

BUDGET DEBATE

Messrs. Semlin, Cotton, Kennedy and Hume Make Strong Attacks on Government.

Hon. Mr. Pooley Undertakes a Defence—Charges of Government Favoritism.

Mr. Heinze Is Again Shown Special Favors—A Vote of Want of Confidence.

Tuesday, April 6, 1897.
The Speaker took the chair at two o'clock. Prayers by Rev. J. B. Haslam.

PETITIONS REFUSED.

Mr. Hume presented a petition from the miners on Linton creek asking for a trail.
Mr. Beaudin presented a petition from the Council of Women at Victoria, New Westminster and Vernon asking for the introduction of manual training into the schools. Both petitions were ruled out of order because they asked for expenditures of public money.

WATER RECORDS.

Mr. Hume moved the following resolution: "That a respectful address be presented to his honor the Lieut-Governor in Council, praying him to cause to be laid before this house any correspondence with his government, or any member thereof, in regard to the applications of the Reco Mining Company, Noble Five Mining Company, and A. Heinze's company for record of water in West Kootenay, together with particulars of conditions upon which any such record has been granted, and the extent of same." (b) Any correspondence as to any such applications from any other persons since 1st January, 1896, and any reports in regard to same or any other applications, or in regard to the general question of water records, from any government official or any other person." The motion passed.

RUCKLE BROS.' CLAIMS.

Mr. Graham moved and Mr. Semlin seconded, "That a select committee, composed of Messrs. Rithet, Byrdon, Huff, Williams, and the mover, be appointed for the purpose of enquiring into the subject matter of the return presented to this house dealing with certain lands bought by Miss Davey, of Victoria, and claimed by Ruckle Bros. as a portion of their pre-emption, with power to call for persons, books and papers in connection therewith, and to report to this house from time to time."

Mr. Graham said the return brought down showed that there was an injustice committed. The resolution then passed.

BUDGET DEBATE.

Mr. Smith resumed the budget debate. He urged upon the government the necessity for more adequate communication to the Likoot mines. Likoot had always contributed a large amount to the treasury. He hoped the government would give this matter their serious consideration as soon as possible.

MR. KENNEDY.

Mr. Kennedy said the premier took credit because the salaries had not been materially increased. The business of the country should be conducted in the same economical way as a successful private business. Mr. Kennedy could not see how the printing office could help but make money, when the patronage it receives is considered. If the government would take steps to secure cheap transportation for farmers' produce, there would be no necessity for the government giving cheap money to farmers. Mr. Kennedy held that the mortgage tax was a triple tax. The farm was taxed, the money borrowed was taxed and the improvements made with the money were also taxed. Mr. Kennedy then dealt with the rebate on lumber. Such rebate should have been abolished long ago. This system of rebate was only profitable to the large and wealthy mill owners and was in keeping with a great deal of other legislation which was framed to assist the wealthy at the expense of the poor. Large mills which exported lumber were given a rebate of 50 per cent. of the royalties, while the small mills, which did a local trade, were mulcted in the whole amount of the royalties. It is perfectly impossible to distinguish from dutiable and non-dutiable lumber when cut. It was remarkable that the large mills export just exactly the amount of lumber that was dutiable. No rebate was allowed on lumber which goes to other provinces, while the favored few who were able to export to foreign countries were granted a rebate. There was nothing fair about the system. Mr. Kennedy also protested against the government refusing to open up to the committee of the house that worked to perfect that act. The government should undertake to protect the loggers against the mill owners in the matter of scaling logs. The act to prevent forest fires was then criticized. It was a most ridiculous act as framed by the reviewers of the statutes, but had been amended by the house. The government, however, refused to open up to the committee the right to the usage of water before the water bill is passed. The government acted indiscreetly in trying to forestall the operations of the water bill. He referred to the Lieut-Governor's committee with the Columbia & Western. He did not wish to blame the government for the Governor's action, neither did he intend to criticize the governor. He was forced to say, however, that he had acted very unwisely. The government should have signified their disapprobation of the Lieut-Governor's course. He did not say that he did anything unlawful, but his conduct was certainly unbecoming. It is undesirable, not only in the interests of the province but in the interests of the government, that the gentleman holding the most important position in the province should be connected in any way with any company that may ask for favors from the parliament or the executive. In continuation to the conduct of Lieut-Governor Dewdney was the con-

duct of Sir Hercules Robinson when he was appointed governor of Cape Colony. Previous to his appointment Sir Hercules was connected with numerous companies in Cape Town, but as soon as he received his appointment he resigned his connection with all those companies. This was exactly contrary to the course pursued by Lieut-Governor Dewdney, and the government should have protested against something that is likely to do a great deal of harm to the province. (Applause.)

MR. POOLEY.

Hon. Mr. Pooley said that Mr. Cotton always liked to have the opportunity of doing to him (Mr. Pooley). He held that the criticisms against the government were those who had petty grievances of their own. He instanced cases brought up by opposition members—cases which, he held, did not refer to the policy of the government, but simply to the routine of the departments. He referred to the non-payment of the employees of the Savings Bank Company. He pointed out that the Bank of Montreal held the leases, and if the bank was forced into payment it would probably throw up the leases. Negotiations were pending which, if successful, will insure the payment of the men's wages and the back rent due the government.

MR. COTTON.

Mr. Cotton poked fun at Mr. Pooley, whom he compared with a reserve engine in a fire department. When matters were going along smoothly Mr. Pooley sat comfortably in his seat, but when the government got into trouble Mr. Pooley was called out to relieve the pressure. In Mr. Cotton's opinion, however, the president of the council convinced more members against the government than he did in its favor. (Laughter.) Although the premier had presented a glowing picture of the prosperity of the province there was no explanation for the fact that in spite of increasing taxation deficits still existed. Mr. Cotton pointed out that Mr. Pooley practically abused people for paying the mortgage tax. He held that they, contracted themselves into paying the tax. The government did not dare to call it a mortgage tax, because it knew that the people would revolt against such an iniquitous tax if it were called by its proper name. The government, instead of coming to any decision in this matter, kept postponing the consideration of the resolution urging the removal of the tax. The poorer a man is, the more he is in debt, the more taxes the government collects from him. It is in the interests of the treasury under present conditions that the people should be in debt. Mr. Cotton then supported the Torrens system of registering titles and urged its adoption. After careful inquiry he found that the introduction of the Torrens system in other countries entailed no loss upon the government. The only reason he could find for the government's disinclination to introduce the system was that at present they enjoyed a large revenue from the system of registration. He urged that Vancouver at least be allowed to introduce the Torrens system and the effects of the system in that city could be carefully studied before introducing the system elsewhere.

MR. SEMLIN.

