. They have not been educated up to the point attained by the men and women of the superior nations. They are actuated by different ideals, moved by different ambitions and stirred by different aspirations. The forces which make and unmake powers, which pull down and build up nations, are still active in the world. If we of the West have reached our zenith and are preparing for the arrival of the great body which shall eventually obscure us, we may rest assured that our successors are arising in some portion of the globe. If the Japanese prevail against Russia—and all the indications are that they are worthy—they will lead the forces of civilization on the oldest, the most conservative and the most backward of the continents. Dominance in their own peculiar sphere will not satisfy them. The evils which afflict, and which if permitted to continue, must eventually result in the obsolescence of the white races are not prevalent in Asia. They are confined to the "superior" races. It is to be feared there is no power on earth that can check the symptoms of decay. In our case the teaching and warnings of history are at our service, but doubtless in the pursuit of our ideals they will be unheeded. The warning voice says: "Everywhere we find the same story to be told. The fertility of people living under modern civilization is everywhere on the decline. Our eyes are not opened to it yet, but it means the desolation of modern society. It may be that when the first shot was fired yonder in the East it marked the beginning of a new epoch, that God will cast aside these nations which have made themselves effete, and accomplish His purpose by another race and a new people." We have accumulated great stores of knowledge. We are gradually abolishing wars. We are applying our scientific accomplishments in such a manner as to prolong human life. But too much of our knowledge is applied to bad use, and what we gain in one direction we lose in another. The end may be centuries off, but it is none the less certain. The New Zealander, or the Asiatic, will sit on bridges in London and Greater New York and moralize on civilizations that have been.

HEARST AND ROOSEVELT.

William Randolph Hearst of the United States of America, it is said, cannot speak at all in his capacity as a Congressman. There is ground for this assertion in the fact that Mr. Hearst has never been heard making a speech in public. But there is no foundation but political malice for the assertion that the candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination cannot think. They say he keeps a paid corps of newspaper men to perform his mental labors for him. This statement appears to be refuted by the fact that the Congressman is reported by a Washington correspondent of the New York Times to have kept the House in a state of seething excitement simply by directing the movements of the Hearst contingent in the Assembly. A man who cannot think could not possibly act as leader of even a small section in a very wide-awake public body. So that while it may be true that William R. is unspeakable from the standpoint of the decent, right-living citizen of the United States, and is also physically incapable of expressing his thoughts in public, he is still quite up to the ordinary legislative standard mentally. William R. is also quite as strenuous as the man he would like to oppose for the position of president of his native country. The Democratic press generally is quite sure that Mr. Hearst cannot secure the place he covets on the national ticket. But through his newspapers the aspirant keeps up an agitation that must have some effect upon the nominating body. The San Francisco Examiner and all its offspring are fighting with determination on behalf of their own candidate. They analyze the returns from the various states in a manner quite different from the ordinary Democratic Journal. Besides, Mr. Hearst has an unlimited amount of capital at his command, and, although his party is reputed to be anti-trust, many of the members of it are still susceptible to the influences of the millionaire who is fast establishing a newspaper trust in the United States. It would not surprise us at all if W. R. Hearst were to execute a coup at the convention that will astonish those who are so sure that he cannot succeed. Our opinion is that there is but one force for Hearst to fear. One of the Democratic bosses in Texas has expressed his conviction in determined language that no man can secure the support of the delegates from that unassailable state. The readers of the Hearst Journals may expect to see a picture of the somewhat notorious newspaper proprietor with the division of the locks reduced to the orthodox Texan fashion. It cannot be said of the Republican

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aspirant for presidential honors that he is a man of few or of no words. Roosevelt's genius is almost as universal as that of another of the world's great rulers, Emperor William of Germany. The president is fond of spoken words. And he is generally worth listening to. He delivered a speech lately before a publishers' association that would be worthy of reproduction in any part of the world. After complimenting his audience and referring to the influence they exercised upon public opinion, the president said: "Now in the days of my youth I was a literary man. I have recently in reading a book been immensely struck by the thought developed in it by one of our greatest scholars, who was speaking of freedom and of the fact that freedom could not exist unless there went with it a sense of responsibility, and he used a phrase somewhat like this: "That among all peoples there must be a restraint; if there is no restraint there is for an inevitable result anarchy, which is the negation of all government."

NATURE'S TEACHINGS.

Longfellow. And Nature, the old nurse, took The child upon her knee, Saying: "Here is a story-book Thy Father has written for thee." "Come, wander with me," she said, "Into regions yet untried; And read what is still unlearned In the manuscripts of God." And he wandered away and away With Nature, the dear old nurse, Who sang to him night and day The rhymes of the universe. And whenever the way seemed long, Or his heart began to fall, She would sing a more wonderful song, Or tell a more marvellous tale. A TRUE WINTER STORY. St. Paul Pioneer-Press. Oscar White, of Le Sueur, Minn., with his rifle in hand was attempting to get within range of a cat he desired to shoot, when the animal ran up into the framework supporting the water tank. Standing directly beneath the cat, White shot straight up at it. The bullet killed the cat and pierced the bottom of the tank, and in an instant the water, rushing out, surrounded Mr. White with a complete shower bath in a temperature of thirty-five degrees below zero. Instantly his overcoat froze to the stone foundation on which he was standing, and stooping to unblock them, he was changed by the spray, freezing into a helpless statue of ice, stiff and immovable as a stone. Only by his assiduous posture, which kept his face from the ice, was he saved from suffocation. It was necessary to loosen the unfortunate man's feet with chisels, and when he had been carried into the house by three strong men the ice had to be broken from him with clubs. The body of the cat was found frozen to his back.

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IMPROVED PLANT. Turner, Beeton & Co. Are Installing New Machinery for Manufacture of Clothing. Turner, Beeton & Co. to meet the growing demand for their Big Horn brand of shirts and overalls are making important additions to their plant. The factory, under the management of Thos. Walker, has succeeded in meeting the wants of the different parts of the province with the result that they find it difficult to keep up with the increasing orders. From time to time improvements are introduced so as to expedite work, and at the same time maintain or improve the quality of the goods manufactured. It has been found impossible to proceed with the old style of hand cutting, and in conjunction with the most up-to-date factories for ready-made clothing electric cutting machines will be installed. The most improved style of cutter has been purchased by the company and is expected to arrive from Toronto within a few days. The new machine is completely under the control of the operator and will simplify matters in the factory very much. Within the past few weeks other improvements have been made to the machinery employed by the addition of two Elnora Special sewing machines made in Chicago. These are run by electricity, in common with the long line of sewing machines operated in the factory. They are of the most improved type and add materially to the output. One of the machines is utilized for stitching overall legs. It is specially made to allow for this. With a feller attached it makes a double line of stitching. This is done as quickly as the operator can feed the machine. It is completely under the control of the operator at all times. The stitch made is one which is considered of the greatest importance to handlers of goods, namely, an elastic one. It does away with any danger of the thread breaking through the stretching of the garment. The machine is very simply supplied with thread, four large spools of 12,000 yards

