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### THE FLOODS.

Thamesville, Ont., March 27.—The river Thames is on rampage, and to-night boats can navigate every street of this town with ease. There is from three to six feet of water in the business places, and more than fifty families are living on the second floor of their houses. The churches are all flooded and closed. Great damage has been done to the stocks of merchants. The water is still rising.

business houses on Genesee avenue and Franklin and Baum streets are out of commission.

### Town Surrounded.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., March 28.—Black river is out of its banks and this town, of 2,000 inhabitants, is completely surrounded by water. Railroad connections are cut off from all directions.

### Hundreds Homeless.

Terre Haute, Ind., March 28.—In West Terre Haute fifty houses are under water and about two hundred people have been driven from their homes by the flood. All the inhabitants of Taylorville, a suburb, have been driven from their homes.

## JAPS AGAIN ATTEMPT TO BLOCK PORT ARTHUR

### Four Steamers Were Sunk by the Enemy's Fire Before They Reached the Entrance to the Harbor—Russians Lost Seven Killed and Thirteen Wounded.

(Associated Press.) Chefoo, March 27.—At 3 o'clock this morning another attempt was made by the Japanese to block the entrance to Port Arthur and bottle up the Russian fleet by sinking four stone-laden steamers in the entrance to the harbor. They were conveyed by eight torpedo boats. As the Japanese fleet, consisting of sixteen ships, neared Port Arthur they were soon discovered by the Russian torpedo boats acting as scouts. When the four steamers approached the harbor they were sunk by the guns of the forts and the Russian ships lying in the outer harbor, which opened a terrific fire. The Japanese fleet weighed anchor and sailed out of the harbor. The fate of the crews of the steamers is unknown.

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St. Petersburg, March 28.—Lieut. Gen. Stoessel, in command of Port Arthur, has issued an order forbidding civilian functionaries to desert their offices and seek places of safety during bombardments. Gen. Stoessel observed that he has not seen them at the batteries when the enemy was attacking. In order that the Russian troops shall not present a bright target for the enemy, an order has been issued by the minister of war, directing that gray instead of white shall be the color of the uniform during the summer season.

### RUSSIAN LOSS.

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### THREE BRAVE RUSSIANS

Boarded Japanese Steamer and Cut Wire Connecting With Infernal Machine. St. Petersburg, March 28.—Large crowds gathered before the bulletin boards this morning to read the official accounts of the second unsuccessful attempt of the Japanese to bottle up the Russian fleet at Port Arthur. Lieut. Krinichin's heroic attack on the enemy's fire-ships and torpedo boats, and the action of three Russian officers in boarding the burning steamers, extinguishing the flames and cutting the wires connecting with the infernal machines, evoked the enthusiasm, while the almost universal exclamation applied to Vice-Admiral Makaroff, as the people turned away, was "Molodetz," which might literally be translated, "He's a dandy."

### BRITISH OBSERVER.

General Sir W. Nicholson, Who Will Accompany Japanese Army, Has Reached Tokio. Tokio, March 28.—The Emperor today donated 100,000 yen to the Soldiers' Relief Society. Count Matsugata and Inoys, promoters of the society, who had an audience with the Emperor, were given the donation. Gen. Sir Wm. Nicholson, director-general of military intelligence of the British war office, has arrived here. Gen. Nicholson will accompany the Japanese army for the purpose of making a special study of the methods of Japan. Capt. Troubridge, the British naval attaché, has departed from London.

### OFFICIAL DISPATCH.

The Attempt to Block the Entrance to Port Arthur—Another Attack. St. Petersburg, March 27.—The following official dispatch has been received from Gen. Smirnov: "Port Arthur, March 27.—Last night, after moonrise, the Japanese attempted to block the entrance to the harbor. "Four fire ships were sent toward the port conveyed by a torpedo flotilla. Toward 2.15 the approach of the enemy's ships was perceived by the guardships, and batteries, which simultaneously opened upon them heavily. "The fire ships were preceded by torpedo boats, and were followed at a considerable distance by large ships, which opened on the forts, supporting the action of the fire ships and torpedo boats. "Owing to the heaviness of our artillery fire and the boldness of our torpedo boats the fire ships did not reach the entrance of the harbor. Two of them grounded on a reef under Golden Hill, another sank behind the first turn of the channel, struck by a torpedo from our boats, and the fourth sank, its bow touching a Japanese steamer sunk in the previous attempt off Majatschnaja Gorda. "The entrance to the harbor remains clear. A Hotchkiss one-inch calibre quick-firer was found aboard one of the sunken steamers, from which a fire had been kept up on our torpedo boats. "A boat left each of the sunken ships carrying their crews. One of these is believed to have been picked up. "Toward 4 a. m., the enemy's torpedo boats retired, and the bombardment ceased. Vice-Admiral Makaroff at once proceeded in a steam launch to inspect the enemy's sunken steamers. "The enemy's torpedo boats reappeared at 5 o'clock this morning. They were sighted south of Port Arthur, and the batteries reopened on them. Toward 6 o'clock the enemy's squadron appeared on the horizon, and ours steamed out to meet it. At 6.30 the batteries opened fire. Our ships' batteries soon ceased, the Japanese drawing off to the southeast, evidently declining an engagement. At 10 o'clock they disappeared below the horizon."

### UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

Regulations at Newchwang Regarded as Apparent Russian Challenge to Neutral Powers. Newchwang, March 28.—The civil administration late last evening notified all the foreign consuls and residents of Vice-roy Alekoff's order placing the city and port of Newchwang under martial law, explaining it had been ordered to safeguard the commercial interests. Pending the publication of the full text of the Viceroy's order the following regulations are ordered to be immediately operative: "The entire territory of the city and port, also all persons, without distinction of jurisdiction and nationality, resident in said territory, are subjected to special regulations regarding a state of war. All travellers arriving by sea, and all cargoes entering ports remain unaltered by naval officers and customs officers. "The importation of arms and ammunition is forbidden. "The exportation of contraband of war is forbidden. "Persons desiring to export contraband goods are required to deposit an equivalent to the value of the cargo. This deposit is to serve as a guarantee that the cargo is not to be forwarded from neutral ports either to Japan or Korea. "The functions of the lightship and harbor guides in the river Liao are suspended. "Contraband of war is to include beans and bean cakes and other food-stuffs. "The regulations will stop Newchwang's trade. Five ships which arrived outside today, and numerous others due, will be unable to ship cargoes. Although the rights of neutrals remain unaltered by the treaty, Russia assumes the power to annul these rights also consular, jurisdiction and extrajurisdiction, rendering the position of foreign consuls untenable. In some quarters the order is regarded as an apparent challenge to neutral powers, and especially to China on account of the appropriation of her territory, and that it renders the United States gunboat Helena and British cruiser Espiegle liable to an order to leave port. The consuls will await instructions from their respective governments, inasmuch as there is no law to guide their actions. The property and trade interests of the foreign residents are being prepared for abandonment. The Foreign consuls had a conference with the civil administrator this morning. The latter informed them that the full intention of Russia's order of yesterday was to proclaim martial law, and also to annul consular jurisdiction, and that the same already was annulled. The British consul interpreted the order as not declaring martial law. The

### JAPS AT SEOUL.

Seven Thousand Arrive in Korea's Capital in Search of Employment. London, March 28.—The Standard's correspondent at Seoul says that since the fight at Chemulpo, over 7,000 Japanese adventurers have arrived at Seoul, in search of employment. WILL LEAVE PORT. It is Considered Inadvisable to Keep British Gunboat Espiegle at Newchwang. London, March 28.—The under foreign secretary, Earl Pease, announced in the House of Commons today that despite the British consul's request that the gunboat Espiegle remain at Newchwang, it had been decided that it would be inadvisable to keep the vessel there.

### MAKAROFF'S REPORT.

Russians Lost Seven Killed and Thirteen Wounded—Harbor Remains Clear. St. Petersburg, March 27.—4 p.m.—Vice-Admiral Makaroff, commanding the Russian naval forces at Port Arthur, has sent the following telegram to the czar: "I beg most humbly to report that at 2 o'clock this morning the enemy made a second attempt to block the entrance to the inner roadstead. For this purpose they dispatched four large merchant steamers conveyed by six torpedo boats to the entrance. "The enemy's ships were promptly discovered by the searchlights, and were bombarded by the batteries and by the guardships Bohr and Otvajany. "Fearing the enemy's ships might break through, Lieut. Krinichin, commanding the guard-torpedo boat Stilia, attacked the enemy and destroyed the bow of the foremost Japanese steamer with a torpedo. This steamer turned to the right and was followed by two others, with the result that the three were straddled to the right of the entrance. A fourth steamer went to the right of the enemy's ships, and likewise sank to the side of the fairway. "The Stilia then battled with the enemy's six torpedo boats. "Engineer Artificer Svyeroff and six seamen were killed, and the commander and twelve men were wounded. "At daybreak the enemy's battieship

### SMALLPOX IN SIBERIA.

Authorities Take Steps to Prevent Disease Spreading to Troops. Irkutsk, Siberia, March 28.—Smallpox has broken out and become epidemic in the interior of this province. The authorities have taken measures to stamp out the disease, which has not as yet affected the troops. HAD GUNS ABOARD. As They Are Assigned to China the Steamer Brisgavia Was Released. Nagasaki, March 28.—The steamship Brisgavia was arrested at Moki on Friday last by the authorities, her manifest showing that among her cargo were seven field guns and two hundred tons of shipbuilding material. When it was explained satisfactorily that this was consigned to Kien Chon, China, the vessel was released. She left yesterday, the 27th inst., for Shanghai, her destination.

### IMPROVING PORT ARTHUR.

New Dock Is to Be Completed in Four Months. St. Petersburg, March 28.—The government is ordering the construction of an immense dock for Port Arthur, to be completed in four months. The text of the acknowledgment by the Empress of the donation of \$5,000 by the Westinghouse Company to Her Majesty's fund, for the relief of the sick and wounded, is as follows: "It has been a pleasure to Her Majesty, the Empress Alexandra Fedorovna, to express her sincere thanks to the stockholders of the Westinghouse Company, consisting chiefly of citizens of the United States, who have placed \$5,000 at Her Imperial Majesty's disposal, for the purpose of aiding the sick and

wounded soldiers in the Far East, as well as for their expression of sympathy with Russia, which at the present time will have particular value. "It is my pleasant duty to inform you, sir, on this Her Majesty's order. "Please accept assurances of my perfect esteem and regard." (Signed) "Count Rostovtsoff."

