

BRITISH TARS WERE TOO LATE TO SAVE LIFE

Tug Lorne Returns From a Fruitless Mission -- Intrepid Conduct of Lieut. Knight and His Men.

The story of the wreck of the steamer Valencia is now practically complete. There still remains some details which are incomplete, but these concern the action of the captain before striking rather than any matters pertaining to the wreck itself. Only one of the officers, second officer Peterson, is among those rescued, and he has not yet spoken. Until he does, the reasons which led the captain on to such a coast instead of into the straits, remain unexplained.

The fate of the ship herself is clearly established. Indeed it was definitely known by the Times on Wednesday evening, that she had gone to pieces. This information was in possession of the Times before the steamer Queen reached port with her tidings of shipwrecked men in the rigging. There was, however, the bare chance that the

Dispatch of the Tug Lorne and her crew of hardy, handy men might result in some aid being given, possibly to survivors, and while the chance remained of saving one man, the laudable effort of His Worship the Mayor and Capt. Parry and his men deserved encouragement.

How complete is the break up of the vessel, however, is proven by those who returned last night on the Lorne. The sea all about them was strewn, not only with old clothes, trousers, blankets, etc., but with the tell-tale evidences of hopeless pounding of housework and fittings on the rocks in the litter of wood as small as kindling which strew the sea.

There still remains, however, in the history of this almost unparalleled tragedy a few unwritten chapters, and these relate to the survivors,

who are being discovered at different points on the coast. These chapters are being written on the beach of Darling river at Cape Beale, and according to reports received at midnight, one the lonely island of Turret, in Barkley Sound.

On this latter four men have come ashore, three of whom have been afforded shelter so much require, while the Indians who were responsible for their discovery are beating the woods throughout the island for a fourth man who was also cast ashore, but who is said to have been lost in the bush.

While the list of saved men numbers almost forty, it is possible even this number may be increased.

John Segalis, the Greek fireman, who was rescued by the Topeka and afterwards returned to the tug Lorne, states positively that there was a raft containing twelve people and a boat containing eight, which got away safely and headed seaward. The chances for their recovery are quite as good as were those who put off to the Topeka.

They started at about 1.30 before the latter, and hence they may have got out of range of the rescuing steamers before their arrival. That their craft could drift a long distance is shown by the picking up of the four men on Turret Island.

Information up to the close of the telegraph offices last night, apart from that brought on the tug Lorne, which reached port with the Times correspondent on board, about 11 o'clock, may be summed up briefly. It consisted of a number of reports, which for the sake of convenience, will be set down in the order of their receipt.

The first dispatch was received from the resident correspondent of the Times at Bamfield, and reported the arrival there from the wreck of the steam whaler Orion. He reported seeing with a fire-boat about a mile and a half west of the wreck. The Orion's skipper thought they might be survivors still unaccounted for, but they were evidently, from the report brought by the Lorne, the nine men at Darling river. The Orion brought back articles of clothing, together with blankets torn into strips with which the unfortunate passengers had evidently lashed themselves to the mast.

Shortly after eight the Salvor with R. P. Dunn, the Times staff correspondent on board, reached Bamfield, the vessel having spent the day at the wreck with little or no practical results. Mr. Dunn reported that at low

tide in the afternoon the stronger among the

Survivors at Darling River had forded the stream and had reached the wreck side, and had joined Messrs. Logan and Daykin in the expedition to the wreck. Those who were injured had remained at the huts, and Capt. Troup and Cox were devising plans to get up to the wreck.

Then at 10 o'clock came the report from Bamfield that the Salvor relief party had reached Darling river, and that Capt. Ferris, who was evidently in charge, stated that the survivors were without boots, and asked assistance. He intended after fitting out to take them to Clowesse, where they could be picked up. A short time afterwards it was decided to bring the party to Bamfield. They expected to get to Pachena last night and reach Bamfield to-day.

At eight last night Lightkeeper Patterson at Cape Beale reported to the Times that

Pieces of the Valencia were coming ashore, together with her cargo, all along the coast. The first thing he saw on the beach that morning was a trunk evidently belonging to the character of the clothing and papers found, in it, to a foreigner named Frank Novak.

Mr. Patterson saw a nude body in the surf, but it was too far out to reach, and was caught in the undertow and sunk in deep water. Two bodies had been recovered, but their identity was unknown. The beach is strewn with broken cases of canned fruit, butter, lemons, oranges and pineapples.

ASSISTANCE TOO LATE.
Tug Lorne Returns—British Tars Could Have Saved Many Had They Been in Time.

Tug Lorne, Capt. Butler, returned from the scene of the Valencia wreck at ten minutes to 12 last night, after landing Lieut. Knight and his party of fourteen bluejackets from the Beetia, and also the naval doctor, Dr. Tomlinson, who accompanied them, in Esquimaux. The steamer had but one survivor from the wreck, and he had been transferred from the Topeka to the tug for the purpose of giving information for the guidance of those on the Victoria vessel in finding the Valencia.

The Lorne was unable to render any assistance. She reported that the wreck had disappeared below water, leaving only two stumps of masts in sight. There were signs of people ashore in the vicinity, and the bluejackets approached them as near as possible. Failing to attract their attention, the rescue party returned to the Lorne. The steamer remained by the wreck until 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. In the meanwhile the salvors cruised along the coast line right up to the surf belt, but without result.

Finding there that they could render no further assistance in the way of saving life—the Lorne then returned to Victoria. In addition to the naval doctor there were two medical men from the city aboard, namely, Drs. Carter and Holden, and a number of Times correspondents. From these the story of the expedition follows:

A. Lemm says: "We returned last night, but did not do much good. If we could have reached there the morning before we could have saved the greater number if not all of those on the Valencia."

"I speak from having experience. I have been wrecked on the southeast coast of Africa, where a tremendous surf is always running, and I have considerable knowledge of the sea. The very fact that two life rafts left the wreck within half an hour of each other on Wednesday morning without losing a man will speak for itself. Comment is unnecessary."

"We arrived at daylight on the Lorne. Capt. Butler at once searched the shoreline for the wreck, but could not find it. We were right opposite the spot when the City of Topeka arrived. We communicated with that vessel, and ascertained the exact location of the wreck. Getting a survivor named J. Segalis from the Topeka, who had been picked up the day previously on a raft, we proceeded to the place immediately, the Lorne being taken in as close to the shore as was possible."

Lieut. Knight and his gallant men were ready for the rescue. They manned their boat, and putting out

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The Otter arrived at Bamfield at noon and reports no wreckage or bodies in sight.

The United States cutter Grant has arrived at the scene from Seattle to assist in the search.

The tug Lorne returned at midnight without having been successful in its search for survivors or bodies.

SURVIVORS FOUND ON TURRET ISLAND.

Uluulet, B. C., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Steamer Shamrock has just arrived at Toqnot with three of the Valencia's crew: F. Hancock, chief cook; Max Stanslar, fireman; George Long, fireman, picked up on Turret Island, in Barkley Sound by Charlie Ross, Indian policeman, of Alberni, who reports another man still living on the island, but lost in the bush. The Indians are looking for him.

Two bodies found by Indians on the same island have been brought to Toqnot.

The Indians had just got the three men in a canoe when the Shamrock came along.

The men are getting the best of care in the house of H. J. Hellier, the government lineman.

From the Lorne went within 100 or 150 yards from the wreck. The belt of surf was just beyond, and a clear view of the situation was obtained. Nothing could be seen, however, but the stumps of the masts appearing above water, the vessel evidently having slipped off the ledge into deep water. The salvors then searched the shore for some time, but seeing no signs of life returned to the Lorne.

An hour or so later the Salvor came along, and in the meanwhile we were cruising back and forth, keeping in the vicinity in order not to overlook a dead body if it should be seen on the water.

The Salvor reported that people had been seen on the shore. At once the bluejackets manned their boat again. Putting on their life belts, they prepared for another dash ashore, this time taking with them a large megaphone so that they could if necessary communicate with anyone on the beach. They were determined to even face death in the effort to save lives. "They got up to the surf, and on one occasion went far into it that their boat struck a rock, but sustained no damage. They would have gone through the breakers if it was possible. But the rocks lay close and dangerous, and any such attempt would have spelled instant disaster to the boat."

"Using the megaphone to speak to the eight or ten seen on shore they failed to attract any attention, although there could have been no doubt but that the sailors' voices were heard. They were within a hundred and fifty yards, I should say, of the campers on the beach. The latter were walking about, and seemed quite indifferent to their presence. The sailors concluded from this that the campers were Indians and they then returned to the Lorne. Our steamer, however, had a constant watch for any sign of life or for bodies. We remained there until 3.30."

