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PRINCE OF WALES MAY VISIT CANADA

**ON HIS WAY HOME
FROM THE FAR EAST**

Report That Grand Trunk Pacific Will
Build Eastern Section of Trans-
continental Line.

(Special to the Times)
Ottawa, April 2.—The Canadian Associated Press has private information that it is possible the Prince of Wales will go direct to Japan and return by Canada.

The Transcontinental.
It is understood that J. D. McArthur, the big Winnipeg contractor, will get the contract for the western section of the trans-continental and the Grand Trunk Pacific eastern section.

Will Investigate.
The Winnipeg trade and labor council has wired Hon. M. E. Aylesworth to send an alien law officer to Winnipeg to deal with the case of strike breakers imported by the Winnipeg street railway. The matter will be referred to W. Mackenzie King, deputy minister of labor, who will attend to it at once.

Returning Officers.
At the special election committee today it was decided that the clerk of the crown in chancery could only be removed by an order of both houses of parliament. It was also decided that in all cases the sheriffs, registrars and similar officials should be made returning officers.

WATCHMAN'S CONFESSION.

Alleged to Have Stated That He Placed
Dynamite Under Engine in
New Building.

(Associated Press)
Cleveland, Ohio, April 2.—The Leader today says: "Enough dynamite was found under a hoisting engine in the Taylor street building as well as a half dozen others which cluster about it. Henry Claypool, a night watchman in the employ of the American Bridge Company, which is building the Taylor street building, confessed to detectives that he placed dynamite under it when it was found because five of his fellow watchmen had been discharged."

TORPEDO BOAT LOST.

Struck a Reef and Went Down—All
Aboard Rescued.

(Associated Press)
Libau, April 2.—During the trial of a submarine boat her today, a torpedo boat from which several officers were witnessing the experiments, struck a reef and sank. Those aboard were rescued.

BERMUDA'S REPAIRS.

Work Being Done to Ship's Top Ham-
per at the B. C. Marine
Railway.

The work on the British ship Bermuda is nearing completion at the B. C. Marine Railway, Esquimalt. The vessel has had two new wooden top-gallant masts, main and mizzen, also a new steel mainmast topmast. The last named spar, which was made at the local yard, reflects considerable credit on the firm doing the work, as while it is a comparatively easy matter to turn out masts, a steel mast or yard requires skill and competent workmanship.

The Bermuda, it will be remembered, came limping into port, as owing to her dismantled condition she was unable to set any canvas above the lower topsail on the mainmast and nothing above the upper topsail on the main. The vessel was bound to Acapulco and on September 13th last, when within about two days' sail of the port was caught by a hurricane which dismantled her and blew with such fury as to strip sails from the yards, which had been securely furled. The gale heeled the vessel over until her masts were almost a wash and her officers state that if she had not been a hurricane decked ship she would not have cleared herself of the water fast enough while in this position and in all probability would have foundered. The hurricane deck is a feature not often seen, the main deck being flush fore and aft, with railings the full length of the vessel. The Bermuda can carry 4,000 tons of cargo and uses water ballast when light, having specially arranged tanks for that purpose. There now remains the setting up of the rigging and the sending aloft of some of the spars on the mainmast. This is expected with four days' delay. The Bermuda will be ready to proceed to one of the sound ports, where she is to load wheat for the United Kingdom. As previously reported, several of the Bermuda's crew contracted sickness at Acapulco, the second officer and two seamen being now hospitalized here recovering from low fever prevalent down to that unhealthy zone. The chief officer states that on the voyage from Victoria the vessel was often very short handed on account of the illness among the crew.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

Elections in Progress in Chicago Will
Decide Question.

(Associated Press)
Chicago, April 2.—Mild spring weather prevailed today while the voting for municipal ownership was in progress. No candidates are being voted for except aldermen, but the questions involved in their selection are held so important by voters that there are every indications of a very heavy vote being cast.

The chief questions for settlement are whether the city of Chicago shall proceed to operate the street railways and \$75,000,000 of street car certificates shall be issued for the purchase of street car companies. The question of high or low license for saloons has also evoked much feeling on both sides, and in a number of the wards has overshadowed the question of municipal ownership. The city council yesterday passed an ordinance placing the license at \$1,000 and the liquor interests have made a strong fight against every alderman who is out for the election who voted for the measure.

JOHN A. DOWIE HAS BEEN DEPOSED

W. G. VOLIVA ELECTED
TO FILL HIS PLACE

Mrs. Dowie and Her Son Join Forces
With New Leader—Founder Re-
tains Much Property.

Chicago, April 2.—At a meeting of 5,000 adherents of the Christian Catholic church at Zion City, of which John Alexander Dowie is the founder and first apostle, Dowie's authority was repudiated and Wilbur Glenn Voliva, who for some time has been conducting the affairs of the church, elected in his stead. Mrs. Dowie also repudiated her husband and her son, Gladstone Dowie, cast his lot with his mother and the new leader, Voliva.

Most of the officials of the church were present at the meeting and Dowie was denounced by many of them as having deceived the people and having wasted their money in extravagance. The meeting, however, refused to hold that he had knowingly erred, and John G. Speicher, the former overseer and second in command to Dowie, who was recently deposed temporarily, declared Dowie to be insane. Mrs. Dowie, in her address, also upheld that declaration.

The casting off of the authority of John Alexander Dowie followed the receipt yesterday of an eight-hundred word telegram from Dowie, who is in Mexico, in which he repeatedly ordered the immediate discharge of Deacon Alexander Grainger, financial manager of Zion, who has been one of the most aggressive leaders in the effort to secure the affairs of the church on a secure foundation. Dowie also announced in the telegram that a letter would follow in which other officials were named for deposition. A meeting of the Zion City council of twelve followed immediately and it was decided to place the affairs of the church before the members and settle for all time the question of leadership.