DELAYED TRAINS. First Eastern Express This Week Due at Vancouver This Morning—Japan Sails. Victoria has not had a mail from Eastern Canada since Monday, and until to-day there have been no Eastern trains arriving at Vancouver since Sunday last. The B. M. S. Express of Japan has been waiting at the Terminal City since Monday. She should then have sailed, according to schedule, but because of the demoralized train service she was detained in port until about noon to-day. An hour previously she was to have connected with the first train to reach Vancouver from the East this week. The ship, it was arranged, was to leave half an hour later. The Empress's Victoria freight, mail and passengers were all taken on at the Terminal City, these having been transferred from the Charmer this morning, and when the Japan looms in sight from the outer wharf this afternoon on her way to the Orient she will be heading for out the Straits at something like a fifteen or sixteen-knot pace. To make Hongkong on schedule time, the ship will have to make one of the fastest voyages across the Pacific. For this reason she will not touch at Victoria as usual, but will proceed to sea with all possible dispatch. There has perhaps been no other year on record since the construction of the railway that there have been so many interruptions from snow on the C. P. R. Post office clerks can recall no series of delays in the train service as have occurred this winter, and the company has been put to enormous expense maintaining a service. Twice in recent months Victoria has been without Eastern mail, once for five days, and on an-

each providing it. The other new machine works in a similar way. It is specially adapted for flat work, doing exactly the same character of work. At the present time, in addition to the regular work of the factory, the management are busy with a rush order of overalls and jackets for the C. P. R. engine staffs, which is to be sent to Revelstoke.

other occasion communication with the East was cut off for four days. For many years the C. P. R. has been endeavoring to prevent these interruptions by building sections of their track as far out as possible from threatening capped mountains, but nature seems to have defied all efforts this year. There have been exceptionally heavy snowfalls in the mountains. Tremendous slides, burying the track for long distances, have occurred at Tranquille and near the Alberta canyon. The bridge at the loop between Ross Peak and the Glacier has lately been damaged, and it is stated that the east-bound traffic had to be diverted via the Crow's Nest line. Referring to the serious accident from a slide at Albert canyon, in which two men were killed, the Vancouver News-Advertiser says: "A dispatch has been received from General Superintendent Dowdle at St. John, N. B., requesting that the remains of his brother, Thos. Dowdle, who was killed in Monday's slide near Albert canyon, be forwarded to Toronto for interment. They will be sent East on the first through train. W. Dowdle has replied to a number of messages of condolence received from friends in Vancouver. The other victim of the slide, K. Dodd, was a sister in the C. P. R. shops at Revelstoke and not a locomotive engineer, as first stated. He is a son of W. Dodd, government agent at Yale, for whom much sympathy will be felt." Trains have been running from Revelstoke to the Coast, but communication from farther east of this point has been cut off.

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Summer Neckwear. 10 dozen imported Ties and Collars, from Paris and London. Chiffon Collars, Taffeta Collars, Trimmed Fringes, etc., and Lace Collars and Ties. This little lot we put on sale to-day. The advantage will be yours as they are all this summer's buying. Former prices, \$1.25 to \$2.00. To-day, \$1.00. Ribbon department. Four dozen, 75c. and \$1.00. Neckwear. To-day, 50c. Ribbon department.

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—The Women's Educational Club meets to-night at Mrs. Cameron's, 5 Cameron street. All ladies interested in advanced thought are cordially invited.

—There will be a joint meeting of the Odd Fellows lodges of this city on Monday evening. This is for the purpose of receiving an official visit from the Grand Master of British Columbia, Dr. E. C. Arthur, of Nelson.

—Thos. Worthington has sold his house and grounds on North Pembroke street to W. Goussard. The latter is a recent arrival in the city, who has become so impressed with the city that he has decided to locate here permanently.

—The Victoria fruit market is preparing for the opening of the strawberry season. Small consignments have already been placed on the Seattle market, but the first important shipment is looked for from Florida, Cal., in that city 15-day. These will be offered for \$6 a crate.

—Fire, Life, Marine Accident Agency, The Liverpool and London & Globe (Fire) Insurance Company, The Travelers' Life & Accident Insurance Company, The St. Paul (Marine) Insurance Company, Lloyd's Underwriters, London; Atlantic S. S. Tickets, Office Wellington coal. Hall, Guelph & Co., 100 Government street. Telephone call No. 83.

—To-morrow's issue of the Times will contain two splendid four column cuts of the Victoria West senior and intermediate basketball teams, champions of the province. A most interesting article by Mr. Fawcett dealing with the history of Victoria in 1860 and reviewing the first directory published that year will also be given. It will be illustrated with cuts of some of the prominent buildings of that day. The Canadian historical puzzle series, children's corner, and other features will be continued.

—The attendance at Calvary Baptist church to-night to hear the beautiful song service, "The Man Who Spoiled the Music," should be limited only by the capacity of the building. When first brought out some ten years ago at the Mission hall in London it was repeated again and again, and has been received with marked tokens of good in many other cities as it will be with enthusiasm in Victoria no doubt. The pathos and eloquence of the story will be enhanced by the artistic and sympathetic rendering it will receive at the hands of Miss Underhill, so cannot fail to be very effective. Free admission. Collection.

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We have just received a large consignment of American and English shapes. They cannot but win favor.

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Count for anything. Some hatmakers charge extra for style, but it is not so at

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We are catering for a large hat business and satisfied with moderate prices.

**\$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00**

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Successors to Geo. R. Jackson,  
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We are offering a good six roomed house, with bath, sewer, hot and cold water, centrally located, near car line; large rooms, well built, brick foundation.

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—Good dry cordwood at Johns Bros., 250 Douglas street.

—Do you need a typewriter? We have them from \$30 up. Hinton Electric Co., Government street.

—For Skagway and way ports. Fast steamer Dolphin, sailing April 15th. Office, No. 100 Government street.

In washing woollens and flannels, Lever's Dry Soap (a powder) will be found very satisfactory.

—Victoria Coffee Parlors, Broad street. Light lunches, afternoon teas and ice cream. Open from 7:30 a. m. to 12 p. m.

—All members and friends of the New Thought League are cordially invited to attend a meeting at the Metropolitan building, room 1, on Monday at 8 p. m., to discuss important business.

—Yesterday morning the annual course of instruction of the Royal Garrison Artillery commenced. Under command of Colonel English the artillery spent all morning firing from Black Rock battery.