"While we lay off shore a rather remarkable incident occurred. Capt. Troup, who was on the Salvor, reported there were people ashore, and he suggested that a barrel be filled with provisions and floated into them. Those on the City of Topeka acted upon the suggestion, but when it came to the matter of getting the barrel ashore there was a hitch. The officers on the Topeka wanted the Lorne's boat to take the barrel close to shore. Capt. Butler declined, the barrel being already in the Topeka's boat, which was manned for the occasion. Evidently the Topeka's men showed the white feather, and when the Lorne's skipper refused to undertake the contract, the barrel was hoisted to the deck of the Topeka, and that steamer sailed away. The bluejackets were quite prepared to act in this emergency, but Capt. Butler thought it quite unnecessary."

HOW THE TARS WORKED.
Graphic Description of the Attempt of Lieut. Knight and His Men to Reach Shore.

Among those who went to the scene of the wreck on the tug Lorne which returned shortly before midnight was Rev. Hermon A. Carson, pastor of the First Congregational church in this city. Mr. Carson gives a clear account of the observations he made as follows:

He states that the tug reached the vicinity of the wreck at about 7 o'clock yesterday morning. Some time was spent in cruising up and down, trying to locate the vessel. Assistance was given at last by boats which were spoken, principally the City of Topeka, from which finally the Lorne took off John Segalis, the Greek fireman, who was picked up on a raft. Capt. Butler then turned the tug toward the shore, and about 10 o'clock the masts were sighted sticking through the water. Preparations were immediately made to dispatch the surf boat under

command of Lieut. Knight. The vessel was in tow, and was at once pulled alongside, and the bluejackets dropped quickly in. There was some difficulty in getting clear of the tug, owing to the swell, but this was soon overcome, and the ten men bent to their oars with a will. "It was a splendid sight," said Mr. Carson, "and makes one proud to be a Briton and to have an interest in the splendid service of our Empire afloat. The men worked with clock-like precision, while Lieut. Knight in the stern, acting as coxswain, held the nose of the craft steadily up to the big seas. Every man on board the Lorne watched them with admiring eyes. Each sailor before dropping into the small boat was ordered by Mr. Knight to strap on his life belt, but it was noticeable that the officer himself did not do so, although Lieut. Knight is as modest as he is capable and courageous, and he formed a fitting commander for such a crew of men."

From the deck of the Lorne herself, hobbling on the big seas like a cork, the spectators watched the brave fellows as they would disappear in the trough of the great seas, and then rise for a moment, smothered in spray on the crest of the breakers. They approached the wreck to a distance of perhaps one hundred yards. They went so close that they could plainly see all that was remaining, which consisted of or appeared to be, one mast and a part of a boom. They saw floating in the water blankets, clothing of various descriptions, a great number of rubber gloves, a large boom, like a derrick, and other things. The remainder of the vessel seemed to be broken into the smallest splinters, showing that the deck houses and upper works had gone to pieces.

After having made all possible observations, Lieut. Knight turned about and came back to the Lorne, which had been cruising up and down. Some one on board had in the meantime discovered evidences of life on land about a mile and a half from the wreck. An endeavor to ascertain if these people were survivors of the wreck or rescue parties. This time the life boat went closer than ever to shore, probably within one hundred yards of it, and to the very edge of the surf. Lieut. Knight attempted to open communication with the men ashore, but all efforts to do so were in vain, the attention of those on land evidently being completely absorbed in looking after their fires.

The action of these people was exceedingly perplexing to Lieut. Knight, who risked the life of himself and of his men in order to get into touch with them. He was prepared in the event of their needing help to throw a line through the surf and bring them into his boat. After scanning the scene for some time and receiving no sign of recognition, he came to the conclusion that some of the party at least were Indians, although there were some whites among the number.

So close did the life boat go to the shore that those on the Lorne watched them with breathless anxiety, knowing that they would take any risk in order to render help.

Upon the return of the bluejackets to the Lorne, the City of Topeka, which was some distance off, sent a communication offering a keg of provisions if the British crew would take it in. Lieut. Knight had already laid the whole situation before the captain of the Lorne, and the opinion was unanimous that a keg would never get ashore, owing to the undertow and the tide, and that it would be a useless risk of the lives of brave men, to attempt a futile thing, for people who, from close observation, were evidently well provided for. The Topeka afterwards started a small boat on what was evidently intended as an attempt to carry out this scheme, but it was soon recalled by whistles from the boat.

The Lorne cruised up and down for two or three hours, until 3 o'clock, in the hope of picking up survivors, or for bodies, and a dozen glasses swept the water in the hope of detecting some of these afloat. This proving fruitless, she headed for Vic-

toria, which was reached about 11 o'clock.

THE FIREMAN'S STORY.

Says Captain Johnson Was Heart Broken and Wanted to Shoot Himself—People Were Calm to the Last.

John Segalis, the Greek fireman, who returned on the Lorne, gives the following account of the disaster.

"We missed the lights at both Flatley and Carmanah. The vessel struck during my watch. I was below. The time was about 11.00."

"The lights went out in a few minutes, and we made our way above. The captain had ordered full speed astern, and she slid back into deep water, but immediately began to fill, when orders were given to beach her."

"The captain did all in his power to quiet the passengers, assuring them if all remained calm the probabilities were they could be saved. A lot got excited and crowded the boats, breaking the davits."

"Four boats were launched successfully. One of these contained the two girls who were discovered next morning in a cave in the rocks. These men perished. I saw them die, and saw their bodies tossed about on the rocks."

"Three lines were thrown ashore to these men, but they failed to catch them. I took a rope and started to swim ashore, and got close in, but found the rope was getting tangled. I cut it and swam back to the vessel."

"Those on board threw me a life buoy, and with this I was taken on board."

"Excitement subsided as death approached. The people, either through the numbing influence of cold or resignation, calmly awaited their end. The captain was broken-hearted, and refused to fasten a life buoy on himself. He declared that if he had a revolver he would shoot himself."

"How the two rafts got away from the vessel is mysterious. Indeed many thought neither could live in the sea, and this is why one of the rafts left with only about half its complement on board. One lady refused to go, and bade good-bye to her husband who left on the raft."

"The fireman states that when he left the wreck at ten o'clock the captain and officers were endeavoring to cheer the people, but had told them to look out for themselves, as they had done all they could. The Greek jumped from the rigging and was pulled aboard the raft. He thinks the vessel broke up between eleven and twelve o'clock."

He also denies that the vessel was going full speed when she struck. He says she was going only under slow belt."

THE NAVAL CREW.

Capt. Parry Regrets That His Men Were Too Late on the Scene To Save Life.

Capt. Parry, of H. M. S. Egeria, said this morning that he regretted very much his men were unable to do anything. They had done all they could, however, and he believed that if they had arrived at the wreck earlier they might have been able to render valuable service. The men who formed the boat's crew were picked by himself, and all were capable and experienced.

Lieut. Knight was in charge and accompanying the party was Henry E. Tomlinson, the Egeria's medical officer. Those forming the boat's crew follow: Coxswains Finnis and Wotton, Smith, Wallis, Bracewell, Donald, New-

man, Cornford, Yalland, Bowyer, Craig, Niblock, Baldwin and Cordier.

MR. SLOAN'S SCHEME.
Outlines Plans For Life Saving Station—Contemplates Comprehensive System For Protection of Shipping.

Speaking to a Times reporter in regard to life-saving stations on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, William Sloan, Mr. P. for COMOX-AMIA said yesterday: "This is a matter that comes home to me, because the greater part of the West Coast is in my constituency, which embraces all the ocean front of the Island beyond Carmaham Point. I have given the subject much consideration, and have discussed it with members of the Dominion government. I think that very great use might be made of wireless telegraphy in this connection. The difficulty of maintaining land lines is very great, and unfortunately the weather, which makes the coast the most dangerous, is the very weather that breaks down the lines. It would also be much less expensive to increase the number of stations, if the wireless system is employed, and while I do not think that the question of expense ought to be given anything like the first place in considering a matter of this kind, nevertheless, it is absolutely necessary. In the present government, I think that a powerful tug should be stationed on Barkley Sound, say at Bamfield, with life-saving appliances. Perhaps two such tugs would be needed for the efficient protection of the coast, but certainly one is absolutely necessary. In the summer, the tug could be used to keep poachers off the halibut grounds along the West Coast, and as she would always be in reach of the wireless stations she would be just as available for rescue work as if she were lying at her station. Of course the tug ought to be equipped with a wireless apparatus."

"It is also desirable that some steps should be taken in order that the coast may be patrolled as thoroughly as possible. This is a very difficult matter, and can never be wholly accomplished, but something can be done. All the money that can be spared for the purpose of money, and a great deal of money, but the value of human lives is not to be reckoned in dollars and cents, and I am sure that, when the government is fully advised as to the necessities of the case, it will be quick to take action. I have spoken to several members of the board of trade, and they have promised to get together such information as is available to show the great necessity of prompt action being taken."

