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NEW GRAIN RATES

Between Missouri Points and Chicago Agreed Upon by Western Railroads.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, May 6.—After many futile attempts, the western railroads have settled the grain rate between Missouri points and Chicago. All have agreed to make proportional rates from all Missouri river points. The rates on grain from Omaha and Council Bluffs will be the same as those from Kansas City. Heretofore the rate from the former point was 2 cents a 100 pounds higher. The St. Louis differential is reduced from 5 cents to 3 cents a hundred

pounds, which affords the eastbound roads a better chance to compete with the Gulf roads. The present rates of 5 cents on wheat and 4 cents on other grain will remain in effect until the rates are checked off, and the latter will probably not go into effect until June 1st.

ILLNESS OF THE SHAH.

(Associated Press.)

Tiflis, Trans-Caucasia, May 6.—It is reported that the visit of Grand Duke Michael, the heir apparent to the throne, is due to the illness of the Shah. The Grand Duke will confer with the governors regarding administrative, fiscal and army reforms.

PORT ARTHUR IS COMPLETELY INVESTED

Japanese Forces Have Landed on Opposite Sides of Liao Tung Peninsula, One at Pitsewo and Another at Port Adams—Russians Shelled by Gunboats.

(Associated Press.)

LANDING BEGAN THURSDAY.

Chefoo, May 6.—2 p.m.—The expected landing of the Japanese on the peninsula of Liao Tung commenced yesterday (Thursday), according to reports received here from a reliable Japanese source. It is stated that the landing is being made on the eastern coast of the peninsula, opposite the Elliott Islands. After a reconnaissance from Taku Shan, south, by naval detachments, the Japanese concluded that a comparatively small force of Russian cavalry guarded the east coast.

JAPANESE LANDED AT PITSEWO.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—12:48 p.m.—The landing of the Japanese at Pitsewo, northeast of Port Arthur, is officially confirmed. It is expected that the railroad connecting Port Arthur with Mukden and Harbin will soon be cut off. The departure of Viceroy Alexieff and Grand Duke Boris from Port Arthur was hurried owing to the possibility of the interruption of railroad communication. The Japanese landed in sufficient force to discourage the few hundred Russians watching at Pitsewo from offering any resistance.

PORT ARTHUR IS NOW ISOLATED.

London, May 6.—A dispatch to the Central News from St. Petersburg to-day says the Japanese landed at Port Adams, on the west coast of the Liao Tung peninsula, as well as at Pitsewo. Port Adams is situated about 50 miles from Port Arthur, at the head of Society bay, and on the railroad connecting Port Arthur with Mukden and Harbin. Consequently it may be inferred that if the report of a Japanese landing there is correct, communication with Port Arthur has been cut off. Pitsewo, on the east coast, where the Japanese have landed, is less than 20 miles from Port Adams.

THE INVESTMENT.

Report of Landing Forty Miles Above Port Arthur Confirmed.

Washington, May 6.—The department has received a cablegram from United States Minister Griscom, at Tokio, confirming the press report of the landing of the Japanese on the Liao Tung peninsula, about 40 miles above Port Arthur.

The location given in the Japanese dispatch is Kinchan. This is the narrowest point on the peninsula, and consequently the minister says the railroad is practically closed, and the investment of Port Arthur has begun.

COMMUNICATION CUT.

By the Japanese Force, According to Message From St. Petersburg.

Paris, May 6.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from St. Petersburg says the Japanese troops, who landed at Pitsewo yesterday, have cut the land communications with Port Arthur.

TEN THOUSAND MEN

Landed at Pitsewo—Port Arthur Well Supplied With Provisions.

Newchwang, May 6.—It is reported here that the Japanese troops landed yesterday at Pitsewo, on the Liao Tung peninsula, numbering 10,000 men, Port Arthur, according to reliable information, is well supplied with provisions.

THE LANDING.

Several Russians Killed By Gunboats—Soldiers Waded Ashore.

Tokio, May 6.—Noon.—The report of Admiral Hosoya, received to-day, gives details of the landing of Japanese troops on the Liao Tung peninsula, suppressing the location of the landing place. He says:

"Our seventh division, with torpedo boats, and the Hong Kong Maru and Nippon Maru, arrived from the advance base off the Liao Tung peninsula at 5:30 on May 5th. Discovering a number of the enemy's posts, we bombarded them for a short time, and then a landing party of sailors, Capt. Nomoto leading, was ordered ashore. It being low tide, it was impossible to use the boats and the sailors plunged into the water, waded breast deep for about a thousand yards and reached the beach. Immediately advancing, they took possession of a range of hills.

The gunboats Amagi, Oshima and Chidokai were employed to distract the enemy's attention. They discovered a hundred of the enemy and shelled them, killing several.

"The first fleet of transports on seeing our flag displayed on an eminence, began landing troops at 8 p.m. The troops, who were forced to wade ashore, were in high spirits.

"In order to facilitate the further landing of troops piers are being erected. Our division is assisting in the work."

The report of Admiral Kataoka, commander of the third squadron, gives additional details of the landing. The admiral reports that his squadron conveyed the first batch of the second army to the Liao Tung base, and adds that the Kaga Maru grounded near the base at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She was assisted by the protected cruiser Aketsushima, which succeeded in floating the transport, which reached her destination safely at 5 o'clock the same evening.

Beyond the announcement that a Japanese force had effected a landing at an unlisted place on the Liao Tung peninsula, and the giving out of Admiral

Hosoya's report, the government absolutely refuses to disclose the nature of the plan of operations.

General Fushimi, of the general staff, merely told the foreign correspondents that on May 5th some strength of the Japanese army began to land on the Liao Tung peninsula.

"Where and what force?" asked correspondents.

General Fushimi smiled. "East, west, north or south?" inquired a correspondent. "Out of the skies, from heaven," said General Fushimi.

TWO ARMY DIVISIONS.

Japanese Transports Carried Thirty Thousand Men to Pitsewo.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—5:10 p.m.—The details of the Japanese landing at Pitsewo have just been received by the general staff.

From information brought to Port Arthur by the Chinese, 60 transports are disembarking two divisions, numbering altogether 30,000 men, of which 10,000 were landed yesterday evening.

No news has been received up to this hour of any other landing.

Only a few hundred Cossacks were on the beach when the Japanese appeared. They fired a few rounds and retired to the railroad.

At the present hour the landing is proceeding uninterruptedly. The railroad and telegraph to Port Arthur are still working.

While it is not officially admitted, it is believed here that the entrance to Port Arthur is sealed at least for large warships.

According to the latest information of the general staff, General Kuroki's army advanced some distance along the road to Feng Huang Cheng and then halted.

There is said to be a question whether Lieut.-General Zassaltch received Gen. Kouroupatkin's order to retire on Sunday morning in time to execute it.

LITTLE OPPOSITION

Made by Russians to Landing—Authorities Reconciled to Cutting Off of Fortress.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—4:13 p. m.—The Japanese landing at Pitsewo is expected to be followed immediately by the isolation of Port Arthur. Landings on the west coast of the peninsula are also anticipated.

The Russian military authorities seem reconciled to the cutting off of their stronghold, but they are convinced that the fortress is impregnable against attacks by land and sea. Though the enemy may invest the place, the authorities here do not believe the Japanese will undertake to storm the position. It is believed that the greater part of the troops have been withdrawn, and that Lieut.-Gen. Stossel's force, including the garrison of Port Arthur, does not exceed 23,000 men. The fortress is provisioned for a year.

Further operations on the peninsula on a large scale are dependent upon the development of the campaign on the mainland.

It is understood that the landing at Pitsewo was preceded by a bombardment of the shore, and was affected under the guns of the Japanese warships, but it was practically unopposed by the Russians.

No direct information has been received here as to whether General Kuroki's army has advanced from its position on the Yalu river, but it is known that the Japanese are reconnoitering south of Feng Huang Cheng and along the littoral and a landing near Taku Shan in order that the enemy might establish himself on the right

flank of the Russians is considered probable.

A sharp look out is being kept northeast of Feng Huang Cheng to prevent the possibility of a flanking movement from that direction, but it is understood that no signs of the enemy has been discovered.

Gen. Kouroupatkin's plans are being carefully guarded.

The general staff insists that hardly more than 7,000 Russians were actually engaged in the battle at the Yalu, while the enemy had five times that number.

It is reported that Gen. Kouroupatkin has asked the Emperor to dismiss Lieut.-Gen. Zassaltch for disobeying orders. Such action would not be surprising.

Among the many rumors afloat, which are not confirmed, is one that the Emperor intends to proclaim the mobilization of the entire Russian army on the occasion of the grand review at St. Petersburg on May 11th, and at the same time bid farewell to a regiment of famous foot guards, who have been selected to go to the front.

The late Vice-Admiral Makaroff's daughter has been appointed maid of honor to the Empress.

Two distinct landing operations by the Japanese in the vicinity of Port Arthur are reported in to-day's dispatches to the Associated Press.