Mr. Semlin, after complimenting the members of the opposition on the strength of their attacks upon the government, stated that Hon. Mr. Pooley said it was unfair to attack the departments of the government. Mr. Semlin dissented from this view, as the country's interests demanded that any dereliction of duty should be pointed out. He was surprised at the premier's remarks about the farmers. The premier had stated that the mortgages on farms amounted to \$12,000,000, and in the next breath said it would afford the farmers but little relief to give them cheap money to pay off these mortgages. If the government could advance money at three per cent. less than the loan companies, the annual saving to the farmers would be \$300,000 a year. Would the premier say that this was not a substantial relief? He regretted to hear the government treat the farmers' difficulties so lightly. The government would not even remove the mortgage tax, but they would introduce the farmers' institutes. (Laughter.) Even Mr. Rithet suggested as a panacea for the farmers' ills that they should club together and buy stump extractors. (Renewed laughter.) Mr. Semlin believed that the agriculturists of the province would laugh at the absurdity of two merchants of Victoria telling them what they should do to bring back prosperity. (Hear, hear.)

MR. HEINZE.

The opposition had been laboring under difficulties in their efforts to obtain information regarding the government's misdoings. Returns brought down to the house were often incomplete, and in some instances the government neglected to bring down the returns asked for. They did not hope to discover all of the government's misdoings, but under the circumstances they were gratified that the opposition members on the strength of their attack.

MR. SEMLIN.

Mr. Semlin was amused at Mr. Rithet's references to Mr. Sward's and Mr. Kidd's speeches. Mr. Semlin would reply that the opposition regretted that the same old story had to be told every year. The same deficit asserted itself each year. True, Mr. Turner had always a silver lining in that cloud. Years ago the finance minister had said that in 1896 the period of deficits would come to an end, but 1896 had passed and the deficits are still with us. The taxpayers are not asking for marble palaces for civil servants to dwell in, nor for railways particularly, but year after year they did ask for ordinary roads and bridges. Reasonable requests in this direction were constantly being refused. The only progress shown by the government was in their ability to increase taxation. In so far as the farmers are concerned as a class, they

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Mr. Semlin then referred to the increase in the salaries of civil servants. The government have repeatedly raised the salaries. If the list of those whose salaries were increased was examined it would be found that this increase, with one or two exceptions, benefited only the government employes in Victoria. The government claimed they were borrowing money for the development of the country, but a study of the estimates would show that the greater portion of the revenue was utilized for the payment of salaries. The government had been extravagant in their payment of salaries and pensions in the expenditure of money on public works. Mr. Semlin pointed out that the government were guilty of favoritism in many instances. He referred to the payment of \$400 to Mr. T. P. Reid because he was a supporter of the government; to the payment of \$2,700 for advertising in the Vancouver World without calling for tenders, when he was credibly informed that the work would have been done at a profit for \$700. He also pointed out that a resident doctor at Ashcroft had his annual allowance cut down from \$500 to \$300, but the resident doctor at Clinton was still granted an annual allowance of \$1,000. The one at Ashcroft attended to his practice and did not interfere in politics, while the physician at Clinton was a very active politician in the government interests. Other cases were cited where the government had shown undue consideration because men had what Dr. Walkem had very properly called a pull on the government.

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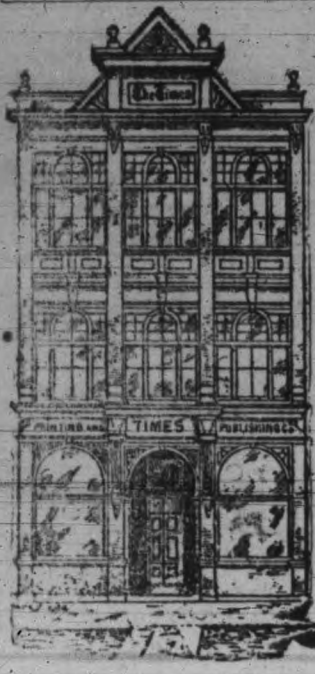
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A CURIOUS SPECTACLE.

To those who take the trouble to examine matters a curious spectacle is presented in British Columbia to-day.

We sincerely trust that those who read the following paragraph will restrain the mirth which its perusal is calculated to engender.

Communications.

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A CHINESE APPEAL.

To the Editor: Please use your good influence to do some missionary work for the Chinese and your country.

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P. S.—Because the Chinese in this Home have no ability to do any rescue work, but we believe the influence of your press to do a great deal of good.

THE RAILWAY POLICY.

To the Editor: The Colonist has this misleading heading to the government loan bill for assisting certain railways and other purposes.

hereto to obtain moneys in payment for roads and public works authorized by the legislature.

I do not know whether this is the intention of the government and the legislature. If not it would be a safeguard to amend section 14 so as to read that no part of the proceeds of this loan shall be paid before the 1st of July, 1899.

A MANLY ALDERMAN.

To the Editor: To those who listened to the debate for absence of it on the resolution moved by AM. Partridge and Ald. Stewart at the city council last night, it was humiliating to see in a body of men supposed to represent an intelligent people such childish conduct.

THAT RAILWAY POLICY.

To the Editor:—In your issue of yesterday you rightly demand an explanation from Mr. Rithet concerning the railway policy of the government.

A MENACE TO LIFE AND LIMB.

To the Editor: The West Kootenay Power and Light Company is granted power by bill No. 10 to run its tramcars over any bridge or highway within fifty miles of Rossland.

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The latest subscription to the famine fund for the relief of the sufferers in India is \$11.40 collected by the Sunday school of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

The Natural History Society are making arrangements for a dredging expedition for Easter Monday. All those desirous of assisting will please note the secretary, Dr. Crompton.

The mail drought continues, this being the fourth day of the latter famine. The Charmer this evening of course, providing that the mills reach Vancouver in time—should have all the delayed mail of the four days on board.

Rev. Mr. Sweet delivered the fourth lecture of the series being given at St. John's school room yesterday evening, when he spoke of a visit to Sandringham, the Prince of Wales. The lecture was largely attended.

The last of the series of Lenten lectures given by Bishop Perrin will be delivered in St. Barnabas church this evening, when the subject of his discourse will be the closing scenes of the life of Jesus Christ. On Sunday morning next Bishop Perrin will administer the apostolic rite of the "laying on of hands" at St. Barnabas church.

The ladies aid society of the Central Methodist church met yesterday evening at the residence of Mrs. Frank Adams, where a social was held. The programme which had been prepared for the entertainment of the ladies and their friends was given in a most pleasing manner and an enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

A well attended parade of the first battalion was held yesterday evening at the drill hall, about 150 being present. After the companies had been inspected and drilled for the space of an hour in battalion drill by Lieut.-Col. Gregory, they were put through the manual exercises by Captain Blanchard, after which Serjt. Major Mutchy instructed them in the firing exercises.