"Mr. Sloan added that the arrangement for the Salvor is an excellent thing as far as it goes, and there is not the slightest doubt that that vessel will give valuable service along the particular lines for which she is designed. She will do even more than this, and at times may be able to render invaluable assistance to ships in distress, but life-saving is not her object, although the Messrs. Bullen may be counted upon to use her for that purpose to the utmost extent. What is required in an establishment, designed especially for life-saving, is the experience of the last few days has shown how absolutely necessary this is, and also that the best appliances will be comparatively of small service unless means are provided whereby information concerning ships in peril can be received at the earliest possible moment. In these days of wireless telegraph safeguards can be provided for that would have been out of the question only a few years ago, and what I shall endeavor to secure for the West Coast is the 'setting up' of such a life-saving establishment with wireless connections as will be fully up to date. I have the fullest confidence that representations upon this subject will receive prompt attention at Ottawa."

PUBLIC MEETING.
Citizens Invited to Attend Gathering in City Hall This Evening.

An important meeting will be held in the city hall this evening at the hall of the Mayor. It will be held in the council chamber and is of a public character, everyone being invited to attend. The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock, Mayor Morley presiding.

The object of the gathering is to take

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THOSE IN WRECK.
Some of the People Who Were Among the Passengers on the Valencia.

Mrs. W. C. Rosenberger and Miss Eva Shaver were on their way to Seattle to locate permanently in that city. Mrs. Rosenberger is a widow and Miss Shaver her daughter. They resided at 505 East Twenty-seventh street, Los Angeles. A son of Mrs. Rosenberger is there now.

It is believed at Vancouver that Harry Woodridge, a Valencia passenger bound for Vancouver, belongs in Salt Lake. He was a familiar figure in every mining camp in Colorado and Nevada.

Thomas Shields, one of the survivors among the crew, is a Vancouver man, and it is well known all along the water front there.

Miss Laura Van Wyck, a young society woman who resided with her mother in San Francisco, who is among the list of missing, started for Seattle by water against the advice of her mother, Mrs. Sidney M. Van Wyck. Miss Van Wyck had planned to visit her sister in Seattle, Mrs. William A. Peters, wife of an attorney here. She had originally intended to go by rail, but she suddenly changed her mind, saying: "It will be exciting to go on the boat, and I expect to have a grand time."

The only Tacoma persons known to have been on board were Mrs. Ernest Badertscher and her 5-year-old son, Victor Badertscher. Mrs. Badertscher was on her way from San Francisco to the home of Mrs. M. A. Badertscher, her mother-in-law. Mrs. Badertscher was 28 years of age, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conway of Buckley, Pierce county. She and Mr. Badertscher were married six years ago. Her husband is a harness maker and recently went to San Francisco with his wife, where they had been temporarily making their home. A week ago they broke up housekeeping because of the intention of again making their home in Tacoma. Mr. Badertscher sent his wife and son on to Tacoma, remaining behind for a few days to settle up his business affairs.

William Lombardini, left Seattle a week ago Thursday last on a business trip to San Francisco. His wife and three children live at 912 Tenth avenue south. He has a brother living in Georgetown. Lombardini was one of the best known saloon men in Seattle. He was a trustee of the Clauson Brewing Company, and lived in Seattle for twenty years. Lombardini was 42 years of age and was born in Lombardy, Italy. He was reputed to be a man of wealth.

A. F. Rolph for twenty years was a resident of New Westminster, where his wife and five children are living. Rolph recently resigned the position of broker-keeper at the St. Mungo cannery, Fraser river, and went to San Francisco to engage in a business venture there. Mrs. Rolph received a letter from him that his plans had miscarried and that he was returning on the Valencia.

William Smith, a machinist, of Vancouver, was returning after a trip to California, undertaken in search of health.

F. T. Fonda, of Seattle, was returning to Seattle after a business trip to California points. He is a travelling advertising agent and had been absent on a month's business trip. Mr. Fonda came to Seattle from Chicago a year ago. He was unmarried.

Charles Samuels, formerly in the employ of the Simmons Fur Company of Seattle, was among the passengers. He was single, about 22 years of age, and is a native of Austria. Samuels was in Seattle about a year. He has a brother in Vienna and another in Paris.

Frank P. Bunker, who was recently selected by the school board as Tacoma's assistant superintendent of the Seattle public schools, sent the following telegram to Superintendent Cooper from Cape Beale on Wednesday: "Cooper, Superintendent of Schools, Seattle: My wife and two daughters are gone. I am safe. Will be back as soon as possible. Bunker." On receiving the telegram Superintendent Cooper informed the members of the school board and then wired Mr. Bunker the condolences of the board, asking him to visit if anything could be done for him as soon as he reached Victoria or Port Townsend. Mr. Bunker has not returned to Seattle. He is much esteemed in California, where he has been chairman of the California council of education, the most important



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

WILL NOT CONSENT TO INVESTIGATION

Premier Refused Absolutely to Allow of Committee Looking Into Disincorporation of Dewdney.

Victoria, Jan. 23th.

The legislature to-day reached its first division on a motion of Parker Williams to restrict the working of the Small Debts Act to sums exceeding \$100 accruing due to workmen.

The shipping disaster on the West coast attracted the attention of the House to the necessity for life-saving facilities, and a resolution was accordingly passed upon the subject.

The proposed disincorporation of Dewdney called forth a debate, John Oliver J. R. Brown, and T. W. Patterson showing up the injustice contemplated by the government measure.

Prayers were read by Rev. J. Campbell, Ph.D.

The following petitions were read and received:

From L. W. Shafford, for leave to introduce a private bill to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company.

From E. V. Bodwell and others, for leave to introduce a private bill to incorporate the Copper River & Telkwa Railway Company.

From James Ritchie and others, for leave to introduce a private bill to incorporate the British Columbia Central Railway Company.

From the Midway & Vernon Railway Company for leave to introduce a private bill to amend its corporate act.

From Harry Bennett and many others, re game preservation and game licenses.

From R. L. Patterson and others, for leave to introduce a private bill to confirm to the British Columbia Northern & Mackenzie Valley Railway Company certain rights granted by the B. C. & Yukon Railway Company Act, 1903.

The standing rules and orders were suspended to enable the following resolution to be moved, on motion of W. Manson, seconded by J. Oliver:

"That in view of the appalling loss of life caused by the wreck of the steamer Valencia on Monday, January 20th, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, the third accident of a similar nature within the last few weeks, the attention of this House is called to the necessity which exists for the establishment of life-saving appliances on that coast; and

"That an humble address be presented by this House to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Honor to cause to be brought to the attention of the Dominion government the urgent necessity for the establishment of a life-boat station or stations at suitable points on the west coast of Vancouver Island, and that a steamer be provided to patrol that coast continuously, particularly during the winter season; and that all possible steps be taken to ensure the protection of life and property on that rough and rock-bound coast.

"That copies of this resolution be sent to the senators and members of the House of Commons at Ottawa."

Mr. Manson, in support of the motion, said the harrowing scenes witnessed by the people of his own district within the past few weeks had urged him to make this motion. He thought that the House would support it unflinchingly. Its object was the establishment of a lifeboat station somewhere on the West Coast, and he felt sure that as far as the provincial government could assist by providing sites or in any other way, they would be willing to do everything in their power to do so.

Mr. Oliver, in seconding the resolution, said he did so with a feeling of sadness that it was necessary for the House to pass a resolution of this kind. It was a matter of national regret that such appalling disasters should happen upon their shores as had happened within the past few weeks. These accidents were becoming sadly frequent, and it was appalling to think that not only men, but women and children, had lost lives which might have been saved had the proper appliances been on hand. No help could be found nearer than Victoria, and from what he could learn, owing to the stormy condition of the weather, even the vessels that had gone out were unable to give the assistance that might have been given with boats right on the spot. He was perfectly aware that the provincial government was not "all to blame" for this in any way. It therefore devolved upon the government of the Dominion, which, with its large available surplus, should have no difficulty in providing means whereby these disasters might be largely averted in future. It was a bad thing for the Dominion that these accidents should take place, and above all, on the shores of the Pacific Ocean, where trade was on the eve of rapid development. He felt sure that the House would be unanimous in calling on the Dominion government to do all that was possible to avert such appalling disasters in future. (Applause.)