According to cables from Tokio and St. Petersburg the Japanese effected a landing in force and unopposed at Pitsewo, a point on the east coast of the peninsula, about 75 miles above Port Arthur.

Another successful landing is reported to have taken place at Port Adams, which is situated on an arm of Society Bay on the western peninsula, directly opposite and 20 miles distant from Pitsewo.

The railroad that connects Port Arthur with Mukden passes through Port Adams, and it is evident that it is now in possession of the Japanese at this point.

A dispatch from Washington indicates a landing, according to advices received there, at Kinchan or Kinchow. This place is located at the extreme eastern shore of the bay of the same name on the west coast, and is directly across the peninsula from the Russian port of Dalny. It is about 40 miles north of Port Arthur. The strip of land between Dalny and Kinchow is the narrowest point of the peninsula. Kinchow is about half way between Port Arthur and Port Adams, and is also on the railroad. It is probable, however, this landing refers to the landing at Port Adams, which is on an arm of the sea adjacent to Kinchow Bay.

GARRISON REDUCED.

Four Thousand Men All That Now Remain at Port Arthur.

Rome, May 6.—According to a telegram received here from Chefoo, the garrison at Port Arthur has been reduced to 4,000 men, and all the important documents, money and field guns have been removed to Mukden.

MISTAKEN FOR JAPS.

Russians Fought Among Themselves—Nearly Two Hundred Were Killed and Wounded.

Tokio, May 6.—Gen. Kuroki, in reporting yesterday, tells of a bloody encounter during the Russian retreat on Sunday last, when, according to information furnished by a native, a body of Russian infantry, two thousand strong, occupying a hill at Teng-Shang-Hong, mistook for Japanese a detachment of their own infantry, about two hundred

strong, retreating before the Japanese troops, and fought among themselves.

In the scuffle one hundred and ten were killed and seventy wounded, and the Russian horses were stampeded, leaving their loads of stores behind.

According to the story told by a captured Russian officer, who participated in the battle of Sunday last, only five or six battalions of Russian infantry and two battalions of artillery were able to retire in order. The other troops ran away in a state of entire confusion.

Gen. Kuroki says the Japanese patrol, consisting of fourteen men, reached Teng Shang Hong on the 3rd instant, when a Russian patrol posted on a hill south of the village attacked them. The Japanese patrol thereupon turned and charged them, and after an intrepid hand to hand affray, the enemy was driven back to the direction of Feng Huang Cheng. The Japanese patrol chased them to a stream three miles off Kaolinen, where Russian sentries were discovered posted on hills on both sides of the road.

ALEXIEFF'S DEPARTURE.

Rear-Admiral Wittsoeff Now Commands Naval Forces at Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—Viceroy Alexieff has left Port Arthur to command the first division of the Pacific fleet with Gen. Kouroupatkin at Liao Yang, to which place the general will return immediately after an inspection of troops at Feng Huang Cheng. Rear-Admiral Wittsoeff, chief of the staff to Viceroy Alexieff, has been left in charge of the naval forces at Port Arthur.

Vice-Admiral Besobrasoff, who is to command the second division of the Pacific fleet under Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, has left here for Port Arthur.

The new Russian battleship Orsk, which ran aground on a sandbank in the Neva on May 1st, was floated. A few of her plates were injured.

MILITARY OBSERVERS.

Fourteen Foreign Officers Have Arrived at Chemulpo, En Route to Front.

Seoul, May 6.—4:45 p.m.—The fourteen foreign military observers, who have been assigned to the first Japanese column have arrived at Chemulpo. The party left Tokio on April 30th.

COST OF WAR.

Russian Expenses to End of Year Will Be About \$254,500,000.

Paris, May 6.—An authoritative statement was given, the Associated Press from a high government source of the circumstances in connection with the Russian loan as follows:

"The situation has been much changed since our interview with M. Nicolsin de Rontkowsky, the Russian financial agent, in London, on April 23rd. The conditions to-day on which the loan is based are as follows:

"The cost of the war for the first five months up to June 1st, including \$22,500,000 for railroad equipment, is \$125,000,000. After June 1st the monthly cost of the war will be \$3,500,000 for the navy and \$15,000,000 for the army at the front, making the total of war expenses about \$254,500,000 for the year closing January 1st next.

The first part of the war was more expensive than the latter, owing to the cost of mobilization and the general expenses incidental to setting the machinery of warfare in motion.

"Against these extraordinary expenses we may have certain economies, namely, \$30,000,000 on the ordinary budget, \$27,500,000 on the extraordinary budget and \$9,500,000 on previous budgets, making the total economies \$67,000,000.

"When the war began, the Russian government had between \$150,000,000 and \$200,000,000 in the bank of Russia and the foreign bankers. According to the monetary law of 1897, which made gold the standard for Russia, there was a stock of gold amounting to \$475,000,000, and a note issue of \$50,000,000. Therefore, Russia could still have placed in circulation \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000 in notes without impairing in the least the gold law of 1897. However, by so doing the monetary situation after the war might have been less satisfactory than at present.

Accordingly, for the purpose of protecting the internal monetary situation the Russian government has lent a favorable ear to proposals made by French bankers, and has opened negotiations at St. Petersburg with Joseph Hoettinguer, of the house of Hoettinguer & Co., and with M. Noetlin, one of the directors of the Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas. They have made two visits to St. Petersburg, and are leaving there to-morrow for Paris. The purpose of their visit is to negotiate the issue of treasury bonds, running five years, at 5 per cent. These are going to be offered to customers of the big French financial houses at near par. By so doing the Russian government reserves the right, after five years, to make use of its international credit to convert or consolidate these five year bonds into a bonded debt bearing a lower rate of interest.

"The amount likely to be taken up at once in Paris will be \$100,000,000, and the issue can go up to \$100,000,000. Already the contracting houses are sure to place the full amount they underwrite among their customers, therefore no public issuance is to be made, and the usual public subscription at a fixed rate will be dispensed with, the issue being sold by bankers privately.

The foregoing differs from other reports concerning the amount of the loan, but owing to the authoritative source it can be accepted as final. It is understood that the terms will be signed before Mm. Hoettinguer and Noetlin depart from St. Petersburg to-morrow, or thereafter. The signing by the French banks will occur next week, the issuance of the loan following immediately.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF GRAND JURY

ESQUIMALT LOCKUP DECLARED USELESS

Needs Set Forth for New Building as an Old Men's Home, Victoria.

The grand jury, in connection with the Assize court, made its presentment yesterday afternoon. It sets forth that various public buildings had been visited and reports the condition of these.

The county jail was found in a very clean condition. The food furnished the prisoners was good. The rules of the jail were well carried out. Mention was made of the fact that but thirty-eight prisoners were confined there at present, this being the smallest number for many years. The grounds and all about the jail were in excellent condition.

The reformatory contained only four boys. The other inmates had been given over to farmers to take charge of, and good reports were forthcoming as to the behaviour of these boys. Greater freedom was given the boys than had formerly been the case at the reformatory. The boys were more tractable and better behaved in consequence of this changed policy.

The provincial lockup at Esquimalt was reported to be in a most dilapidated condition. There were two cells, but these were not provided with beds, etc., necessary for the accommodation of anyone. The conditions were such that no one should be confined in the place for even one night. The building could not be made suitable for its purpose, and an entirely new structure was required.

The Marine hospital was found to be in an excellent condition. The improvements which were now in progress would bring it up to date. It was kept in a most cleanly condition by the caretaker. The roadway to it was, however, in a disgraceful state, and the authorities should put it in proper shape. It was recommended that attention be given to this road as soon as possible. The caretaker of the hospital, they found, got only \$500 a year. Out of this he had to provide fuel, bedding, etc. The government gave \$5 a week for each patient during the "flu" time; but this was altogether inadequate for the demands put upon the caretaker. There should be a sum set apart for maintenance.

The Old Men's Home was found in a clean condition. The building was not very suitable for the purpose, and the jury could not recommend repairs being made to it, as new quarters should be provided. The location, with the cemetery constantly encroaching upon the space available, made it very objectionable. A new place should be found. John McIntosh, who was in charge, they believed was "the right man in the right place."

The Royal Jubilee hospital was found to be in first class condition in every respect. The new Strathcona wing would relieve the demands upon the hospital.

His Lordship Mr. Justice Irvine said that the presentment bore out the importance of a grand jury visiting these public institutions. The changes in the reformatory and in the Marine hospital had resulted, he believed, from former presentments of grand juries. He would see that the recommendations were forwarded to the proper authorities.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

At Thousand Island Park, St. Lawrence River—Damage About \$30,000.

(Associated Press.)

Watertown, N. Y., May 6.—A special to the Standard from Thousand Island Park St. Lawrence river, says: "A large fire has been burning at the point since 9 o'clock this morning, resulting in the destruction of nine cottages and threatening the large hotel properties located here. The loss is estimated at \$30,000.