The quarterly meeting of the B. C. Board of Trade is to be held on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Here is the order of business: President's report of business transacted by the board during the past quarter; consider expediency of passing a resolution in reference to Her Majesty's approaching commemoration; discuss ways and means of diverting the Yukon trade from its present channels; election of new members.

The Victoria West Dramatic Society are busy rehearsing and making arrangements for the presentation of "Nevada" at Semple's Hall, on April 22nd, in all of the Victoria West Volunteer Hose Company. New scenery has been secured for the occasion and new music, which will be rendered by the Victoria West orchestra. Included in the cast are: Messrs. T. Frank, A. Semple, A. E. and W. J. Cave, W. Kettle, C. A. M. Chambers, W. Nicholson, T. Cessford, Miss M. McGraw, Miss C. and Miss G. Urs.

The following gentlemen received invitations to dine with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor at Carey Castle yesterday evening: Hon. G. E. Pooley, M.P.P., Dr. W. W. Walker, M.P.P., Mr. James McGregor, M.P.P., Lt.-Col. Hon. James Baker, M.P.P., Mr. William Adams, M.P.P., Mr. A. W. Smith, M.P.P., Mr. James Kellie, M.P.P., Mr. James Kennedy, M.P.P., Mr. Thomas Forster, M.P.P., Mr. Thomas Kidd, M.P.P., Mr. Robert Macpherson, M.P.P., Mr. Charles Semlin, M.P.P., Mr. Donald Graham, M.P.P., Mr. R. P. Rippet, M.P.P., Mr. J. M. Mutter, M.P.P., Mr. G. A. Huff, M.P.P., Mr. J. Wilson, M.P.P., Mr. H. Caranichael, Capt. A. A. Eyrke, R.N., Commander F. A. Garforth, R.N., Lieutenant C. S. Willis, R.N., Mr. C. P. Phillips-Wolley, Mr. J. A. Mara, Mr. T. B. Hall, Mr. W. C. Ward, Mr. W. B. Brown, Mr. A. J. Duncan, Mr. Tom Kains, Dr. George H. Duncan.

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An effort is being made by local dog fanciers to have a bench show in June. If their efforts are successful the show will be held under the auspices of the American Kennel Association.

It is rumored, says the Vancouver World, that Mr. John Rooney has been appointed superintendent of railway mail service under the new arrangement, with entire control from Calgary west, including Vancouver Island.

The special committee of the legislature appointed to consider amendments to the Municipal Act held their first meeting this morning, but owing to the absence of Mr. Seward did not transact any business.

The house will be requested to increase the number of committee members from five to seven. The committee will hold their next meeting on Friday.

A bottle was picked up on Monday last at Hospital Point with a message dated January 11, 1890, inside. The message states that the bottle was cast overboard on that date from the steam yacht Starlight in 59:29 N., 174:3 W., which is situated somewhat to the south of the Aleutian Islands on the Asiatic side, between 2,500 and 3,000 miles from here.

The message asks the finder to inform the New York Yacht club of his find.

The weekly meeting of the Natural History Society was held yesterday evening at the provincial library, when Mr. James Deans spoke in reference to the discussion at the previous meeting as to the possible pre-historic Monoclonal origin of the Coast tribes of Indians in British Columbia.

He referred to the use of native tobacco, which was used until 1880, when tobacco took its place, as something which might strengthen the theory.

The James Bay Methodist Sunday school held their annual business meeting yesterday evening. Mr. George Powell presided. The statement of the Sunday school, which was presented during the evening, showed the school to be in a flourishing condition, they having a balance on hand above all liabilities of \$45. The anniversary entertainment of the children was also held, at which Rev. Solomon Cleaver delivered an address, and a musical and literary programme was given by the children.

William Gerstle, of the Alaska Commercial Company, who has been in the city making his annual purchases for the company's stores in the Yukon country, left yesterday for his home in San Francisco. He placed a large order with Simon Leiser & Co., Mr. Gerstle is a son of the president of the Alaska Commercial Company and is himself one of the directors. The company is one of the wealthiest in the world and practically monopolizes the trading and transportation business of the Yukon.

A joint committee of the Sons of England and Sons of St. George has been formed to make arrangements for an appropriate celebration to commemorate Her Majesty's diamond jubilee. The mayor was waited on yesterday by a deputation asking him to call a meeting for the consideration of the matter on Thursday evening next.

It is the intention of the societies to hold a mass thanksgiving service on Sunday, June 20th. This service the mayor has promised to attend, and it is thought that the bands of H. M. S. Imperieuse and of the Fifth Regiment will also attend. Another meeting of the amalgamated societies will be held this week, to which representatives of all sister societies have been invited, for the consideration of a scheme to erect in commemoration of the event a statue to Her Majesty to form a fund to endow some beds in the Jubilee Hospital.

John Gaynell, one of the performers at the Trilby music hall, was brought before the police magistrate in the police court this morning, charged with pointing a revolver at one Guy Davis. Guy Davis and Gaynell met yesterday evening in the London houses, and they got into a quarrel, each other, as it is understood that a quarrel has existed between them for some time, had some words. During the interview at the London Gaynell drew a revolver from his pocket, which it seems is a "unopened revolver," loaded with blank cartridges for use on the stage, and pointed it at Davis, who at once went and sought for a constable. He found Serjt. Walker and Constable Cameron, with whom he went to the Trilby music hall, where Gaynell was already made up to go on with his "act." Instead of going on the stage, however, he, after scraping off his make-up, went to the lock-up with the officers. He was fined \$20 and costs by the police magistrate this morning and the revolver was confiscated.

The efforts that are being made to free the Capital Lacrosse Club from indebtedness are likely to be crowned with success. A.O.U.W. hall to-morrow evening is proving a drawing card and a bumper house will be secured. A most excellent programme has been prepared, containing the names of a host of Victoria's best entertainers. Those who have and those who have not seen Milton Douglas in his inimitable dances will have a chance again to-morrow evening, when he will appear and dance by request an Irish jig. Mr. F. Richardson and Mr. T. Dooley will form the humorous contingent, and a better representation would be hard to find on the Coast. The instrumentalists are represented by E. A. Wolf, L.C.M., G. J. Burnett, F. L.V.C.M., and Mr. A. King. Miss Duffie, Miss Giline and Miss Baker need no introduction to the public of Victoria, and the following gentlemen are also well-known: Messrs. Gordon, Watson, Pilling and Brown. Let every one who has the interest of lacrosse generally, and our boys in particular, at heart, attend and in this way help to set the club in a good financial position. Messrs. J. G. Brown and James Pilling guarantee a splendid entertainment and all for 25 cents.

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A STORMY PASSAGE

Norwegian Bark Prince Robert Bufeted by a Typhoon in the Japan Sea.