The meeting was held yesterday afternoon and Overseer Voliva read the long telegram from Dowie. A few faint efforts at applause greeted the reading, which was followed by a storm of cheers for the new leader of Zion as he arose from his chair and advanced to the front of the platform. He invited Dr. S. Speicher, the former overseer, to come to the platform and take a seat. Voliva then, amid loud sibilant, announced that he refused to remove Alexander Grainger from office. This was the first publicly announced defiance by Voliva of the authority of Dowie. The completion of Dowie's overthrow as a leader followed immediately after another John G. Speicher, Mrs. Jane Dowie, wife of the first apostle; Deacon Verger of Cincinnati; August E. Cantel and others denounced and repudiated the authority and teachings of Dowie.

Although Dowie's authority in the church has thus been repudiated, scores of the industries and homes of Zion City stand upon land the titles of which read in Dowie's name.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, the new leader of the church, was born in Indiana in 1870, and had been in the ministry of the church since 1888. He was ordained an overseer in 1901, and soon afterward was sent to Australia.

PILGRIM FOOTBALL TEAM.

English Eleven Will Play Matches in
Canada and United States.

(Associated Press)
New York, April 2.—The Pilgrim Association football team of England will be ready to proceed to one of the sound ports, where she is to load wheat for the United Kingdom. As previously reported, several of the Bermuda's crew contracted sickness at Acapulco, the second officer and two seamen being now hospitalized here recovering from low fever prevalent down to that unhealthy zone. The chief officer states that on the voyage from Victoria the vessel was often very short handed on account of the illness among the crew.

FIRE AT BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 2.—Fire early this morning practically destroyed the Evening Times building on Main street, causing a loss estimated at \$200,000. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

GENERAL STRIKE IN SHINGLE MILLS

WORK SUSPENDED IN
FOURTEEN AT BALLARD

Only Three Remain in Operation and
These Will Probably Be Closed
During Day.

(Associated Press)
Seattle, Wash., April 2.—Fourteen out of seventeen shingle mills of Ballard, the greatest shingle manufacturing city in the world, are idle, the few remaining being expected to close today as a result of a general strike against the mills in that city.

The issues are a slight increase in wages and the open shop principle. The close of the Ballard mills will decrease the general output by 3,000,000 shingles per day.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Factory at Utica Gutted—Loss Placed
at \$350,000.

(Associated Press)
Utica, N. Y., April 2.—The large four story manufacturing factory owned by the Post-Block Mfg. Co. was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is placed at \$350,000. This is insured for about \$240,000. The company employed in this city about 250 men and did a business here of \$600,000 a year. There are branches of the establishment in Toronto, Montreal and Winnipeg.

EXTINGUISHED FUSE.

Prompt Action of Guard Prevented
Destruction of Bank.

(Associated Press)
Sourin, Poland, April 2.—An attempt made last night to blow up the Mutual Credit Bank here with an infernal machine was frustrated just in time by a guard who extinguished the fuse.

SAYS HUSBAND TOOK FORTUNE

MAN ALLEGED TO HAVE
SWINDLED OTHER WOMEN

Chicago, Ill., April 2.—The Chronicle today says:
"Stripped of her entire fortune, of \$20,000 she declares by her husband, Dr. Frank E. Delacresle, who has fled, leaving her in abject poverty. Mrs. Frank E. Delacresle, of 238 Indiana avenue, yesterday caused the arrest of Mrs. Frank E. Delacresle, No. 1, 234 Prairie avenue, who is accused of being the accomplice of the man for whom the police of every city in the United States are on the outlook. Other women, the police say, were swindled by the man.

"The woman who makes the complaint and whose maiden name was Triquet, was married to Dr. Delacresle, a magnetic healer, last November. He declared himself to be the owner of a \$25,000,000 mine in Mexico, she says. He needed money to purchase machinery with which to operate his gold mine, and the young woman says she wrote cheques for him at the rate of \$100 a day until her wealth was gone. The woman who now turns out to be Mrs. Delacresle, No. 1, of eight years standing, is said to have aroused the suspicions of Mrs. Delacresle, No. 2, by constantly shadowing her husband to the very doorstep of the second wife, Delacresle, who is known to have passed also as Dr. Reed, explained the appearance of the mysterious woman by saying she was a blackmailer, who sought money under threats of having him arrested. Wife No. 2 admitted to the police last night that she gave her husband sums of \$200 and \$500 at various times in order to stop the annoyance. Mrs. Delacresle, No. 1, proclaims her innocence, and declares she too was swindled by Delacresle."

EARL GREY.

The Governor-General Will Spend
Several Days in Washington.

(Associated Press)
New York, April 2.—Earl Grey, governor-general of Canada, will leave New York for Washington this afternoon, and will remain at the capital several days.

PROFESSOR KILLED NEGRO.

Fort Worth, Texas, April 2.—Professor Pruitt, a prominent local educator, last night found a negro named Jess House in his daughter's room and killed him. The young woman was asleep and the man had just entered her room.

ENTERING ON DUTIES.

Thomas Deasy Has Arrived in Nelson
(to Take Charge of Fire
Department).

The Nelson News of Sunday announces the arrival in that city of the new fire chief, Thomas Deasy, and his wife. With the energy which always characterized Chief Deasy, he appears to have gone to work at once to look into the conditions connected with the department over which he is to preside in the inland city. The News says: "Mr. Deasy was met at the station by Mayor Gillett and Assistant Chief Phillips, and visited the fire hall. He looked over the equipment and expressed surprise at its extent and quality. He immediately went over the department's plan of the city, showing the location of the hydrants, with the assistance of the chief, and inquired as to the pressure and the system of alarms.

"While the new chief found a few things that he thought could be improved, he was very favorably impressed with Nelson's means of fire fighting. Chief Deasy will take over the control of the department at once."

OPERATORS AND MINERS WILL MEET

CONFERENCE TO BE
HELD IN NEW YORK

Representatives of Men Believe Em-
ployers Will Take Steps to Relieve
the Situation.

(Associated Press)
New York, April 2.—Although nothing has occurred to change the situation there was a general expectation today that the conference between the sub-committee of the anthracite operators and miners, which will be held in the Jersey Central building later in the day, would bear fruit. There was a strong optimistic feeling among the representatives of the miners that something would occur to greatly relieve the situation.

President Mitchell during the forenoon said there was no change in the situation so far as miners are concerned, the men still standing firm for what they have asked and feeling confident that the operators would not continue to maintain the attitude they have assumed up to the present time. Mr. Mitchell denied all reports that concessions would be made by him today. All reports of that character, he said, were mere speculation. It had been reported that the miners would not press all the demands that he had made, if the mine owners showed a disposition to meet them half way.