"The fire caught in a cottage owned by O. T. Green, of Thousand Island Park, where some rubbish was being burned. Mr. Green's cottage, with eight others, were completely destroyed. In addition to these six other cottages are partially destroyed.

"The Clayton fire department was summoned and the fire steamer La France, in charge of 100 men of the Clayton fire department, responded. The Alexandria Bay fire department has also arrived to aid the extinguishing of the flames.

At 3 p.m. the fire was under control, with a loss substantially as stated, one-third of it covered by insurance."

TWO MINERS ENTOMBED.

Tapping Was Heard For Hours and Then It Ceased.

(Associated Press.)

Ashtand, Pa., May 6.—Geo. Sueb and Joseph Ousky, miners of Gerards Hill, have been entombed by a fall of coal in the continent colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. All attempts at rescue of the men have failed owing to frequent falls of roof. The men could be heard tapping for several hours after the accident, but as this ceased, it is believed they have been suffocated.

Gillard's Pickle and Sauce Knox's Gelatine Retail by all Grocers. Wholesale by R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK IN VICTORIA

NUMBER OF PUPILS ENROLLED THIS YEAR

Interesting Table Showing Totals Connected With Schools of Various Protestant Denominations.

The following figures, furnished by the secretary of the Victoria branch of the Interdenominational Sunday School Association will be of interest to many:

Table with columns: Denomination, Average Attendance, 1903 (Whole School), Scholars Enrolled Jan. 1st, 1904, Teachers and Officers Enrolled Jan. 1st, 1904. Rows include Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, etc.

YUKON MINERAL EXHIBIT.

Reaches Skagway Last Week En Route to St. Louis—A New Discovery.

Wilson Foster, known as the quartz king of Klondike, arrived from Dawson last night en route to the World's Fair at St. Louis.

The object of this paper is to advertise the gold mines of the great Northwest, including the cities and towns along the Pacific Coast.

This paper will be sold on the streets of St. Louis, and distributed throughout the United States, Canada and British Columbia.

The E. K. Wood Lumber Company has been registered as an extra-provincial company under the Companies Act, 1907.

The first sitting of the annual court of revision of the municipality of the city of Nanaimo will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of June, 1904.

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CLOSE SEASON FOR ELK IN KOOTENAY

Terminal Railway Company Make a Call of \$40 a Share—Provincial Appointments.

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the following appointments: James Critchley, of Sidney, to be a justice of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

A proclamation, dated from Whitehall, appears with reference to shipbuilding for either Japan or Russia during the war.

Any person building or equipping such a ship in pursuance of a contract made before the commencement of the war, shall not be liable to these penalties.

Under the amendment passed last session to the Game Protection Act, the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council has declared a close season for elk in the county of Kootenay for three years, beginning May 16th.

Tenders are invited for the erection of a school house at Michel.

The formation of North Vancouver Farmers' Institute is authorized. The following companies have incorporated: The British Columbia Industrial & Colonization Company, Limited.

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Notice is given that at a meeting of the directors of the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company, held at Vancouver, on the 2nd of May, 1904, a call

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, May 6.—5 a. m.—Weather conditions have been unsettled over the North Pacific slope; the pressure is low over British Columbia and the Northwest, and high on the Oregon and Californian coasts.

Forecast. For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh winds, partly cloudy, with occasional showers.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.00; temperature, 46; minimum, 43; wind, 10 miles S. W.; rain, .16; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles E. N. E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 28.80; temperature, 38; minimum, 38; wind, calm; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.74; temperature, 39; minimum, 39; wind, calm; snow, .20; weather, snow.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.08; temperature, 50; minimum, 50; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 29.68; temperature, 42; minimum, 38; wind, calm; rain, .26; weather, rain.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.68; temperature, 39; minimum, 39; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Mr Bullman, T W Gaston, Mr Halbridge, Mrs Smith, Tom Whalen, Mr Hull, Edw Bennett, Judge Moore, Mr MacDougall, R D Jamieson, R J Burns, Jas Beveridge, G F Dullen, Mrs Bullen, P J Ferguson, Mrs B L Simmons, Mr Scott and son, A Schofield, A Tackett, H B Thompson, John Hepburn, John Stinson, Cecil Oleson, W C Mitchell, Mr McKillop, Miss Kelly, Miss Golden, Alfred Buckley, E R Downs, Mr Allen, Mr Wells, Mrs Higgins, Mrs M F Lippett.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Vancouver—M J Anderson, W Ground, H I Clinker, G D Mallett, J Kermelick, H Fuller, Mrs Poindre, C A Steess, C Julian, Mrs Philpot, W H Durand, Dr Tunstall, C M Marpole, Dr Brydon-Jack, H Dupre, Miss Criddle, W F Mudd and wife, D Spencer, Miss James, Miss Renwick, Miss Reawick, A S Powell, F L Wilkinson, Prof Donougour Jouty, W H Cooper, W Casey, A Peterson, D J Beattie, P Comerford, Rev D MacLae, D F Dickson, C Adams, J J Banerman, R J Nicholson, Mrs Corters, Miss B Lesk, Mrs F Popham, A Auteury, J Bowser, W Lawler and wife, A Newman, C P Hammond, F Jackson.

Per steamer Wharton from the Sound—E Molander, C Myers, J L Pennell, Thos Barlow, C Blake, G Pearson, G H Hazel, H C Williams, C C Constantine, H Betts, W C Wallace, E Jobert, R A Dallfield, B Foulds, Jas Foulds, M B Robinson, Harry Hull, C A Fields and wife, W F Murdoch and wife, J S Elliott and wife, M Smith, Joe Gear, S Edwards, Dr Campbell, M A Downer, L H Groves, Geo Jones and wife.

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Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—Vie P & Co, W Bros, Moore & W, M R Smith & Co, D H Ross & Co, Wilson Bros, B C Mkt.

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THE MIOWERA AND INDIA ARE COMING

EMPRESS BRINGING ANOTHER LOT OF GOLD

Snow and Burgess at Port Angeles—Kanagawa Leaves Yokohama This Month for Victoria.

R. M. S. Empress of India will be due on Tuesday next, and the Miowera, of the Australian line, is expected on the day following. The Miowera left Honolulu on Wednesday, and her skipper has wired stating that he expects to be here on Wednesday.

The Kanagawa coming. According to advices from Japan the first vessel which will cross the Pacific for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha on the resumption of the company's business will be the Kanagawa, which sails from Yokohama towards the end of May.

SNOW AND BURGESS ARRIVES. The tug Wanderer towed into Port Angeles last evening the American five-masted schooner Snow and Burgess, Capt. Sorensen, 62 days from Manila for the Royal Roads. The Snow and Burgess is coming to Esquimalt to go on the Esquimalt Marine railway.

THE DIANA. Port Simpson correspondence, under date of April 28th, says: "The schooner Diana has been in port for nearly a week. She belongs to the Victoria sealing fleet. After arriving at this port a part of the crew deserted, and the rest became drunk and were arrested by Constable Flewin. They had their hearing before Justice of the Peace Kerwin, and two of those who were in trouble were fined \$50 and costs, while one was fined \$25 and costs."

LOST FORETOPGALLANT MAST. The British ship Celtic Monarch, which is en route from Rotterdam, will not be due for a few weeks yet, although out 138 days from port. She was last reported from Cork, where she put into with the loss of a foretopgallant mast. The Falklandbank, another Old Country carrier, is out 34 days from Glasgow for this port.

MARINE NOTES. The overline Tacoma fishing schooner Ella G., Capt. John Hickey, which had been absent since April 5th, and concerning whose anxiety grave fears have been felt for several days, is safe. She has returned to the Sound. The overhauling of the steamer Amur, which has been most extensive, is about finished and the steamer will be shortly ready to take her place on the Skagway run in conjunction with the Princess May.

Paul Lagille, an ex-soldier, undertook in a Russian cafe to drink twenty glasses of absinthe for a wager. After drinking the thirtieth glass he fell dead.

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OF VITAL CONCERN TO BUSINESS MEN.

Is the Board of Trade of Victoria or the commercial bodies of other cities in British Columbia aware that a matter of vast importance to the business interests of the province is under consideration at the present time in the capitals of Canada and of Mexico?

It has been mentioned in our dispatches from Ottawa that as a result of the visit of Sir William Mulock, the Canadian Postmaster-General, to Mexico, an understanding was reached about the establishment of steamship lines between the ports of the two countries.

We understand that the merchants on the other side of the continent have received the intimation enthusiastically, and have taken steps to assure the government of their co-operation in making the undertaking a success.

We assume that there must be a demand in the southern republic for much that we produce here in great abundance, such as lumber and the products of lumber—shingles and doors, furniture—fish and coal; and no doubt for many other things that will occur to mention various lines of business.

We understand that presently a representative of the Mexican government will arrive in Ottawa for the purpose of discussing subsidies and other matters connected with the scheme. If possible he should be persuaded to return home via the Pacific.

METERS AGAIN.