Premier McEwen expressed his entire concurrence with the mover and second of the motion, and said that while it was a matter of regret that the legislature should be compelled to take the matter up, it might at least be a warning to the Federal authorities of British Columbia in taking the proper steps for the protection of our Pacific shores. When the late Hon. Mr. Prefontaine was visiting Victoria a few years ago, the matter had been brought to his attention, and he had expressed regret that there were not more life-saving appliances on the coast, and he was sure that had he lived some measures would have been taken to that end. It was as the member for Delta had said, a matter of very great regret that these accidents should have happened with such alarming frequency of late, because the stories that would go out would create an impression not at all favorable on those who were acquainted with the splendid climate British Columbia enjoyed. People would think that the climate here was severe, and we were subject to storms and fogs as the very best interests of the province, it was true, sometimes prevailed around Cape Flattery, but they were not at all permanent in this part of Canada, and a knowledge of the true conditions would at once dispel any idea of the kind. It was therefore to the very best interests of the province that measures should be taken to prevent a recurrence of such disasters in future. He thanked the member for Delta for his kindly reference to the provincial government in this connection, and assured the House that the government would not fail to discharge any duties that might be cast upon it by reason of this terrible disaster. (Applause.)

Mr. Hawthornthwaite called the attention of the House to one aspect of the question that seemed to have been overlooked by members on both sides. While calling attention to the necessity for life-saving stations on the coast, they seemed to forget that in this province every day lives were being lost in other industrial pursuits. These accidents were incidental to production as it was being carried on at the present time. It was merely a question of cost with the predominant capitalist party, and as human lives were the cheapest things that existed in the market to-day, less pains were taken to protect them than to protect anything else. He congratulated the gentlemen for bringing forward this resolution, which was certainly badly needed, since twice before the Island had been shocked by accidents of a similar nature. He referred to the cases of the Callam and other vessels. This question of cheapness was never more strongly shown than in the case of the General Slocum, when it was found that the life-boats provided for the women and children were useless, because they were loaded with lead by a shoddy manufacturer, and the lifeboats also were rotten. The same thing still prevailed. They learned that this vessel, the Valencia, was built 22 years ago and was absolutely unfit for carrying valuable human lives on this coast. While every day lives were being lost, he wished to assure the House that his party was sincere in wishing that human life might be safeguarded in every possible way. He only wished to point out that they must continue to face this appalling loss of human life, unless this government were intelligent enough to have sense enough to understand the causes and to remedy them. (Applause.)

The motion was then carried unanimously.

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FUNERAL OF THE LATE MINISTER

REMAINS BORNE TO LAST RESTING PLACE

Canadian News Notes - Annual Meeting of Grand Arch Masons - York County Loan.

Montreal, Jan. 23. - With all pomp and solemnity of a military funeral the remains of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine were borne to their last resting place at Cote des Neiges cemetery this morning. The funeral started from the city hall shortly after 9 o'clock.

The procession was led by the military and the police and the hearse followed, drawn by six horses heavily draped, surrounded by officers and sailors of the Canadian cruiser Canada.

The cortege was composed of members of the family, high dignitaries of state and church, including a representative of the Governor-General, the Lieutenant-Governor and his staff, Archbishop Bruchesi and bishops, members of the federal cabinet, the speaker of the senate, the Chief Justice of the Supreme court of Canada, Chief Justice of King's bench and Superior courts, members of the Privy Council not in the cabinet, Solicitor-General, Inspector-General and staff, members of the senate, the Speaker of the House of Commons, Judges of the Supreme court of Canada, members of the House of Commons and of the legislature, the city council and other bodies and private citizens from all parts of the province.

The route of the procession, which was from the city hall to St. James' cathedral, Dominion square, was thronged with thousands who stood for hours in the intense cold waiting for the procession. While the procession passed Christ church cathedral (Anglican) on St. Catharine street, the bells were tolled out of respect to the late minister. The services at St. James were conducted by Archbishop Bruchesi, assisted by Fathers Bernard and Cherrier.

Annual Sessions. Toronto, Jan. 23. - At the annual meeting of the Grand Arch Masons yesterday, Messrs. J. W. Morris and Charles H. Grandon were appointed superintendents respectively of British Columbia and Nelson-Kootenay districts. The membership report showed that 1,271 were admitted, and there was a net gain of 1,084. The audit committee reported receipts of \$11,077 and a balance in the bank of \$4,522; assets, \$29,552; liabilities, \$609, in outstanding accounts.

Violated Act. Toronto, Jan. 23. - H. Polman Evans, manager of the Union Life Company, was this morning fined \$50 for breach of the Alien Labor Act by engaging an American insurance expert.

Alleged Conspiracy. Toronto, Jan. 23. - Eight typewriter manufacturers will have to stand trial at the assizes for alleged conspiracy to restrict trade. They are as follows: James Hardy and Thomas Jenkins, Toronto; William McMaster and H. M. Blacklock, Montreal; the Montreal Rolling Mills Co.; E. J. Fry, of Peck, Henny & Co., Montreal; F. H. Whitcomb, of the Ontario Tack Co., Hamilton; W. Bruckhoff, of the Portland Rolling Mills, St. John, N. B., and W. H. Woodhall.

Italian Sentenced. Toronto, Jan. 23. - Donato Taberinto, an Italian, who was arraigned on a charge of murdering Amos Marlowe at

the Ontario Tack Co., Hamilton; W. Bruckhoff, of the Portland Rolling Mills, St. John, N. B., and W. H. Woodhall.

Question. J. F. Gardiner asked the hon. the chief commissioner of lands and works the following question: Is it the intention of the government to construct roads through lot 540, in order to open up the land towards Point Grey for sale and settlement?

The Hon. R. F. Green replied as follows: "Yes, it is the intention of the government to open up the land in the partial sub-division of lot 540, lying to the west of the naval reserve."

Assessment Act. On the adjourned debate on the amendment to the Assessment Act, J. Murphy, who had moved the adjournment of the debate, said that he would not speak at length. He could not say that the bill in committee.

John Oliver pointed out that by the wording of the amendment a large property owner who might have immense holdings of wild land or coal land, might take advantage of the lower rate of taxation. Such persons' holdings, under the class of real property, independent of wild land, etc., might be small and thus they escaped with reduced taxation. This was not surely the intention of the act, as it was intended to give assistance to small property owners only. The bill to declare the law with respect to the assessment of land.

HUNTER'S DEATH. Accidentally Shot Himself During Encounter With Panther.

Portland, Or., Jan. 24. - A special from Eugene to the Journal says: John R. Goldson, engaged in the sawmill business at Goldson postoffice, twenty-five miles west of Eugene, was accidentally killed by a shot from his own rifle, during an encounter with a badly wounded and infuriated panther in the mountains near his home on Sunday afternoon.

Goldson was out hunting with several other men, when he became separated from them. The other men soon heard several shots in rapid succession, and then a cry for help. "Antonio" shot was heard, and then all was quiet.

Goldson was found dead with a bullet hole through his chest, and the panther which was discovered badly wounded in a tree nearby, was killed by one of the men. The butt of Goldson's rifle bore the marks of the panther's teeth. The leaves and dirt were torn up, indicating a fight between the man and beast. It is supposed the panther attacked him, and Goldson, thinking he had emptied the magazine of his rifle, defended himself by using the gun as a club, when the remaining cartridge exploded, causing his death.

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port from the private bills committee, recommending that the time limit for the presentation of private bills be extended until the 5th of February.

On the motion of C. Munro, seconded by S. Henderson, it was resolved, "That an order of the House be granted for a return giving the names of the school districts within the E. & N. of 'Assisted Schools' under the School Act of last year."

On the motion of C. Munro, seconded by Dr. King, it was resolved: "That a return showing the items of expenditure in connection with the maintenance of Chilliwack dyke last year."

On the second reading of the bill to amend the Provincial Elections Act, J. H. Hawthorthwaite said that he could not see why this bill had been defeated on previous occasions.

On the motion of W. J. Bower, the debate was adjourned.

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Pork Pies & Chicken Pies Cooked Meats, English Sausages, Mince and Brown. A. W. Simmons' new Store 25 Government St., Opposite P. O. that Price Ellison voted with the government. Returns Presented. Hon. R. F. Green presented the following returns: Return of copies of all correspondence between this government and the government at Ottawa, in relation to the granting of a lease of Stanley Park at Vancouver. Return of all letters or telegrams that have passed between the government of British Columbia and the Dominion government since the passing of the 'Songhees Reserve Act, 1905,' relating to the said Songhees Indian reserve, or the removal of the Indians therefrom. The House adjourned until to-morrow.

THE LATE MINISTER. Requiem Mass Celebrated in Westminster Roman Catholic Cathedral. London, Jan. 25.—A requiem mass was celebrated in the Westminster Roman Catholic cathedral to-day in memory of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, the late Canadian minister of marine and fisheries. The admiral's war office and colonial office were all represented at the service. Lord Tweedmouth, first lord of the admiralty, personally representing the navy. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Canadian high commissioner, and many other Canadians were present.

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But we shall be told that is different. If Victoria were to default for a few years on her bonded indebtedness would the Premier or any member of the Legislature, let us say from Vancouver, propose that the province at large should assume our liabilities? It is highly improbable.