Notwithstanding Mr. Mitchell's firm stand, it is considered quite likely that the Shamokin scale committee will make concessions rather than declare a strike at this time.

The seven members of the sub-committee of the miners headed by President Mitchell had a brief meeting at headquarters in the Ashland hotel, prior to the conference with the operators. What took place was not made public, but it is understood the committee reviewed developments in connection with the suspension of mining which took effect during the forenoon, and which took effect during the forenoon. The members all expressed themselves as satisfied with the situation and said they felt confident there would be no break in the ranks of the mine workers.

The members of the Shamokin scale committee, who number sixteen, began arriving here during the forenoon. It has been planned to hold a meeting of this committee to-night to receive a report from the sub-committee of seven. Whether this meeting will be held depends upon what occurs at this afternoon's conference.

President Mitchell received another large number of telegrams today from the bituminous districts of the union. He informed a reporter for the Associated Press that affairs in the soft coal sections are working themselves out just as he had expected they would. All his information, he says, was of a favorable character. Thousands of men have returned to the mines at increased pay, and he expected to hear during the day that many more soft coal companies had agreed to the 1902 scale.

President Baer, of the Reading company, arrived here shortly after 10 o'clock and immediately went into the conference with officials of other coal carriers. It was the original intention to hold the meeting of the sub-committee of the operators and miners in the forenoon in order to give the operators an opportunity to confer with one another.

EARTHQUAKE IN OREGON.

Ashland, Ore., April 2.—Shortly after 9 o'clock last night a distinct earthquake was felt here. The vibrations lasted nearly two seconds.

In the House of Lords Monday-Lord Denham (Liberal), replying for the government, said the ministers would not agree to a rebate in the excise duty on sugar in case a best sugar industry is not started in Great Britain.

Wing Sing, the laundryman, of Rome, N. Y., who was shot on Friday by Wong Sing, also a laundryman, died Monday. Wun Pen, who was shot at the same time by Wong Sing, is believed to be dying.

ESGERIA'S NEW CREW AT ESQUIMALT

ARRIVED FROM EAST
YESTERDAY EVENING

Something About the Men Who Will
Man the Survey Ship on this
Commission.

The new officers and crew of H. M. S. Egeria arrived in the city last evening and have joined the vessel at Esquimalt naval dock. The Egeria's new captain is Commander Frederick C. Learmouth, a well-known officer of the survey service of the Royal Navy, who has been appointed to succeed Commander John Franklin Parry. Seen this morning by a Times reporter, one of the new officers, speaking for himself and fellow officers, said that they and crew left England on the C. P. liner Lake Manitoba on March 14th, and arrived at St. Johns on the 27th instant. The weather was somewhat cold and stormy crossing the Atlantic, but with a pleasant passage was experienced. The overland trip was enjoyed by all, and members of the ship's new company expressed themselves as delighted with Canada and with this city and surroundings especially, referring with particular emphasis to Victoria's lovely climate.

At present on board the Egeria all is bustle and preparation as the work of recommissioning goes on, and everything is more or less upset. Of course it will be only a matter of a little time until the new ship's company have brought about their and prepared to take up the work which the Egeria left off in the vicinity of Port Simpson. The new skipper of the Egeria, the navy blue in January, 1878. He got his present rank in June, 1900. He has been largely employed in survey service in all parts of the world, his last post being in command of the survey ship Goldfish, which had been

INDIANAPOLIS INSPECTED.

New Vessel on the Victoria and Seattle
Route Was Yesterday Examined
by Canadian Officials.

When the steamer Indianapolis arrived from the Sound yesterday afternoon she was boarded by Capt. Collator, inspector of boats, who examined the craft and her equipment. For an hour or so all was commotion, while the officer had everything thrown open for his inspection. Many Victorians also boarded the ship to see her interior arrangements and rendered a favorable comment was passed on the cheery character of the upper apartments. The steamer is a day ton, all agreed, and as such is a big improvement on steamers of the same line previously in the service. But she in no way compares in point of speed, beauty or size with the Princess Victoria, the glory-boat of those waters.

The Indianapolis arrived yesterday at 2 o'clock. Capt. Harry Carter explained, however, that this was due to leaving Seattle an hour and four minutes late, a detention caused by the Princess Minster Company. He stated that the steamer averages fifteen knots an hour and this speed he thinks she will maintain.

NEW SPRINKLER IN SIX WEEKS

TRAM COMPANY WILL
HURRY WORK ON IT

Cost of Keeping Down Dust Effectively
Is Not Expected to Be
Excessive.

It is expected that within about six weeks the new system of street-watering will be in use in the city. The Tramway Company will take steps to have the car constructed within that period, so that no longer time than is absolutely necessary may be lost. In the meantime the sprinkling will be done by the water wagons now owned by the city.

The new car will be built by the Electric Company, and the work on it will be pushed forward with all expedition as soon as the agreement is actually entered into. The only part which will have to be got outside of the city will be the sprinkling device upon which there is a patent.

The intention is to water the streets along the line of the company's tracks to the full width within the city limits. Two sprinklings a day are thought to be possible, which will effectively keep down the dust. In order to carry this out it will be necessary to put in suitable hydrants at different points in the city. The exact location of these hydrants has been ascertained after the watering has begun. At the start it is the intention to use the present hydrants, making the connection with the car by means of hose. Hydrants to cover the needs of the case are estimated by the city engineer to cost about \$20.

In addition to the streets along the car lines there are others in the city which require attention. These will be served by horse wagons now in the possession of the corporation. It is expected that with two of these wagons in use to supplement the street sprinkler the cost will not exceed what is now done when the work was all done by wagons. The majority of the council expect that at the same expense the dust nuisance may be kept under control much better by the new arrangements than in the past. The aim of the council is to keep the expenditure for street sprinkling within that of a year and at the same time give a more perfect service in this respect.

Beyond the city limits along the line of the tram company there will remain portions of streets which will not receive a sprinkling. These are the Esquimalt road to Esquimalt and Oak Bay avenue to Oak Bay. If these are to be sprinkled it must be by a special arrangement between the residents along these streets and the tram company.