—Oriental rugs, the much coveted prize of all up-to-date housewives, can be secured at the sale advertised by Carter & McCandless in this paper brings the very choicest within reach of all.

—Snaps! Rowat's Worcestershire Sauce, 10c. pint bottle; Molit's Marmalade, 15c. per jar; 5 pound tin jam, 45c.; 2-pound tin syrup, only 15c., at Erskine's, corner Johnson and Quadra. Telephone, 100.

—"Corona" photos on white silk texture mounts, in ovals, squares, circles or panels. In style and finish the very latest and best for \$4 per doz. cash. This special offer is for April only. The Skene Lowe studio, Government street.

—Another record. The income of the B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Co. for the month of March amounted to \$18,350.34, which is more than double the income for March, 1903, and nearly \$25,000 larger than any former month in the history of the company.

—The closest and most practical test that can be applied to any insurance company is its actual results on individual policies. Before insuring elsewhere it will interest you to call and see the dividends paid by The Mutual Life of Canada to their policyholders now living in Victoria and other places in British Columbia. R. L. Drury, manager, 34 Broad street.

—The Excelsior Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church, on Wednesday evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Hinkson Siddall; first vice-president, Miss May Winkel; second vice-president, A. R. McGregor; third vice-president, Miss May Neil, fourth vice-president, Harry Bragg; secretary, Miss Louise Bragg, and treasurer, Miss Eva Neil.

—A committee meeting of the Fifth Regiment, C. A. Rifle Association was held last evening, when range officers were appointed to act at the seasonal practice shoots as follows: Lieut. Col. J. A. Hall, Capt. D. B. McConna, Capt. A. W. Currie, Capt. W. H. Langley, Lieut. J. A. McTavish, Quartermaster, Sergt. Wimsy, Staff Sergt. Lettice, Color Sergt. Major McDougall, Sergt. F. Richardson. On Saturday afternoon, commencing promptly at 2 o'clock, the first shoot of the season will be held at the Clover Point range.

—If there is anyone who has not visited the Edison this week, they should not fail to do so, as Kenton and Hughes, London's favorite specialty artists, the Bennett children and Barrington, the versatile ventriloquist, are at the head of their respective lines of the profession. Next week there is promised an extraordinary bill of attractions headed by Curry and Allen, who will produce "Galatea, Pygmalion's wonderful statue," the illusion which London and Paris went wild over. The Philadelphia press comments as follows on it: "It is one of the most interesting entertainments ever given. There is no doubt that the illusion 'Galatea,' which is one of the most beautiful and puzzling ever seen." Owing to this special attraction matinees will be held daily at 2:45 p. m. next week.

—On Sunday next the Metropolitan Methodist Sunday school will celebrate its anniversary. Preparations have been made for the morning of the service of the scholars of the school on a platform. With an orchestra of fifteen pieces, under the direction of A. Parfitt, the scholars will contribute to the musical part of the service. Mrs. W. E. Staneland will contribute vocal numbers also. Rev. Geo. Deen will occupy the pulpit both morning and evening. The afternoon session will include recitations and choruses by scholars, instrumental numbers by the orchestra and a vocal solo by Mrs. Staneland. An address will be delivered by Rev. E. LeRoy Dakin, the new pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist church. On Tuesday evening next a very pretty cantata entitled "Sweet Spices" will be given by the school, under Mr. Parfitt's direction.

—Steamer Charmer left Vancouver at 1:30 p. m., but did not connect with the train.

—We have several odd typewriters at prices from \$30. These are snaps, Hinton Electric Co.

—The directorate of the Jubilee hospital will hold one of their regular sessions this evening.

—In the police court this morning the Chinaman charged with stealing bottles from the Victoria brewery was convicted and sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment. A drunk was fined \$5 or ten days.

—Palm days at Weller Bros. Another shipment of natural preserved palms from Florida—need neither sunshine or water. Prices 60c., 75c., \$1.25 and upwards. Weller Bros., Government street, Victoria, B. C.

—The police have received a communication from Thos. Lough, on behalf of Mrs. Sanderson, of Abbey Mills, Narrow-gate street, Alnwick, Northumberland, Eng., inquiring the whereabouts of Robert Sanderson, joiner, formerly of Alnwick, who was last heard of in Nainaimo.

—To-night the citizens will gather at the city hall and discuss the programme to be arranged for the Victoria Day celebration. There is just a trifle more than a month in which to make the necessary preparations, and it is to be hoped that the public will be well represented this evening. Mayor Barnard will preside at the meeting, which will be held in the council chamber.

—Last evening a horse belonging to Mrs. Wm. Noble, of Oak Bay avenue, was struck by a street car on that line and killed. The accident occurred shortly after 10 o'clock, four horses running from a side street directly in front of the car. They were not seen by the motorist until it was too late, and the animal was struck with considerable force, dying almost immediately after. Fortunately those on board the car escaped injury.

—As will be seen in the advertisement columns of the Times Fred Carne has decided to establish a Cash Bargain Grocery, the change to occur on the first day of June. This extensive notice is given to enable all credit customers to familiarize themselves with the new order so that they may not be taken at a disadvantage. Sweeping economy cash sales will be conducted every week, the one just inaugurated closing on Saturday, April 23rd. Full particulars may be found in the advertisement.

—It is probable that the present season will be the most successful from the standpoint of the Victoria Tourist Association since the formation of that organization. A communication has been received from the travelling representative, H. Cuthbert, who is at present touring California and other southwestern states, containing the information that he has been well received everywhere. He has given a lecture at San Francisco on "Victoria's Attractions," and liberally distributed pamphlets at various points of importance. It is expected that Mr. Cuthbert will return to this city in about a fortnight.

—In order to prevent people from resting themselves on the radiator pipes just inside the post office entrance somebody has designed a fearful and wonderful instrument. It consists of a board which presents a formidable array of nail points, somewhat after the fashion of the top adornment of a jail fence. For a public building such as the post office, however, it is sadly out of place, and although it may safeguard the radiator pipes from being employed as a lounging bench, it is also a source of danger, especially to children, who may fall against it. Post offices are not supposed to be ornamented by man traps, and this one should be removed.

—The first concert of the Victoria Ladies' Choral Society will be held in Institute hall next Monday evening. The society, comprising the leading vocalists of the city, have made elaborate preparations for this event, and under the capable leadership of Frank T. Watkins have attained a degree of excellence which is a safe guarantee of a musical treat in their initial venture. Quite naturally a concert of this kind, being the first conducted by the society, should set a high standard, and the promoters are satisfied that this will be established. The soloists will be Mrs. Fred Tomperton, Mrs. W. E. Green, and Miss Leverton, soprano; Mrs. D. E. Campbell and Mrs. Gideon Hicks, contraltos. The chorus work is said to be beyond criticism.