### JAP SKIRMISHERS ACTIVE.

Russians Expect There Will Be Numerous Conflicts Between Outposts. St. Petersburg, March 28.—General Kouropatkin has left his train at Mukden and proceeding to Liao, whence it is now believed he will proceed to the front, for an inspection of the troops, his visit to Port Arthur being temporarily postponed. Reports from the general staff say the Japan skirmishers are more enterprising, and that more outpost affairs may henceforth be expected.

## NEW WHARF WILL NOW BE ERECTED

### PERMISSION SECURED FROM GOVERNMENT

Freight Shed With Large Capacity Will Be Constructed—Design of Structure to Be Built. Permission having now been obtained from Ottawa sanctioning the construction of the new C. P. R. wharf in James bay, work will be begun on that structure just as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. That it has not been commenced at an earlier date has been no fault of the C. P. R. Company. Objections had been raised, and these had to be considered. Plans had been laid before the department at Ottawa, and the question had to be officially deliberated on. Reference has heretofore been made to the new wharf in these columns. The plans call for a pile wharf of an L shape. It is hoped eventually to have the section parallel to the wharf extending out into the bay, the steamers will just have room to crowd into their berths. In this respect the wharf will be of an up-to-date pile design, such as is frequently seen in big cities, and such as will facilitate the landing of any steamer, making it possible to tie up in stormy weather probably ten or fifteen minutes in advance of time, which would be occupied in approaching one of the old wharves. The C. P. R. Co. has a frontage on the Belleville street side of James bay of about 150 feet, but all this will not now be utilized. About 100 feet will be built on. On the main structure will be built a shed equal in area to all the sheds on the waterfront, from the old Kingston wharf down to the E. & N. bridge. The main approach will be from Motrice street. A ticket office will be built in the eastern end of the shed, and possibly in course of time other sheds and buildings will be constructed. The whole, when complete, will be kept in good condition, so that the bay will not be in any way disfigured by the structure. The new wharf will run up to, but not into, the Esplanade. As stated there is no ground property. As stated there is no ground property. As stated there is no ground property.

## BIG INDUSTRY TO BE STARTED HERE

### IF THE NEGOTIATIONS PROVE SATISFACTORY

Promoter Is Now in City Looking Over Ground—Will Meet Board of Trade. It is not improbable that within a few months preparations will be in progress for the erection here of an immense mill for the Frontenac Cereal Co., a manufacturing concern of Kingston, Ont. Such a plant will involve the expenditure of between \$250,000 and \$300,000, and when completed, constant employment will be provided for not less than one hundred and fifty men. This morning B. H. Blakeslee, the traveling representative of the company, explained the proposition in detail. The cereal business throughout the Dominion, he said, has expanded to such an extent that it was considered advisable to take steps towards the establishment of a plant at some favorable point in the western part of Canada. At first Medicine Hat was suggested, but it was decided that this location would not do, and the company had come to British Columbia with the intention of erecting their mill either at Vancouver or Victoria. Mr. Blakeslee considers that this city would make an excellent site for such a factory. From Victoria the completed article can be exported to all parts of Western Canada at a much cheaper rate than from Ontario. But this is not the principal advantage. The city's shipping facilities for the transport of cereals to Australia and the Orient, he says, is the main inducement for the opening of the manufacturing business here. "We are anxious," Mr. Blakeslee says, "to extend our business to these countries. Victoria is the nearest Canadian point to either, and, therefore, commands itself to us from every standpoint. Of course we expect the city to offer us some inducement to the establishment of such an industry. I intend interviewing the board of trade sometime during the week and hope to come to some satisfactory agreement."

### STEAMER MERMAID SINKS.

Struck on Rock and Went Down in One Hundred Fathoms of Water. (Special to the Times.) Vancouver, March 28.—Steamer Mermaid, operating between here and Jervis Inlet, struck on a rock on Friday morning and shortly afterwards sank in 100 fathoms. There was plenty of time for the few passengers aboard to get away in lifeboats. She was in command of Capt. Wardell, Mate Roberts being at the wheel when the accident occurred. Formerly on Nanaimo Run. Nanaimo, March 28.—Steamer Mermaid belongs to Nanaimo, where her owner, Capt. Wardell, and family reside. The Mermaid plied on the Victoria-Nanaimo run in 1892, and two years later was seized by the sheriff and sold to the New Vancouver Coal Company for \$3,000. The coal company used her to convey miners to and from Protection Island. She struck a rock near the entrance to the harbor here two years ago, and was raised by Capt. Wardell, who purchased her and, after refitting, put her on the Jervis Inlet-Vancouver run. The vessel was valued at \$22,000.

## TRAINS DELAYED.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, March 28.—There will not be any through train from the East till Wednesday on account of blizzards on the prairie. They are very bad between Winnipeg and Moosomin.

## OUR SPRING STOCK OF CARPETS, CURTAINS AND GENERAL HOUSE FURNISHINGS IS BETTER AND LARGER THAN EVER BEFORE.

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CRUISE OF THE RUSSIAN SQUADRON LEAVES HARBOR FOR FIRST TIME DURING WAR

Anxious to Find Japanese Naval Base - Russia's Aim in the Far East.

St. Petersburg, March 26.—For the first time since the war began the Russian squadron to-day left Port Arthur and the protection of its guns. Upon the safe return of the Russian Vice-Admiral Makaroff a dispatch to the Emperor...

St. Petersburg, March 26.—The report of General Smirnov from Port Arthur says: "Our company of irregulars has almost completely annihilated a band of Chinese bandits, about fifty strong, near Vietnam. There are no losses to our side."

Winnipeg, March 26.—The railways are gradually recovering from the snow blockade and two trains left for the West to-day.

The Russian authorities have been privately informed that the Egyptian government proposes to exercise supervision over ships other than warships passing through the Suez canal, in order to ascertain whether they carry contraband of war.

St. Petersburg, March 26.—Proclamations issued by General Voronetz, who is in command at Vladivostok, have been received at St. Petersburg. They urge the people at Vladivostok to remain loyal, but add that only those will be allowed to stay who have 432 pounds of flour and 108 pounds of buckwheat, enough to last eight months.

Theodore Belanger has been found guilty at Montreal of the murder in February, 1903, of Antoine Seguin, his brother-in-law, and sentenced to be hanged June 19th.



FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION. "I am so thankful for what Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done for me," writes Mrs. John T. Smith, of Slocan, B. C., Box 50. "It cured me of a disease which was taking away all my strength, helped me through the long months before baby came and I have a big strong baby girl, the most healthy and happy of all my three."



TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. W. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

YALE VICTORIOUS. Won the Inter-Collegiate Gymnastic Team Championship. New York, March 26.—Yale won the inter-collegiate gymnastic team championship from teams representing eight other colleges here last night.

"YOUNG CORBETT" IN TEARS. Says Decision of Last Night's Fight Was Unjust. San Francisco, March 26.—The result of last night's fight, in which Jimmy Britt was given the decision over "Young Corbett," was a bitter disappointment to the latter, who regarded the decision as unjust.

HAD EIGHT WIVES. One Murdered and Two Are Missing—A Remarkable Case in London. London, March 26.—Public interest continues to be largely absorbed in the extraordinary case of a man named Crossman, who is alleged to have followed the suicide of a man named...

ACCIDENT TO EXPRESS. Ran Into Snowplough—Fireman Was Slightly Injured. Winnipeg, March 26.—The railways are gradually recovering from the snow blockade and two trains left for the West to-day.

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Miss Rose Peterson, Secretary Parkdale Tennis Club, Chicago, from experience advises all young girls who have pains and sickness peculiar to their sex, to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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WANTED—MALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED—Applications will be received up to noon Tuesday, March 29th, for the position of caretaker at the Soldiers and Sailors Home, Esquimaux. Man and wife preferred. Board and quarters provided. Applicants to state salary required, and present testimonials. Address Rev. J. P. Hicks, Beaumont P. O.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED—A put and vest maker. Apply to Sprinkling & Co., 709 1/2 Yates street.

WANTED—Miscellaneous. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED—Small pony, used to children; cheap. State price and age to H. D. Times Office.

WANTED—Good horse, Moore & Whittington, builders, 159 Yates street. WANTED—Household furniture of all kinds, highest prices paid for same; also brass, copper, lead and brass castings; bedsteads, sofas, chairs, etc. At the Old Curiosity Shop, Cor. Fort and Blanche streets. Pierce O'Connor.

WANTED—Restaurant partnership in good business. Apply E. J. Times Office. WANTED—Row boat or Indian canoe, capable of holding about five persons; must be in good condition; state price. H. D. Times Office.

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FOR SALE—One phaeton, two light wagons and four carts; cheap for cash. W. A. Robertson & Son, 56 Discovery St. FOR SALE—A few thoroughbred pointer puppies, 6 weeks old, from Chicago, Bess by Oregon Lad, M. A. Wyde, Times Office.

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SOCIETIES. THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Natural History Society will be held on Tuesday, April 27th, at 8 o'clock p. m., in the Society's Room, Parliament Buildings. The presidential address will be by Dr. Hassell. The Organization of the Society and the Founding of the Provincial Museum. R. R. Gosnell, secretary.

COURT CARIBOO, No. 742, I. O. F. meets in Caledonia Hall, first and third Tuesdays, at 8 p. m., each month. Thos. Le Mesurier, Fin. Secretary, Garbally road.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. THOMAS CATERALL—16 Broad street. Building in all its branches, wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

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Stevens & Jenkins. 84 DOUGLAS STREET.

PURE BROWN Indian Teas. Imported direct from the gardens. Prices from 25c. per lb. upwards. Douglas Hallam, 41 FORT STREET.

BON TON CO. 70% DOUGLAS ST. Big Reduction Sale.

Ladies' and Children's Underwear, Blouses, Skirts, Wrappers, Etc. The entire stock will be cleared out before moving to other premises. Don't fail to take advantage of this sale.

Dallas Hotel ROOM AND BOARD. At reasonable rates during winter months. Rooms En Suite or Single. Heated with steam throughout.

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 filed 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 or abutting on Lots 8 and 12, Lime Bay, Victoria, B. C. A plan of the said proposed works and a description by metres and bounds of the foreshore and submerged lands has been deposited with the Minister of Public Works, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B. C.