Mayor Morley himself is of the opinion that if these residents would enter into an arrangement by which an oil emulsion could be given the roads that the work would be done far more effectively than by giving only a water sprinkling occasionally.

INSPECTING LIGHTS.

Provincial Agent of Marine and Fisheries
Has Started on His Annual
Rounds.

The D. G. S. Quader, which sailed yesterday for the West coast with the masts and equipment for the new tower and light at Sechart, carried Capt. Gardner, the local agent of marine and fisheries, who has started on his annual inspection tour of the lights on the British Columbia coast. There are now about fifty of these, and as they are scattered near and far, the time taken in a visit to all is increasing year by year. The captain will not wait, however, to return on the Quader, but will endeavor to connect with the steamer Queen City. He will then remain here until the Quader's return, going north on the vessel when she leaves with the machinery for the new fog alarm on Eggs Island.

With respect to lighthouse matters, it might be stated that many are figuring on the new lighthouse and fog alarm buildings to be constructed on Trial Island, the tenders for which must be in the hands of the department at Ottawa by the 15th inst.

The department gives notice that the diaphone fog alarm on Lennard Island, Clayoquot Sound, described in notice to mariners No. 122 (77) of 1905, was put in operation on the 1st March. It will give, during thick or foggy weather, one blast of 5 seconds' duration every 30 seconds.

FRENCH COAL STRIKE.

Forty-Four Thousand Men Are Idle—
Cavalry Charged Strikers.

Lens, France, April 2.—The strikers in the mining districts now number 44,000. Seven arrelois have been made on charges of expelling dynamite cartridges and attacking the police and a number of strikers made a determined demonstration today against the arrests, but the cavalry charged and dispersed them. The coal companies are continuing the workmen's trains, and the feeling against the companies is increasing.

THE NATAL AFFAIR.

The Newspaper Attacks Continue on
Both Sides.

London, April 2.—The Natal affair has been the subject of stronger party recriminations than any question that has come to the surface in recent years. Newspaper attacks continue on both sides. Conservative organs bring charges of "Little Englandism" against the government and Liberal papers attributing the trouble to the Chamberlain party desiring to discredit the government.

PRIEST ATTACKED IN CHURCH.

Cronstadt, April 2.—Father John Sargieff, better known as Father John of Cronstadt, was attacked in the cathedral here yesterday while administering the sacrament. His assailant struck at him with a loaded cane, but Father John dodged the blow, which smashed the cup. The man was arrested. The penalty for violation of the sacrament in Russia is death.

GIRL SWEEP OVERBOARD.

San Francisco, April 2.—Maggie Donovan, the 15-year-old daughter of John J. Donovan, of Seattle, was carried from the deck of the steamer Santa Barbara last Saturday by a heavy sea and drowned when the vessel was passing Cape Mendocino. Donovan, accompanied by his wife and two daughters, was en route to Los Angeles.

EVIL EFFECT OF VALENCIA MISHAP

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Life Despaired Of.
Belleville, Ont., April 2.—As a result, it is alleged, of taking patent medicine which had been distributed around the streets in free samples, Herbert Greatrix, of this city, 24 years of age, is now lying at the point of death in the hospital here.

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INVESTMENTS OUTSIDE OF CANADA.
In 1902 and 1904 extended negotiations took place between the Finance Minister, the superintendent of insurance and the United Canadian companies, with regard to extension of their investment powers. The minister expressed his willingness to eliminate the restrictions on the amount of investments outside of Canada, if certain other changes were made, and it was fully believed that a bill to this effect would be introduced by the government in the session of 1904. For reasons brought out before the Commission, however, this bill was postponed from time to time, and has even now not been brought forward.

same terms as the company, and it was understood that the block would be divided. By error, however, the directors were not told when the transaction was about to be completed, and the company took up her money in its own share, but those of the directors. This was on December 31st, 1904. The error was discovered within a few days and was immediately corrected by the directors taking from the company their shares, and merely reversing the entries. This was not a sale, but a mere correction of an error, which had inadvertently been made a few days previously. It did not involve any question of either profit or loss to the company. These facts are not disputed, but on the contrary, were clearly stated by Mr. Blackadar in his evidence. No injury whatever accrued to the company, which had merely parted with some of its bonds for a few days, holding the stock instead thereof for that time. Absolutely no change whatever took place during those days in the value of the stock. As far as known, one share of stock had been sold in the interval, and the only profit of any kind had occurred. Of the \$580,000 of stock \$223,100 was taken by the directors, and \$356,900 remained with the company. In extension of this error it should be remembered that it happened on December 31st, when the staff were more busy than on any other day of the year. The company's records indicate that the entry was a mere correction of a mistake, and nothing else, and that the directors derived absolutely no advantage beyond what they would have received had they taken up their stock ten days previously, as intended.

INACTIVE ASSETS.
We have been reproached with having "silent assets," or bonus stocks. We certainly have them, and are very proud of having them, and our policyholders also should be remarkably well satisfied that we have them. Their position merely shows that we occupy a vastly stronger position than we have ever publicly claimed.

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MUTUAL LIFE COMPANIES

Governor of New York Signs Bill Postponing Elections Until November 15th.

Albany, N. Y., April 2.—The first of the ten bills proposed by the special investigating committee as the results of the long and sensational investigation of the life insurance methods and conditions is now a law. Governor Higgins this afternoon affixed his signature to the bill which postpones until November 15th the annual elections of the New Life, Mutual of New York, Mutual Reserve of New York and Security Mutual of Binghamton—the four purely mutual life insurance companies incorporated under the laws of this state. It does not affect the Equitable Life Assurance Society, which is a stock company. In signing the bill the governor sharply criticized the directors whom he thus legislated from office.

Under the provisions of the act which takes effect immediately the present directors and trustees of the four companies concerned will continue in office until November 15th, and their terms of office will then expire, no matter for what period they may have been elected and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the respective charters or by-laws. On that date the annual meetings must be held by all of the four companies. At a time and place which shall be fixed by the board of directors and an entire new board of directors shall then be elected. The said elections shall be under the supervision of the superintendent of insurance, who shall appoint at least three pollholders of each corporation holding such an election to act as inspectors thereof.