—Arrangements have been made with Lieut. Col. English, commanding the forces at Work Point, by Lieut. Col. Hall, of the Fifth Regiment, for the use of the Macaulay battery marksmen. Members of the Fifth who wish to become proficient in the handling of the guns of the fort should inform the captains of their respective companies. If they are unable to do this in time, it is announced that all will be allowed to participate in the drill which will commence tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Several members of the Garrison Artillery have been secured as instructors. Col. Hall explains that the object of this preliminary instruction is to give the men an opportunity to become acquainted with the manipulation of the guns before the regular shooting practice, which takes place while the regiment is in camp.

### ONLY FEW DAYS MORE.

The Quaker Medicine Co. will be leaving in a few days as the books they have for Victoria are nearly all gone. They have sold about two thousand packages of herbs, which prove conclusively the merits of the medicine. If you are suffering with kidney, liver or stomach trouble, give it a trial. For female weakness, loss of vitality, rheumatism, catarrh or scrofula it is a specific. They give this valuable medical book as an inducement to introduce the Quaker Herbs. It is a fine work, and worth more than the dollar charged for the herbs. Get one before they are gone. Office opposite Dominion hotel.

—Typewriters from \$30 up. See our window. Hinton Electric Co.

## SCALE OF WAGES FOR CHINESE WORKMEN

Will Insist on 75 Per Cent. of the Contractors—Scarcity of Cannery Employees.

A prominent member of the Chinese Contractors' and Cannery Workers' Association expresses the opinion that the proprietors of the different Fraser river canneries will experience difficulty in securing a sufficient number of Chinese employees to handle an average pack this season.

There were unmistakable indications of this. Since the head tax of \$500 on all Chinese entering British Columbia had been enforced immigration from the Orient had practically ceased. In the meantime those who are in the habit of securing employment at the canneries were leaving the country as fast as they could earn their fares East. The large number of openings in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba had attracted attention, while many had secured permanent employment at a large factory at Lethbridge. The continual exodus to the points mentioned had considerably lessened the number of men available for employment in the canneries.

All the skilled Chinese workmen, it was predicted, would be forced to find employment in canneries not included in the B. C. Packers' Association. As the latter organization intended only operating seventeen canneries, all the unused cans from the forty-four canneries controlled by them had been distributed among the seventeen active plants, and would be utilized for the next pack. Chinese workmen skilled in can-making would therefore not be required. It was doubtful, however, whether a sufficient number of ordinary employees could be procured for the seventeen canneries mentioned.

It was stated further that the intention of the Chinese Contractors' and Cannery Workers' Association was to abide by their by-laws as revised in spite of any action that might be taken by the canners. It had been decided that not a single contract would be entered into to pack fish unless the canners guaranteed the price of 75 per cent. of their contracts.

That this will be enforced is shown by the stringent manner one of the members was dealt with for attempting a violation of the amended constitution. He was fined \$1,000 on the spot, and realizing that there was nothing else to do than to submit, the merchant in question paid over the money unhesitatingly. There is no doubt that the Chinese contractors have not taken this step without due consideration. Understanding the strong position they hold owing to the scarcity of workmen, they have taken action to alleviate some of their grievances. The principal claim put forth by the Chinese is that during the past season they operated at a heavy loss by reason of having contracted to put up packs which did not materialize on account of the poor run of fish. Briefly, the stand taken by the contractors is that they have to make all arrangements to put up a certain size of pack; they have to keep a sufficient number of men employed to handle a large quantity should the fish run well, while in many cases the run eventually proves a failure, and considerable money is lost.

Confining the member referred to said that the question of Chinese labor was likely to prove more vexatious every season. The general inclination of the Chinaman was to go East, and he expected that many of the cannery workers would leave during the next twelve months.

Referring to the terms of agreement between the canners and Chinese contractors he also announced that it was probable 50 cents a finished case would be paid the latter by the former instead of 45 cents, as was the custom previously.

The by-law was defeated. No more accommodation for pupils, but the same care and attention will be given to all grocery orders received by Erskine, the grocer. Lowest prices and best quality always rule with him. Telephone 106, to corner Johnson and Quadra street.

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Centre of City  
8 Rooms, modern—Corner  
Lot 95x120—Lawn and  
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Assessed.....\$4,000  
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A complete stock of this season's goods now in.

The quality of our goods is the best and our prices are all O. K.

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With the touch of warm weather these things claim your attention. Just read this tale of Spring comfort and economy.

**20c Collars, for 10c**

Men's Reversible 4-Ply Linen Collars, "W. G. & R." make, all sizes and shapes. Regular value 20c. each. YOUR CHOICE SATURDAY FOR..... **10c**

**\$1.00 Underwear, for 75c**

Men's Fine Lamb's Wool Underwear, pants and vests, with good sixteen trimmings, an ideal garment for summer wear. Regular value \$1.00 each. YOUR CHOICE ON SATURDAY FOR..... **75c**

**Men's \$1.50 Night Gowns, on Saturday, for 75c**

**Men's Umbrellas, for 65c**

Men's Steel Rod Umbrellas, with good coverings and natural wood handles. Regular value 90c. each. SATURDAY..... **65c**

**Bathrign Underwear, 10c**

Men's Extra Fine Double Thread Bathrign Underwear, full fashioned, superior trimmings of satin, all sizes. SPECIAL SATURDAY..... **45c**

**Boys \$1.35 Wool Jerseys, on Saturday, for 90c**

**10c Handkerchiefs, 7c**

Men's Fine Irish Lawn Handkerchiefs. Regular value 10c. each. SATURDAY..... **2 for 15c**

**10c Handkerchiefs, for 5c**

Boys' Lawn Handkerchiefs, with neat fancy colored borders. Regular value 10c. each. SATURDAY..... **5c**

**Boys \$1.00 Pyjamas, on Saturday, for 50c**

**Men's Shirts, for 75c**

Men's New Negligee Shirts, with soft and stiff bosoms, with and without cuffs. REDUCED ON SATURDAY TO..... **75c**

**Men's Shirts, for \$1.00**

Men's New Negligee and Stiff Front Shirts, with detachable collars and patent cushion neck bands. Regular value \$1.25 each. SPECIAL SATURDAY **\$1.00**

**Sale of Manufacturers' Samples on Saturday**

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Picnic Hams..... **12c Lb.**

Choice Creamery Butter..... **2 Lbs. for 55c.**

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Men's Socks, good quality..... **3 pairs for 25c**

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SPORTING

WRESTLING

TOURNAMENT AT SEATTLE.