THE WRECK

Not a woman or a child was saved from the wreck of the Valencia. But this melancholy announcement does not prove that the men forgot their manhood in the awful crisis.

POCKET-PICKING FOR DEWDNEY'S SAKE

Surely "An Act for the relief and incorporation of the Municipality of Dewdney" is the most extraordinary measure ever laid before any legislative assembly for its careful consideration.

REFUSED TO APPEAR

Frank Rockefeller Declines to Testify in Connection With Action Against Oil Company. Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 25.—Frank Rockefeller refused to appear before Attorney-General Hadley and testify to-day in the hearing in connection with the action of the state of Missouri against the Standard Oil Company.

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What Other People Think A PROTEST. To the Editor:—Once more our hearts have been saddened by the news of another marine disaster, with all the harrowing details of helpless women and children going down to sudden and awful death. While our feelings are stirred there will doubtless be some more talk about lifeboats, extra lifeboats, fog signals, etc., and then in a few weeks the deadly disease of apathy, so prevalent in this city, will get in its fatal work and the good suggestions and plans born from the emotions of the moment will never get any further than the initial stage until another catastrophe shocks us into spasmodic action again. While there is everything to be said in favor of extra lifeboats and powerful fog signals to aid the distressed mariner, I believe firmly in having only first-class vessels permitted to engage in the passenger service. I do not know sufficient about the Valencia to warrant a criticism, but I do know that the "Clallam" was described as being "thrown" together, "a regular death trap," etc., and that she was totally unfit for the service in which she was engaged. After she was lost, the Board of Trade, backed by nearly all of the business men of Victoria, waited on the C. P. R. and guaranteed their support if they would put on a proper steamer on the Victoria-Seattle route, and the C. P. R. accordingly did so. The Canadian boat continued on the service for a considerable time, and then what happened? Why the same old spirit of avarice and greed which was originally responsible for the Clallam horror broke out in the C. P. R. and within a few days a short time after wards announcing to a meeting of the Board of Trade that as there was not sufficient money in the business, his company had made an arrangement with the Alaska S. S. Co., by which the latter would operate the service during certain months of the year, and the C. P. R. for the remainder of the time. That agreement stands to-day, and as a result the Princess Beatrice will be taken off the run on the 31st inst., and the travelling public will have to take chances on the Wharfum until the C. P. R. Co.'s turn comes again. Now, I am by no means one of those who always look with suspicion on anything done by the C. P. R., in fact, I can truthfully state that, in my own limited way, I am a loyal supporter of that company, not only because it is of distinctly Canadian origin, but for many other reasons as well, but the action of the management in making an alliance with the Alaska S. S. Co., to say the least of it, is a great breach of good faith with the people of this city, and as such should be condemned in the strongest possible terms. It was the people of Victoria who, by their promises of patronage to the Canadian boat, put the C. P. R. in the rank of a competitor with the American boat; amongst private individuals it would be considered exceedingly dishonorable for the person so advantaged to sell the interests of his patrons and to amalgamate with the opposing forces, simply for the purpose of reaping a little more personal gain, but this, I regret to state, is exactly what the C. P. R. did, and, surprising to state, without any protest whatever from the people, notwithstanding the fact that Capt. Troup admitted that he had no complaint to make as to the way in which the merchants and citizens generally had lived up to their promises, to patronize the Canadian boat. The loss of the Valencia opens up this whole matter again. I am aware that this recent disaster is in no way parallel to the Clallam tragedy, but the fact remains that the Whatcom, or Majestic as she was called then, was not considered a safe boat by the people at the time they induced the C. P. R. to engage in the sound service, and nothing that I am aware of has happened since to make her more so, or to render it unnecessary to have anything but the very best and soundest boat obtainable engaged in the service. This juggling with human life on the part of transportation companies should meet with united and determined resistance. A. T. W. 25th January, 1906. EVEN SO? To the Editor:—The present Mayor has been devoting a good portion of his time to the saloons of Victoria, and if he has quite finished with them I think that it would be a good idea if he turned his attention to the clubs of the city. If gambling is to be stopped in the saloons, why should the persons who frequent the clubs be allowed to stake their money at will, and if the saloons are to be closed on the Sabbath day, why shouldn't the clubs be made to observe the same law? I presume that the result of the observance of Sunday closing in the city will be that the saloons outside the limits will reap a rich harvest, and in all probability there will be a great deal more drinking on Sunday in future than there has been in the past. BACCHUS. Victoria, 25th January, 1906. LIFE-SAVING STATIONS. To the Editor:—Might I venture to make an appeal through your columns on behalf of the citizens of Victoria and those residing on the West Coast of Vancouver Island that a strong effort to establish a life-saving station or stations, now that such an appalling disaster has occurred, this being the third within a month. The wreck of the Clallam is not entirely forgotten by residents here, although at the time it caused a profound sensation and great life-saving improvements were then the topic of the day, and now that time has obliterated it from the memories of the majority who were then in office, Victoria has gradually fallen asleep, only to be awakened by the sad catastrophe of Tuesday last. To quote the phrase of the Prince of Wales, speaking at the Guildhall a few years back, "Wake up, England!" It should be "Wake up, Victoria!" Now

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was much commented upon as a move Franco-German differences. Although forward in the adjustment of the results were not disclosed, the meeting produced a distinct feeling of optimism among the delegates. The other plenipotentiaries, chiefly the Marquis Viscount Venosta, head of the Italian delegation, and Ambassador White, the chief representative of America, tactfully contributed to bring about meetings of the German and French representatives with the view of securing a personal exchange of views.

EARL GREY INVITED To Dinner by the Pilgrims of New York New York, Jan. 25.—At a meeting of the Pilgrims held yesterday resolutions of sympathy for Gen. Jon Wheeler, who is a member, were adopted and forwarded to his sick bed. An invitation was sent to Earl Grey, the Governor-General of Canada, for a dinner in his honor, the date for which he is asked to fix. It is believed that Field Marshal Earl Roberts, president of the Pilgrims, will visit America some time this year, when he will be entertained by the local society. Bishop Potter when he returns to London on his way home, will be a guest at the dinner of the London Pilgrims.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS. Jasper Jennings convicted of the murder of his father, was at Grant's Pass, Ore., on Thursday sentenced to hang March 5th. The jury in the case of his sister Dora Jennings failed to agree after 24 hours and was discharged. Recent warm winds have caused the Skagit and Nooksack rivers to rise rapidly threatening the townlands with destructive floods, says a Bellevue dispatch. Judge Fraser, of Portland, by a decision Thursday established the legality of the operations in Oregon by Portland and Seattle railways. This is the first step in the Hill-Harriman legal battle in Oregon. The Bank of San Luis Obispo, Cal., was closed Thursday by order of the bank commissioners. A motor driver was fined \$115 in the town of East Woburn, England, the other day for passing a cart on the wrong side.

CIVIC REFORMS. To the Editor:—His Worship Mayor Morley is moving in vigorous fashion in the right direction and deserves the support of all good men and true. But when he proposes to close places of refreshment from 12 p. m. on Saturday till 1 a. m. on Monday, does he not attempt too much? There are strangers in town on Sundays, and there are ratepayers, too, who require refreshment every day of their lives, and the English plan of opening saloons and other places of refreshment from 12 to 2 and 5 to 7 on Sundays has everything in its favor and is a reasonable proposition. Anything so stringent as the Mayor's proposed enforcement is going to do Victoria a lot of harm, and I trust it may be reconsidered at the outset. NECESSITY.

DELEGATES MEET. French and German Delegates Exchange Views on Moroccan Affairs. Algiers, Jan. 25. 2 1/2 p. m.—Herr Von Radowicz, head of the German mission and M. Revail, chief of the French delegation to the Moroccan conference, had to-day for the first time a lengthy private meeting, which



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At the meeting of the Liberal Association to be held in Sir William Wallace hall this evening it is expected that most of the opposition members in the legislature will be present. Short speeches are to be delivered by J. A. Macdonald, E. C. of Rossland, leader of the opposition, John Oliver, of Delta, and James Murphy, of Cariboo.

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The Victoria Building Society will hold its eighth annual meeting at the secretary's office, Trounce alley, on Tuesday evening, 30th inst.

The committee of management of the Protestant Orphans' Home acknowledges with thanks the receipt of eight tons of coal from James Dunsmuir.

Mrs. Jean Tompkins, British Columbia representative to the world's convention of Sunday school teachers, held in Jerusalem, will lecture in St. Andrew's Presbyterian school to-night. Subject: "A Trip Through Palestine." The lecture will be illustrated.

Under the auspices of the St. Luke's Sunday school, Rev. John Gordon will lecture this evening at Cedar Hill school. His subject is "The People and Customs of China." The lecture has spent several years in the Flowery Kingdom, and is thoroughly familiar with his subject.