One of the most important effects of the act is that it invalidates every proxy hitherto issued, whether by the companies themselves or by Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, or by anyone else, the act providing that "no vote shall be cast at any such election under any proxy executed prior to the 15th day of September, 1906, and all proxies electing officers of said corporations, respectively, and the terms of office of any and all officers of said corporations, then in office, shall expire upon the election of their successors."

OPERATORS' STATEMENT.
Are Doing All in Their Power to Prevent Increase in Price of Coal.
New York, April 2.—The following statement was issued by the anthracite coal operators' committee:

Advices received this morning from the anthracite coal regions are to the effect that the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western is operating six washeries, Erie, Erie, Ontario & Western two, Delaware & Hudson one, and the Peoples' Coal Co. one breaker.

The Reading & Lehigh Valley and the Temple Coal & Iron Co. are not attempting to run any of their plants, although some 2,000 men reported to the Lehigh Valley Coal Company for work to-day.

The coal operators are doing their utmost to secure any even distribution of the supply of coal on hand. The price of freight has not been raised, no charge whatever is being made for the coal the operators have incurred for the storage and price of o. b., and alongside is exactly the same to-day as it has been for months past. There is no excuse for raising the price of coal; and the operators are doing everything in their power to prevent it. There is no reason for the public being inconvenienced by the existing strike. The operators have stored a very large quantity of coal against such an emergency as this, and this coal will be distributable.

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COUNCIL AGREES TO PROPOSITION

WATERING CAR WILL BE PUT ON STREETS

Other Items of Interest Brought Before Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen.

The city council met last evening and decided to enter into the agreement with the tramway company for the sprinkling of the streets.

A communication was read from Col. English reminding the council that he still had two guns and cartridges donated to the city by the Imperial government.

Ald. Douglas thought the guns should be put in the park alongside of the Chinese bell.

Ald. Yates moved that the Mayor be authorized to receive the pieces, and suggested that a good place for them would be on either side of the entrance to the park. The motion carried.

The deputy superintendent of Indian affairs wrote with respect to the lines collected from Indians stating that by the constitution these went to the province.

Ald. Yates proposed that the provincial government be now applied to. The resolution carried.

F. H. Eaton on behalf of the Provincial Teachers' Association wrote stating that about 450 teachers would attend the convention beside those of the city. He suggested that the city council aid in a substantial way in aiding the convention in June.

This was referred to the finance committee.

The general manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company acknowledged the release of the company from the "secret" agreement.

The president of the executive of united municipalities on British Columbia wrote suggesting that no proposals be made to the provincial legislature for amendments to the Municipal Act; that these should rather be made in a concerted way through the executive of the united municipalities.

The various amendments suggested by the executive at the last sitting of the legislature were outlined in the letter as follows:

1. Entire re-organizing of the Municipal Acts along the lines of the Baldwin Act of Ontario by classifying in cities, first, second and third class.

2. Amend section 15, giving power to council to decrease number of aldermen.

3. That trade licenses other than liquor licenses be based upon rental values.

4. That in addition to the Mayor being chairman of police and licensing boards, the appointee made by the Governor-in-Council be made upon the recommendation of the municipal council.

5. That the municipalities be given power to appoint their own coroner, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

6. Amend section 59, sub-section 148, to empower council to impose frontage tax when laying water mains in front of unimproved property.

7. To amend section 76 to add after the word "municipality" in the last line

the words "according to the last revised assessment roll."

8. To amend section 136, sub-section A by substituting the word "revision" for the word "preparation" in the first line.

9. To give rural municipalities power to see aside moneys collected for dog taxes to a fund to be used for the purpose of paying for dogs destroyed by the council.

10. To compel rural municipalities to appoint an inspector to enforce destruction of noxious weeds.

11. To amend Municipal Elections Act, section 6, by placing various qualifications of voters in sub-sections instead of the present manner and making the revised and amended assessment roll the basis of ownership for voters lists.

12. To declare a ballot upon which there are not as many votes cast as there are candidates to be elected as a spoiled ballot.

13. That each member of the executive be placed upon the legislative meeting list.

The letter suggested the payment of the annual fee.

The letter was referred to the finance committee.

A. J. Patton complained of the condition of Skirrow street. This was referred to the city engineer.

Mr. Patton also wrote calling attention to the fact that a point had been raised as to whether the map of Victoria West was legal.

This was referred to the city engineer, who was considering at the time a re-survey of the district.

H. S. O'Brien complained of two insanes on Pandora street. One was that the sewer pipes were piled up so far to darken the windows of an adjoining house; another was that the chimneys on the street were a nuisance.

This was referred to the water works committee to look after the first complaint. The second complaint Ald. Goodacre said would be covered by the resolution to put Pandora street in shape.

E. A. Carlow offered a gravel pit for sale on the E. & N. railway.

This was referred to the streets committee.

A proposal of Simmonds & Cook to excavate beneath a sidewalk was referred to the city engineer, with power to act.

Wm. McCullough complained of his taxes, which he said were exorbitant. This was referred to the assessor.

The city solicitor reported that A. E. McPhillips, K. C., had not agreed to submit to the tramway company an alteration to the effect that the street sprinkling agreement should be entered into for five years.

The city engineer reported upon the question of hydrants for the supply of water as follows:

1. In accordance with instructions, I have interviewed the manager of the Tramway Company regarding the location of hydrants, for charging the proposed electric sprinkler, and after doing so, am of opinion it would not be advisable to decide upon all the points until after the machine is put in operation. I think, however, the first could be placed as follows:

1. Embury street, between Government and Store streets.

2. At or near Dallas road and Ontario street.

3. At or near Burnside road and Douglas street.

4. At or near Fort street and Oak Bay avenue.

5. At or near Esquimalt and Craigflower roads.

6. At or near Pandora and Cook streets.

7. I may say the average cost of 4-inch connections and valves, etc., extended to about \$50 each, at locations mentioned.