The Colonist says the proposal to meter the gas for the purpose of checking the consumption of water is a retrograde step. That is what the Times has been saying for more than a year.

level with the water consumers of great cities like New York and Pittsburgh—large business and manufacturing centres—mere accumulations of brick and mortar—with the difference that we would be compelled to pay more than twice as much for the water we consume. It is admitted that our water works system has been mismanaged from the beginning and that we must pay for the folly and extravagance of those who preceded us.

NO DANGER OF FRICTION.

The Colonist is sore afraid lest the Dominion government shall not work in harmony with the provincial administration in the operation of fish traps. It also professes to have some fears that trap licenses may not be granted.

We surmise that the Ministers in the Dominion Cabinet, like all who understand the circumstances which brought about the creation of a Conservative government in British Columbia, do not take the McBride combination seriously.

THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

They will not let the Alaska boundary decision rest in peace. Little rays of light are continually being shed upon events which preceded the sittings of the notorious judicial tribunal, and they are not reconciling Canadians to the decision of Lord Alverstone.

"Bishop Courtenay thought it necessary to give Senator Roof and his colleagues on the Alaska Boundary Tribunal a certificate for integrity and honesty. Like the priest's certificate to the character of a doubtful parishioner—'This is to certify that the holder of this document is a fit and proper person to leave this parish'—the Bishop's testimonial was greatly needed.



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IT WAS GHOST ENOUGH.

Root or his blanket certificate to "English justice and American honesty" will suffice criticism. "And as for Lord Alverstone, that very estimable gentleman seriously regarded himself as the arbiter between the three American commissioners and the two Canadians, forgetful that Sir Louis Jetté and Mr. A. B. Aylesworth were, by the terms of appointment, his own peers on the Commission.

The Hamilton Times says it is proposed to erect a monument to the son of Sir James Hector, who died at Revelstoke, B. C., last August. His father, Sir James, was attached as geologist and explorer to the Palliser expedition sent out, from 1857 to 1860, by the British government to investigate the resources of the great western territories, and the possibility of establishing railway communication between the eastern provinces and the Crown colony of British Columbia.

The Russians are not in a panic. They merely realize the nature of the task they have on their hands. Alexieff and his princely counsellor would be of no use in the great campaign that is about to commence if they were cooped up in Port Arthur, which is now practically invested. And the railway will be in the neighborhood of Port Arthur if the Russians do not watch out.

It will cost at least fifty thousand dollars to place meters on every water service in Victoria. Then there is the cost of installation and maintenance and renewals. What is the average life of a water meter? Let us have some light on this subject before we proceed to make a laughingstock of ourselves before the eyes of everyone save those peculiarly interested.

THE SHADOW ON THE BLIND. Will H. Ogilvie, in London Outlook. Last night I walked among the lamps that gleamed.

I looked again; a dark form to and fro. Swayed softly as to music full of rest. Bent low, bent lower. Still I did not know. And then, at last, I guessed.

YIELDING TO CONDITIONS. Washington Star. "Do you have remembered polygraph?" "Yes," answered the Mormon. "Might as well. We're kept so busy with political investigations and business that a man hasn't time to go courting anyhow."

SEASON FOR OUTDOOR PLAY.

This is the season, when the muscles need stretching and loosening up. They are naturally struggling to throw off the winter lethargy, and are aching for the free movement and the soothing glow that come from the quickened flow of blood. Take a hand in the outdoor sports. Play. Play hard.

LEADS THE WORLD. Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Japan has asked England for advice and aid in her task of reorganizing the government of Korea, now practically a colony of hers. This is one of the many proofs of

24th of May Celebration. Now is the time to place your order for A New Suit. If you want to be up-to-date, try Cooper & Linklater. 47 PORT, FACING BROAD. Most Exclusive Stock in the City.

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—World's Fair—Excursion rates: May 11th, 12th and 13th. Great Northern railway ticket office, 75 Government street.

—The attention of the public is directed to the big auction sale of valuable furniture and effects at Hardaker's auction rooms to-morrow at 2 p.m.

—"Moffet's best Hungarian" flour is being demonstrated at Hardaker's 86 Douglas street. This flour is a home production, being made at the Enderby mills.

—The Mission Circle of the Metropolitan Methodist church will give a parlor social this evening at the residence of Dr. Bolton, corner of Cadboro Bay and Fernwood roads. A collection will be taken.

—Ah Jew, a Chinaman, who has been in the toils of the law for various offences within the past few years, again made his appearance in the police court this morning. He was arrested on the charge of attempting to sell intoxicants to an Indian. He pleaded not guilty, and the case was remanded for to-morrow. A woman was called for drunkenness, but did not appear, and her bail was forfeited.

—It is proposed by the residents of Chatham, Ont., to hold an old boys' reunion from the 30th of May to the 5th of June inclusive. During that time all former residents visiting the city will be accorded a hearty welcome and suitably entertained. This party will be of interest to Chatham boys, many of whom are residing in this province.

—Another case of dog poisoning has been reported to the officers of the Kennel Club, the latest canine to fall a victim being an excellent English setter bitch belonging to J. Stapleton, of King's road, Dr. Hamilton, who was summoned after an examination pronounced the case to be one of poisoning resembling very closely that of the dog General Roberts, owned by Dr. Lewis Hall. This is the third dog in that district to be poisoned within the past few days. It is not dead, but its condition is serious.

—At a meeting on Wednesday evening the Methodist Sunday schools of this city agreed on holding their annual picnic at Langford Plains this year. For the past two years the Sunday schools have held their first of July outings at Bazar Park, Sidney. A change was desirable, and upon assurances of a good service being provided by the management of the E. & N. railway, the selection of the place named was made. Three special trains will take the picnickers out from the city and as many more, with the addition of the regular evening train, will carry them home. A band is to be secured for the occasion, and with good weather the outing should be a pleasurable one.

—The meeting of the finance committee of the Victoria Day celebrations, which was called for yesterday afternoon, was not held owing to the non-attendance of members. The meeting is to be held commencing at 5 o'clock this afternoon, at the city hall. Important business will be considered, among which are the questions of the advisability of granting appropriations for other attractions, including a shoot on Monday morning at Beacon Hill by members of the Victoria Gun Club. One of the busiest committees at present is that in charge of the advertising. No pains are being spared in the effort to make the details of the carnival known to the residents of all neighboring cities. Indications are that there will be large crowds from Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, Nanaimo and other points.

—Last night a meeting of the officers' mess of the Fifth Regiment was held at the drill hall, when important business was considered. The regular authorities having been received from Ottawa, it was decided that the regiment would go into camp at Macaulay Point on the 5th of next month. Mobilization will take place on the 20th of June. The Fifth and Sixth Regiments will, as usual, participate in the manoeuvres which take place in this city. Although the details are not known as yet, it is not unlikely that the tactics pursued will be something similar to that of last year, when the volunteer corps were detailed to the defence of the approaches to Victoria, while a force selected from the regulars formed the attack. Other business of minor importance was considered by the officers, after which the meeting adjourned.

COMPLAINT COMES FROM KAMLOOPS AS TO ARRANGEMENT OF EXHIBITION DATES

Are Aggrieved at Victoria's Attitude on the Subject—Meeting of Transportation Committee.

When the executive of the Victoria Agricultural Association appointed delegates to attend a meeting at New Westminster for the purpose of endeavoring to come to some amicable arrangement for the dates of the fall fair, it was not thought the step would be so far-reaching in its effects as has been the case. The only Mainland association that appeared to understand the object of the local board of directors in this matter was the Chautauk organization, which supported Victoria's request that Westminster agree to take the dates immediately following those of the show of that district. As has been previously stated, this received strong opposition from Westminster and fell through, making it necessary for the local executive to select September 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th and the 1st of October, which brings the Victoria show before that of the Royal City. A complaint now comes from the Kamloops association, who, at a recent meeting, expressed themselves aggrieved at "the selfishness displayed by Victoria in the matter of arranging dates." This is contained in a letter to Secretary Swinerton from the secretary of the Kamloops association.

In reply, Mr. Swinerton intends sending a communication to the Kamloops association explaining the circumstances as clearly as possible. He will point out that the meeting at Westminster was arranged simply for the purpose of endeavoring to come to a satisfactory agreement. The intention was only to make the shows come in rotation, which would be much more convenient for the exhibitors of the Mainland, who would then be able to show at all the exhibitions without any trouble.

The work of collecting subscriptions for the Victoria exhibition is almost completed. There are only a few yet to hear from, and as far as can be ascertained the citizens have displayed more than usual generosity in their contribution towards the finances of the association. If the provincial government canise its way clear to increase its grant the financial success of the forthcoming show is assured. Even without this assistance, the subscriptions received will put the finances on a fairly satisfactory basis.

Yesterday a meeting of the transportation committee was held at the offices of the secretary, there being a good attendance. The chair was occupied by George L. Courtney, traffic manager of the E. & N. railway, and besides him there were present Hamilton Abbott, of the C. P. R., C. S. Baxter and other practical business men.