L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street. Tel. 980. HALF TONES. OUR HALF-TONE CUTS in copper are unequalled by the biggest Eastern firms. Send a trial order to the B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 25 Broad street. OSBORNE HOUSE—Cor. Pandora and Blanche streets, Victoria, B. C. Good sunny rooms, with or without board, moderate. Mrs. Phil. H. Smith, Prop.

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JEFFERSON TO BE LAUNCHED SATURDAY

TWO THOUSAND WILL ATTEND THE CEREMONY. Moana Arrives From Australia and the Danube From Northern British Columbia Ports.

The Alaska Steamship Company has issued the invitations for the launching of the company's new steamer Jefferson, which will take place at Tacoma Saturday evening, April 2nd.

The invitations sent out by the company are most handsome. The first page bears a picture of the new steamer, cuts of Washington and Jefferson, the national flag and the colors of the company.

NAVAL NOTES.

H. M. S. Bonaventure went out this morning on torpedo practice and gun drill. She will be out two days. Soon after returning she will leave for Vancouver, where she will spend a week.

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MARINE NOTES.

The barque Kate Davenport, while being towed into Ballard, from the Sound, struck on the sand spit near the entrance to Shilshole a few nights ago, and as the tide receded was left with about a quarter of her length hard aground.

BLANCHE WALSH TO-NIGHT.

Well Known Actress Will Present "Resurrection" at the Victoria. Blanche Walsh will be seen at the Victoria this evening in "Resurrection," the play which has all the big capitals of Europe as yet, and which has astounded the playgoers of New York.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Victoria Branch Will Meet This Evening in Congregational Church. The Victoria branch of the International Sunday School Association will hold its annual convention this evening in the Congregational church.

DANUBE RETURNS.

C. P. R. steamer Danube, Capt. McCroskie, reached port on Saturday night from the Naas, the Skeena river, and way ports. She brought down over forty passengers, nearly all of whom departed at Vancouver.

MOANA BACK AGAIN.

R. M. S. Moana, Capt. Carey, arrived from Sydney (N. S. W.), Brisbane (Queensland), Suva and Honolulu on Saturday night, completing a somewhat quick round trip, the only delay occurring being a longer stoppage than expected at the Hawaiian capital.

Catarrhozone Relieves Quickly, Cures Permanently. Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Catarrh and Pneumonia. Throw medicines to the dogs. At best they are unpleasant, often useless.

CATARRHOZONE DESTROYS DISEASE GERMS, BUT IT DOES MORE, IT HEALS DISEASED TISSUE. CATARRHOZONE IS ENDORSED BY DOCTORS, DRUGGISTS AND BY THE THOUSANDS OF CANADIAN PEOPLE WHO HAVE USED IT. YES, SIR, IT IS TAKEN IN AIR.

ROBINSON'S CASH STORE. 39 Douglas St. 1040 Phone. LOOK INTO IT. Cod Fish (Eastern), per lb. ... 8c. Tomatoes (Kent), 2 tins, for ... 25c.

We Are Agents for Jones & Co.'s Photographs. And carry a range of over Seventy Subjects to select from. Among the collection are to be found specially fine pictures of Esquimaux and neighborhood.

Garden Tools FOR SPRING. It is time to prepare for this work. We carry the best make of garden tools and agricultural machinery in the market. Call and inspect our IRONAGE CULTIVATORS.

FURNITURE AT REDUCED PRICES. We have a large stock of FURNITURE, CARPETS, CROCKERYWARE, ETC. Which we have decided to sell at reduced prices to make room for new goods.

VICTORIA THEATRE Monday, March 23th. Blanche Walsh. In the Dramatic Triumph of London, Paris and New York, TOLSTOY'S "Resurrection"

Benefit Concert And Dance IN AID OF The Convalescent Home Under the Auspices of the A. O. U. W., at A. O. U. W. HALL, MONDAY, APRIL 4TH.

THIRD ANNUAL Dog Show. The Victoria City Kennel Club Will Be Held in the Phtharmic Hall, Fort Street, APRIL 6, 7, 8, 9.

The Edison Theatre. Jas. H. Erickson, Prop. and Mgr. Programme, Week March 28th, 1904. Second Week and Continued Success of "HOLMES AND IOLANDES."

Thomas & Grant Merchant Tailors. REMOVED TO THE BRUNSWICK BLOCK, Douglas Street. See their fine selection of goods before purchasing. Satisfaction guaranteed. Prices reasonable.

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Maltose Bread. It is proving a happy revelation as far as digestibility is concerned. It is one of the most appetizing and nutritious breads made. Sole agents: M. R. Smith & Co., Ltd.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE. Sewer Rental and Sewer Construction Tax. 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.

FOR A COLD DAY.

Clark's Pork and Beans make an ideal dish on a cold day. All it needs is a little warming. W. Clark, manufacturer, Montreal.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—Saturday—F. J. Mall, W. J. Purcell, Mrs. Frayne, Miss Paul, M. McDougall, G. A. Keefe, Mrs. McDonald, W. T. Shelton, F. L. Atwood, Mrs. Bards, C. C. Bards, Miss E. Panard, E. B. Cherriman, G. S. Peters, Miss Hudson, W. T. McLean, Mrs. Prescott, C. G. Sherborne, Miss M. Bowser, Miss Turner, D. C. Hertz, F. A. Wickert, A. Wales, H. A. McCann, Mr. Justice Duff, J. J. Shallice, Mrs. Blake, W. A. Hoids, A. M. Hanemann, Max Leiser, J. C. Capperton, Mrs. Lester, Simon Leiser, J. Anderson, W. E. Pascoe, J. Turner, Jas. Crawford, B. Draney, Mrs. McDonald, H. McDonald, Master McDonald, H. Kuraya, W. F. Teetzel, Smith Curtis, Miss McDonald.

PER STEAMER PRINCESS BEATRICE FROM SEATTLE—Saturday—Mrs. Beebe, J. Franklin, Miss Woodward, B. Hall, B. Knight, Mrs. Renne, Miss B. Gouling, Mr. Munro, R. Owen, C. E. Ellis, Thos. Dorman, Mrs. Hall, J. M. Burns, W. Lindley, A. J. Woodward, C. B. Graham, C. A. Lane, Miss T. Mauder, Mr. Osterhays, Mr. Rogan and wife, P. Bradley, W. B. Prescott, H. E. Ellis, J. Fagg, Wm. McCarthy, R. Nesbit, wife, daughter and son, G. L. Clayton, E. V. Henderson, A. Snyder.

PER STEAMER PRINCESS BEATRICE FROM VANCOUVER—Sunday—J. Borthwick, J. McMillan, Mrs. W. G. Cameron, Col. David Healey, E. J. Baldwin, Mr. Field, W. Field, W. Kellogg, Mrs. Kellogg, Miss Handley, B. Hansen, —Wharton, G. L. Tscharen, J. R. Chambers, F. M. Welsh, B. H. Bakalec, Wm. B. Berg, Miss M. Parish, Harold Jones, C. E. McPherson, B. W. Greer, E. J. Coyle, E. H. Fletcher, G. H. Hardy, A. Holderness, A. C. Grantham, Mr. Coles, Mrs. Beca, Miss E. Thompson, Rev. Mr. Thompson, Miss Earl, Mr. Cleming, Mrs. Cleming, T. Nell, Mr. Humphries, J. McAnley, H. Bradley, M. Lenz, W. H. James, G. D. Christie, W. H. Mitchell, W. Drury, Capt. Robertson, J. Foyar, J. Ferguson, S. E. Crasher, Mrs. Williams, W. F. Wright, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Dale, Mrs. Dales, F. T. Moor, Mr. Steven, M. Haffey, G. Ferguson, C. Cooper, W. J. Shaw, J. Burchan, P. F. Venables, W. W. Weeks, Mrs. Weeks, D. L. McGibbon, M. J. Hokensted, Mr. Lindsay, J. Joseph, Lew Spencer, W. H. Lewis, Mr. Edwards.

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Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Saturday—C. H. B. Harris, D. H. Hise & Co., Wilson Bros, B. Nisbet, B. C. Junk & Hdy Co., Miss McClung, Seahook M. S. Co., H. B. Co., Lemons & Goussard, Shawan-jan Lake Lbr Co., A. W. Wilson, J. H. Todd & Son, F. R. S. & Co., M. H. Smith & Co., E. G. Prior & Co., Marine Iron Wks.

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Parents can't afford to neglect the health of their children for if disease strikes itself on the child of tender years it may be the beginning of a long train of serious sickness. Ferreroze is a remedy that mothers can rely on, and every child will be benefited by using it.

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For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh northerly to easterly winds, unsettled, with rain, and stationary to higher temperatures.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, unsettled, with rain, and little change in temperature.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 56; minimum, 39; wind, 6 miles N.; rain, .25; weather, rain.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 56; minimum, 39; wind, calm; rain, .25; weather, rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 52; minimum, 39; wind, calm; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 48; minimum, 14; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.80; temperature, 59; minimum, 54; wind, 12 miles S. E.; rain, .72; weather, cloudy.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 28; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 26; minimum, 16; wind, calm; weather, fair.

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The Ladies' Choral Society, recently organized in this city, will give its first concert on Wednesday evening, April 13th, in Institute hall. The greatest interest has been manifested in the society by the members, and in consequence rapid progress has been made under the charge of Frank H. Watkins, the conductor. With 50 active members the concert will be a most enjoyable one. The programme now under preparation for the concert includes Hoffman's "Song of the Norms," Greg's "At the Cloister Gate," which is an intensely dramatic work, the bright and sparkling "Fair Song" by Jensen, "The Briar Rose," Raff's beautiful part song, "The Day is at Last Departing," and a part song from Schumann's "Paradies and the Peri," called "Wreath Ye the Steps." There will be recitatives interspersed by some of the best known vocalists in the city, including Mrs. W. C. Green, Mrs. D. E. Campbell and Miss Leverton. It is expected that the second concert will be given about the end of May.

EXHIBITION FOR CHILDREN. Pupils of Victoria Schools to Compete For Prizes at Flower Show.

The Victoria Horticultural Society, whose exhibition will be held on August 5th and 6th, has already published the list of prizes to be offered so as to enable competitors to prepare for the event. It is a rule of the society that plants from which the flowers are taken must have been in the possession of the exhibitor at least three months before the show.

The entry fee is 10 cents, which will include admission on both show days. Special tickets are offered for Victoria kindergarten children. They are given under the following heads: Best display of pot grown plants, and best display of cut flowers.