In conclusion, I might state the following districts could be sprinkled twice daily if sufficient hydrants are supplied, viz:

1. Pandora avenue and Cook street, from Douglas street to Caledonia avenue.

2. Douglas street, from Pandora avenue to Burnside road.

3. Government, Superior, St. Lawrence streets to outer wharf.

4. Esquimalt line, from Cormorant street to the city limits.

5. Fort street, from Douglas street to Oak Bay avenue.

C. H. TOPP, City Engineer.

It was agreed to enter into the agreement with the tramway company after it was specified on the advice of Ald. Fell that the contract be from year to year.

Ald. Stewart said he had no objection to the agreement, but he wanted to know where the \$2,100 was to come from. Was it to come from the streets appropriation?

Ald. Yates suggested that the example of Vancouver be followed and a frontage tax be collected from those benefited. Vancouver got \$1,000 a year from this frontage tax, he thought, three cents a foot.

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street. The city could then sprinkle its own streets by this arrangement. In two years the tram company would have its share of the cost paid for by the city contributing for what the tram company had a right to do.

Ald. Stewart wanted to know why Ald. Fullerton sat mum at the conference with Manager Goward. That was the time he should have spoken out, he did not until he was called upon to do so by the Mayor.

Ald. Hall said that it appeared that there was to be a much larger area sprinkled under the new arrangement than at the present time. This was an item which was worth considering. He would himself prefer not to have the dual system of ownership, but it seemed impossible to get this. He thought the new system would be a benefit to the city.

Ald. Fell thought that Ald. Fullerton should not make unkind references about any member of the council. He had intimated that he (Ald. Fell) was influenced by corporations.

Ald. Fullerton said he took this back and withdrew the language.

Ald. Fell said that it was necessary for Victoria to move forward like other places. This new system of watering was adopted by other Canadian cities and it was well for Victoria to join in the procession and have better work done.

His Worship said that he thought it best to take this proposition as it would mean better sprinkling. At the same time he did not think that the tramway company had dealt quite right with the city in neglecting to carry out its duty.

The motion to enter into the agreement carried, with Ald. Fullerton voting nay.

The question of stand pipes to fill the cars was allowed to stand over, it being reported that the intention at first was to use the present water hydrants.

The city solicitor wrote respecting the application of Sayward & Co. for connection with Rock Bay bridge and for additional wharfage there. He advised that in giving Mr. Sayward rights to use a part of the street that the city's rights to put in a sidewalk later was not forfeited.

His Worship wished to know if the committee on redistribution into wards had its work ready.

Ald. Fell said he had attended to this, and was ready to move as soon as the act came into effect.

Ald. Hall called attention to the fact that the redistribution committee consisted of Aids. Hall, Vincent and Goodacre.

His Worship wished to know if the water committee had done anything towards attempting to solve the question of the rates in Victoria West. He said that he favored the equating of the rates all over the city. Victoria West had to pay higher rates than the rest of the city. He suggested that the city pay for the water used in that district and supply it to the residents at the same rate as that paid by other residents of the city. He had the endorsement of an high an authority as Mr. Justice Martin on this proposal. The latter had said he was agreeable to say his share towards carrying this out. It would not mean much additional on residents in the city, and would give those in Victoria West relief.

His Worship said that at the present time water was pumped to the higher levels of Victoria at considerable cost and yet nothing extra was charged.

Ald. Vincent said that these higher levels were metered, and it could not be said that the rate was therefore the same as elsewhere.

The city solicitor reported that in his opinion there was no claim on the city in the case of an accident which befel a child of Mr. Pilling. The question of rendering some assistance was left to the Mayor if he thought it advisable to act.

A petition was received from residents at the outer wharf and Victoria West complaining of the fumes from the Victoria Chemical Works, and urging that the company be forced to take steps towards consuming the fumes.

Ald. Stewart urged that the company be asked to do what it could to abate the trouble.

Ald. Fell said it appeared that it would be necessary to make changes.

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AN "APRIL FOOL."

Our excellently conducted weekly contemporary the Nelson Economist announced many months ago that on the 2nd day of April—not the 1st day of April, as it is noted—it would commence to print a daily edition. The 2nd and 1st of April have come and gone, but the Daily Economist has not been born into this world of journalist trouble and strife. What can be the reason for this untoward miscarriage? Has it anything to do with an unexpected change in the provincial political situation? The conception which was expected to produce such happy results took place at the time the Premier and his confidential, trusted colleague, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, were making a missionary tour of the province, making all things ready for an appeal to the constituencies immediately the Finance Minister had shown how prosperous the province had become and how healthy was her financial condition under the statesmanlike administration of the first Conservative government British Columbia ever had, and the last we are likely to have for many years. In order to convince the most populous section of the interior of the virtues and merits of the administration, it was considered necessary to subsidize an organ into existence. The Economist was chosen as the vehicle for the daily dissemination of "facts" for sceptical electors. All things were ready for an active campaign, to be followed by a sudden appeal, when the legislature met, the Kalen Island deal, and other deals nearly as flagitious, were exposed in all their repulsiveness, and the idea of dissolution was necessarily abandoned. The Nelson infant daily perished in the womb of an environment which has been fatal to what was left of the reputations of some public men. Now the decision has been reached that the revelations of the legislative session of 1906 must be lived down if possible. "Let the people forget," says the Premier. "Aye; let us pray that they may forget," murmurs his Chief Commissioner. And it is unanimously agreed that the people shall have all the time the constitution will allow in which to forget.

CONSIDER THE PUBLIC.