Captain Hansen and His Brother, the Mate, Both Receive Injuries.

C. P. R. Steamship Empress of Japan Arrived in Quarantine This Morning.

The Norwegian four-masted bark Prince Robert, Captain Hansen, arrived in the Royal Roads last evening after a 36 days' voyage from Yokohama. The trip across was an eventful one, the big vessel having to combat a succession of gales. The danger to the vessel was increased by the fact that Capt. Hansen and the first mate were seriously injured in the typhoon which was encountered three days after leaving Yokohama. Captain Hansen reports that in all his experience he never met anything so terrible as a typhoon in the Japan sea. The wind sounded as if huge cannons were being shot from the deck, topsails were carried away, and sails were torn into shreds. Huge seas washed the deck of the vessel. One of these struck the first mate, and he was thrown against the bulwark. His whole body was a mass of bruises from the pounding he received from the waves. His most serious trouble, however, is a blood-poisoned hand. This had been badly jammed when he was thrown against the bulwark, and blood-poisoning set in. The mate, who is a brother of Captain Hansen's, will be compelled to remain in the hospital for some time. Captain Hansen was treated almost as severely as his brother. While the typhoon was at its height a large piece of wood was picked up from the deck by the waves which came over the vessel. It struck the captain's leg, and since then he has been moving around only by the assistance of a walking stick. No bones were broken, however. The typhoon lasted from the 6th to the 9th. Had the Prince Robert not been a strongly built ship she would never have remained above water. The weather after the 9th such a sea. The weather after the 9th was anything but pleasant. Gales after gales were experienced, and the wounded captain and mate were compelled to exert themselves to save the vessel. Happily, the wind was often favorable, and the Prince Robert often went before it at a tremendous rate with only bare poles. The weather continued boisterous until yesterday morning, when the vessel was taken in tow by the Lorne. The Prince Robert is one of the largest sailing vessels that has been in the Royal Roads. She registers 2,654 tons. She has been chartered to load lumber at Port Blakely for Port Pirie. Previous to loading she will be placed in drydock for cleaning and a general overhauling, but Captain Hansen has not decided whether to utilize the Esquimaux dock or go to Tacoma.

The C. P. R. Steamship Company's steamer Empress of Japan arrived at William Head quarantine station shortly after midnight yesterday after a very fair trip from the Orient. She brings 50 saloon passengers, 12 intermediates and 750 Chinese, of whom 62 are for this port. In the steamer among the Chinese passengers is a contingent of 100 Chinese who form a theatrical troupe, or as they put it, "dragon exhibitors," en route to Nashville, Tennessee, where they will inhabit the proposed Chinese village which the authorities conducting the exhibition to be given during the coming summer in that city propose to erect. They will give performances daily while the exhibition is in progress, and at the close of the exhibition it is understood they will tour the United States, playing in all the larger cities before returning to the Orient. Of the saloon passengers but two, Miss Ramsay and Miss McKellar, will remain in Victoria. The remainder will go on to Vancouver by the Empress when she leaves the quarantine station. The greater number of the saloon passengers, including a party of eleven Japanese, came to Victoria by the Maude, which went out as a leader at an early hour this morning, and they spent a portion of the day at the various sights of the city. The Japanese are a party of six officers of the Japanese civil service and five marine and life insurance men. They are on their way east, some going to Washington, some to New York and some as far as Berlin, Germany. One of their party, an amateur photographer, spent the most of his time ashore in "taking in the sights" in a different manner from the others. He takes away quite a few "snaps" in his little kodak box. Among the passengers coming ashore here were also Rev. J. M. Francis, of the American Episcopal church, who is on his way to England, touring the United States en route, and Mr. J. Campbell Thompson, associate member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, who is circling the globe. He started from London, Eng., on December 28 by P. & O. steamer for Bombay, and after spending a short time in that plague-stricken city, during which he saw some most heart-rending scenes, he went by way of Singapore to Hongkong, then after a short stay at several of the Chinese coast cities he spent three weeks in Japan. He will go directly across the continent without staying for any length of time at any

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of the American cities, and he will endeavor to catch the Teutonic and sail homeward by her on her next trip. He proposes to make the same trip next year, traveling in the reverse direction. When the Maude left the quarantine station the luggage of the Chinese passengers was being disinfected and they were all being given a sulphur bath by Dr. Watt. The Maude returned to the steamer with the saloon passengers and will bring back with her the Chinese passengers for this city, and their luggage.

The Northern Pacific steamer Victoria left Yokohama on Sunday, the 4th. She is due here on or about April 17th.

Bark Cohet arrived in Royal Roads last evening from Shanghai. She will lead lumber at the Hastings Mill.

Bark Cavour arrived last evening from the South. She is seeking.

ACCIDENT AT FIRE DRILL. Callman Palmer's Arm Shattered—An Operation Performed.

A drill was held by the fire department yesterday evening which came to a most abrupt conclusion owing to a lamentable accident with the aerial ladder. As a result of the accident Callman Palmer is now lying in the hospital with his left arm badly shattered. The aerial ladder, which when extended is 70 ft. high, was extended, and it was when it was being lowered that the accident occurred. Palmer was standing on the turntable, while two or three firemen were at the handles lowering the truck rapidly. Suddenly one of the men loosened his hold from the handle bar and the ladder came down rapidly, swinging the handle bars around so that the others could not hold on, and they let the ladder come down. Palmer was still standing on the turntable and he put his arm before his face. As he did so one of the flying bars struck him on the elbow, shattering his arm. When the ladder struck the bottom it wrenched off the handle bars, breaking one of them, which in flying off struck Tilerman Hodge on the hip. He was not seriously injured, however, and is at his post as usual to-day.

As soon as the accident happened Dr. R. L. Fraser was summoned, and he at once took the injured man to his office, where he extricated several pieces of the shattered bone. Palmer was afterwards taken to the Jubilee Hospital, where he was attended by Drs. R. L. Fraser, F. Hall and Richardson. Tator in the evening they performed an operation, taking several more pieces of the shattered bone from the arm. He is resting to-day as well as might be expected, and it is thought that his arm will be saved, although it is a question if it will ever be of any use to him.

The fire warden will hold an investigation into the matter.

C. Nangle, the anatomist and prize boot and shoe maker, for fourteen years foreman with H. Mansell, has opened a custom boot and shoe factory and repairing depot at 56 Port street, where he will do all work 30 per cent. cheaper than elsewhere in Victoria. He would be pleased to meet all his old friends and new ones. Remember the number —56 Port street.

The Solmon River Review is the latest arrival in the British Columbia journalistic field. It is published at Quartz Creek, a new town on the Nelson & Port Sheppard railway, and proposes to change its name to "the Quartz Creek Miner."

The concert to be given this evening by the Choral Union in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will commence at 8:15 sharp, the doors being opened at 7:30. The union held a final rehearsal on Monday evening.