A long list of prizes for school children of Victoria, public or private schools, is arranged for. The prizes are 50 cents and 25 cents respectively for first and second awards for pot plants. The list is as follows: Geranium, fuchsia, begonia (tuberous), begonia (rex), begonia (fibrous), fern, palm, coleus, heliotrope, petunia, asparagus fern, any flowering plant not listed, any foliage plant not listed. For cut flowers three prizes are offered as follows: Best collection of annuals, best collection of perennials and best collection of wild flowers. The awards under these classes are \$1 and 50c, respectively for first and second prizes. The object of the exhibition is to foster a love of flowers among the school children and encourage them in the cultivation of plants.

Forms of entry (which must be filled up by the exhibitor) may be obtained from Rithet & Co., and from James A. Bland, the secretary, 115 Toronto street.

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JEFFERSON TO BE LAUNCHED SATURDAY TWO THOUSAND WILL ATTEND THE CEREMONY

Moana Arrives From Australia and Danube From Northern British Columbia Ports.

The Alaska Steamship Company has issued the invitations for the launching of the company's new steamer Jefferson, which will take place at Tacoma Saturday evening, April 2nd. Two thousand invitations have been issued in entire, and a good many citizens from Victoria will attend the ceremonies.

The invitations sent out by the company are most handsome. The first page bears a picture of the new steamer, cuts of Washington and Jefferson, the national flag and the colors of the company. The whole, which is a most artistic piece of work, the design of a Tacoma young lady, is printed in red, white and blue.

The steamer Dolphin has been selected to carry the guests from Port Townsend. The steamer will leave the dock at 10 o'clock in the morning, arriving at Tacoma about four in the afternoon. It is intended at this time to have the Dolphin stop at Seattle to take on the guests from that city, but owing to the large number of people who will go from there, it is highly probable that a separate steamer will have to take care of the Seattle guests.

The invitation further announces that the pastebord is non-transferable. Transportation and meals will be furnished the invited guests. Luncheon will be served aboard the Dolphin at 11.30 a.m., and dinner at 4.30. The launching will take place at 6 o'clock.

NAVAL NOTES. H. M. S. Bonaventure went out this morning on torpedo practice and gun drill. She will be out two days. Soap after returning she will leave for Vancouver, where she will spend a week.

H. M. S. Grafton's trip from Esquimalt as far as Acapulco was completed in ten days, says a correspondent aboard the ship. Although nothing of a startling character occurred, and only one steamer was sighted in the last 2,000 miles of the voyage, the days were filled to repletion with war-like drills and exercises.

It was quite obvious that straight shooting was not to be resorted to, the aim being devoted to steaming round targets for aiming-tube target practice, as well as the quarterly firing, and Morris-tube target practice and the "loading drill" and "dotter" to fill the intervals. All entered into it with great zeal and interest, and in addition to this, night firing, man-and-arm ship, as well as ordinary night quarters were indulged in. Every effort is made by the officers to encourage a personal interest in every round fired, by offering prizes for aiming-tube practice, as well as ordinary firing, and offering every day a corresponding necessary practice for the "man behind the gun." The Grafton saluted the Mexican flag on anchoring at Acapulco with 21 guns, and the salute was returned by the old-time fort as quickly as possible.

Two muzzie-loading field guns therein could be manipulated. Practice loading being obtained, "prepare for coaling" was the next order, and the crew handled 600 tons of Welsh coal with the thermometer at from 90 to 100 degrees, while sixteen days ago they shipped 730 tons at a time when the snow was falling heavily.

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Torpedo boat, No. 39, quietly stole into Esquimalt harbor on Friday night, unnoticed by a detachment of artillery from the barracks detailed to guard the main yard and Redoubt. The boat, which carried off her manœuvre exercises. With lights out and almost noiseless engines the boat was neither seen nor heard. There will be a drill of this kind every Friday night from now on.

DANUBE RETURNS. C. P. R. steamer Danube, Capt. McCroskie, reached port on Saturday night from the Naas, the Skeena river, and way ports. She brought down over forty passengers, nearly all of whom departed at Vancouver. The Danube also brought down 3,000 cases of canned salmon, which she picked up at the Inverness, Carlisle and Brunswick canneries. The salmon is part of the lot consigned to Japan on the Oriental liner Tartar, which is scheduled to sail to-night.

Capt. McCroskie stated upon arrival that the weather in the Naas had been fine, but exceedingly cold for the season. Strong northerly winds have been blowing incessantly. On board the Danube were Mr. and Mrs. White and a brother of Mr. White, the three being the persons who were held up at Port Simpson a couple of months ago because it was feared they had smallpox. As previously reported the disease had but a slight hold on the people quarantined. The Whites went north from Vancouver on the steamer Tees, and as a result the passengers who came south on that vessel on her return trip were all quarantined at William Head for some days.

MOANA BACK AGAIN. R. M. S. Moana, Capt. Carey, arrived from Sydney (N. S. W.), Brisbane (Queensland), Suva and Honolulu on Saturday night, completing a somewhat quick round trip, the only delay occurring being a longer stoppage than expected at the Hawaiian capital. The voyage was pleasant throughout. No cargo was landed here, but several passengers departed, including D. G. McIntyre, of Vancouver, who, with H. J. Cambie, has just returned from a trip to the Australasian colonies.

The passenger list of the Moana was as follows: Major and Mrs. Hayne, Mrs. and Miss Somerset, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Ramsay and four children, Mrs. Campion, Miss D. Martin, Messrs. T. Kirlew, S. McEwen, T. Dorington, Neville Co-

hen, R. D. Read, P. E. Salmon, Burgess, McClure, H. B. Cambie, H. J. Cambie, T. De Schryver, G. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. P. Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harris, Rev. Jesse Taylor and wife, Miss Dora Taylor, May Taylor, Mrs. J. A. Hiltz and child, Mrs. S. A. Wise and child, Miss Pratt, Miss Berry, Miss R. Harris, Miss E. Moore, Mrs. and Miss Sage, Capt. A. Whiddon, Messrs. A. H. Scoullar, J. N. Williams, N. LeRoy Tracy, R. A. Croft, W. B. Griffin, J. Lindsay, T. Usher, George McGregor, A. S. Harris, J. H. Woodward, A. L. Thompson, C. S. Allen, D. Dunlop, Alexander Rae, George McConnell, C. G. O'Brien, William Crowle, H. C. Taylor, Eric Taylor, J. Brown, C. H. Poole, S. Martin, C. H. Stein, A. B. Bean and George Hyde.

MARINE NOTES. The barque Kate Davenport, while being towed into Ballard from the Sound, struck on the sand spit near the entrance to Shilshole a few nights ago, and as the tide receded was left with about a quarter of her length hard aground. The vessel lay at bottom, however, and will not suffer serious consequences.

C. P. R. steamer Tartar, scheduled to sail for the Orient to-night, will only have a few passengers, but will carry a full cargo. Included in it are 40,000 cases of canned salmon, consigned to Japan. Half of the quantity is of British Columbia packing, while the balance was put up on Puget Sound.

Steamer Queen City is expected back from Quatsino Sound to-morrow, in tow of the tug Lorne.

BLANCHE WALSH TO-NIGHT. Well Known Actress Will Present "Resurrection" at the Victoria.

Blanche Walsh will be seen at the Victoria this evening in "Resurrection," the play which has all the big capitals of Europe ago, and which has astounded the playgoers of New York. Much, however, has been said of the play, infinitely, more has been said of Miss Walsh's superb portrayal of Maslova, the leading character. As an instance of the esteem she has won from the critics, the opinion of so conservative a writer as Anton Dreyfus of the Evening Sun, is well worth while to quote.

"She swayed and held a Broadway audience last night," says Mr. Davies, "as she has never done before. You could literally have heard a pin drop in the prison scene. Miss Walsh threw all her charms into the role, and was sacrificed. With her beady bottle in hand she sat there in the prison yard a befuddled, bearded creature beyond despair, and so far past recollection that when her first love, her betrayer, comes to her protesting repentance and proffering aid she does not recognize him, and merely greets him with the professional leer that habit has taught her to extend to each new customer. It was an awful sight and made your blood run cold. When when he disclosed himself, when Maslova finally realized that this handsome prince in furs was not only her betrayer, but one of the men that sat on the jury which had found her guilty of a murder she had never done, she turned on him and withered him with a scorn which was made the more splendid from the love which it came. In no role that Miss Walsh has played has she shown so intellectual a grasp of a character. Her later notes of sorrow, repentance, tenderness and final love were all touched honestly, surely. Her Maslova in fact was the triumph of her career."

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION. Victoria Branch Will Meet This Evening in Congregational Church.

The Victoria branch of the International Sunday School Association will hold its annual convention this evening in the Congregational church. Not only are the workers of the Sunday schools connected with the association invited to be present, but a hearty invitation is extended to all Sunday school workers in the city and district.

The programme for this evening is as follows: 7.45—Devotional exercises, President B. B. McKicking. 8.00—Address of welcome, Geo. Carter. 8.15—Reading of minutes and appointment of committees. 8.25—Vocal solo, T. W. Martindale. 8.30—Reports, vice-presidents; discussion. 8.50—Paper, "How to Develop the Spiritual Life of the Sunday School," Mr. Ritchie; discussion, opened by A. Huggett. 9.10—Quartette, Petch Bros. 9.15—Address, "Personal Work," Rev. W. C. 9.30—Paper, "Primary Work," Mrs. R. B. Losee; discussion, opened by N. Shakespear. 9.45—Question box, Rev. S. S. Osterhout.

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THIRD ANNUAL Dog Show The Victoria City Kennel Club Will Be Held in Phiharmonic Hall, Fort Street, APRIL 6, 7, 8, 9.

John Davidson, of Murray, Mich., who has judged dogs for over 50 years, will judge all classes. This will be the greatest show we have ever held. Cash prizes in all classes and over 300 specials. A prize for every dog in the show, and a lot of other entries close March 28th; don't forget the date. T. P. McCONNELL, Secy., 55 Johnson Street.

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An extension of the time by which petitions of appeal as aforesaid are received is granted until the 25th day of April, A. D., 1904. CHAS. KEVET, Treasurer and Collector.

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THE MODERN SIREN. It will be remembered that a few weeks ago an English gentleman suggested that a professional glider should be sent north to rub the burrs from the speech of the people of the north country, and that there was a great to-do at the implied insult to the only true source of English unadorned, well, an Englishwoman has joined issue with the pedantic professor.