Chief Two Feathers, the Blackfoot Indian, fulfilled his promise and threw D. A. McMillan three times within ninety minutes on Wednesday night, and had nine minutes and fifty-six seconds to spare after he had completed his work.

WRESTLING

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On the same stage John Berg, of Bellingham, in a fast match, threw Jack O'Neill the best two out of three falls, and to most of the audience this match proved the more interesting of the two.

THE KENNEL

SHOW AT SEATTLE.

The bench show of the Seattle Kennel Club opened on Wednesday morning at the Madison park pavilion, says the Post-Intelligencer.

WENCING.

CAPT. DE MALCHIN AGAIN.

Victorians will remember Capt. De Malchin, who spent some time here a couple of years ago, when he met Ian St. Clair and other local fencing experts in several interesting competitions.

GOLF.

PROSPECTIVE CHAMPIONS.

Yesterday at the Oak Bay golf links further progress was made towards deciding the championship for this year in the men's open.

WOOD'S PHOSPHODINE

The Great English Remedy, is an old, well established, and reliable preparation. It has been prescribed and used for over thirty years.

Newton, the Seattle player, is an admirable driver, while Mr. Mackay, the Portland champion, is a splendid all round golfer. The final matches for the championship will be watched with the greatest interest.

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DECISIONS NOT REVERSED.

In reference to the statement made by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer to the effect that because the dogs which were turned down here except the board at Seattle there must have been some justification for the criticism of Judge Davidson's decisions.

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Events of the Present Week in Regimental Circles.

Members of the Fifth Regiment are requested to take note of the following programme for the week, which will be published from day to day with the elimination of the various events as they occur.

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If not, it is probably the fault of your liver and you need a corrective. You will be surprised to see how quickly your brain will clear and how much better you can work after taking Beecham's Pills.

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S.S. MARIPOSA, for Tahiti, April 23, 11 a. m. S.S. ALAMEDA, via Honolulu, Saturday, April 11, 11 a. m. S.S. SIERRA, for Auckland, Sydney, 2 p. m. Thursday, May 5. J. D. SPRICKLES & BROS. CO., Agents, San Francisco.

Change of Time.

Beginning Sunday, March 27th, the trains of the Terminal Railway will run as follows: For Sidney, Ladner, New Westminster and Vancouver, leave Victoria 7.50 a. m. daily. Returning, arrive Victoria 7.30 p. m.

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# A SECRET OF THE SEA

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Author of "Lady Mary of the Dark House," "His Grace," "Queen Sweetheart," "A Woman in Grey," "The Storm Stormers," &c.

## CHAPTER IX.

The Figure in the Cloak.

Now, less than ever, did Dick expect to sleep; but even as he turned over in his mind the eternal questions consciousness slipped away, and he did not wake until the sun looked in on him through the open port-hole. After a salt bath he felt ready to attack a hundred hitherto baffling problems, and went upon deck with the intention of asking one of the men to row him to shore for breakfast and a chat with the captain of the port.

Again he found them together, talking with the same low-voiced earnestness which he had noticed on breaking in upon their conversation last night. They started slightly as he approached, almost guiltily, and his wondering suspicion of the pair burst once more into flame.

"Is anything the matter?" he inquired, abruptly.

"Well, sir," said he who had acted as spokesman last night, "there's just this the matter. My mate and I was thinking of asking to have some other chaps put on this billet. We've had about enough of it."

"What, after one night?" exclaimed Dick.

"I should think you'd find some trouble in getting the captain of the port to see things your way."

"It isn't the job we mind, sir," explained the man, "we're both old sailors, and we've been accustomed to obeying orders whatever came along. We thought ourselves in luck to have got the billet, which plenty of other fellows would have snapped at, but now any of 'em can have it and welcome. I know I and my mate here would give a year's pay sooner than stop another night on board this derelict."

"Why?" asked Dick, shortly.

"Because there's more on her than us three, sir."

"What do you mean? You told me when I questioned you last night that it was impossible for anyone to come on board without your knowledge."

"And say so again, sir."

"What are you driving at? Do you hint that there's somebody concealed on board—with an eye to the gold plate or the jewels?"

"Nothing living, sir; there's no chance of it. H. M. and my mate have made sure of that in the last two hours, though we were certain enough before it couldn't be so. If there was a thief to tackle that would be child's play, and we'd ask nothing better than to be in it; but—"

"But what? Speak out, can't you?"

"It's the dead, sir. This yacht is haunted."

"Phew! You surely don't assert that seriously as a reason for being excused from the duty to which you two men have been appointed?"

"We do, indeed, sir. We can't do less after what took place last night."

"What did take place? Whatever it was it can't have troubled you much, for I passed by your bunk in the night and heard you snoring about three o'clock. Your mate was on deck and saw him in the moonlight."

"Oh, sir, then perhaps you didn't rest too well yourself?"

"I didn't sleep till after three."

"And we haven't had a wink since, sir."

"Tell me straight out what was the trouble."

"Why, sir, I was waked up by a breathing in the dark."

"Your own, I should say. It was pretty audible about that time."

"No, it wasn't my own, sir. I think I must have felt it before my ears got to work. It was close to my face. My eyes popped open in the dark, and then

I began to hear the breath coming and going. 'Brown, is that you?' I asks. Nobody answers, and I jumps up like a shot, feelin' rather queer, for early last evening something had happened to upset us a bit. There wasn't another sound; but I began pottering about to find the electric switch, so stupid with sleep-still I couldn't think where it was. Well, I got my hand on it at last, and there was nobody in the cabin, but the door was wide open. I shut it and slipped on some clothes as quick as I could to go to deck; but I wasn't ready when I heard Brown's voice at the door. He'd been havin' a little experience of his own."

At this point in his narrative the man paused, and looked at his mate, who flushed uneasily, and did not take up the cue which had been given to him until Knight put in a suggestive "Well?"

"Well, sir," he echoed, "it was only that I was walkin' up and down on the bridge, accordin' to the rule that one of us is always to be awake and on the look-out for what might happen, when I heard a queer sound, as if a woman or child was cryin' under their breath. The night wasn't just clear, as you know, sir—since you say you was up and about—and there was a thin cloud over the moon, for all the world like a veil drawn across a girl's face. But I looked down on deck, and as true as I'm alive I saw a woman trailin' along a hooded cloak like a ghost behind her as she walked. She was a little thing, all bent over, with the hood over her head and her face down between her hands. This way said that she was wanderin', like a blind man, sobbin' and moanin' and swayin'. She was close to the rail, and goin' closer every step. Just for a minute I forgot that there was no live woman on board, and I was so sure she meant to do some mischief, I stepped forward to see what she was doin'. I knew what I was doin', I sang out. With that, sir, she turned. I saw her lift her head as if she was looking straight at me, and the moon was nearly clear, so I could have seen her face if she'd had one. But I swear to you there wasn't a face. There was just a gleam of eyes, but no face at all. And as I stood there, all of a cold sweat, starin', the figure vanished—yes, sir, vanished right into thin air."