Excursion rates during the progress of the fair was the principal matter discussed. It was generally agreed that the rates would be reduced materially from all neighboring points so that crowds of visitors may be expected. Extra accommodation will be provided by the E. & N. R., the C. P. R. boats from the Mainland and the steamers plying between here and the Sound for the accommodation of the large numbers who will visit Victoria on that occasion.

Secretary Swinerton announces that the arrangements for the fruit exhibits in connection with the fair have been left entirely in the hands of the Vancouver Island Fruit Growers' Association, the secretary of which is W. C. Grant. The latter, who is a prominent rancher at Gordon Head, promises a display that will excel those of previous years. The crops, he says, are looking well, including the strawberries. Referring to the latter, he estimated that there would be 100 tons more berries raised in the districts outside of Victoria this season than last year. The fruit would also be of a finer quality. Mr. Grant has great confidence in Vancouver Island as a fruit raising country, and expresses the opinion that the products of local farmers should strive those raised by the Mainland fruit growers.

PERSONAL

Chas. Julian, of Vancouver, was among the passengers from the Mainland by the steamer Princess Victoria last evening. Mr. Julian is interested in the Steveston Land & Oil Company, and has recently returned from that place. He reports that a large amount of money has been invested in the purchase of a complete plant for the purpose of drilling for oil. Most of the capital is being supplied by Vancouver business men, and all have confidence that oil will be discovered in large quantities and the undertaking give good returns.

Natural gas, Mr. Julian says, was discovered at Steveston, Lulu Island, many years ago, and has been used by several of the residents for lighting and heating purposes. Recently an oil expert from the field of Beaumont, Texas, had made an examination of the gas and the conditions existing at Steveston, and pronounced it his decided opinion that the gas was arising from petroleum deposits, and that the conditions existing were exactly similar to those prevailing in Texas, previous to the discovery of immense deposits.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Adams, of Seattle, are in the city. Mr. Adams, who is a representative of a well known American advertising firm, is combining business with pleasure. He expects to spend several days here, being much pleased with Victoria's climate and scenic attractions. They are among the guests at the Dominion.

W. Lamler and wife, of Toronto; John A. Benser, of Sackville, N. B.; Wm. Bruce, of Bramford, Ont.; and Bert. Girouard, of Smith's Falls, Ont., are among those registered at the Dominion hotel.

D. H. Delefield and A. W. Thornton, of Seattle; H. Kinkifer, of Milwaukee; E. F. Gelster and Jas. Beveridge, of Vancouver; and O. A. Pease, of Kelowna, are at the Vernon.

E. W. Molander, F. J. Bolton, Ed. Bennett, D. Schofield and Andrew Hackett, of Seattle, are in the city. They are among those registered at the Victoria.

E. Fuller, J. D. Shelton and J. D. Bashie are a party of Vancouver business men in the city. They are making their headquarters at the Dominion.

Rev. D. MacRae, J. Bowser, A. F. Powell and D. Spencer were among the passengers from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Victoria.

Arthur Newman, of New Suffolk, Long Island; H. Winarski, of 150-Mile House; and S. W. Bodley, of Duncan, are at the Balmoral.

A. Bodley, of Seattle; D. P. Dickson and C. M. Marpole, of Vancouver; and A. S. Collins, of San Francisco, are guests at the Driard.

C. A. Stoeser, R. J. Trethewey, Jas. Findlay and J. M. Beatty, of Vancouver, are at the Balmoral.

G. Paulson and wife and F. W. Gaston, of Tacoma, are registered at the Vernon.

K. C. Cox, of the Bannockfield station, is in the city, a guest at the Balmoral.

Dr. Campbell arrived from the Sound yesterday by the steamer Whatcom.

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—World's Fair—Excursion rates: May 11th, 12th and 13th. Great Northern railway ticket office, 75 Government street.

—Prices are stiffening. Take advantage of the low price now offering by Erskine, the grocer. Early Rose potatoes at \$1 per sack—for three days only. Telephone 106, corner Johnson and Quadra streets.

—The arbitration proceedings in connection with the expropriation of the Bertucci property will be conducted on Wednesday next. The arbitrators are Robt. Beaves, E. Crow Baker and Gavin Burns.

—Special rates to or from Europe by Cunard, White Star, Anchor, French, Hamburg-American, Allan and Holland-American steamship lines. Berths reserved by wire. First, Life, Marine & Accident Agency, 100 Government street, Hall, Geopel & Co.

—We have just received another large shipment of Canada's leading bicycles, the Massey-Harris and Ramblers. If you intend purchasing a new mount and want a reliable one, call and see us. Central Cycle Dept., opposite post office. Thos. Plimley, proprietor.

—The park committee are indebted to Mrs. Flewin, of the Flewin Gardens, South Park street, for three beautiful beds of tulips. These attractive beds are from some 500 or 600 bulbs presented to the Park by Mrs. Flewin, from the gardens, South Park street. They are very attractive and much admired.

—There are five life companies in Canada which occupy a position of prominence, and are looked upon as leading companies. Last year one of these companies—The Mutual Life of Canada—paid a larger amount in profits to its policyholders than any one of the four other companies, and it added a larger sum by many thousands to its general surplus than all the other four companies combined. A policy in this company pays. For rates and particulars apply to R. L. Drury, provincial manager, 34 Broad street.

—Sam. S. Shuber, Nixon & Zimmerman, will present their big musical Square theatre, New York, successful musical comedy, "A Girl From Dixie," by Harry B. Smith, author of "Robin Hood," etc., at the Victoria theatre, on Tuesday next. This musical comedy is credited with having a sane, rational plot, with an unusually brilliant musical setting. All the numbers being consistently introduced, and each in its turn being of a catchy nature, is certain to be remembered after having been heard. The fun of the piece is genuine and fast. The characters are all those easily recognized and clear cut.

—Last evening the semi-annual meeting of the sergeants' mess of the Fifth Regiment was held at the drill hall, there being a large attendance. After the transaction of routine business the election of officers was proceeded with, and resulted as follows: President, Sergt-Major Mulcahy; secretary-treasurer, Acting Sergt. Earle; committee of management, Staff-Sergt. Lettice, Company Sergt-Major Calhoun and Sergt. Rickdale; auditors, Company Sergt-Major Bowman and Company Sergt-Major Carvin. A report was received from the secretary showing the association to be in a flourishing condition, both as regards finances and membership. There was some discussion in regard to the proposed regimental excursion and an appropriation was made from the association's funds for this purpose. The meeting shortly after adjourned.

Baseball

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—Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder is a boon to any home. It disinfects and cleans at the same time.

—For Skagway and way ports, Fast steamer Dolphin, sailing May 14th. Office, No. 100 Government street.

—World's Fair—Excursion rates: May 11th, 12th and 13th. Great Northern railway ticket office, 75 Government street.

—The case of Robt. Erskine, charged with poisoning a dog belonging to D. A. Upper, will be resumed in the police court to-morrow.

—All those on committees or interested in helping with the "Made in Canada" Fair are asked to meet at Assembly hall, Fort street, on Monday next, May 9th, at 2.30 p.m.

—The city librarian has received from Andrew Carnegie a work of Hugo Grotius, "The Rights of War and Peace." It is an unusually fine volume, and will be a valued acquisition to the library shelves.

—Next Sunday evening the choir of First Congregational church will give another song service instead of the regular preaching service, when they will be assisted by Mrs. A. G. McCandless, Mr. Waddington and Mr. and Mrs. Wescott.

—The attention of the streets, bridges and sewers committee is called to a lakelinet in the sidewalk just outside the Pandora avenue entrance to the city hall. One of the arbitrators in the forthcoming Bertucci proceedings discovered it this morning while in conversation with a Times reporter. He had been standing in it for about a minute before he became aware of its peril, but fortunately he reached safely with little trouble.

—The Times is not divulging any secret service plans nor interfering with the administration of justice when it intimates to the festive cyclist that the by-law prohibiting riding on the sidewalk is still in force. The vigilance which has characterized the police in nabbing offenders will be just as strongly evident this year as in the past, and already about a dozen fines have been imposed by the magistrate. Cycling weather has arrived, and the sidewalks are as attractive as ever, but public safety demands that wheelmen shall follow the roads. In the police court this morning there were four charges of this character and the usual fine of \$3 was inflicted in each case.

—The Victoria Teachers' Institute will hold their next quarterly meeting in Y. M. C. A. hall on Friday afternoon, May 13th, commencing at 2.30. Short two-minute papers on "One practical suggestion derived from the late sessions of the Provincial Teachers' Association" will be given by Misses Cameron, Lawson, Speers, Russell, Murton and Chaplain Watson, and J. M. Campbell. The election of officers for the coming year, amendments to the constitution and general business, will form a part of the programme. Vocal and instrumental selections will be rendered by Mrs. Macgregor, Miss Sehl and Miss Claire Macgregor during the afternoon.