A meeting of the ladies and gentlemen who were elected to serve on the committee of the "Victoria Order of Nurses" has been arranged for Saturday next, the 8th inst., at the city hall, at 3 p.m.

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IN TIME OF WAR IN FAVOR OF CUBA

Britain's Food Supply in the Event of War Discussed in the House.

Mr. Seton-Karr is Somewhat Alarmed, but Mr. Balfour is Confident.

London, April 7.—Attention was called in the house of commons yesterday by Mr. Henry Seton-Karr, Conservative member for St. Helena, to the totally inadequate production of food supplies in the United Kingdom in relation to the large and increasing population.

Mr. Seton-Karr then moved that independent foreign supplies for the necessities of life and the securities which might arise therefrom in the event of war should draw the serious attention of the government.

Continuing, Mr. Seton-Karr expressed the belief that the reserve of breadstuffs never exceeds three weeks' supply and frequently sinks below a week's supply.

Mr. Charles Dilke, member for the Forest of Dean division of Gloucestershire, contended that Russian exports of wheat to Great Britain were decreasing in average yearly, and he asserted that half of Great Britain's food came from the United States.

Continuing, he said: "If the United States, Canada and Australia can feed us, we are independent of Russia, as the interests and advantages of those countries would be so strong that we should rely upon them to supply us."

THE DESPOTISM OF DEMOCRACY

In a clever book, recently published, "America and the Americans," the author, presumably a foreigner, observes: "The good humor of the Americans is their greatest virtue and their most appalling vice."

After Animated Debate Senate Passes Resolution Asking Intercession for Rivera.

Resolution Becomes Effective as a Measure of Advice to the President.

Washington, April 5.—The senate today, by unanimous vote, adopted a resolution reciting the reports that Gen. Ruiz Rivera, the Cuban commander, was about to be tried by drumhead court-martial and shot, and expressing the judgment of the senate that if these reports are true the president of the United States should protest to the Spanish government against such a violation of the rules of civilized warfare.

Although opposition was withdrawn on the final vote, there was spirited opposition in the early stages of the debate and a test vote on the comparative strength of the Cuban and anti-Cuban sentiment in the senate. The test occurred on a motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations.

When the Cuban debate was precipitated Allen emphatically disintegrated the proposition that the American congress sit idly by while this savagery and barbarous contest proceeds at our very threshold.

"It is time for us to act," declared the senator. "If the president will send our navy to Cuba and warn Spain that she must obey the methods of civilized warfare or that every Spanish seaport will be razed to its foundation, hostilities would cease and Cuba would be free within three months."

Hear, of Massachusetts, responded in a calm and impressive manner. He spoke of the aspirations of the founders of the government in establishing the senate as the stay and resisting power against those passionate and fitful gusts of sentiment that had wrecked every republic on earth.

Hear declined to yield, but Allen insisted on repeating that the danger to Gen. Rivera was an authenticated fact known to all people.

Hear, continuing, asked the Nebraska senator to possess "his beautiful soul in patience." He denied that there was anything but report and prophecy as the basis of this resolution. Prophecy was far from being an exact science.

Hale, of Maine, said that he would be willing to pass a resolution inquiring of the state department what information it had on the matter. He moved the reference of the resolution to the committee on foreign relations.

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VANCOUVER.

Messrs. Evans, Coleman & Evans, the local representatives of the English company owning the Corioth group of claims in the Slokan, received a telegram yesterday that a snowslide had occurred and three men were killed. The head of the aerial tramway at the mine has also been carried away by the slide. All work has been stopped at the mine until after the funeral of the men killed.

A farmers' meeting was held at Mission City on Saturday the 27th ult., with Messrs. J. A. Catherwood in the chair, and Mr. J. A. Skimmer secretary. After considerable discussion on various matters of interest to farmers several resolutions were passed. It was first resolved that this meeting form itself into a Farmers' Alliance. It was also resolved that in the opinion of the meeting the so-called mortgage tax should be repealed. The two following resolutions were also passed after some discussion: "That in the opinion of this meeting it would be folly to spend large sums of money for the purpose of inducing immigrants of the agricultural class to come to British Columbia when there are hundreds of farmers already here who have been compelled to abandon their farms owing to the many difficulties and hardships with which they have to contend."

NEW WESTMINSTER.

During the week ending Saturday last there were 85 free miners' licenses issued by the local mining recorder. During the same period there were 67 mineral claims and three transfers of claims recorded. Most of the claims were located near Stave river on Nicomen Island.

A large number of gentlemen, both from this city and Vancouver, have just returned from prospecting in the vicinity of Stave river. As a result a good many claims have been staked out, and, judging by the samples of rock exhibited, the people interested have secured some promising properties.

On Friday last Sergeant Langley and Provincial Constable W. H. Bullock Webster brought down eight prisoners from Kamloops to be placed in the Westminster prison owing to the overcrowded state of the former jail. Amongst them is Manson, who was charged with murder at Rossland; Wm. Etams, charged with murder in East Kootenay; Reddy, charged with attempted murder near Vernon, and four men charged with highway robbery at Rossland. These men will be tried at the next assizes. One man brought down is undergoing a sentence of six months for an assault at Rossland.

Notwithstanding the favorable report received Friday from Agassiz to the effect that John R. Brown, of Harrison Hot Springs, previously reported missing, had been heard from, there appears to much reason to believe that the report was not well founded, and that Mr. Brown and two others with him have met with a fatal mishap. Mr. Thomas Binnie, of this city, who has arrived from Agassiz, says that up to Saturday night, all that was known at Agassiz about the matter was that a party of five men, including Mr. Brown, left the Springs for the head of Harrison lake, to stake out some mining claims. Somehow two of the party got separated from the other three and returned. When they found the others had not returned they went back and found their tracks, which they followed up to the edge of a snow slide, which obliterated all further traces.

ASHCROFT.

The Beatty dredger, built by Eastern Canadian capitalists, west of North Bend, is now completed, and will commence shortly to work on the Fraser in the vicinity of Boston Bar. It is a dipper dredge.

The mining deal reported in our Lil-loot correspondence on Seaton lake was a group of twelve claims, being bought by Mr. D. Todd Lewis for his company. Twelve thousand dollars was the price paid. Messrs. Glenn and Richardson, well known here, each had a claim in the group.

Along the banks of the Fraser river, west of North Bend to Yale, groups of Chinamen are washing gold with a rock, and are making good hay. The Fraser is very low this year and they have a good chance to get the bars. Some of these Chinamen carry the gravel 50 to 100 yards to wash it.