"Nonsense," said Knight, "you know it couldn't have done that, unless you'd dreamt the whole thing, which is the most probable explanation."

"I never heard of a chap dreamin' on his feet, sir," replied Brown, grinning shamefacedly. "And, anyhow, I was wide awake to go down and look all around the deck. There wasn't a thing to be seen, or a sound to be heard. I felt pretty queer; and that was when I paid a visit to my mate, Edwards, in his bunk."

"As for the cryin', sir, we both heard it together, not an hour before you asked us last night if we'd been below, or if anyone could have come aboard. It was a low sobbin' and moanin', like a woman or a kid, and it seemed to come from close by, almost as if 'twas beneath our feet. We thought there must be a boat under the port side, but we looked—there and everywhere else. There was nothing near us at all. What with that, and what came afterwards, we've made up our minds that there's a curse on this yacht. There ain't a doubt, sir, but some dreadful crime was done on board of her the other night, though what it was and why it was done, we never know; and our idea is that this haunting thing is the spirit of one of the victims that can't rest in Davy Jones's locker until the truth about her death is brought to light. Every night she'll walk until the murderer is discovered, if he's above ground, or until this derelict is burnt down to the sea, which I can't help thinking, sir, would be the best thing for everyone concerned. There's a curse on her, and will be on every man that steps aboard of her."

"I intend to risk that curse," said Dick.

"Did you see or hear nothing in the night, sir?" Brown asked, hesitatingly.

"No, I didn't hear anything, or imagine it," Dick answered. "But now, by morning light, I'm inclined to think it must have been the latter. Anyhow, I've no faith in the ghost theory."

"We're no cowards, neither of us; our records tell that; and if we weren't to be trusted the captain wouldn't have set us on this job with all the gold and diamonds lyin' about," remarked Brown; but we can't stand any more of last night's business. I'm blowed, sir, if I don't believe I should go ravin' mad if it was to come over again; that little crouchin', sobbin' woman, with eyes that gleamed, and no face to put them in, it's beyond me."

"Well, you must settle it with the captain," said Dick. "I want to land now, and you'll have a chance to tell him your story."

The Xenia lay close to the new quay, and ten minutes later Knight was on shore. As he ran up the stone steps he caught sight of a figure which, though ordinary enough at Algiers or Tangier, was remarkable at Gibraltar. It was a Moorish woman, draped and veiled in white.

To Dick's surprise the white figure advanced towards him, evidently with intention.

"I think, monsieur, that you are from the derelict yacht Xenia, of which every one talks," said the woman in French, with an odd accent. "I have been waiting and have watched you coming. Are you Monsieur Richard Knight?"

"Yes," replied Dick, wondering. "That is my name."

Instantly the slender brown hand held out a square ornamented envelope.

"Then, monsieur, this letter is for you. And if you would be so good as to read it at once I should know if I must carry back an answer."

(To be continued.)

### CHANGED PLACES.

Two gentlemen who were playing cards at a club recently were very much annoyed by other members, who stood behind their chairs and interested themselves in the game.

Finally, one of the players asked one of the spectators to play the hand for him until he returned.

The spectator took the cards, whereupon the first player left the room. Soon after a second player followed the example of the first.

The substitutes played for some time, when one of them asked the waiter where the two original players were.

"They are playing in the next room," was the waiter's reply."

## LIFE-SAVING GLOBE.

### A Mariner's Invention—Rescue in Rougher Sea.

Considerable interest is being manifested in shipping circles in a life-saving globe which has been invented by Capt. Donvig, a Norwegian master mariner. The globe is designed to replace the present ships' boats, and it is understood that in recent tests the claims of the inventor have been fully justified.

The facts of the Norwegian government having placed a warship at the disposal of the special commission appointed for testing and reporting upon Capt. Donvig's buoy, and of the Norwegian foreign office having brought this invention before a number of foreign government authorities, including the board of trade, London, goes a long way towards proving the great importance which Capt. Donvig's own government attaches to his life-saver.

Capt. Donvig's experiment is the result of his own experience as a shipwrecked sailor. He was master of the Dictator, one of the largest Norwegian sailing vessels, and had the misfortune to lose her off the coast of Virginia in 1891. "That was a terrible shipwreck," he says. "I lost my wife and my little son, and out of 18 hands only nine were saved. This calamity brought home to me more strongly than anything else could the utter inadequacy in critical circumstances of open boats, and it set my mind thinking on the subject of better life-saving appliances."

"Amongst the wreckage I discovered a water-tank, and without its cover, too, high up on the shore. This gave me the idea for my globe. What I had in my mind's eye was a craft, a globe, a buoy, call it what you like, which could live in a rough sea, and within which its passengers could live for a considerable period, at the same time allowing themselves with complacency to drift ashore. Without boasting, I think I have succeeded."

"The first small model I had made for the Paris exhibition of 1900. It was very primitive, but received a bronze medal. The following year I had a new model made in order to compete for the Pollock prize. I did not receive that prize, which was withheld, but I had a final official letter saying that if the buoy had been full size I should no doubt have received the whole prize among some 230 competitors. The following year the first really practical test took place off from a steamer into a rough sea, I, with 15 others on board my buoy, tried to navigate it. All went well. The next attempt was made in the Channel, between England and France, in a very heavy sea in which no lifeboat could have lived. I steered the buoy straight into Dover, and although there were seas as high as the top of the steamer's funnel, I and an English sailor, both standing outside the globe, only got our legs wet; my little craft was always on the top of the waves."

"I look upon it as safe even in a hurricane, and it should be remembered that it affords a safe residence for quite a long time—as long as water and food will hold out, say a month or more—and in it one is also protected from cold. If visible, I can anchor on the place of the catastrophe, in case it should be one of the highways of the sea, where ships are likely to pass—a fact which I consider very important—or I can go ahead by sail or by means of my collapsible, bevelled propeller worked by a handspike. I sailed from the Goodwin Sands to Dover with a strong northeast gale blowing, and I would not for a moment hesitate to cross the Atlantic in my globe. With a carrying capacity of five and a half tons, an 8 ft. buoy could, for instance, hold half a ton of water, a quarter of a ton of provisions, and a score of human beings inside, in addition to which it could accommodate a number of 'outside passengers.'"