Another pioneer has passed away in the person of Mrs. R. Finlayson. The deceased was 74 years of age and was a daughter of the late Hon. John Wark. She leaves three sons and four daughters to mourn her loss. The funeral cortege will leave the family residence, 242 Douglas street to-morrow at 2.15, and 20 minutes later from St. John's church. Apoplexy was the immediate cause of death.

At the special services of the Centennial Methodist church last evening the following resolution was carried by acclamation: "Resolved, that we the members of the Centennial Methodist church do hail with delight the attitude of Mayor Morley in the suppression of gambling and the control of other forms of vice, and extend to him our hearty support." The motion was proposed by W. P. Deaville and seconded by E. Kerinote.

The Victoria Musical Society is now duly organized, and great things are expected of it. It is practically an outcome of the recent musical festival held here, and starts with a membership of 125 of the music lovers of the city. A meeting of the society was held in Walt's hall on Wednesday evening, when various matters of importance to the organization were discussed. It was decided, among other things, to communicate with similar organizations in London, New York, San Francisco, etc., and secure a visit from distinguished professionalists. The society starts with a cash amount of \$600 and an active membership.

A little six-line paragraph in this morning's *Colonist* has caused Manager Jamieson, of the Grand, sincere regret and indignation that can be expressed in type. It stated that John Segalls, the surviving friend of the Valencian, who was brought here by the *Loche*, would appear as a special attraction at the Grand this evening, and relate his harrowing experiences of the shipwreck and the raft. To make capital of a calamity not only was never thought of by Mr. Jamieson, but he as much as anyone could, would set no limits upon the ghoul's "enterprise" of any manager who would thus exploit an attraction such a catastrophe as that which has saddened the coast. It need scarcely be added that Mr. Jamieson has never thought of such a thing as mentioned.

In Chambers this morning before the Chief Justice, an order was made for the payment of \$3 per week in interim alimony in the case of *Cavin vs. Cavin*. Probate of the will of Martha Robinson, deceased, was granted. An application was made to E. E. Wootton and Legal Professions Act for delivery of certain documents, and it was ordered that the documents be handed over to Bodwell & Lawson upon their undertaking to pay Mr. Wootton costs of documents, and to produce same whenever called for by the court in any suit. No order as to costs of application. An application for leave to execute bond on inchoate property re Boundary & Beaverton Mining Co. was made. Several applications before His Lordship were allowed to stand over.

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SECOND COUNCIL MEETING OF WEEK

AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CLAUSES
Report Dealing With Same Again Reviewed and Adopted—Tramway Matters—Other Business.

Liberals are reminded of the meeting to be held in Sir William Wallace hall this evening at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is looked for.

Manager J. S. Bailey hereby desires to tender his grateful thanks to Jas. Dunsmuir for his timely and very acceptable donation of two tons of coal for the use of the Seaman's Institute, 12 Langley street.

The Chinese gambling case, "an again before the police magistrate today, R. W. Webster, the informant, was in the box, and deposed to marking the winning ticket and being refused the wipings. The case was again adjourned for the production of further evidence.

Previous to the regular meeting of the city council last night the mayor and aldermen sitting as a board of health listened to the annual report submitted by Dr. Robertson.

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The committee of the W. C. T. U. mission, Yates street, acknowledge the following donations with thanks: Provisions and groceries, Mrs. Mulholland, Mrs. Offerhaus, Mrs. A. Lee, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. F. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Goodacre, Mrs. J. W. Williams, Mrs. Deaville, Mrs. Nicholles, Mrs. Yeo, Mrs. Bayly, Mrs. Nicholles, Mrs. Lester, Mrs. Backhouse, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. McKinnon, Mrs. Pemberton, ladies of Emmanuel Baptist church; Joshua Kingham, half ton of coal; R. Dunsmuir & Sons, two and a half tons of coal; Mrs. McCulloch, two spring mattresses; a friend (per Mrs. Scowcroft), pair sheets; another friend, two quilts; Mrs. Wellwood, bed spread.

MEET THIS EVENING.
Council of Board of Trade Will Consider Proposed Change in Sound Service.

A meeting of the council of the board of trade is called for 8 o'clock this evening, when a proposition will be made to have a special meeting of the board, called to discuss a better service for the Sound route than that now proposed.

After the loss of the *Clallam*, a couple of years ago, a general outcry was raised against the poor class of boats placed on that route, and the C. P. R. were induced to put the *Princess Victoria* on the run for a time, the local merchants undertaking to support the British bottom. This arrangement has worked well. Between the C. P. R. and the Alaska Steamship Co. the business has lately been divided by a mutual arrangement. The latter company are now about to place the *Whootton* in service, and an effort will now be made to have the C. P. R. adhere to its agreement, and maintain a good boat on the Sound run.

TWO DAYS LATE.
If falls to the lot of the C. P. R. liner *Empress of Japan* to make up two whole days on this trip across the Pacific ocean. The *Japan* was scheduled to sail for Yokohama on Monday, but owing to delay through rough weather on the Atlantic of the British and European mails, the *Empress* liner was held over for two days. She sailed from Victoria last night. There is little doubt in the minds of the C. P. R. officials that the *Empress* will arrive at Hongkong on time, provided she meets with ordinary fair weather. She holds the record for time for crossing the Pacific. The *Japan* has everything ready for a hurried voyage.

THE LORNE.
Sir Lorne is to-day leaving the ship *Sir Robert Fernie* from Port Townsend to Chemainus.

Successful city now was the city that did not borrow money at all, but ran its business out of the current revenue. "It seems to me," continued His Worship, "that we will have to face this sooner or later."

With reference to what constituted a household, Ald. Yates asked what was meant by rent. There were cases in families where this was construed to mean the work done by members of the family for their parents. The intention was to put a stop to fictitious votes.

The motion was then adopted as amended. The streets, bridges and sewers committee reported, recommending work on Taunton street be done at a cost of \$52.

The report was approved. The motion of Ald. Davey asking that the B. C. Electric Railway Company be requested to extend its line on Saanich road was then brought up.

This was adopted unanimously. Ald. Davey thought it was unnecessary to say anything on the subject. The motion commended itself to the best judgment of all. Members of the council were familiar with the history of this line. A number of people built houses in the north end of the city who were unable to walk after the track was removed. He believed that the manager had already been approached, and had consented to bring the matter before the officials of the company. He understood that the company were prepared to comply with the request on conditions. In fact he had it from the manager himself that if a resolution of the kind moved was passed it would greatly strengthen the latter's hands.

Ald. Lewis Hall's motion next came up. It was as follows: "That the legislative committee be instructed to wait upon the provincial government and introduce legislation during the present session, placing the responsibility of raising all moneys for school purposes, not provided for by the government, upon the school trustees, on somewhat similar lines to those in vogue in Winnipeg."

As a former member of the school board the mover said in defence of his position that he believed the school trustees should be directly responsible to the people, and do their own financing. This was done all over the Dominion except in British Columbia.

Ald. Yates did not see the use of the motion. The city had already the power to levy 2 mills. This was adequate for all needs.

Ald. Goodacre endorsed the motion. It was something he had been advocating for years. The people did not know how much was taken for school purposes.

Ald. Fullerton also agreed with the motion. Ald. Yates said that the principle of the motion was to place the cost of education on property. The city had other sources of revenue.

Ald. Douglas moved that the motion be laid over for a week. Mayor Morley said he agreed with the principle, but there were many things to be considered, and it might be well to lay the matter over.

The matter was laid over for a week. A lengthy report of the city solicitor on the Municipal Clauses Act was received and filed.

The Annual Loan By-law was next adopted. Taking up the subject of committees, Ald. Stewart recounted the history of the formation of the streets, bridges and sewers committee, showing that where the whole council were dealing with a piece of work they were not harassed, where only a few members are on the committee it meant that days might be spent, whereas now, with the advice of the engineer, only a few hours were needed for work. He moved that the mayor and whole council form this committee.

His Worship said that he did not propose that the health report should be dealt with in the manner it had been, and instanced this as a case where a committee to oversee would be useful.

The council adjourned shortly after 10 o'clock.

PERSONAL
L. W. Paisley of Chilliwack, and Rev. C. Sprout, of Burnaby, representatives from the river's convention held at New Westminster on December 24, are in town for the purpose of interviewing the municipal committee in regard to amendments to the Municipal Act.

Thos. T. Langlois, president and manager of the B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Co., has been spending a few days in the city attending to business in connection with the affairs of the company. Mr. Langlois is meeting the members of the local board of directors this afternoon at the company's office, 25 Government street.

Dr. Bell Irving, H. B. Morley, C. G. Peter and R. Hamilton, of Vancouver, are among recent arrivals at the Driard. A. T. Goward, local manager B. C. Electric Railway Co., has left for Southern California on a month's vacation.

Faithful Boss of Lodon, Eng. V. K. Estling, of Rossland; H. Whalton, of Van Ande; and H. J. Biggar, of Portland, are at the Driard.