The reports from Chilcoot seem to agree that there will be a loss of 50 per cent.—if not more—of the stock throughout that section. In the vicinity of the 150-Mile House many cattle are dying daily, even farmers' cattle are dying from lack of feed, owing to the extreme length and severity of the winter, are now cutting broods for their stock. Snow is now from two to three feet deep, but has, for the past few days, been going very fast and cannot last very much longer.

Mr. J. H. Francis and D. P. Creighton of Lytton, have secured some good mining locations, eight or ten in number, situated about ten miles south of Lytton, towards the Nicola country. The ledges are reported as being from four to ten feet in thickness and in places solid ore the full width of the vein. It is pyritic iron and evidently carries some copper. If assays show it to be gold bearing it should be highly valuable.

Not less than three hydraulic plants will be opened up within five miles of North Bend this season. Work on two has already commenced. Captain Gard having about 25 men at work on Yankee Flat and on the gravel ledged by Mr. Lyon some years ago and lying directly south of the village. The success of the Ottawa company for the amount of work done last season was something phenomenal, about 20 cents per yard being saved, and some gold known to be lost, as no quicksilver or ground sluices were used.

REVELSTOKE.

On Tuesday the Home-Payne company made the final payment of \$15,400 due on the Broadview at Trout Lake, and \$10,000, the final payment on the Old Sonoma and Phillipsburg. The Broadview was owned by Charles Holten, Pete Walker and Thomas Downes, and was bonded to the Home-Payne Company for \$20,000, the whole of which has now been paid. The Old Sonoma averages 145 ounces silver, 6 per cent. copper and \$5 in gold per ton. It was owned by Tom Edwards, Bob Elson, W. Caldwell and H. Hyngeford. The Morning Star and Wild Man are located on the Silver Cup lead and the Alice on a parallel one. The two former are silver propositions and assays from the latter give \$53 in gold. The American, bonded by Abrahamson Bros. to James Dixon, has been turned over by the latter to Vancouver people. The Silver Queen on the Great Northern lead, which was recently bonded by Strubers to James Dixon for \$30,000, has, it is said, been re-bonded by him to London and Vancouver people for a big figure.

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(Revelstoke Herald.) An offer of \$15,000 made the other day for the St. Leon Hot Springs has been refused. Freight is piling up at Arrowhead and there are a number of cars held here waiting to go down. The ice on the arm is very rotten and a few more days will see the last of it. This week a man driving a mule broke through near Week point, and two other men going to Lardson who came to the rescue got in up to their necks. The men all got out in safety, but the mule was drowned. Mr. Munro, foreman of the Silver Cup mine, says that the crosscut tunnel is 300 feet and they have struck a body of high grade grey copper ore, 3 feet wide. They took out six tons of ore in crossing the lead. They have 50 feet to run to tap the main Silver Cup lead and they started to tap, not expecting to strike much ore till they struck the main lead. There are three leads crossing the Silver Cup claim but the one they have just made the big strike on had no ore on the surface, but Mr. Munro says he expected to strike an ore body when reached it in the tunnel.

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THE TREATY RATIFIED. The Guiana Boundary Arbitration Treaty will be signed on Friday.

New York, April 7.—The World publishes the following copyrighted dispatch from Caracas: "The congress of Venezuela has unanimously and enthusiastically ratified the boundary arbitration treaty with Great Britain, which was negotiated by the United States. The measure was first read in the house of representatives by Senor Aranguero, who spoke eloquently in its favor. It came up on third reading to-day (Monday), and after a speech by Senor Brizola, the house voted for the treaty unanimously, amid great cheering and enthusiastic demonstrations of gratitude to Uncle Sam."

"The treaty was also unanimously ratified by the senate to-day. President Crespo will sign it next Friday."

The rapidly with which croup develops calls for instant treatment; and few households are prepared for its visits. An admirable remedy for this disease is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It has saved hundreds of lives and should be in every house where there are young children.

ISABELLA MURPHY'S WILL. Rev. Father Smullen, Refuses to Accept His Bequest.

London, April 7.—The Westminster Gazette says the dispute which has arisen regarding the will of the late Isabella Murphy, of San Francisco, who died recently, leaving her fortune, estimated to amount to \$200,000, to the Rev. Father Smullen, will be amicably settled. Father Smullen, the Westminster Gazette adds, has refused to accept the fortune bequeathed to him, and has requested that a previous will, which divided the money among the sisters of the deceased, with bequests to servants and churches, be accepted.

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A BY-LAW

To Make Further Provision for the Maintenance of the City Library.

Whereas it is expedient to make further provision for the due maintenance of the City Library:

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:—

1. This by-law may be cited as the City Library By-law, 1897.

2. The City Library By-law, 1888, is hereby repealed.

3. It shall be lawful for the Council to maintain and carry on the present City Library and from time to time provide or obtain suitable premises herefor, and from time to time to provide and purchase such additions thereto and such furniture as the Council may deem expedient, and to retain and continue the services of the present City Librarian, and whenever necessary or expedient, to appoint some other competent person to be City Librarian in his place, and to appoint some competent person to be Assistant City Librarian at such salary, or salaries, as the Council shall from time to time fix, provided that the total expenditure under this by-law shall not exceed \$2,500.00 in any one year.

4. The Council shall have power to make such rules and regulations from time to time for the management and use of the said Library and for defining the duties of the City Librarian and Assistant City Librarian as they shall deem expedient, but the present rules and regulations shall be in force until amended or repealed.

5. This by-law shall not be finally assented until the assent of the electors of the City has been obtained in conformity with the provisions in respect of by-laws for creating debts.

Passed the Municipal Council the 29th day of March, 1897.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C., City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B.C., March 31st, 1897.

A BY-LAW

To Enable the Corporation of the City of Victoria to Raise the Sum of \$17,000 for Special or Extraordinary Expenses for School Purposes.

Whereas the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria has received from the Secretary of the Board of School Trustees of Victoria a request in writing to submit for the assent of the electors in the manner prescribed by Section 116 of the "Municipal Act, 1862," a by-law for the purpose of authorizing the expenditure of and raising the sum of \$17,000 for special or extraordinary expenses for school purposes for the current year.

And whereas for the purpose aforesaid it is intended to raise by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, the sum of \$17,000.

And whereas it will require the sum of \$2,181.00 to be raised annually by rates for the payment of the new debt and interest.

And whereas the whole rateable land and improvements or real property of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria, according to the last revised assessment roll for the year 1896, is \$14,541,800.

And whereas it will require an annual rate of three-tenths of one mill in the dollar for paying such new debt and interest.