The Donvig life-saver is built of 3-16 in. steel plates, with various structural strengthenings, and is in the form of a globe, from which a segment has been cut, the flat portion forming the bottom, which is double, and can be used for carrying water. It is fitted with an anchor, and 100 fathoms wire rope, rudder and tiller, a storage room, lockers, toilet serve as seats, ventilating funnel, toilet accommodation, cooking appliances, etc. There are three manholes for getting in and out, an operation which can be got through wonderfully quick, and a port hole with glass. The deck area is about 64 square feet, and the space 263 cubic feet; height to top about 6 ft. With fresh water, 16 men and fittings, it draws 23 in. of water.

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Public notice is hereby given that under the provisions of "The Sewer By-Law, 1902," the roll for the year 1904, has been prepared and filed in my office, showing the owner of lands and real property fronting upon each branch, main, or common sewer, or drain laid in the city of Victoria, and showing the number of feet frontage of the land of each owner so fronting, and giving the name and address of each owner, and also giving the amounts each one is assessed in respect to sewer rental and sewer connection tax, which are to be paid according to the said By-Law. Any person whose name appears therein may petition the Council in manner hereinafter mentioned, viz.: "Any person dissatisfied with the number of feet frontage with which he is assessed upon such roll, whether upon the ground that the measurement is incorrect, or that the land and real property are not liable to taxation or are inequitably assessed under the provisions of this By-Law, may, not later than the 1st day of April in each year petition the Council for an alteration in such roll, and shall state his grounds for requiring an alteration."

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An extension of the time by which petitions of appeal as above may be received is granted until the 25th day of April, A. D., 1904.

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer and Collector.

## NOTICE.

REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA, 1880, CHAPTER-92. PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF WHARF AT THE PORT OF VICTORIA, B. C.

Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1880, Chapter 92, the undersigned, by petition dated this day, has applied to the Governor in Council for approval of the area plan and site of wharf and works proposed to be constructed on and over the foreshore and submerged lands adjoining the Council in manner hereinafter mentioned, viz.: "Any person dissatisfied with the number of feet frontage with which he is assessed upon such roll, whether upon the ground that the measurement is incorrect, or that the land and real property are not liable to taxation or are inequitably assessed under the provisions of this By-Law, may, not later than the 1st day of April in each year petition the Council for an alteration in such roll, and shall state his grounds for requiring an alteration."

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## NOTICE.

I, J. Ball, of the city of Victoria, hereby give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria, at their next meeting, to be held after the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, for transfer of the license held by me to retail liquors on the premises known as the "Capitol Saloon," situate on Yates street in the city of Victoria, British Columbia, to Hannah Wall and Wm. A. Smith, both of the said city of Victoria, carrying on business as the "Windsor Brewery Company," on the premises known as numbers 19 and 21 Government street, in the said city of Victoria, to which premises is intended to be transferred the said license shall apply as a bottle license.

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## SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miner's certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of \$1.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

The free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein, and the claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, otherwise an additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and steel, copper, lead, zinc, tin, cobalt, niobium, or an area not exceeding 100 acres.

A patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a royalty of 2 1/2 per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; in the N. W. T. they are 100 feet by 200 feet. The Saskatchewan River claims are either north or bench, the former being 100 feet long and 200 feet wide, the latter being 100 feet long and 200 feet wide. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 500 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Sixteen miles of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars below low water mark, that boundary being fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date when the lease is made.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from the date of the lease, \$100 per mile for first year and \$10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. Other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be made within ten days of the date of the claim in the office of the mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party staking claims only.

Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may acquire as many claims as he purchases, and free miners may work the claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of \$2. Claims may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least \$200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion Lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company free mining rights in machinery and prospecting, an area of 640 acres. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily established discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discoverer at the rate of \$1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

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READY TO PUT IN TEST TRAPS LOCAL COMPANY IS PREPARED FOR WORK Necessary Installing Plant Arrived This Morning From Whatcom—Activity Among Cannery Men.

Feeling assured that licenses will be issued for trap fishing this year the Capital City Packing & Canning Company Limited, will put in a test trap within a short time. This company has recently been organized, the notice of incorporation appearing in this week's Gazette. The provisional directors are: John Taylor, J. E. Kinsman, Capt. J. G. Cox, D. E. Campbell, S. A. Spencer, the canneryman, and Capt. W. Grant. The company controls three foreshore grants from the provincial government. Two of these are located between Sherington point and Jordan river. The third is beyond Jordan river, at French's beach. In addition to this they may also acquire rights to other trap fishing sites, including some to the east of Vancouver Island. This company will go to work at once. Applications for licenses from the Dominion authorities, which have been filed for several years, are controlled by the organization, so that it is in an excellent position to go on with the work. The company is composed nearly altogether of local men, and the intention is to thoroughly test the ground this year with the object in view of establishing cannery works later. It is the intention to put up a temporary trap for testing purposes at once. This will require the expenditure of about \$1,000, it is thought. If this proves successful permanent traps will be put up later. The catch this year will be salted, frozen or shipped elsewhere for canning, but if the venture proves a success local cannery works will of course be provided. This morning the tug R. P. Elmore arrived from Whatcom with a pile driver, scows and all necessary material for putting in traps. This outfit will be taken down the coast to the vicinity of Capital City Company's location to further work already in progress there for another Victorian company. It is possible that this pile driver may be utilized by the Capital City Company also. Others interested in trap fishing are busy taking the initiative in connection with the putting in of temporary traps for testing purposes. The most of them are between Beecher bay and Jordan river. The B. C. Cannery Association are said to be interesting themselves in the work, and it is quite likely it will acquire leases, and test the ground this season also. In fact as soon as it is definitely settled that traps are to be permitted on the southwest coast of Vancouver Island will be the scene of great activity. Applicants are simply awaiting that in order to go in and prove the value of the location. It has been ascertained by the experiments so far conducted that long piles will be required, the water being very deep in most of instances.

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BEGINS SERVICE WEDNESDAY NEXT PRINCESS VICTORIA SUCCEEDS BEATRICE Will Not Take Vancouver Run as Well Until May—Excursions Coming—Marine Notes.

On Wednesday next the steamship Princess Victoria will replace the Princess Beatrice on the Victoria and Seattle run. This statement was authorized by Capt. Troup this morning. He says that the ship will not take the Vancouver route until probably the first of May or until the Imperial limited train service has been arranged, in connection with which the steamer is to be operated. On the Seattle run, the Victoria will take the schedule on which the Beatrice has been operated, and owing to her superior speed will be capable of making much better time than that vessel. The importance of placing so fine a steamer on the Sound run can hardly be estimated. Victoria has already felt the benefit of the C. P. R. Sound service, and there can be no doubt but that the Victoria will stimulate travel to a still greater extent than the Princess Beatrice, fine ship though the latter is. There is nothing finer plying the rivers or lakes of America today than the C. P. R. greyhound. This has been the expressed opinion of visitors who have travelled the continent over many times, and who have been unreserved in their admiration. E. W. Wright, an editorial writer on the Portland Oregonian, who was in the city early in the week, and who spent considerable time in the East last year, said to a Times representative that he had seen all the best ships in Eastern waters, and being interested in maritime affairs inspected many, but no where was anything finer than the Victoria to be seen. Mr. Wright looked over the ship when he was here, and considered that in some respects she possesses features that cannot be beaten. "She will be a floating palace," he said, "and in the matter of furnishing she will compare with the most luxurious I have seen."