WATCHES - WATCHES. In buying a watch the first consideration is its ACCURACY as a timekeeper, the material and style of the case being subject to the taste of the purchaser.

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PATENT OFFICE REPORT. Victorian Deceives Canadian Patent on Improved Boat's Check. Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, sends the following report, being an abstract from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending March 15th, 1904: During this week 596 patents were issued to citizens of the United States, Austria-Hungary, 3; Canada, 11; Great Britain, 10; France, 8; Germany, 14; Norway, 1; Sweden, 4; Switzerland, 3.

RIGHTS TO TIMBER. Davies, Sayward & Co. vs. Buchanan Is Before the Supreme Court To-Day. This morning in the Supreme court the trial of Davies, Sayward & Co. vs. Buchanan was begun before Mr. Justice Irving. The case is a rather complicated one, involving large questions of law.

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MAKAROFF'S FAILURES. Makaroff has not yet come off. Again we must be permitted to express our disappointment at his performances. He tells the czar that he went forth to meet the enemy with the intention of giving them battle and came back without applying the test. It would be interesting to know why. He does not say in set terms that the Japanese ran away. He cannot possibly say that they are afraid of him, because they have repeatedly appeared before the entrance of Port Arthur, and on each occasion we fear they have inflicted some loss upon the Russians. We fancy it will be found when all the facts are told that M. Makaroff did not venture outside of the zone that is well protected by his shore batteries. If the Russian admiral expects to entice the wily Togo into a haphazard fight against such odds, we think he will remain isolated until all his supplies are gone. If he should at any time be in a mood for battle, he will probably find the enemy perfectly willing to accept his challenge. As command of the sea is of much importance to Russia, and as it is claimed that trifling damage has been done by the Japanese that has not been repaired, we cannot understand why the Russians should hesitate so long. It is said the Baltic fleet will not start to the relief of Makaroff before next September. It is scarcely likely that Port Arthur and Vladivostok will hold out till that time. The Japs are impetuous chaps. They will not rest content until they have captured the two strongholds. We do not see that there is much prospect of Kourapatkin doing much for the relief of the beleaguered cities for a long time. We merely venture these expressions of opinion with a view of again expressing our disappointment at the course of Makaroff. He is not living up to his boasts, nor, we fear, to the expectations of the czar his master. But it is possible that he has found the situation a trifle more difficult than it appeared on paper, and the Japs a more formidable enemy than he held them to be when he was six thousand miles away.

FISHING. The restraining hand of the law, provincial as well as Dominion, was lifted from the lid of the basket of the fisherman last week. It is no longer a felony to be found in possession of trout, legally taken. The cooing voice of spring has not been heard by many in this land as yet. The chill blasts of winter are still descending upon us from the snow-capped sides of the everlasting hills. There are some evidences that the vernal season is in our midst. But they are not convincing when one is constantly confronted by the frowning countenance of March in the temper of an evil-disposed lion. The merry schoolboy is playing baseball on every vacant lot, the birds in the trees are tuning up in preparation for the grand chorus for which they feel in their hearts they should have received the signal weeks ago. But there is no spirit in the performance of these "harbingers of spring." They are but protesting against the continuation of such an unnatural condition of affairs.

In the case of the complete angler whose name is legion in this favored isle, neither wind nor weather, nor frost nor snow, can conquer the spirit that rises and commands him to go forth. The voice that whispers to him is as insistent as the mysterious summons that calls forth love's melodies from the bursting hearts of the birds. The alluring coo of the gentle dove is not more enticing. It is the voice of nature appealing to the hearts of her children. She calls them to communion in her secret places. If the complete angler returns well laden, he is pleased. His reward consists not in the abundance of his catch, but in the fact that he has complied with the demands of nature, and is better fortified for the work to which he must set his hand. Of course there are fishermen who return to artificial life and morose. Such have not trusted to Nature's mellowing influence. They have not quaffed the cup of nature's philosophy. They are not anglers.

LONDON OPINION OF THE G. T. P. The London Financial Times seems to think the government of Canada has driven a rather hard bargain with the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company. It has hopes that the great project may turn out all right from the point of view of the investor, but it does not hesitate to say that it has its doubts about that. We note the objections of our London contemporary principally because they supply such a complete answer to the carping of Conservatives in Canada who assert that all has not been revealed in connection with the negotiations for the extension of the great Canadian line to the Pacific. Canada's experience, under former governments, with railway companies was so unfortunate, that it is perhaps to be expected that undertakings of such magnitude shall be regarded with some suspicion. The Financial Times confesses that this new development, coming at a time when the company after years of adversity appeared at last to be opening up a vista of prosperity, such as seemed to indicate a possibility of some distribution eventually even upon the dividends ordinary stock, is particularly annoying and disquieting, especially to the holders of the junior securities. The company, instead of conserving its forces, diligently cultivating its territory and gradually building up its financial status, is launched again upon an enormous plan of construction, Imperial in its importance, of which no man can foresee the outcome. True it is that the Grand Trunk Pacific, which is to construct the 4,200 miles or so of the Western section between Winnipeg and Port Simpson, is a separate company nominally, and it was at one time thought that it could be financed independently. But it is found now that the credit of the older company is essential to the existence of the new one. Somehow or other the Grand Trunk will have to find the deposit money of a million sterling which the Canadian government somewhat exactingly requires as a guarantee for the construction. In addition, it is required to guarantee a second mortgage bond issue for providing one-fourth of the cost of construction, which is estimated at seven million dollars, or £1,400,000, for the prairie section, with the addition of £108,000 for interest at 4 per cent, during construction, or £1,508,000 in all, involving an eventual charge for interest of £22,700. The 600 miles of mountain section, would cost the company for its proportion of one-fourth £1,400,000, including interest during construction, so that the whole charge would be £2,908,000, carrying interest at the rate of £118,700 a year. This, however, would not begin to accrue until the expiration of eight years. The rolling stock, it appears, is to be provided for by a separate trust. To the natural ob-

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On the whole, we are inclined to think that the Grand Trunk directors, forced as they were to contemplate the consequences of the construction of the new trunk line being undertaken by hostile interests, have chosen the wiser course in facing the peril of the enterprise themselves. If Mr. Hays be correct, the possibilities of traffic from the great grain-producing area of the Northwest are almost limitless, both in respect of East-bound freights and of Western shipments to China and Japan, while the Western section at the worst will keep that class of competition out of the hands of rivals. The Canadian government has certainly not treated the Grand Trunk with anything like the liberality that it meted out to the Canadian Pacific, but times have changed greatly since those days, and it is practically certain that no better terms could be obtained. The financial liabilities undertaken by the Grand Trunk are not so onerous as was at one time supposed, and the bulk of them are immediately met by the chairman himself, remarked, risk is, indeed, inseparable from so great a venture; but risk, and as some people think even greater risk, would have been involved in rejecting the scheme, and allowing what may very well turn out to be a magnificent opportunity to be seized upon by more enterprising rivals. As it is, the Grand Trunk has identified itself with the progress of the Dominion; and if that progress be as great in the next decade as it has been in that just closed, there can be small doubt of the ultimate success of the enterprise.

We suspect the Japanese sent those fireships in the direction of Port Arthur just to give Russian lieutenants opportunities to "cover themselves with glory." But why are ships intended to be sunk called "fireships," and why did the heroic lieutenant put out the fires and cut the wires connecting with the "infernal machines" when the whole business was done over again by the act of the Russian batteries in sinking the ships?

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to prove to Japan that his intentions are serious.

On the whole, we are inclined to think that the Grand Trunk directors, forced as they were to contemplate the consequences of the construction of the new trunk line being undertaken by hostile interests, have chosen the wiser course in facing the peril of the enterprise themselves. If Mr. Hays be correct, the possibilities of traffic from the great grain-producing area of the Northwest are almost limitless, both in respect of East-bound freights and of Western shipments to China and Japan, while the Western section at the worst will keep that class of competition out of the hands of rivals. The Canadian government has certainly not treated the Grand Trunk with anything like the liberality that it meted out to the Canadian Pacific, but times have changed greatly since those days, and it is practically certain that no better terms could be obtained. The financial liabilities undertaken by the Grand Trunk are not so onerous as was at one time supposed, and the bulk of them are immediately met by the chairman himself, remarked, risk is, indeed, inseparable from so great a venture; but risk, and as some people think even greater risk, would have been involved in rejecting the scheme, and allowing what may very well turn out to be a magnificent opportunity to be seized upon by more enterprising rivals. As it is, the Grand Trunk has identified itself with the progress of the Dominion; and if that progress be as great in the next decade as it has been in that just closed, there can be small doubt of the ultimate success of the enterprise.

We suspect the Japanese sent those fireships in the direction of Port Arthur just to give Russian lieutenants opportunities to "cover themselves with glory." But why are ships intended to be sunk called "fireships," and why did the heroic lieutenant put out the fires and cut the wires connecting with the "infernal machines" when the whole business was done over again by the act of the Russian batteries in sinking the ships?

There is great indignation in Russia because the Japs are using "infernal machines" to sink ships in the Port Arthur channel. They should restrict themselves absolutely to torpedoes, which are missiles of benign intent and entirely harmless purpose. They should also direct them at Russian warships instead of at useless hulks.

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PERSONAL. W. R. Begg, the genial representative of the Irving Umbrella Company, Toronto, is in the city on one of his periodical visits. Although, strictly speaking, this is Mr. Begg's regular spring trip, he is really a herald of the fall, the exigencies of trade requiring him to tour the country six months ahead. He reports the outlook throughout the Northwest and extreme West as extremely gratifying. In fact, the bright prospects are shared by the country at large, and there is nothing like a run along the two bands of steel which connect the Atlantic with the Pacific to eloquently convince one of Canada's great future from the standpoint of trade. Mr. Begg arrived last evening and will remain until Friday or Saturday. He is at the Driad.

B. W. Greer, general freight agent, and E. J. Coyle, assistant general passenger agent of the C. P. R. at Vancouver, were among the passengers on the Princess Beatrice from the Mainland yesterday.

F. C. Wade, former crown prosecutor in the Yukon, intends to practice his profession in this province. He is now in the city for the purpose of taking the necessary examination before the benchers.

Among the commercial men at the Vernon are: H. W. Findley, of San Francisco; Wm. James, of Toronto; and W. H. Lewis and Fred T. Moore, of Vancouver.

Jas. Fowler, of Vancouver, Lloyd's surveyor, is in the city, a guest at the Vernon, for the purpose of making an inspection of the British ship "Fort."