And whereas this by-law shall not be altered or repealed, except with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

Therefore, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, enacts as follows:—

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation by way of debentures hereinafter mentioned from any person or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of \$17,000 currency (or sterling money at the rate of 4.8623 dollars to the one pound sterling) and to cause all such sums so raised or received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation, for the purpose and with the object herebefore recited.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made, executed and issued for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$17,000 either in currency (or sterling money at the rate of 4.8623 dollars to the one pound sterling) as may be required, each of the said debentures being of the amount of \$1,000 or its sterling equivalent at the rate aforesaid, and all such debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

3. The said debentures shall bear date

the 1st of June, 1897, and shall be made payable in ten years from the said date at such place either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be designated thereon, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest, and the signatures to the interest coupons may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

4. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half yearly, at such place, either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be expressed in the debentures and coupons.

5. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause the said debentures and the interest coupons, either or both, to be made payable at such place, either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be desired.

6. For the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of the interest on the said debentures during their currency there shall be raised annually the sum of \$765, and for the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of the debt at maturity there shall be raised annually the sum of \$1,416.

7. The said annual sums in the next preceding paragraph mentioned shall be raised and levied in each year by a rate sufficient therefor on all the rateable land or improvements or real property in the Municipality of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria during the continuance of the said debentures or any of them.

8. It shall be lawful for the said Municipal Council from time to time to purchase any of the said debentures, and such debentures shall be so expressed as to entitle the said Council to redeem and purchase the same on paying the amount thereof and the interest due thereon at the date of such purchase to the holder or holders thereof, at any time after five years from the date of issuance of the said debentures.

9. This by-law shall, before the final passage thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the said Corporation in the manner provided for by the Municipal Act, 1862, Section 116, and shall take effect on the first day of June, 1897.

10. This by-law may be cited for all purposes as the "Schools Loan By-law, 1897."

Passed the Municipal Council, the 29th day of March, 1897.

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MINES.

GROUND FLOOR.

NOW SYNDICATING.—\$60 will buy one twentieth of a claim on Perry creek favorably mentioned in lecture by W. A. Carlyle, Esq. \$40 will buy one-twentieth of a claim on Toad mountain close to Hall mines. \$40 will buy one-thirtieth of a claim on Wild Horse creek near Ellis.

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FOOTBALL.

A meeting of the Senior Wanderers football club will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening to choose the players who will represent them in their match with the Rangers at Nanaimo on Saturday afternoon, and to make arrangements for the trip.

YACHTING.

THE BRITANNIA SOLD.

London, April 7.—The Exchange Telegraph Company bears that the Prince of Wales has sold his famous racing yacht, the Britannia, to James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the "New York Herald."

CRICKET.

The annual meeting of the Garrison cricket club was held yesterday evening at the barracks, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing season: Captain, Gunner Barracough; Vice-Captain, Corporal Glover; Secretary, Corporal Chapman, to whom all communications respecting fixtures, etc., should be addressed. The club approved of the proposal of the Albion cricket club for the formation of a cricket league.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE BOSTON TOURNAMENT.

Boston, Mass., April 7.—George L. Feering, Jr., of the Utes Boston Athletic Association, defeated E. S. Degarand, of New York, in the second round of the amateur court tennis championship of the United States here yesterday. Feering won 6-4, 6-2, 6-1, in a finely played contest. This match leaves two Boston men in the tournament for the final, and to-morrow Feering and Stockton will have it out to a finish.

AQUATICS.

WILL GO TO HENLEY.

Winnipeg, April 7.—The secretary of the Winnipeg rowing club yesterday received from the secretary of the Royal Henley regatta committee a letter expressing the pleasure with which the committee received the entry of the Winnipeg crew. This removes all doubt as to Winnipeg being acceptable, and it was decided last night that the crew should leave for Henley about June 1. The Winnipeg crew has as yet had no practice on the water this year, but all are in good trim. The four will comprise Marks, stroke; Osborne, 2; Flett, 3; Armitage, bow and captain.

THE GUN.

A meeting of the Capital gun club will be held this evening at the office of M. R. Smith & Co., 40 Fort street. At a meeting held yesterday evening the Victoria gun club arranged for the first club shoot of the season—two prizes and a trophy, which will take place on Good Friday. The shooting for the trophy will be at 15 birds, known angles, and 15 birds, unknown angles, while the class shooting will be divided into three classes of \$10 each, and subdivided into \$5, \$3 and \$2. Next Sunday a practice shoot will be held at the grounds of the club, which recently have been extensively repaired.

LACROSSE.

CAPITALS REORGANIZE.

At the annual meeting of the Capital lacrosse club held last evening the following officers, committee and delegates were elected: Hon. President, Captain John Irving, M.P.P.; President, E. E. Blackwood; 1st vice-president, D. E. Campbell; 2nd vice-president, C. L. (Hub) Lin; secretary, G. E. G. Brown; assistant secretary, W. Bland; treasurer, A. Lee; club captain, A. E. Belfry; executive committee; Dr. J. D. Helmecken, W. Snider, R. L. Drury, R. Campbell, J. A. Bland; delegates to B. C. Lacrosse Association, E. E. Blackwood, C. L. Cullin, Geo. A. Goldwell, R. L. Drury.

PERSONAL.

H. B. Smith, of Rosland, is at the Strand. W. H. Vickers, Revelstoke, is at the Strand. Wm. Munsie returned from Vancouver. Capt. Gaudin returned last evening from the Mainland. W. H. Lomas and wife, of Quamichan, are at the Oriental. Rev. R. W. Trotter was a passenger yesterday evening from Vancouver. Bishop Barker and Dr. McCutcheon came over from the Sound this morning. E. M. Yarwood, John D. Fofman and Thomas Brown, of Nanaimo, are at the Oriental. Dr. J. M. Lefevre, E. E. Penier and C. J. Marani, of Vancouver, are guests at the Strand. E. G. Taylor, James B. Thompson, and James W. Jones, all of Alberni, are guests at the Oriental. Captain J. S. Gibson, of Chemainus, who has been here for several weeks for medical treatment, left for home this morning. Shade of Pharaoh's Daughter—Say, if you were on earth now you'd make a fine sailor. Shade of Lot's Wife—Why? Shade of Pharaoh's Daughter—Oh, you're such an old salt, you know.—New York Press.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial New in Condensed Form. —Lawn Mowers cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street. —Mr. W. Kerr will give a lecture on phrenology at the open meeting at Sir William Wallace Hall on Friday night. Admission free. —The concert and dance held yesterday evening in Semple's hall attracted a very large audience. The programme, a very meritorious one, was acceptably rendered. —Mr. J. W. Laing has consented to lecture on "The Land of the Pharaohs" in the assembly rooms of South Park school at 8 o'clock on the evening of Easter Monday, for the benefit of the school library fund. The lecture will be illustrated by magic lantern views, and to enable all to attend it has been decided to place the admission at 10 cents.