The Victoria, it can now be said, has only been completed. When she was running for a short time last year her cabins had not been finished. She had no furniture, but that barely necessary. No upholstery had been done, and the upper part of the ship was little more than a shell. All winter mechanics of all kinds have been busy completing the ship, and the artistic effect wrought in the cabins and in staterooms represents the best local workmanship. Her entering on the Sound route next week the Victoria will begin service at an opportune time for the travelling public, for the weather of the last week has been of the right kind to induce travel. Already many excursions are spoken of as coming here this year. Three have been arranged by the Argus, a Seattle publication. The steamer City of Seattle, it is stated, has been chartered to make three trips to Victoria just as soon as the atmosphere becomes sufficiently warm to insure the pleasure of the outings. The Argus ran one such excursion to Victoria last year, and the venture proved so successful and so beneficial to the paper in the way of popularizing the business on a much larger scale this year. Other excursions in addition to those mentioned will, according to local report, be organized later in the season. Notwithstanding the opposition of the C. P. R. Company on the Seattle run the Alaska Steamship Company is making arrangements for a large tourist travel this season, and either on the 15th of next month or on the 1st of June the company hope to have two steamers of their own plying on the route. These will probably be the Whatcom and Rosalie, although the company is not prepared to make a definite announcement along this line.

COAST SEALING. If the weather on the West Coast of this island has been as fine during the past few weeks as it has been in this city the fleet of sealing schooners from this port, which is there operating, should be adding many pelts to their catches. There are no schooners in port on the coast, according to the report of the steamer Queen City on her return from Quatsino a few days ago, and the weather which the steamer experienced was then such as to delight the heart of the sealer. Up to the present month the catches of the fleet have been small, only a few having obtained anything over a hundred pelts, but February and March were poor sealing months because of almost continuous gales. On the 1st of May the sealing season on the coast sets in, and the fleet of 20 now employed will by that time either be heading for some port on the coast to land their native crews, or will be directing their course up the straits.

BIG FREIGHTERS COMING. The China Mutual liner Ningchow and the Boston steamship Tremont left Yokohama for Victoria on Tuesday last, and will be due to arrive on the 26th. These ships will carry over 1,400 tons of cargo for this port. The Ningchow's

English freight amounts to upwards of 1,000 tons, which will, it is expected, include considerable cannery supplies. The Tremont comes from the Philippines via China and Japanese ports.

MARINE NOTES. It is announced that the Northwestern Steamship Company has been given an option of purchase on the Nome steamship Ohio.

WELCOMED NEW PASTOR. Pleading Gathering at Emmanuel Baptist Church Last Evening.

A very pleasant reunion of the members and friends of Emmanuel Baptist church took place last evening at the school room of the church. The main hall and supper room had been tastefully decorated for the occasion by the ladies of the congregation, who had also made liberal provision in the way of refreshments. An address of welcome from the congregation to the new pastor was read by Mr. Haynes, to which Rev. Mr. Dakin made a suitable reply. Rev. Mr. King welcomed the new pastor on behalf of the Calvary Baptist church, after which there was an interesting programme, consisting of solos by Misses Anderson and Bradford and Mr. Griffith, followed by two comic recitations by John Trotter.

PERSONAL. Maurice M. Wall and wife, of Buffalo; E. R. Boun, of New York; W. D. Cheney and wife, of Chicago; W. E. Davidson and C. Montgomery, of Toronto; G. A. Wey, of Vancouver; and R. M. Watson, of Montreal, are at the Driad.

H. B. Mackenzie and J. Anderson, of Montreal; Eston L. Wylie, of Saturna Island; Archie Inglis, of Mayne Island; and Jos. Barrill, of Galiano Island, are at the Balmoral.

J. P. Thompson, of Vancouver; W. B. Haynes, of Hedley; Geo. Raley, of Kitimaat; and Jos. Martin, of Toronto, are guests at the Vernox.

Thos. Reid, of Metehosin; F. H. Lantz, of Vancouver; and P. J. Redman, of Kamloops, are in the city. They are guests at the Dominion hotel.

J. H. Greer, K. A. Schofield and J. B. H. Rickaby were among the passengers from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Charmer.

Mrs. H. C. Tingley, Mrs. C. H. Tingley and Miss M. F. Comar, of Vancouver, are staying at the Vernox. Miss Wolley, of Pier Island, and Miss Payne, of Saturna Island, are guests at the Balmoral.

M. McEwan, of Seattle, who is interested in Vancouver Island timber lands, is at the Driad. Thos. Merrill, of Saginaw, Mich., and H. D. Merrill, of Seattle, are at the Driad. J. E. Dorfman, of Nanaimo, is at the Vernox.

DRILL HALL CONCERT. Cloverdale and Y. M. C. A. Juniors to Play Basketball To-Morrow Night.

Admirers of basketball are manifesting a great amount of interest in the game to be played between the Cloverdale and Y. M. C. A. junior teams at the drill hall to-morrow night. Play will start at 9 o'clock. The following programme of excellent musical numbers will be rendered by the regimental band, commencing at 8:30:

- PART I. Overture—Morning, Noon and Night. Supper. Entre Act—The Ballet Girl. Bendix Char. Piece—The Lobsters Promenade. Steel Fantasia—Reminiscences of Ireland. Arr. Godfrey. PART II. Basketball—Y. M. C. A. vs. Cloverdale. A Southern Idyll—The Darky's Dream. Lasting Basketball—Second Half. A Princeton Tiger. Burke God Save the King.

Charles B. Hanford has devoted a great deal of care and study to the costume of the plays that he will present during the coming season. Although Shakespeare selected foreign localities as the scenes for many of his comedies, there was no need for him to go out of his own country to seek models for their attire, for the elegant ladies and gentlemen of Queen Elizabeth's time chose in-

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discriminately from the sartorial elegance of all Europe and made fashions their own. Mr. Hanford has made an especial study of the costume of "The Merchant of Venice," which he will present at the Victoria on Tuesday next. The Lehand hotel, one of the most prominent hotel buildings in Winnipeg, has changed hands. The purchaser is E. J. Rochon, of Fort William. The purchasing price is \$120,000.

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