Mrs. W. Hogg, of Sunderland, Eng.; W. Fleming, of Marine Island; T. K. Dook, of Sault Ste. Marie, are guests at the Balmoral.

W. Storey and wife, of Seattle, who have been guests at the Balmoral, left last evening for their home again.

Col. D. Healey, United States immigration officer, came over from the Terminal City yesterday.

Mrs. W. G. Cameron came over from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Beatrice.

CENSURED CHIEF CROSSAN. Nanaimo Police Commissioners Give Warning That Department Must Be Improved at Once. The police commissioners of Nanaimo have reported the result of the inquiry into the conduct of Chief Crossan, relating to the arrest of Nightwatchman J. Gilligan on the 13th December, 1903, for the theft of a watch, chain and locket at the Vendome hotel on the 9th November, 1903. The commissioners report that the chief of police is deserving of censure for the questionable manner in which the case was dealt with at several points, particularly where the other officers were not informed when he had received information regarding the watch. By keeping them searching for the watch and the thief, after he had the watch in his possession and had been made aware of the person who had committed the theft, tended strongly to give color to the rumor that he intended to shield Gilligan from the consequences of his crime. The manner in which the records of the police office have been kept should be improved.

Regarding the charge that the chief did not intend to arrest Gilligan at all, they came to the conclusion that it has not been proven.

The report of the commissioners concludes as follows: "A careful consideration of the evidence given before us revealed the fact that considerable laxity has prevailed in the administration of the affairs of the police department, which we strongly condemn, and we feel it incumbent upon us to state that unless immediate steps are taken to improve upon the methods that have obtained for some time past, we shall be forced to take up the question of the reconstruction of the force upon general grounds."

Springfield, Mass., Republican. One thing which the business district of Baltimore will gain from the fire will be the complete burial of all wires except the trolley. The city electrical commission has decided to issue no permits for the restoration of poles in the burned district, and those left standing are being cut down and carried off for distribution among people in need of wood. The municipality had already provided underground conduits for wires and the various companies will now be compelled to make use of them.

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The Excelsior League of the Metropolitan Methodist church will meet in the league room on Wednesday evening, when an address will be delivered by Rev. Mr. Connor, pastor of the James Bay Methodist church, on "How Worlds Are Made."

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As was stated in the regimental order published in the Times on Saturday, drill order will be the dress at the manoeuvres on Good Friday. This means forage cap, serge patrol, waist belt, side arms, pouch and rifle. Haversacks will be issued at the drill hall.

Somebody raided a chicken roost belonging to Mrs. Baskett, on Franklin street, on Saturday night, and made off with eight fowl. Having trodden in lime the thief was traced several hundred yards, but the rain oysterated further clues. The police were notified, but so far the raider has not been captured.

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The funeral of the late James Grantham, aged 44 years, miner, a native of London, England, took place this afternoon from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral & Furnishing Co. The Bishop of Columbia read the impressive services of the Church of England at the graves. Deceased had been an inmate of the Jubilee hospital for a long time, suffering from an axillary abscess, and died there on Saturday last.

The steam collier Hero had a wild experience on her last down trip from Ladysmith for San Francisco. A gale carried away the forward bulkhead of the poop, stove in windows and doors on the starboard side, flooding the decks to the rail and doing considerable damage about the decks. The Hero, laden with 5,200 tons of coal, was hove to for 30 hours, during which time it was impossible for anybody on board to get either forward or aft.

Still Increasing.—The income of the B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Company for the month of February amounted to \$87,935.53. The income for the first two months of this year was over fifty thousand dollars greater than the same two months of last year. The month of March will be another record breaker. The officers expect that it will go over one hundred thousand dollars. This heavy income will enable the company to make a large number of new loans during the present year.

A committee of the board of trade waited on His Worship the Mayor on Saturday morning with reference to advertising Victoria in the Montreal Star. After discussing the matter thoroughly, it was arranged that His Worship should convey to Mr. Williams, the Star's representative, an intimation that they were not prepared to enter into negotiations at present. It is understood that the Star's proposition was \$2,500 for a six months' half column advertisement and \$20,000 for a half page from the government.

Ald. Vincent has a notice of motion on the city hall bulletin board providing that a sum be included in the estimates to enable the city to be lighted by electricity every night in the year. This, plainly, is to guard against a repetition of a number of experiences which must have derogated from the attractiveness of Victoria last year. It will be remembered that on several occasions when the modest moon refused to shed its radiance in this direction the place was plunged in darkness, and the limbs of visitors wandering around were in constant danger.

The concert at the Vesuvius public hall on Friday, March 25th, under the management of Rev. Mr. Stevenson, pastor of the Methodist church, Salt Spring Island, was a grand success, the hall being well crowded. The programme was a lengthy one. Solos, duets, choruses and recitations were rendered by local talent. Those who took part were: Miss P. Patterson, Miss Edwards, Miss M. Lee, Miss Mollet, Miss Lisk, of Nanaimo, Mrs. Horel, Mrs. Lee and J. A. Harrison. A. Cook acted as accompanist. Miss Lisk's recitations were, as usual, loudly applauded, and J. A. Harrison's singing was much appreciated. W. Mowat discharged his duties as door manager in a capable manner. After refreshments were served "God Save the King" was sung bringing a most enjoyable evening to a close.

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Author of "Lady Mary of the Dark House," "His Grace," "Queen Sweetheart," "Behind a Veil," "Fortune's Sport," "A Woman in Grey," "The Barn Stormers," &c.

SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTER: Sir Peter Markham is yachting in the Mediterranean with his daughter Eve, and his private secretary Dick Knight, a clever fellow, but with no prospects. The girl, understanding the reticence of the young man, induces him to make love to her. Her father hears the confession, and which the girl takes the responsibility. The father, who made his money in South Africa, however, discourages the idea, as Knight is neither rich nor a genius. It is arranged that the private secretary shall leave at Tangier. In the meantime, the yacht comes across a strange craft. There appears to be no one on board, and Sir Peter and the secretary, with volunteers from their crew, resolve to board this mysterious vessel. Dick leads the way. The yacht proves to be exquisitely furnished, and some of the cabins had lately been in the occupation of a woman. There is a gold repeater watch with diamond monogram, and some other belongings of a richly of a wealthy gentleman. But there are no signs of a crew, or indeed, of departures from this spell-bound ship. At last, however, attention is directed to a big packing-case.

### CHAPTER III.—(Continued.)

#### The Red Spot.

"Then we'll strike a bargain on those lines," exclaimed Sir Peter. "So now, since we've sorted out our plans, if you've done with that packing case which started the whole conversation, we'll go on to the hold, and perhaps at once upset all our own calculations." Dick did not think that this would happen, but he held his peace. He felt that he had said enough. The lantern Sir Peter had suggested looking for was secured on returning to the forecastle, and the two men set out for an exploration of the hold. There they found the obvious: a smooth layer of lead ballast, in lieu of the cargo which would have filled the hold of a merchant ship and nothing else. They did not give up the search until Sir Peter had absolutely satisfied himself that, in this dark, depressing place, there was no clue to the secret of the Xenia.

"Still," he said at last, "we've by no means finished the night's work. There is the clothing in the cabins, and there may be papers of importance there, though every other place seems to have been cleared. We will go together, if you choose; that is your right, because, in a fashion, I've engaged you to work up the case, so to speak. But I tell you frankly, what I want is to do this one thing by myself. I have my reasons, and as yet—they're for myself alone."

"I'll go up on deck, have a smoke, and think things over," said Knight. "You will find me there, if you want me later." They parted—Sir Peter to visit the deserted state rooms, where the scattered jewels still gleamed coldly under the electric light; Knight to go on deck. The moon was now at the zenith. There were no more black, elusive shadows, but a flood of white light streaming directly down from overhead. Dick filled and lighted an old briar-wood pipe, which had been a humble, but valued, friend of his for years. He began to pace the deck slowly and thoughtfully, but instead of concentrating his mind on the mystery of the derelict, half unconsciously he let it go wandering back to his own past.

Perhaps this was natural. Though it was vital to his interests now that he should wrestle with the secret of the Xenia, still, if his past had been like that of other men, he knew he would not have been so heavily handicapped in undertaking the queer task to which he had set himself.

In thought, he was again a little boy of five years old, alone in a Neapolitan hotel, wondering what was to become of him, now that his beautiful mother was dead. He had actually forgotten the present, and was reviewing an extraordinary incident which had decided his whole future life, when he almost stumbled against a curious object he had not seen before.

It was a large iron cage, and the spot where it stood on deck had been in deep shadow when he and Sir Peter first came on board the derelict. Not only had it been shrouded in darkness so that, in a hasty look round, they had failed to notice it, but the uneasy motion of the yacht had caused an elaborate chain

longer to slide against the cage, while a rug of crimson wool which had covered the chair had blown over the roof. It still hung there, twisted round an ornamental ball in the centre, but a change in the direction of the breeze had sent one fringed end flapping over another, and half the cage was now exposed.

Dick Knight grew up suddenly from the lonely little boy of five into the equally lonely young man of five-and-twenty, and pulled the crimson rug down from the roof of the iron cage. Here, he felt, with a shock of the nerves, was the strangest thing of all. Was the cage empty, or was there some dark shape crouching in the far corner? Knight asked himself quickly.

No, there was nothing. The cage was empty, and the young man stood staring down at it, silently and expectantly, as if he waited for a voice to speak and explain the relation of this strange object to the mystery of the derelict.

The door of the cage was shut, but as Knight had bent to look in and make sure it was empty, he saw that the bars of the door were bent and strained out of shape, while a large padlock, with which it had once been fastened, was broken. Either some person not in possession of the key had wrenched the padlock open, and freed the creature imprisoned inside, or the creature itself had succeeded in forcing its own way out, and escaping.

But what had been the inmate of the cage? Something not human had evidently made its home behind those iron bars, and lately, too, for a slightly pungent, animal odor still hung about the cage. The beast could not have been as large as a lion or a tiger, for the iron house was not more than ten feet in length, by five in height, and scarcely half as long as broad. Still, judging by the size of the bars, the prisoner must have been respected for its strength; and, judging by the elaborate ornamentation at the top of the cage (a carved wreath of gold twisted round a large, polished ball of silver), it had been highly valued by its owner.