—The regular meeting of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., which was held last evening, was largely attended, the occasion being the election of delegates to the Grand Lodge, which meets in Rossland next month. There were a number of candidates and competition was close. Those selected were Thos. Booz, who headed the poll, and J. Bell, with Messrs. Babington and Miller as alternates. After this business some adjournment was not taken—until a later date. This evening a meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, will be held, when representatives will also be selected. This society is entitled to send four delegates, but the contest is expected to be just as keen as was the case in the sister lodges. It is probable there will be a full attendance.

—Herbert Cuthbert, the secretary of the Tourist Association, is to deliver a lecture this evening on his impressions of California. His Worship the Mayor will preside at the lecture, which is to be given in the city hall. Mr. Cuthbert has secured an extra large screen and a very powerful lantern to illustrate his lecture by means of views. He had exceptional facilities during his trip to the south to acquire a vast fund of interesting material, and this the public will get the benefit of to-night. The hall will, it is expected, be crowded to the doors. For this reason the public are advised to arrive about a quarter to eight in order to secure comfortable seats. In addition to California views Mr. Cuthbert will show some of Victoria, giving residents an opportunity of comparing their relative beauties. Well on to one hundred views will be exhibited.

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GREAT LAKES TRAFFIC.

Five Railway Companies Announce That They Will Not Accept Freight.

New York, May 6.—Owing to the inability of the freight carrying lines on the Great Lakes to reach an agreement, the New York Central, Pennsylvania, Erie, Baltimore & Ohio, and Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railway Companies have announced they will no longer accept rail and lake freight at eastern points, and have cancelled all tariffs in this section. The agreement was not limited to any definite period.

THE FIRST CASE.

Prosecution Under Dominion Fruit Marks Act Yesterday.

T. R. Smith, of Sidney, appeared before the magistrate yesterday on the charge of infracting the Dominion Fruit Marks Act, 1902. The prosecution was instituted by Maxwell Smith, Dominion fruit inspector, and according to the information Mr. Smith sold seven boxes of apples to Suggart & Co. which were packed with good fruit on top and those of an inferior character beneath. The prosecution was in fact, but the fruit inspector requested the magistrate to impose a minimum fine. He also generously waived all mileage and expenses incurred by himself in the case. The defendant was fined twenty-five cents per box and \$2.50 costs.

This is the first prosecution of the kind undertaken in the city, but the fruit inspector proposes to enforce the act to the utmost. The section under which the information was laid is as follows: "No person shall sell, offer, or expose, or have in his possession for sale any fruit packed in any package in which the faced or shown surface gives a false representation of the contents of such package; and it shall be considered a false representation when more than fifteen per cent. of such fruit is substantially smaller in size than, or inferior in grade to, or different in variety from, the faced or shown surface of such package."

TRADE IS BRISK.

New York, May 6.—Special advices from important commercial centres to the International Mercantile Agencies shows that better trade, incident to more seasonable weather has been reflected this week in a revival of business which bids fair to exceed the usual May volume.

STOWAWAYS ON SCHOONER.

Providence, R. I., May 6.—The schooner Sarah A. Lee, which has arrived from Bara, Cape De Verde Islands, brought 12 stowaways, four of whom were women.

WINNIEG NOTES.

Fire Caused Damage Estimated at \$7,000—Five Years for Cattle Stealing.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, May 6.—The Kempsey House, Leiviere, Man., was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is \$7,000, no insurance. Jas. Lindsay, the owner, had \$1,000 insurance on the furniture.

New Warehouse.

A King's warehouse opens here on the 15th inst., relieving the congestion in the bonded warehouse.

Wheat.

Wheat along points of the main line of the C. P. R. is an inch above the ground.

For Cattle Stealing.

A. E. Barre, formerly in the jewellery business here and in Halifax, was brought in to serve five years in the penitentiary for cattle stealing in MeLeod, Alberta, district.

Increasing Force.

The C. M. R. at Calgary will be raised from 54 to 80 men, to be commanded by a major.

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BASEBALL THE OPENING GAME.

To-morrow will see the opening of the baseball season in Victoria, when the strong Bellingham team and the local line will meet on the Oak Bay diamond. Weather permitting, there no doubt will be a large attendance, as the fans are anxious to see how the team for this season will shape up against practically the strongest independent line in the Northwest. Although the home team will be a strong one, the team is by no means as strong as it will be within the next week, when it is expected that Rithet will be on the team and Erle's finger will have fully recovered.

The majority of the players of the visiting team are well known here as most of them have played in Victoria before. Galaski, the pitcher, was with the team last season and pitched two games here; Pringle formerly caught for Everett; Greene and Broadhurst played here with the Vancouver team; Lent has been here with Whatcom, Everett and Vancouver; Janss, Hartness, Mackay and Deane were with Whatcom last season, while Brockhoff is a new man.

MORE HONORS FOR CHASE.

After a recent league match between Los Angeles and San Francisco, at the latter city, H. Chase, last year of Victoria's team, was the recipient of a token of appreciation from enthusiastic fans. Referring to this the Examiner says: "Two hundred Santa Clara rosters piled into the grand stand at Recreation park and cheered Hal Chase. Beside cheering him they showered him with blossoms and handed him something worth \$150 in the shape of a watch fob. Chase played good ball in the field, but was unable to put any aicks in Whalen's curves."

LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION PROPOSED.

Members of the Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle, Tacoma and Portland clubs will probably be formed into an organization to be known as the International North Pacific Association within a few weeks. At a preliminary meeting of representatives of each of the clubs mentioned—Robt. Powell was present as a delegate from this city—the first steps were taken towards the accomplishment of this desirable amalgamation. A temporary constitution was drawn up and ordered to be forwarded to all the associations it is proposed to include. If three of these agreed to the regulations as drafted they will be adopted. The organization of such an association will place tennis in the Northwest on a much more satisfactory standing than heretofore. Each year there will be a recognized international championship tournament, the winners of which will be the acknowledged champions of the Pacific Northwest. This event will take place at the different cities included in the association in the order previously agreed upon. Members of the local club have been most active in bringing this amalgamation about and it is hoped that the new association will be established on a sound basis for this season.

THE OAR WASHINGTON DEFEATED.

"By 300 feet, or nearly ten boat lengths, the University of California defeated the University of Washington late on Monday afternoon in their postponed mile and a half straightaway race on the Oakland estuary," says the San Francisco Chronicle. "On Saturday, when Washington was forced to remain out of the expected three-cornered intercollegiate match, California defeated Stanford by 100 feet, which would seem to indicate that Stanford's raw and inexperienced crew, trained but ten days for the contest, might have finished ahead of Washington's veterans by possibly 200 feet. California's winning time on Monday was 10:45, and Washington's time was 11:10. But last Saturday California's winning time was 9:58, or 47 seconds faster than Monday's, and Stanford rowed the course in about 10:25. "From the very start California shot ahead with her admirable initial rapid-fire style of stroke delivered at the rate of four to Washington's three. In the very first

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for the opening game, which will be played on the 24th inst. with the Vancouver twelve, will commence next week. From that time three full practices will be held every seven days, at which full attendances are required. The first game promises to attract a large crowd, and those who take in the contest are assured of a most exciting match.

ATHLETICS WANTS AMATEUR STATUS.

F. Christopher, of the local Young Men's Christian Association, has applied for reinstatement as an amateur to the secretary of the North Pacific Amateur Athletic Association. Mr. Christopher has earned for himself quite a reputation as a sprinter, and is extremely anxious to be in a position to compete at the forthcoming meet to be held under the auspices of the J. H. A. A. and in the N. P. A. A. events, which take place at Vancouver in July. While at Nelson he took part in a number of competitions as a representative of the fire department of that place for money prizes. This is the only occasion he has infringed on the strict rules of amateurism, and it is expected that little difficulty will be met with in securing his reinstatement.

BILLIARDS B. C. CHAMPIONSHIP.

Steps are being taken by C. Jones, of the Union billiard saloon, Vancouver, to arrange for an amateur British Columbia championship competition. He has agreed to put up annually a valuable cup as first prize and a gold medal as second prize. The contest, it is proposed, shall be one of 500 points up level and open to all amateurs. Entries are free, and will be received by Mr. Jones up to the 15th, when the first contest will take place. The prizes are on exhibition in Vancouver.

YANCOOVER NOTES.

"There is almost a potato famine in Vancouver at the present time and potatoes are likely to soar away up to a record price before the arrival of the new California and local crops," says the News-Advertiser. "The area planted in potatoes last year was smaller than usual, despite the increased growth of population, while the Fraser valley potatoes have not kept well. Ascherf's are now practically out of the market. One local firm has a couple of cars which are, however, engaged for shipment to Dawson. Another firm has some eight cars of Okanagan potatoes from the Coldstream ranch at Vernon, which are said by experts to equal the famed Ascherf's. These are now held firmly at \$28 to \$30 per ton and the owner is not anxious to sell even at those figures, as he is confident the price will reach \$40 at an early date. There are very few Fraser valley potatoes now obtainable, and they are of poor quality, large quantities having had to be thrown away."