Following are the head pupils of the South Park school for March: 1st division, Ida Pauline Goddard; 2nd division, Sarah Ellen Spencer; 3rd division, Emma Gertrude Black; 4th division, Gertrude Masters Smith; 5th division, John Norman; 7th division, Nellie Ingraham Black; 7th division, Flora Mabel Black; 8th division, John McDowell; 9th division, Joyce Woodward. —There is a possibility that Charles Adair, held here for the embolism committed in Australia, will return to Sydney on the Warrimoo, which sails to-morrow. A responsible party, who is going down on the steamer, has agreed to look after the prisoner. If all legal requirements can be complied with he will go, otherwise he will have to await the arrival of the necessary papers from Brisbane.

Attention is called to the Victoria Textile Company's advertisement. The proposition is a very fair and reasonable one, the claim is right at our door; the owners are Victorians; the specimens shown are marvelously rich; and, altogether it appears to be worthy of the support of those who have money to spare to encourage the development of mining right in our midst. —A special meeting of the city council, which was to have been taken place this evening, has been postponed. As to the object of this meeting Mayor Redfern is rather reticent. All he will say is that it is for the purpose of discussing matters in connection with the improvements to the water works at Beaver Lake. Asked as to whether it would take the form of an investigation, he answered as he did the first question, that the water works would be the subject for consideration at the meeting, the new date for which has not yet been fixed. The meeting, according to reports, will be an investigation, to get to the bottom of a number of matters in connection with the work. The reason it will not be held this evening is that Mr. Murray, who was foreman on the work, is not at present in the city.

"So she jilted you after all," said the sympathetic friend. "That is what happened." "And only yesterday you were telling me how lucky you thought yourself. You said the man who got that girl would get a prize." "Well, so he will. He'll get a whole lot of prizes. Mine is the seventeenth solitary engagement ring that I know of."—Washington Star.

Prospective Litigant—You give legal advice here, don't you? Lawyer (absent-mindedly)—No; we sell it. "May I kiss your hand?" he asked. She removed her veil. "No," she replied, "I have my gloves on."—Life.

Willie—It's always in damn places where mantrous grow, isn't it, papa? Papa—Yes, my boy. "Is that the reason why they look like umbrellas, papa?"—Yonkers Statesman.

PASSENGERS. Per steamer Chatterer from Vancouver—E. Fretow, W. H. Crockett, O. E. Crockett, H. Espew, W. Tufts, H. J. Ollenheimer, J. H. Thompson, E. F. Taylor, W. W. Mansel, H. Beatty, Dr. Lefevre, W. E. Tomlinson, H. W. Cox, Capt. Gaudin, Miss Heyde, E. E. Penier, Mrs. Peares, J. J. Stevens, J. Marani, W. H. Vicker, D. G. McDonald, Mrs. McDonald, Rev. R. W. Trotter. Per steamer Isadora from the Sound—Mrs. Taaffe, Mrs. Young, H. A. Kyer, George Lang, J. S. Richardson, W. Elliott and Miss Johnson. Per steamer Kingston from the Sound—Miss Hastings, Mrs. Berryhill, Miss Polger, M. E. Folger, H. Folger and H. H. Roberts. Per steamer from the Sound—J. Lavette, H. B. Smith, N. S. Johnson, E. H. Willett, M. E. Frazer, C. S. Herringway, J. L. Bishop, Bishop Barnett, D. McCutcheon, Mrs. Switzer, S. Jones, W. Bayon, J. G. House.

CONSIGNEES. Per steamer Chatterer from Vancouver—C. A. Semlin, Simon Lefevre, Don Carrage Co., Weller Bros., Frye Pub. Co., D. H. Patinger, Lena & Lefevre, A. & W. Wilson, E. Bligg, Col. Pub. Co., D. H. Ross, E. H. Stewart, S. Shore, Ames Holden, Co., J. F. Moffatt, Wilson Bros., B. G. Furniture Co., J. Thompson, S. Sea, B. C. Steam Dry Works, Lamsay Bros., J. P. Clark, G. P. Feigler, D. J. Griffin, H. Carmichael, Don Exp. Co. Per steamer from the Sound—Wilson Bros., Weller Bros., J. Earsman, Heman & W. Per steamer Kingston from the Sound—J. B. Taylor, J. Tropp & Co., Thos. Earle, Wilson Bros., Sinclair & Co., D. H. Frye & Co., Volo & Brooks, Brackman & Kar M Co.

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HADN'T WHAT SHE WANTED. A certain shop-walker in a large establishment is noted for his severity to those under him in business. One day he approached a junior assistant, from whose counter a lady had just moved away. "You let that lady go out without making a purchase?" he asked, severely. "Yes, and she was at your counter fully ten minutes, but then you see—"

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NOTICE. Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during the next session an Act to incorporate the British Pacific Railway Company, with power to construct a railway from Victoria, British Columbia, to Winnipeg, Manitoba, via Route Inter-Cariboo, Edmonton and Prince Albert, with a branch line to a certain port on Hudson Bay, and a branch down the valleys of the Canoe, Columbia and Kootenay rivers, and to connect with the proposed railway, or connecting therewith. Montreal, 11th January, 1897.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a railway from a point on the north boundary line of British Columbia between the 134th and 139th degrees of longitude at the head of Lynn Canal, or at any other point on the north boundary, and thence northerly and westerly to the most feasible route to Fort Selkirk, with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries and wharves, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other houses or aid from the Government of Canada and British Columbia or from any municipalities or corporations to aid in the construction of the said railway and make traffic and other arrangements with other railways, companies, persons and for all other lawful and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed, and to carry on business of general trading company and express company; also to mine, explore and develop mineral lands and to carry on a general mining business and any business incidental to any of the purposes aforesaid, and with the approval and consent of the Dominion Government to administer the territory known as the Yukon Territory in Canada under conditions to be prescribed. DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMECKEN, Solicitors for the Applicants, Victoria, B.C. Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 24th day of February, 1897. DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMECKEN.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the County Court of Vancouver, dated the 18th day of September, 1896, the undersigned was appointed administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the above deceased. Persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased are requested to send me particulars thereof on or before the 10th day of April, 1897, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith. Administrator, Corner Stanley Avenue and Milne Street, Victoria, B.C.

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Public Meeting. A requisition requesting a meeting for the purpose of discussing the question of aiding the construction of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company; and for discussing matters generally pertaining to railway construction in this province, having been presented to me, a Public Meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday Evening, April 8th. Chair taken at 8 o'clock p.m. CHAS. REDFERN, Mayor. ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. In the Matter of the Estate of Vincent Louis Bossi, deceased intestate, and in the Matter of the "Administrator's Act." Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the County Court of Vancouver, dated the 18th day of September, 1896, the undersigned was appointed administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the above deceased. Persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased are requested to send me particulars thereof on or before the 10th day of April, 1897, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith. Administrator, Corner Stanley Avenue and Milne Street, Victoria, B.C.

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