It is not apparent that the Canadian railway corporations stand in urgent need of protection against the encroachments and competition of rival lines from the southern side of the border. Their annual statements show that they are prospering fairly well, quite as well, if not a little better, than the private business concerns from which they derive their dividends by serving. Nor are we aware that the people on the other side are clamoring for the protection of their native railway corporations against the avariciousness of our state-aided transportation institutions which are driving their enterprising way into such parts of the United States as seen to their keen, discerning eyes to furnish good opportunities for doing business. The fact that the Canadian railways are subsidized by governments does not appear to constitute any reason in the eyes of American merchants for raising a clamor against the unfair competition of the C. P. R. and the G. T. R., which companies operate quite extensively in the United States. The Americans are, in all but one respect, logical reasoners and clear thinkers. They have been led by the nose by tariff quacks for a considerable number of years, but they cannot be persuaded that railway corporations cannot take care of their own interests. The more railways they get the more they rejoice. The better the transportation facilities of their

country, the faster the rate of development. Wherever a railway penetrates it creates business for itself and thus it adds to and promotes trade activity. It attracts population, and wherever population is there will the dollars be gathered together. The state of Washington is at the present time in a condition of questioning perplexity about what is going to happen because many railways are seeking an outlet on the Pacific Coast at Puget Sound. They know the roads can take care of themselves, and they are sure that wherever the lines are laid down the aggregate of business transacted will be multiplied many fold. Our experience in the interior of British Columbia fortifies their position. The experience everywhere on this new continent which can never reach the position nature intended for it when she laid its foundations, unless railways penetrate to its remotest parts, justifies their optimism. There is no occasion for alarm either in British Columbia or in the newer provinces lately fashioned about the activity of railway builders. There is no misgiving anywhere, except in the minds of journalists who think they are called upon to raise an occasional note of alarm on behalf of the corporations whose interests they hold very dear, about what may come to pass when Jim Hill has his locomotives puffing over our mountains of ore and through our profit-pearle lands. There will be plenty for the C. P. R. and the G. T. P. and the C. N. R. and the G. N. R. to do, and they will make more out of doing it than the public whom they serve. We all know that, and also that the distress of mind of the advocates of the cause of railway corporations is simulated.

ZION UNDER A CLOUD.

John Alexander Dowie, who lately posed as Elijah the Second, and no doubt was honest in his posing, has fallen upon evil days, and would perhaps be glad if a chariot of fire would descend and carry him off from the world and its woes. Even the wife of his bosom, who was such an effective property in the posturings of the Overseer when he was travelling through the country gathering disciples, has gone over to the other side and joined the ranks of the unbelievers. The glory of Zion of the latter days has departed. She stands revealed, we fear, as a very human institution, subject to the laws which govern the operation of all things which are of the earth earthy. With all his weaknesses, John Alexander was the life of the extraordinary institution he set up. Now that he is deposed Zion can never be the same. Men of practical minds and of sound judgment may secure control of her and strive to build her upon more substantial foundations, but the prestige she carried under the aegis of the deposed prophet can never be restored. Nevertheless the test of practicality was bound to be applied sooner or later. These latter days, given over to selfishness and love of luxury, are not favorable to the existence of theocracies. If Mr. Dowie be a sincere man, not a mere humbug and impostor, as his enemies have long asserted, he will hand over the titles a too-confiding people endowed him with and assist with all his power in the restoration of the credit of the city he founded in Illinois. If he decides to hold on to the property which stands in his name, as a mere worldling would be sorely tempted to do, we fear the name of the prophet will not endure—that it will be handed down to the posterity of Zion as that of a false prophet and a deceiver. We have had our private opinion of Mr. Dowie for a considerable time, but it is not for us to pronounce judgment until he has chosen his course in the untoward circumstances under which he now finds himself with the hands of all his former friends and supporters turned against him.

The Montreal Witness says: In an interesting comparison that has been made at Washington, it is shown that Canada's aggregate foreign trade increased from \$257,090,000 in 1897 to \$470,000,000 in 1905, an expansion of 82 per cent. The Dingley tariff went into effect a year later, 1898, and during these seven years the aggregate foreign trade of the United States increased 45 per cent. Canada thus appears to have developed her trade at a much greater proportionate rate than the United States, and, if the high protectionists there find in the returns good reasons for standing pat, the Dominion has more and better reasons for not making changes in the direction in which the United States tariff would lead. No changes in the Canadian tariff will take place during the present session of parliament, however, owing to the sickness of the Minister of Finance. A special "tariff session" is, however, announced for next November.

The London Times is, under normal circumstances, usually an independent supporter of whatever government happens to be in power in Great Britain. The Thunderer is a strong opponent of the Campbell-Banner government, which indicates that the political conditions in Great Britain today are out of the ordinary. The Times is violating all the traditions of newspaper row in not giving the new government a fair opportunity of proving what it can do for the improvement of the lot of the people.

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UNITED STATES SHIPS MAY COME

LETTER FROM THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Says it is Within Bounds of Probability That Fleet Will Visit Esquimalt.

It is quite within the bounds of probability that the United States squadron will come to Esquimalt for the 24th of May celebration. This is the pleasing intelligence which has come to Major Morley from Rear-Admiral C. F. Goodrich, commander-in-chief of the United States Pacific squadron. Admiral Goodrich says it is impossible at present to make a definite announcement, but he considers the invitation to join with the citizens of Victoria in the celebration a very graceful one. It will be remembered that His Worship extended the invitation some weeks ago, and that it has been so favorably received will be a matter of profound satisfaction to those who have the success of the celebration at heart, and especially to those who have the matter of arrangements for the important event in hand. The squadron is now at Magdalena Bay, Mexico. The fleet consists of the flagship Chicago, the cruisers Marblehead and Boston, and the torpedo boats Paul Jones and Preble. It is reported, however, that the Chicago is to be replaced by the new cruiser Charleston, and that she will go to the eastern coast to be overhauled, but from the tone of Rear-Admiral Goodrich's letter this move, which might interfere with the arrangements for the target practice at Port Angeles in the near future, will probably not take place until late in the year.

The letter to His Worship is as follows:

United States Pacific Squadron, Flagship Chicago, Magdalena Bay, Mexico, March 19th, 1906.

His Honor the Mayor, Victoria, British Columbia. Dear Sir:—I have received your letter of March 2nd, extending to the officers and men of the United States Pacific Squadron a very graceful invitation to join with the citizens of Victoria in the celebration, May 24th and 25th next, of the anniversary of the birthday of your late beloved Queen Victoria. I am unable, at this writing, to make a definite engagement for that time, but it is quite within the bounds of probability that I can, bend my plans to suit your kind wishes. Nothing would give us all greater pleasure than to be in Victoria on such an occasion and to testify by our presence, and participation in your exer-

cises, our reverence for that great and good woman to whom British and Americans alike are so deeply indebted for her solicitude in fostering the ties which now happily bind the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon family in a splendid and exemplary friendship.