H. C. Bellinger, of the Crofton objection, is at the Driard.

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DEATH HUNG UPON THREAD.

Evidence That Acquitted a Man of Murder Charge.
Literally speaking, the life of Hugh Crigden, of Iniscreeny, charged as Belfast assassin with the murder of a farmer named John Gardiner, hung upon a thread. The police based their case upon a human hair, a thread and a whiskey bottle.

The two men had attended a sports meeting at Lisahiska, and were supposed to have started together for home. Gardiner was never again seen alive, but there was evidence of a struggle having taken place at Ballysadareagh bridge, over which they would have passed.

At this spot Gardiner's broken umbrella was picked up the following day, and his dead body, with a number of wounds, was recovered from the river 112 yards below the bridge.

The police investigations succeeded in discovering a hair on the parapet of the bridge, which, from its appearance, was stated to have been from the moustache of the victim.

They also found a thread near the hair, and this, it was alleged by the crown, was the prisoner wearing.

An important link in the chain of circumstantial evidence was a black whiskey bottle.

This, it was stated, was sold to Gardiner at Lisahiska during the day preceding the night on which he met his death, and it was not seen again until produced and opened by the accused at a time subsequent to that at which the murder was stated to have taken place.

The medical evidence showed that Gardiner was not dead when he was thrown into the river.

Only one of the injuries on his body was proved to be a wound made before death, which might have been inflicted by a blow from a full bottle, but could not have been caused by an empty one.

Prof. Baillie, analyst, stated that on the trousers, shirt front and the tie of the prisoner he discovered blood-stains, which, however, he could not determine to be human.

For the defence, evidence was produced to prove that rowdy scenes had occurred at Ballyhadareagh bridge at a time after the appearance of Crigden at the house of a friend, where he brought out the whiskey bottle.

About this time cries of distress were heard by those there, coming from the direction of the bridge. So far as the thread was concerned it was shown that it was from a coat similar to those worn in this part of the country by numerous people.

In reference to the hair found four days after the murder—a number of witnesses declared that the inhabitants of the town, instead of going to a barber shop, obliged each other by cutting one another's hair at the bridge.

Only the day before the tragedy the deceased cut the hair of a neighbor at this spot.

After three-quarters of an hour's deliberations the jury found the prisoner not guilty, and he was discharged.—London Leader.

MOTOR-CAR HIGHWAYMEN
Since France is the home of motoring, says the Paris correspondent of the London Express, it is only fitting that it should be the first country to produce the accomplished motor highwayman.

It has produced two in the persons of the brothers Arfeuille (Louis and Eugene, aged nineteen and twenty-one). A few days ago they stole a high-powered car belonging to an American resident in Paris, and escaped. They drove at full speed to Tours, holding up every pedestrian they met on the road. When they reached Tours they had accumulated about 250 lbs. of the proceeds of their robberies on the route.

Then they bought six cans of petrol at a grocer's shop, a large stock of lined provisions, and prepared for a lengthy tour. Of course, they drove off without paying. The grocer was quick, but not quick enough. He grasped the back of the car, and hung on for about 30 yards. Then he let go, and was carried homeward by his legs to heel.

The highwaymen went off in the direction of Chateaufort, and met a farmer driving a pig. They ran over the pig. This dismounted, collected the pork, held up the farmer, and after binding him hand and foot placed him alongside the pig in a ditch about ten miles further on, where he was found next day half dead from cold and hunger.

Between Chateaufort and Poitiers they held up several persons, and their stock of money and valuables grew rapidly. It was nearly daylight when they reached Poitiers, but they awakened an innkeeper, whom they sent to the cellar for more wine, followed him, and after gagging him, left him below stairs.

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TIDE TABLE.

Table with columns: Date, Time High, Time Low, etc. for Victoria, B. C., January 1906.

SKOCHER—Got an automobile, have you?

It's very strange I never see you on the road. Newman—"That's because as soon as I land there, I always pick myself up and scramble back into the machine."—Philadelphia Press.

The time used in Pacific Standard for the 12th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

The height is measured from the level of the lower low water at spring tides. This level corresponds with the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are referred, as closely as can now be ascertained.

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Sporting News

LACROSSE. PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS. An important meeting of the Victoria club was held at the Y. C. A. rooms last night under the presidency of Rev. W. W. Bolton. There was a good attendance, and great interest was manifested in the following written statement submitted by the president:

The season of 1906 was very clearly that of purely local material. It cannot be denied that the club was financially in the C. A. L. A. position. The uncertainty of securing solid and permanent employment for men willing to come from other points to uphold the game in conjunction with ourselves makes it an exceedingly difficult and dangerous experiment, as was shown very clearly in 1905.

The present condition of lacrosse in the province is a fairly well-developed profession. This is ruining the younger generation, who, taking example from their elders, are year by year increasing their demands. The tactics of amateurs and professionals is hurtful to both. Neither side is satisfied and the game has to suffer.

The B. C. A. L. A. is in nothing short of a chaotic condition. Discipline and order are at a discount. The laws are openly defied and made of no account. I have narrowly watched the game as played, and comparing it with the printed rules, there were few, if any, of the league matches that in the past season were entitled to rank as such.

Feeling this way, it seems to me that the B. C. A. L. A. needs a thorough over-hauling, and in chief, that the question of whether the word "amateur" should be retained or not should be forthwith decided. But the temper of the majority of those who carry the B. C. A. L. A. along is, I believe, too largely content to permit of such a hope being realized.

But what we cannot attain to in the present organization we can do locally, and by degrees evolve a purely amateur game in the province, without interfering with the B. C. A. L. A., which has done so much for lacrosse, despite its glaring differences these many years past.

ORGAN RECITAL Will Be Given in St. John's Church This Evening. Following is the programme for the organ recital which will be given in St. John's church this evening:

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PUBLIC MEETING

Will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday Evening Next

the 26th instant, at 8 o'clock, to take into consideration the matter of the dreadful disaster of the S. S. Valencia and other lamentable disasters which have recently occurred on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, and to take such action and make such representations to the proper authorities as may be deemed advisable, with the object of securing the most complete protection possible on the West Coast to ocean-going vessels bound to or from Victoria.

A. J. MORLEY, Mayor.

Victoria, B. C., January 26th, 1906.

The legislature sat this afternoon for scarcely twenty-five minutes. A few bills were introduced and the report of the Ancient Lights Bill was adopted.

MARRIED.

BARTEAU-GARVEY—At Vancouver, on Jan. 24th, by Rev. R. J. Wilson, Ernest B. Barteau and Miss Volma Garvey.

DECEASED.—At Blalock, Oregon, on the 21st inst., Antonio Rega, aged 67 years, and a native of Italy.

The funeral will take place on Saturday, January 27th, at 1:15 p. m., from the family residence, 26 Douglas street, and at St. John's church, at 2:30 p. m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

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RESCUERS SAW THEM. DIE

Logan Party Watched Break-Up of Valencia From Top of Cliff, But Was Unable to Render Assistance.

(Special to the Times.)

Cape Beale, Jan. 26.—(Special to the Times.)—Have just been in communication with Logan's party. They went to the scene of the wreck on the 23rd. They reached the top of the bluff near the wreck on the morning of the 24th and were eye-witnesses to the awful sight of seeing every soul swept to death and unable to do anything to save them, as the wreck was about 150 feet from the bluff.

When they reached the top they could plainly see the people clinging to the rigging and others huddled on the top deck.

The passengers wildly cheered when they saw them on the bluff as they evidently thought their rescuers had come.

The Valencia held together till about 12 o'clock when one huge wave came along and crushed everything to pieces.

Nothing now remains in sight.

Nine bodies have been recovered up to noon. The bodies of four men were picked up early this morning.

The beaches for five miles along are strewn with all kinds of liquor, claret, port wine, sherry, gin and whisky. About one hundred kegs and barrels have been washed up, sixty of them unbroken. Also great quantities of olive oil, canned and fresh fruit, vegetables, etc.

Expect to get the names of some of the bodies recovered before night.

KILLED BY HIGHWAYMEN.

Man Shot While Protecting His Wife From Attack.

(Associated Press.)

Coatsville, Pa., Jan. 25.—While endeavoring to protect his wife from attack last night, Boyd Carpenter was shot and killed, his wife was also shot, and is not expected to recover.

Mrs. Carpenter was on her way from Coatsville when she was approached by two men. The screams brought her husband, who, in trying to protect her, was shot down, and in the scuffle she was also wounded. It is believed that the highwaymen were foreigners.

THREATENED WITH DEATH.

Col. Proserovski Informed by Revolutionists That He is a Marked Man.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—Col. Proserovsk, chief of the gendarmerie, at Pensa, East Russia, has been informed by the local revolutionary organization that the recent murder of Col. Lisovsk, commanding the 7th infantry division, by members of the organization was a blunder. He had been mistaken for Col. Proserovsk, and the organization has notified the latter that the error will be very shortly rectified.