MAKING PREPARATIONS.

Members of the James Bay Athletic Association are taking up rowing this year with enthusiasm. Preparations are being made for the opening club regatta, which takes place on Saturday, May 14th, all the competing crews training each evening during the hours assigned to them by the committee. It has been announced that Dave Jones will be unable to take Len Gill's place as one of the "Big Four," as was originally intended. His position, it is understood, will be filled by Fred Dillabough, who has more than once demonstrated his ability to handle an oar with the best. Mr. Jones's reason for retiring is that he has contracted a severe cold, which has been unable to shake off, and will therefore be compelled to give up rowing for the season. An event that is being looked forward to with considerable interest is the race between the senior fours of Victoria, Vancouver and the University of Washington. The latter was defeated the other day by the California University crew, but under such circumstances their speed in the regular shell cannot be estimated. The local crew will likely and both their rivals worthy opponents.

LACROSSE VALUABLE ADDITION.

Another star Eastern player has agreed to throw in his lot with the Victoria team this season. This is George Cattenough, formerly one of the most reliable defence players for the Winnipeg Shamrocks. He is over six feet tall and tips the scale at 200 pounds, and at the same time is an extremely fast player and a clever, sure stick handler. Although essentially a defence player, it is not unlikely that he will be placed somewhere near the centre field, where he will be able to match his prowess against the redoubtable Turnbull, the mainstay of the New Westminster twelve. As has already been pointed out, the defence of the local team will be well looked after by local men, such as Charles Cullen, Art. Belfry, R. Dewar, Sam. Lorimer and others, who may be depended upon to safely defend the flags against any opponents. The energy and enthusiasm being displayed by the local management of the club in having the deserved results. All the best local players have responded to the call for assistance willingly, and almost all available outside players who have been communicated with have signified their readiness to take up their residence here during the summer. Among the players who have been practicing at the Caledonia grounds are Messrs. Cullen, Lorimer, Belfry, McCorbie, James Wolfson, Dewar, McConnell, White, O'Brien, Smith, Cowan, Williams and Peole. These, with the addition of Cattenough and others, will make the strongest aggregation that has represented Victoria for many seasons. There are several names among those mentioned who are perhaps not familiar to Victoria. McCorbie is a first-year with Nelson, and was one of the stars of that aggregation. He is quick on his feet, and his style is fast, aggressive and sure. Before coming to British Columbia he was on one of the crack Eastern teams. W. O'Brien, another of the strangers, is from Vancouver. He arrived at that city from the East late last year and played with the Terminal City team in several games towards the close of the season. He is short, but very sturdily built, and as an outside home player cannot be excelled in British Columbia. As he is agility itself, beside being a pretty reliable stick handler, he will be dangerous to any team he placed in a position on the attack. "Sandy" Cowan needs no introduction. His reputation has been gained through years of successful playing on the Westminister and Vancouver teams. Having become dissatisfied with the management of the Mainland teams, he has enrolled himself among the local players, and, needless to say, will prove a valuable addition to the Stanley crew. George Williams and Stanley Peole are also comparatively new players to local residents. The former was at the local twelve five or six years ago, and then distinguished himself for his speed and accuracy on the home. It is reported that he has lost none of his proficiency. As for Peole, until last year he was one of Westminister's best players. He has now taken up his residence here permanently and will do the local colors again this year. The work of improving the Caledonia grounds is proceeding apace. The grounds are now in first-class shape, and it will not be long before the grand stand will be extended. Good hard practice in preparation



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Fifteen Thousand Workmen Will Attend the Funeral of Sam Parks.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 6.—Plans are being made for the attendance of thousands of workmen at the funeral of Sam Parks, former business agent of the housewives' and bridgemaids' unions, who died on Wednesday in Sing Sing prison hospital.

The health department refused a permit for the funeral on Sunday, so the time was changed to Saturday afternoon. This will allow members of the building trades organization to attend, and fully 15,000 of them are expected to turn out, forming practically a labor parade. All will wear the costume in which they appeared on parade last Labor Day when they marched down Fifth avenue with Parks at the head of the line.

Parks' widow lives in a small flat in East Eighty-Fourth street, where the funeral services will be held. As the former comrade wanted to see his wife's face before the internment could not gain entrance to the small quarters, a special casket has been made opening on the side so the body can be viewed by them in the street before the procession starts.

BUILDING IMPEDED.

High Prices and Scarcity of Supplies Responsible for Decline in Operations at Chicago.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, May 6.—There is some decline in building operations due to high prices for materials and difficulty in securing supplies. The outlook in other districts is satisfactory, with connections excellent, and most branches of hardware showing a decided improvement.

WAS NOT DAMAGED.

The Schooner Yacht Ingomar Had Rough Trip Across the Atlantic.

(Associated Press.)

Southampton, May 6.—The American schooner yacht Ingomar, Capt. Barr, from Bristol, R. I., April 20th, arrived here today. She reports meeting with strong winds and heavy seas, but sustained no damage.

MILITARY EVENTS.

Events of the Present Week in Regimental Circles.

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

Friday. E. Lecture by Lieut.-Col. Hall; 2. Band practice.

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MURDER TRIAL WILL BE VERY LONG ONE

Defence Succeeded in Cutting Out the Testimony of Sergt. Walker Concerning Prisoner's Statements.

The trial of Wong On and Wong Gow, for the murder of the manager of the Chinese theatre, was continued yesterday afternoon. The cross-examination of How Fat Chung was continued.

J. W. Taylor, K. C., wanted to know if there was any information in the document produced, which was supplied by witnesses. Witness said there were two or three sentences. This was as to the time and the names in it.

After considerable discussion, objection being taken by Mr. Belyea, witness proceeded to read the document disconnectedly. He did not know that the document said what befell Man Wong.

Sing Lee was mentioned in the document. He had not noticed it at first because it was in such small writing.

Different phrases were suggested by Mr. Taylor, but witness could not place them.

He did not learn his parts for acting from reading, but "by mouth." He learned English, he said, only a little. He admitted he had worked for Mr. Pooley, and spoke pretty well, but not enough.

He had gone with the policeman to arrest Wong On over Tim Koo's place.

Detective Geo. Ferdue was the next witness. He said that when he arrested Wong Gow the latter said that his name was Yee Yick. Prisoner turned pale.

When taken to the police station about four Chinamen were there. He then said that there was no use saying "I know him."

Cross-examined by Mr. Taylor, witness reiterated that prisoner turned pale. Mr. Taylor wanted to know if he ever saw a "singer" turn pale.

Mr. Taylor thought it was an impossibility for the prisoner to turn pale. (The prisoner is of a deep copper color.)

Sergeant Walker had arrested Wong On. After giving the prisoner the usual warning as to giving evidence, witness made a statement through W. F. Wong, who acted as interpreter.

Proceeding to give this evidence, Mr. Taylor objected that it was not established that the prisoner was cautioned. There was nothing to show that Sergeant Walker's caution was interpreted to him.

W. F. Wong, who had acted as interpreter for Sergeant Walker, was then called to clear this up.

After a great deal of questioning, A. L. Belyea, K. C., found it impossible to get from Wong that he interpreted the sergeant's caution.

His Lordship thereupon warned the jury to eliminate from their minds any of the conversation which had been shown to have taken place at the police station following the arrest of the prisoner.

The examination of W. F. Wong was then proceeded with. He had been on the top story of the theatre on the night of the alleged murder. Hearing a noise he came down stairs. His evidence in the main corroborated that of the previous Chinese witnesses.

The court then adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

To-Day's Proceedings.

Upon resuming this morning the cross-examination of W. F. Wong was proceeded with by Mr. Taylor.

Witness went up to Man Qung's room about half-past 12 on the Saturday night. He was in the habit of visiting Man Qung after the latter was through with his work. Among those in the room were Chow Chae, Ah Tung, Hah Fat and Lee Sam. There were about eight or nine altogether in the room. They chatted and smoked for a while. Then the table was set. A stranger came in twice, with one or two minutes between his visits. The fight began after his second visit. He saw three hands, with iron bars at the fight. The only hand he recognized was that of Wong On.

Witness had taken a part with the police in ascertaining the whereabouts of the accused parties. There would perhaps be 20 or 30 in that part of the building, most of them in the hallway. There were about six or seven in Man Qung's room.

The case is in progress again this afternoon.

ILL-HEALTH PROMPTS SUICIDE.

Boise, Idaho, May 4.—A special to the Statesman from Shoshone says Fred Vandergraft, a farmer, living four miles from Gooding, committed suicide yesterday by cutting his throat with a razor.

He had been ill with spotted fever. His wife left him for a few moments and when she returned he was dying, with his throat gashed.

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STRIKE AVERTED.

San Francisco's Mayor Acts as Mediator and Union Accepts Company's Terms.