Knight told himself that possibly his imagination was running away with him, but he could not throw off the impression that here, in this broken cage, and in the store room with the great empty packing case, lay the chief clues to the mystery of the yacht's desertion. And yet there seemed to be no actual "clues" at all. He tried again and again, standing there alone on the moonlit deck, in front of the cage, to construct a workable theory with these two stage properties as the basis. But invariably he came up against a blank wall at last.

The packing case was large enough to hold the body of a very tall man; but there must have been (if one accepted the theory of wholesale murder) many bodies which it had once held. The huge box would have been useless as a place of concealment. But perhaps the murderer himself might have come on board in it, with the aid of a confederate. So far, so good; yet what was there to prove that there had been murders and a murderer? And what connection could the broken cage possibly have with the packing case, its bed ticking, and its queer grating?

Knight had invented and demolished half a dozen theories, and was laboriously building up a seventh, when he heard Sir Peter's voice.

"You there, Knight?" asked the millionaire. "All, yes, I see. Well, I trust you've been more fortunate than I have. I've discovered nothing. The only papers on board this yacht are the journals and magazines we saw in the saloon. There's nothing private, and there's no name on anything. What luck have you had?"

"Nothing much," said Dick, cautiously, for it was not his policy now to show lack of confidence in the detective power, which were to buy him a chance of happiness. "But what do you make of that, sir?" And he pointed to the broken cage.

Sir Peter stared, as Dick had stared. "I can't make anything of it," he said, after a reflective pause. "Except that the people on board this yacht had a queer pet of some sort, and that it got loose, or was let loose into the very middle of the mystery. But instead of clearing the mystery up, this only thickens it, if one is to suppose that the cage could have had anything to do with it at all. Do you think it had?"

"Yes," said Knight. "I can't help thinking it had."

"Well, aren't you going to tell me why? Or am I to have nothing more from you gratuitously, now we've struck a bargain?"

Dick laughed and hesitated. Should he let Sir Peter believe that he really did think himself on the right track, or should he frankly confess that he was still as far astray as ever? While he hesitated between the natural desire to begin proving the possession of genius to the man who had offered to buy it, and

the impulse to be perfectly open at all costs, an extraordinary sensation took hold of him. It was exactly as if that voice for which he had been waiting had spoken in his ear. It said little or more than half-a-dozen words; but Knight felt as though a key had been thrust into his hand, and by-and-by he should find that it fitted somewhere. So vivid was the effect upon his mind and his somewhat over-strained nerves that he started slightly.

"What is the matter?" sharply inquired Sir Peter Markham, for his nerves were overstrained. "Nothing," said Knight, recovering himself. "A passing thought-wave, perhaps. Let me see, what was it you asked me, sir? Whether I was ready to go on giving away theories or whether I meant to keep them to myself?—I'm inclined to think that I should do better to keep the one I have, and use it as a corner stone for that building 'I'm going to put up for you.'"

"Do you mean to tell me, then, that you've already given as much as a corner stone out of this confused mass of heterogeneous material?"

"That is my impression at present. But look here, Sir Peter, I don't want anybody else to be turned on to this job, unless I confess myself a failure and give it up. That's part of our bargain, isn't it?"

"The captain of the Port of Gib will have to be allowed a finger in the pie, I suppose," said Sir Peter.

(To be continued.)

## PROVINCIAL NEWS.

**VERNON.**  
The congregation of the Methodist church gathered at the parsonage on the occasion of Rev. Mr. Turner's birthday, and presented him with a complimentary address and a sum of money.

**GRAND FORKS.**  
Ald. McLellan has resigned. In a letter to the council he says the acquisition of interests in Alberta and at other points will compel him to be absent from the city at frequent intervals during the coming summer, and under the circumstances he feels that he could not devote to civic affairs that constant and intelligent consideration to which the citizens are entitled.

**NELSON.**  
A delegation from the board of trade called on Superintendent Busted, of the C. P. R. the other day, and had a conference with him in regard to the extension of the telegraph lines of the Canadian Pacific telegraphs from Grand Trunk Lake. The committee desired that the extension be made as early as possible, so that it could be used as soon as the open season begins, and trade lives up. They further explained that owing to the fact that there is only a tri-weekly service between here and Trout Lake, that if a telegraph line was put in there would be a great deal of business for it, and that it would greatly expedite business. Mr. Busted said that R. Marpole, the general superintendent of the Pacific division, would be in Nelson in about a week, and that he would call his special attention to the need of the extension of the service to Trout Lake.

In the Supreme court, today, legal points will be argued in connection with certiorari proceedings instituted on behalf of the two Chinese, Jim and Sing, who were recently fined \$400. The case came before Police Magistrate Williams in the first instance, when prisoners were charged with smuggling liquor and cigars into the city. J. A. Russell appeared for the Chinamen in the police court, and asks to have the conviction quashed. The ground of the application is that the police magistrate reserved decision on one of the charges until after he heard the evidence in the other, which course was illegal.

The funeral of the late W. H. Dorman, post office inspector, took place on Saturday afternoon from the family residence and was very largely attended, both by citizens and members of the post office staff. The services were conducted by Rev. Robert Laird.

**ROSSLAND.**  
The past week was somewhat uneventful in connection with the mining industry, although on all sides are reports of enhanced activity in developments and exportation and satisfactory results attending these efforts. Additional activity is predicted as soon as the snow goes, which will be in a few days. Further railroad construction to various mines is anticipated. Shipments from the Rossland mines for the week ending Saturday night were Le Roi, 5,504; War Eagle, 1,175; Centre Star, 1,500; Kootenay, 350; Jumbo, 300; Le Roi No. 2, 905; White Bear, 75; total, 9,839; for the year to date, 110,119 tons.

John Carson, aged 24, broke his neck at the Le Roi mine on Saturday. He was employed on a timber gang at the 100-foot level, and stepped into the ore chute connecting with the 300-foot level. He was found at the foot of the chute. Deceased came here from Coeur D'Alene four years ago, and was married two months ago.

The Spitznagel mine will increase activity at an early date. This will be brought about by the installation of the big electric pump, which will be placed in a convenient position for clearing the shaft, into which the water from the whole mine drains. Heretofore the pump has been operated from the air compressor, and the relief on the compressor thus afforded will enable the company to place another drill on the second level, where considerable development work is under way, with a view to opening up the fine ore body encountered at that depth. The crew will

be increased to about 75 men, the increase taking effect early in April.

**KAMLOOPS.**  
Two deaths occurred at the Provincial Home last week. On Wednesday Alexander Thompson, who has been an inmate of the home since October, 1892, died at the age of 87 years. Prior to admission he had been engaged in farming in Mission municipality. He was a native of Ontario. Alexander Williams, a colored man, passed away on Thursday, aged 69 years. He was a native of the United States, but came to this province some years ago and resided at Langley for a long time. Later he was admitted to the Columbia hospital, New Westminster, and was transferred to the home here two years ago.

Robert H. McGinnis, of the Colonial hotel, died at the hospital on Friday, aged 46 years. Mr. McGinnis had been badly shaken up in the railway accident near Moose Jaw two weeks ago; and his death was directly due to an injury then received. In that accident his hand was hurt, and a few days ago it became worse and it became necessary for him to go to the hospital, blood poisoning having set in and to this he succumbed. The deceased had been a resident of this province for over eighteen years. Four years ago he came to Kamloops, and later he had conducted the Colonial hotel. In December last he, in company with J. A. Cameron, took a trip east, and visited his relatives at Itherville, Quebec, and it was while returning from there that he met with the accident whose effects have had so disastrous an end.

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**NOTICE.**  
J. 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 a transfer of the license to retail liquor of 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 "Whispering Greenery Company," on the premises known as numbers 19 and 21 Government street, in the said city of Victoria, to which premises it is intended that the said license shall apply as a bottle license. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 12th day of March, 1904.  
J. BALL.

**Sealed tenders** addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Additional Work on the Construction of an Addition to the Post Office at Nanaimo, B. C., according to plans and specifications to be seen on application to the caretaker of the Post Office at Nanaimo, at the office of Wm. Henderson, Clerk of Works, Victoria, B. C., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.  
Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied, and signed with the actual signature of the tenderer. An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party tendering declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.  
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**FRED. GELINAS,** Secretary,  
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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 500 acres can be acquired by any individual or company, 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 \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to the value of the claim. A 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. The claimant must be recorded in the mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for recording the same, and upon completion of the same, the claimant must pay the fee for recording a claim in \$5.

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 compliance 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 mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 100 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a royalty of 2 1/2 per cent. of the value 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; entry fee, \$10.00. On the Yukon Territory, North Saskatchewan River, claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet wide, the latter being 100 feet wide and 100 feet long. The latter includes bar and bench, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where stream power is used, claims are 100 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, subject to the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bars or bays of the river below water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive entries for bars, diggings or claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high-water mark on each alternate season.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each five miles or fraction thereof is sufficient. The annual fee for each mile of river leased, royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases 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 bars or bays in the river below water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year in which the lease is granted. The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one for every five miles or fraction thereof within six years from such date. Rental, \$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 and bar claims may be obtained exceeding 250 feet in length, measured on the base line of general direction of the creek or gulch, and not exceeding 100 feet in width. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of the mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction. The person or company obtaining 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 no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary 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 one claim, either bar, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and may also hold any number of claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of \$2. A claim 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, and within the Yukon Territory, a claim for prospecting for petroleum, an area of 640 acres. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and determine to establish such 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.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, February, 1904. JAMES A. SMART, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

**NOTICE.**  
All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimaux & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of the former District, on the East by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the B. & N. Railway Land Grant.  
LEONARD H. SOLLIT, Land Commissioner.

**NOTICE.**  
I intend to apply to the Board of License Commissioners for the next sitting for a transfer of the license held by me to sell liquors by retail on the premises known as the Continental Hotel, situate on the corner of Douglas and Cormorant streets, in this city, to Alfred Wood.  
Victoria, B. C., March 25th, 1904.  
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ACTIVITY IN IMPROVEMENTS. Large Number of Permanent Sidewalks Will be Laid Down This Year.

The present municipal regime promises to be marked by a most gratifying activity in public improvements. Not the least of these will be the extent of permanent sidewalks now contemplated, reference to which has been made frequently in the Times. As the public are now aware, a most elaborate programme has been authorized for Yates street, and Ald. Stewart has a notice of motion along this line on the bulletin board. Ald. Vincent has a notice of motion providing for the laying of a permanent sidewalk on Wharf street, and Mayor Barnard has another in regard to new walks on Birdcage Walk and Menzies street, as forecasted in these columns several weeks ago. The notice states that he will recommend that the council determine to lay a permanent sidewalk on the west side of Birdcage Walk between Belleville and Superior streets, and on the east side of Menzies street between the same two thoroughfares. Part of the cost of this work will be borne by the provincial and Dominion governments, as sections will affect their property.