TO GET PORTFOLIO.

British Columbia Will Be Fully Represented in Cabinet—Announcement Next Week.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—A full cabinet meeting will be held next week when the cabinet changes will be announced by the premier to his colleagues.

But whenever they are announced they will be as already stated. British Columbia will for the first time have a department assigned to it with a cabinet minister at its head.

JEALOUS FIDDLER.

Attacked Equine Friend While She Was Performing in a Circus.

An unrequited scene with a distinct element of tragedy was the Paris correspondent of the London Chronicle, witnessed at a circus near Acen.

During the performance one of the orchestra, an Italian, becoming furious on seeing Miss Dumais, the leading equestrienne, return the smiling glances of a member of the audience, tried to kill her. He had long cherished a secret passion for the girl, so dropping his violin, he sprang into the arena, and, pulling the performer from her horse, sought to strangle her.

For a moment the audience looked on bewildered, thinking it was a part of the performance, but Miss Dumais' cries brought her brother to her aid. He hit the ferocious lover over the head with a stick to cause him to release his hold of the woman's throat.

The Italian was half-stunned, but recovering himself he drew a knife and stabbed the brother in the back. By this time the audience had taken a hand.

The would-be murderer was knocked down, disarmed, and handed over to the police. The wounded man is in a precarious condition.

A resident of Caladon, Cape Colony, has decided to give his infant son the Christian name of "King Edward Seventh," and has asked Dr. Jamieson and the Hon. J. H. Hoffmeyer, as representing the two political parties in the colony, to stand as godfathers. The Cape Premier will be represented by proxy at the christening.

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BRITISH TARS WERE TOO LATE TO SAVE LIFE

(Continued from Page 1.)

state. Superintendent Cooper says that Mr. Bunker is a brilliant and capable man, possessing a fine personality.

L. W. Sibley, of Seattle, whose son was on the Valencia, was one of those who went out to the scene on the Lorne. He is still in Victoria.

E. Woodbridge, a Vancouverite registered at the Dominion yesterday, had a nephew among the lost.

PROVINCIAL MEN ON BOARD.

Mr. Rolph, of New Westminster, and Mr. Ward, of Nelson, May Be Lost.

A. W. Ross, secretary to the Underwriters' Board in this city, was well acquainted with Mr. Rolph, of New Westminster, and with Harry Ward, of Nelson, both of whom were supposed to be on board the Valencia. Mr. Ross this morning made inquiries of Fireman Segalis, who came to the city by the tug Lorne. From the description given by the rescued fireman, Mr. Ross has little doubt that these men were both aboard.

The fireman described a man exactly like Mr. Rolph, of New Westminster. He says that this man was in the rigging close to where he, Segalis, was lashed. When the latter cut himself away from the rigging and dropped into the water to be picked up by the raft, he left the person who is believed to be Rolph still hanging on. The man answering to the description of Harry Ward was also in the rigging at that time. Mr. Rolph was intending to go North.

SOME OF SURVIVORS.

Twenty-three Men From the Valencia Landed at Port Townsend.

(Associated Press.)

Port Townsend, Jan. 25.—The City of Topeka arrived at 1:30 o'clock this morning with 23 survivors from the Valencia, including 12 rescued from the tug and "two" the boats which carried the first news of the accident to Cape Beale.

FORTY SAVED.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co. Officials Put Number of Rescued at Two Score.

(Associated Press.)

Seattle, Jan. 25.—The steamship Topeka brought 43 survivors of the Valencia save those already reported.

The total saved, according to the figures of the officials of the Pacific Coast Co., is forty, including three men found on "Plover" Island, and one man believed to be alive in the bushes on the island, but who, it is expected, has been located by Indians. This also includes the three reported on the bench near Kluksaw.

The tug Pioneer, returning from the wreck last night, reported nothing left of the hull of the Valencia.

GOLD WAS UNLUCKY.

J. B. Graham Offered Wealth to Anyone Who Would Place Him Safely on Shore.

(Special to the Times.)

Seattle, Jan. 25.—Among those supposed to have perished when the Valencia struck to pieces was J. B. Graham, a passenger, and with him went a bag containing \$1,500 in gold. Survivors of the wreck say Graham frantically offered a bag of gold to anyone who would place him on shore. Others said little heed to the pleadings of the man, and his gold lay on the broken deck, kicked under foot by one bathing in even pick it up. It was one time when gold wouldn't buy what was wanted, said one.

"But that bag of gold, or this ship loaded with billion, would not tempt me into such a place again," said one of the survivors.

Graham, recently sold a mine in Alaska for \$20,000.

W. E. Pearce, general manager of the Pacific Coast Co., Seattle, whose steamship Valencia was wrecked at Cape Beale, says the government is to blame for the wreck of the vessel. He says had a life-saving station been provided in the vicinity of Neah Bay not a woman or man would have been lost.

The government has just appropriated \$100,000 for another revenue cutter for service on Puget Sound. Collector of Customs Ide will do all in his power to have that money spent for a life-saving ocean-going tug to be stationed at Neah Bay. If the government fails to install a proper life-saving apparatus, it is believed marine men of the Coast should

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DRAWING BOOK TROUBLES

The Royal Commission Concludes Its Sittings—All Evidence In.

The royal commission into the school drawing book trouble was resumed this morning before Judge Lammiman.

The first witness called was J. Pearson, J. P., before whom the affidavits of the children were taken. On taking the stand witness declined to give his testimony unless witness' fees were paid. After some discussion, Mr. Eberts, K. C., undertook to see that the witness' fees were paid.

Witness identified the signature attached to affidavits produced as his. The affidavits were taken on the 14th September. They were sent to Miss Cameron. Witness explained that most of the affidavits or documents were written when he saw them first. He said they were somewhat informal, and he pointed out the fact. However, the children were closely questioned by him, and they all thoroughly understood the nature of the documents they signed.

"Were they placed in your possession subject to order of Miss Cameron?" was asked.

Witness replied in the affirmative, and explained that the affidavits were placed in an envelope and put into his safe, to be called for if required at any time.

Mr. Eberts proceeded to question witness as to his (witness') authority, as a magistrate, to take affidavits. A discussion followed among the legal gentlemen on this point, but witness declared that he thought he was doing right. He charged no fee whatever.

Mr. Eberts—No J. P.'s do.

Witness—"Some of them do." He proceeded to explain that he went up to the school and took some of the affidavits. They were in his possession and would have been produced at any time. The reason they were taken at the school was that several of the children were dispersing, some going to other schools and others leaving town. This concluded the evidence.

His Lordship said he would like to recall Mr. Dunnell to clear up some point in that gentleman's evidence.

Mr. Elliott suggested that His Honor might have a private conference with Mr. Dunnell to clear any point on which he was in doubt.

His Honor adopted the suggestion. As soon as he goes through the evidence he will render his decision—some days hence.

The clock in Exeter cathedral, England, is 70 years old. The dial is seven feet in diameter. The dial shows the time of day and the moon's age.

DEATH AFTER HEROIC RACE.

Wife of George Potter Passed Away at Dawson.

Dawson, Jan. 25.—Mrs. George Potter, with 5-year-old child, made a heroic race of 223 miles with a dog team from Dawson creek to Dawson in the hopes of saving her life, died at the Good Samaritan hospital January 25th. She lived only 24 hours after reaching the city.

For twelve days Mr. Potter was on the long trip, eight days of that time struggling with the sleds and dog team that bore his wife toward Dawson. Day after day blizzards swept the trail. When Mrs. Potter arrived here she was given stimulants and all possible was done to save her, but without avail. Had she grown stronger an operation would have been performed. Deceased was 26 years old and had been married but a few years. She leaves a husband and babe of 18 months. Mr. Potter is a successful miner on Duncan and Hight creeks.

First Crookman—"Wot 'ye tink o' dat? 'Ere ain't nuttin' in dis case but some receipts for life insurance premium." Second Crookman—"Say, I'm goin' ter quit dis business. Dere's too much competition nowadays." Cleveland Leader.

Tess—"Yes, I saw May Gaddie at the reception last night." Jess—"Why, that's strange! She told me to-day that she didn't see you there, although she was looking for you." Tess—"Of course, stupid! Didn't I just tell you I saw her?" Philadelphia Press.

The provincial cattle markets of Egypt which have been closed for two years, consequent upon the presence of bovine typhus in the country, are now open as the disease is declared stamped out.

The Irish language has only 13 letters. Sometimes each letter is written separately and not joined together. The chief difficulty in learning Irish is that there are innumerable abbreviations for words and phrases. The language, too, is non-phonetic, the words rarely being a key to the correct pronunciation.

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