San Francisco, May 4.—The threatened strike on the United Railways lines in this city has been averted by the acceptance early this morning by the Car-men's Union of the terms of the company, submitted through Mayor Schmitz. This action followed some weeks of negotiations between the company and the union.

The main point at issue was the demand of the union that all employees of the company should in 60 days after entering the service become members of the union.

Last Sunday morning when the carmen were on the point of declaring a strike Mayor Schmitz appeared at their meeting and secured a delay of three days, offering to act as mediator in the controversy. The terms he received from the company were presented to the men at an early hour this morning and they were almost unanimously accepted. The following is the basis of settlement:

The company agrees to recognize the union and promises not to discriminate against the union, and it is satisfactory to the company if its employees join the union. The company also agrees that in the event of the discharge of any employee, to notify the president of the union, except when the dismissal is for failure to register fares.

THE DOWAGER EMPRESS Will Have Portrait Painted in Order That Chinese May Worship Image.

(Associated Press.)

London, May 6.—The Standard's Tien Tsin correspondent says it is reported that the Dowager Empress of China has consented to sit for her photograph, in order that the people may be able to worship the Imperial image, as is done in Japan.

DIED FROM INJURIES.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 6.—Wm. Odolanly and Oscar Johnson, two of the men injured by the explosion in the telegraph scow Thomas E. Jennings, on Wednesday had died in the Hudson street hospital.

TELEGRAPH IN THE CONGO.

Many Obstacles in Building Line to Lake Tanganyika—Progress Has Been Slow.

Five years ago the Congo State authorities began to stretch telegraph wire from the mouth of the river toward Central Africa. The purpose was to establish telegraphic communications from the Atlantic to Lake Tanganyika, a distance of about 1,500 miles. It was known that the enterprise would be very costly, and \$600,000 was voted to carry it out.

Progress has been slow and the completed line thus far is only 750 miles. It took about two years to construct the line from the sea to Stanley Pool, 450 miles, where the work was easiest and white enterprises most numerous.

The crossing of wide rivers presented a tough problem. It was nearly a year before the wire was stretched across the widest river between Matadi and Stanley Pool.

The river is nearly half a mile wide. Two steel poles were at last erected on hills 2,200 feet apart. The posts are fifty feet high and their tops are over 200 feet above high water level in the river.

Above Stanley Pool to Equatorville, the present terminus of the line, the difficulties were still greater. In this region there are few white stations, and the work was very arduous. The climate impeded the employment of white labor, and nearly all the work was done by natives under the direction of Europeans.

The most difficult piece of work was the crossing of the Kasai river, the second largest Congo tributary. It was necessary to keep the wire so high that it would not interfere with steamer traffic on the river.

Fortunately, where it was desired to cross, a rocky island stands in mid-stream. A high steel post was erected on the island, and two others on the banks of the river, so that the crossing was made in two spans, one of 1,472 feet and the other of 2,198 feet.

The work was very successful and the wire is suspended about 20 feet above the smoketacks of the steamers.

The maintenance of the line is rather more difficult than was expected. The posts to which the wire is attached are either of iron or living trees, and therefore proof against the attacks of white ants; but elephants sometimes knock down the iron posts and every now and then storms throw down trees across the line. Communications are interrupted occasionally for hours at a time by electric discharges during the heavy tropical storms.

Among the minor embarrassments are birds, which make their nests on the wire; wasps, which settle in the insulators, and spiders, that cover the pole from top to bottom with their webs and collect a litter of leaves and twigs.

The line, however, is wonderfully facilitating business, and is used both for telephone and telegraph service. Each telegraph station is protected by a squad of native soldiers.

In spite of all difficulties it is intended to push the line forward as rapidly as possible to Lake Tanganyika.



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LEADERS OF THE MIKADO'S FORCES

THEY ARE MEN WHO HAVE SEEN FIGHTING

Something About the Generals Who Are Commanding Troops Against Czar's Soldiers.

Japan is fortunate at this turning-point in her history in possessing generals who are not only tried men of war, but have behind them the force and inspiration which comes from brilliant service in more than one successful campaign.

During the last thirty-five years Japan has seen three great wars. First, the War of the Restoration (1867-69), which gave back full sovereignty over his Empire to the Mikado; second, the civil war, known as the Satsuma Rebellion, (1877) the defeat of which unified her people; third, the Sino-Japanese war, (1894-5), whose result was her birth as a Great Power. In all these wars the generals who to-day are the chiefs of her armies took part—in the last war they held the most important commands. This is the same thing as saying they are soldiers of the ripest experience.

Foremost among them are the two field marshals of Japan, men whose names must be forever associated with their victorious campaigns in China, Manchuria and Korea, Marquis Yamagata and Count Oyama.

It is thought improbable that Marquis Yamagata, who is now about 70, will leave Japan for the seat of war, but it is possible that Marquis Oyama, whose present position is that of Chief of the Military Staff at Tokyo, will take the field; in any case, he will have the general direction of the war.

Field Marshal Oyama is nearly 61. He is a tall, stout man, very quiet, gentle, and amiable in disposition, and though the irony of events has made him a great and successful soldier, he has no liking for war. By birth a Samurai of the Kagoshima clan, he has been a fighter from his youth, and saw a good deal of service in the Sarsuma rebellion. He was minister of war in 1894, but resigned to take command of the "Second Army" of Japan in the war with China. He had under him four divisions (between eighty and ninety thousand men), and achieved some of the most remarkable triumphs of the whole struggle. He was the general before whom Chinchow, Taitowan and Port Arthur fell; later, he captured Wei-Hai-Wel.

As illustrating his humane character, the following anecdote is told of him: One day during the Sino-Japanese war, as he was riding into camp, he noticed a party of shivering Chinese prisoners standing unprotected in the open, though a cold and bitter sleet was falling. "They are men," he said, pointing to the prisoners, and at once gave orders that they should be placed somewhere under cover. On being told that no accommodation was to be found for them, he instantly commanded that his own horses should be turned out of their stable and the building given over to the prisoners.

Next in rank to the field marshals come three generals who will undoubtedly have chief commands. They are Count Nogi, Baron Kuroki and Baron Oku. What the Japanese think of them has been well expressed by one of their officers in the simple, but sentimentally striking sentence, "We can rely upon them."

General Nogi (his name is sometimes Englished as Nodzu) is of the finest type of Japanese, many of whom regard him as their greatest soldier. Of medium height, he is physically a very strong man. He is a keen sportsman, fond of riding, hunting and shooting. At one time he excelled as a wrestler, and wrestling is a favorite form of exercise with the Japanese. Now 61, his devo-

tion to athletics enables him to carry his years with ease. He has a great reputation for courage and daring. His chief characteristic is intrepidity, but he knows how to hold back when necessary. Like Count Oyama, he belongs to the Kagoshima clan, and began life as a simple Samurai. He fought on the side of the Mikado in the War of Restoration, also with the Imperialists in the Satsuma rebellion, but it was in the Sino-Japanese war that he won the highest distinction. In command in Korea, he marched his men from Fusan to Seoul, and a little later practically decided the fate of the whole war by his capture of Pyongyang (Ping-yang). This was the strongest place in Korea, and was defended by the pick of the modern-drilled Chinese troops. After desperate fighting, he took it in a single day, and its loss, when known, spread demoralization throughout the entire Chinese army.

Another Kagoshima Samurai is Gen. Kukori, who led the forces in their land fight against the Russians, now 59. He is rather under the average height of the Japanese, but is a man of abundant vigor. On the battlefield he has shown marked coolness and imperturbability, and an absolute contempt of danger. It has been often said of him that "as he is on parade so he is in action." His reputation is that of a first-class soldier and commander.

The remaining members of this group of three generals who will have the highest commands in the war is Baron Oku. He is three or four years younger than the others. A Samurai of the Oita clan, he held the rank of major in the Imperialist forces during the Satsuma rebellion, and in the course of it performed an act of heroic courage and resolution which gained him the greatest fame in Japan. After being besieged by the rebels in Kamamoto Castle for four months, he made a desperate sortie at the head of his battalion, successfully penetrated the enemy's lines of investment, and effected a junction with other Imperial troops, which forced the Satsuma men to retire.

PROBABLY MURDERED.

Body of Man, Covered With Wounds, Found in the Columbia River.

Portland, Ore., May 5.—Covered with wounds, the body of Frank Wilbur has been found in the Columbia river near Warrendale, Ore. Shortly before the discovery of Wilbur's body his hat, covered with blood, and a poker, also blood-stained, were found upon a scow on which he had been last seen alive. Wilbur had gone across the river to a dance Tuesday night with a companion named Brask, who says on their return he left Wilbur on the scow. It is thought that someone attacked the man with the intention of robbing him, and in the fight that ensued Wilbur was killed.

ACCEPTS LIFE SENTENCE.

Louisville, Ky., May 6.—Mrs. Curtis Jett, who murdered K. B. Marcum in the court house of Breathite county, has accepted life sentence rather than face a new trial.

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