The Mayor has another notice of motion which will be dealt with at this evening's meeting of the city council. It is to the effect that a by-law be prepared providing that the money left over from the Point Ellice bridge appropriation after the structure of Bay street, in this connection it is gratifying to note that the authorities expect a considerable surplus from the Point Ellice funds. Although the bridge is not altogether complete the city engineer is able to estimate approximately the sum that will be at the disposal of the city. This will be more than enough to defray the cost of continuing Bay street—a work which will cost probably seven or eight thousand dollars. This improvement will assuredly effect a saving in the long run. Roadways will recall that the city is bound by an agreement with the tramway company, entered into several years ago, to maintain Rock Bay bridge at sufficient strength to stand the thirty-two-ton cars, from the time the Point Ellice bridge is finished. This will be unnecessary if Bay street is continued, the tramway company agreeing to extend their tracks along Government and then along the extension. Under the other arrangement a certain sum would have to be expended yearly in repairing the bridge and keeping it up to the required standard of strength, and it would not be long before a sum would be expended equal to that necessary for the continuation of Bay street.

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Robert McLellan, of Minneapolis, was killed while working in the Winnipeg stone quarry. He was about 59 years of age.

SATURDAY'S OUTING. Hunt Club Had a Successful Run—Exciting Chase Across Country.

Saturday's run of the Hunt Club, from Hillside avenue, was a most successful one in all respects, day perfect, field large, going good, jumps numerous and of average height, pace fast enough to suit all, and fun started from the first jump right through until the end. The hares, "Mary Anderson" and "Frank L.," had the honor of being chased over the country. They had the usual five minutes' law, and set a rattling pace that required all the speed of the fast ones to follow. The course was off a lane from Hillside avenue, through McTear's farm, King's and Glendening's land, finishing up at the foot of Cedar Hill. The first jump was the cause of some annoyance to a gaiter sailor, who carried considerable of the timber with him, much to the dismay of the "hard goods" and to the gratification of the more "soft" ones. One of the lady riders was thrown out of the run here owing to her stirrup strap breaking, and was forced to give up the balance of the run, much to her regret.

The hares were in sight on several occasions, and at one time were only a few yards away in a straight line. Fortunately for them, however, there was some "tail timber" to negotiate between them and their pursuers, and they thus secured a considerable lead which was maintained until the end. The hares reached over half a minute in advance of the leading hound, which proved to be the "Dowager" of the hunt, "Nellie." With her were "Reina," "Jackpot," "Honolulu" and "Waltap," closely followed by "Ruby," "Satan" and "Apollo." There are several splits to record, the aforementioned sailor coming to grief on two occasions—once, fumblingly, making a break, his "gee" clearing off on its own hook, and once, clearing off on its own hook, his "gee" clearing off on its own hook, his "gee" clearing off on its own hook. A shipmate took a header in a sea of mud, his saddle turning at the wrong time. These are the only casualties reported. The run lasted thirty-five minutes, and was highly enjoyed by all. There were eighteen out for the run, including four ladies. Next Saturday the meet will be on the George bridge over the Burnside country.

FIGHT WITH MURDERER. Negro Killed Section Foreman and for a Time Held His Pursuers at Bay.

(Associated Press.) Memphis, Tenn., March 28.—Oliver Peterson, railroad section foreman, at Edmond's, Ark., was murdered yesterday while alone in his cabin. Deck Brandon, a negro, is charged with the murder. Peterson was shot twice and lay dying, when the murderer procured an axe and split his skull. Brandon dressed in the dead man's clothes, entered the kitchen and cooked a meal. Brandon, armed with a shotgun, rifle and pistol, took a position under the table and defied forty men who surrounded him. Over one hundred shots were exchanged, when Brandon crawled out and surrendered, after being seriously wounded. He was brought to Memphis and will be delivered to the Arkansas authorities today.

WINNIPEG NOTES.

Site Procured for New Post Office—Liberals Will Erect Club to Cost \$45,000. (Associated Press.) Winnipeg, March 28.—It is learned that the Dominion government has purchased 133 feet on the south side of Portage avenue, between Gary and Fort streets, at an average cost of about one thousand dollars a foot, on which to build a new post office. The work will start in July.

Fined. Five city druggists have been fined \$50 apiece for selling liquor in small quantities. New Club Building. The tenders for a new Liberal club building have been called. The estimated cost will be \$40,000.

To Raise Funds. Father Lamboe, for 50 years Roman Catholic missionary in the Northwest, leaves in a few days for Europe to prosecute work in aid of Northwest missions, starting first at Rome. Curate Appointed. Rev. J. E. Wilson, of Havelock, Ont., has been appointed curate of St. George's church, here. Capt. Casey Dead. Capt. Casey, for 18 years connected with the Northwest Mounted Police, died on Saturday night at the residence of his brother at Butte, Montana, where he had gone on government business. He came West 20 years ago from Colborne, Ont.

BELLA COOLA NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) The Bella Coola Farmers' Institute held their regular meeting on March 22nd. The attendance was large and the programme interesting, the principal item being a lecture by Dr. Spencer on contagious and infectious diseases. The early part of the winter was very mild, but the latter part has been severe. There is a general scarcity of hay in the valley. Several white men have arrived here from Chilcotin, and report more snow than usual on route. Mr. Hanson has added a shingle mill to his lumber business. Messrs. Christies and Weidman are preparing to erect a building and open a general store on the new townsite as soon as the snow disappears. Mr. Pollard has gone to the Skeena, where he will spend the fishing season in a cabin. Mr. Beveridge and Mrs. Allan are also going to Skeena for the season. Mr. Sutherland, who spent several months in Chilcotin, is returning to Vancouver. The merchants have prepared for a large trade this season. Although a settlement was begun here several seasons ago, no one has yet been able to drive to the wharf. All goods coming in and all freight going out must be shipped in small canoes by Indians. True, a wharf was built last summer on the north side of the valley and a bridge erected over the Bella Coola river, but the road from the wharf up the valley has not been completed. Now, however, Mr. Hanson has the work of finishing the road in hand and intends to put on a gang of men as soon as snow melts. He is also authorized to repair the part of the new wharf which has fallen down. The prospects are that an outlet will soon be opened and the pulp mill under way, which will open a new era for Bella Coola. A line of telegraph from here to Quenelle to connect with the main line, and another from here to Namu on the regular steamboat channel, are urgent necessities.

IN DOMINION HOUSE.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, March 28.—In the House, today Southern Railway Company was read a second time and referred to the railway committee. Hon. E. Prefontaine stated in the House that the order for fish traps had not yet been issued, and that the matter was under the consideration of the department. Hon. W. Patterson said that J. C. Newbury was acting collector of customs at Victoria.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, March 28.—Andrew Draney, farmer, Lulu Island, was killed yesterday by the accidental discharge of a shotgun which he had with him in a cart, taking it home from Vancouver. It is supposed he had the gun between his knees and that in some way the trigger was pulled.

HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

(Associated Press.) San Francisco, March 28.—By the score of six games to one, Michael J. Egan, from Jersey City, defeated James Fitzgerald, of San Francisco, in the first series for the handball championship, on the court of the Olympic. The series will consist of the best eight in fifteen games, and the match will be concluded next Sunday. Fitzgerald has to win seven out of the eight remaining games to carry off the championship. LIKELY TO PROTEST. If Russia should use the Dardanelles Straits for its Black Sea fleet the European powers are likely to protest. For over sixty years the Dardanelles have been closed to war vessels of all nations except with the consent of Turkey. It is the jealousy of the nations which has proved the protection of the Ottoman Empire, and its independence and territorial integrity has been a clause in various treaties. It is difficult to understand why this should be a cardinal factor in European continental politics, and it is suggested that everyone should enjoy the use of Dardanelles—just as in Canada everyone enjoys the use of Dardanelles Turkish cigarettes. They can be had with cork, silver or plain tips at all dealers.

COSTLY WHALEBONE.

Whalebone has for many years been steadily increasing in price. The record quarter ton was sold at Dundee at £3,000 per ton. The explanation of the steadily increasing scarcity of whalebone is that the bowhead and right whales, which supply it, have been hunted, like the American buffalo, until their practical extermination appears to be only a question of time. The bone is obtained only from the upper jaw of these marine monsters, the bowheads yielding some 1,000 or 1,500 pounds a whale, although an old bull whale will sometimes

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NEEDHAM—At Revelstoke, on March 12th, the wife of S. Needham, of a son. HOOLEY—At Revelstoke, on March 13th, the wife of F. B. Hooley, of a son. BARNES—At Nelson, on March 23rd, the wife of Alfred G. Barnes, of a daughter. LOCKWOOD—At Rossland, on March 21st, the wife of E. C. Lockwood, of a son.

MARRIED.

HANBURY-INGRAM—At Vancouver, on March 25th, by Rev. Newton Powell, Ernest J. Hanbury and Miss Lyona May Ingram. THOMPSON—At Kamloops, on March 23rd, Alexander Thompson, aged 57 years. WILKINS—At Kamloops, on March 24th, Alexander Williams, aged 69 years. M'GINNIS—At Kamloops, on March 25th, Robert H. McInnis, aged 46 years.

DIED.

supply 3,000 pounds. From the sperm whales, in the Southern seas, no whalebone is secured. Whalebone is chiefly used in the manufacture of the cores, in the stiffening of the waists of expensive gowns, and for the centre and tips of high-grade whips. It has also been extensively used in Great Britain in the manufacture of certain kinds of brushes, but it is probable that its late scarcity has largely curtailed its employment for this purpose. A trifling amount is used in surgical instruments. There are many cheaper substitutes for whalebone, which dealers in the ocean product declare to be much inferior to it. One of these is a material called featherbone, which is made of the quills of fowls, split up and woven into a kind of tape. This has been on the market about nine years. Other substitutes for whalebone are celluloid, rawhide chemically treated, and cattle horns, steamed, flattened out, and cut into strips.

TIDE TABLE.

Table with columns: Date, Time, Height, Time, Height, Time, Height. (Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Zero of above heights corresponds to 11 feet in the fairway of Victoria harbor.

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120 Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot. For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria. Equivalents (at Dry Dock)—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. N. Denison.

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