3. When better prepared I shall, I'eer, address you again on this subject. Yours very truly,

C. F. GOODRICH, Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy, Commander-in-Chief Pacific Squadron.

SHIPMENTS INCREASING.

Nearly Half Million Tons of Ore Production in Kootenay and Yale During Three Months.

The first quarter of 1906 shows the enormous total of 429,072 tons of ore produced in the districts of Kootenay and Yale, which is at the rate of 1,700,000 tons per year, says the Nelson News. "That this rate will be maintained is more than likely, and indeed the probabilities at this time in the year seem to indicate that a total tonnage of 2,000,000 will be nearly reached. At present there are 76 mines shipping over the whole district. Of these, however, only 47 shipped during the past week, such is the state of the roads, owing to the melting of the snows. This condition has existed for the past month, materially reducing the output, and is likely to exist for some weeks to come. From that time forward, however, the mines may be expected to ship normally, the last two quarters of the year being heavier for this reason, than the first.

It may be noted that out of a total shipment from the Kootenay and Siocan districts of 25,765 tons, there were 3,500 tons of lead zinc ore which would have remained in the mines if it had not been for the new plants run by the Canadian Metal Company at Pilot Bay and Frank. The cheaper rates for lead smelting, announced early this year, will also have their due effect upon the output of the lead districts, when the season is sufficiently advanced to permit of work being started on the numerous properties whose owners have already signified their intention of reopening their mines.

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A sign which has attracted a great deal of attention on the warehouses of Weiler Bros was the work of H. Cooley.

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—A tea and concert will be given to-morrow evening in the Victoria West Methodist church, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid.

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Where do you carry your fire insurance? The Anglo-American and Equitable Fire Insurance Companies are not in the combine. Get rates before departing elsewhere. S. A. Bald, agent, Law Chambers, Bastion street, Phone 591K.

—The lecture to be given by Rev. C. E. Cooper, under the auspices of the Alexandra Club Literary Society, on Saturday evening, April 7th, at the Alexandra club room, promises to be a rare literary treat. The subject is "The British constitution and its relation to the powers of the king and his cabinet." It is free to all, both ladies and gentlemen, and as Rev. Mr. Cooper is known to be a very able lecturer, a good attendance is expected.

—As baseball seems very popular this season, the Fernwood Athletic Association intend having a much stronger team than last year. It is their intention to play teams from Vancouver, Westminster and the Sound. All the old players have decided to stay together. They won the championship of British Columbia last season. Regular practices will commence immediately. There will be a meeting in the club rooms on Thursday evening to arrange the minor details regarding practices, etc.

PERSONAL

The many friends of **Pepe Jenas** will be glad to learn that he has been appointed cashier in the E. & N. depot here, succeeding Mr. Jacobson, who has left for Edmonton. Mr. Jenas has been in the employ of the C. P. R. Co. for several years, and his present promotion goes to show that the company have appreciated his past services.

Capt. Parry, Mrs. Parry and daughter will leave to-night on the steamer Indianapolis en route to England. From Seattle they will take the Northern Pacific North Coast Limited train for St. Paul, and will sail from New York on April 19th on the Cunard's new turbine steamer Carmania.

A. J. O'Reilly and **Miss O'Reilly** were outgoing passengers on the Indianapolis last night en route to England via the Northern Pacific and Cunard turbine liner Carmania. From Seattle they take the North Coast Limited.

Geo. Franklin and **A. Williams**, of Nanaimo; **S. G. Henry**, of Ladysmith; **Tros. Ellison**, of Seattle; **Geo. Weaver** and wife, of Everett; and **S. Wilson**, of Spokane, are registered at the Victoria.

Martin Beattie, a prominent real-estate man of Kamloops, is among those staying at the Dominion hotel. He states that business is flourishing in that district, especially from an agricultural standpoint.

W. H. Donovan, of Denver; **A. B. Ainslie**, **Wm. Irwin** and **P. E. Springer**, of Vancouver; **T. Martin**, of Cranbrook; and **D. Clark** and wife, of Winnipeg, are at the Driad.

A. Pimbury and **Miss Price**, of Dukers; **B. R. Briery**, of Seattle; and **E. L. Stinson**, **R. M. Kalberg** and **Harold H. Richardson**, of Vancouver, are at the King Edward.

G. H. Haskins and wife and **A. V. Elliot**, of Moncton, N. B., are in the city. They are inspecting the Coast with a view to locating here. They are guests at the Dominion.

W. P. Page, **F. C. Page** and **W. J. E. Wear**, of London, Eng.; **J. A. Latimer**, of Seattle; and **W. T. Jackson** are staying at the Dominion.

S. J. Proctor, of Liverpool; **P. A. McFall**, of Oakland; **J. W. Wilson**, of San Francisco; and **Geo. Bertram**, of Seattle, are at the St. Francis.

Miss Echo Bahr left last night for Chicago to visit her sister. Premier McBride is expected to return from the Mainland this evening. **J. Herbert Gordon** left last evening for Liverpool. **F. Van Nooman** returned to Nelson last night. Tobacco, which used to be the medium of exchange in the early colonial days of Virginia, is to-day the currency of British New Guinea. The British administrator there reports that the medium is not the means of a lively trade.

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witness said he had lent the money upon the understanding that he should receive the deeds of the property. Counsel for the defence wanted to know whether his learned friend intended to submit the note that witness had referred to. Receiving a negative reply he appealed to the magistrate for a ruling.

Magistrate Hall could not see his way clear to compel the submission of the note at the expiration of a month's time. He had told Mr. Williams that he would let it go at that.

Mr. Prior thought such a stipulation entirely unnecessary. Mr. Robertson asked permission to defer his cross-examination.

This was granted. T. Kernole was the next witness called. He was the owner of the property in Waddington purported to have belonged to the accused. The land had belonged to his sister for twenty years. It had been sold to Mr. Quaglott, in whose possession it was at the present time.

Cross-examined by Mr. Robertson, witness said that the deeds had been kept in the house of his sister. They had never left them. He had been approached by Mr. Williams last year with respect to the purchase of the property. He had offered \$500 in cash and the rest at the expiration of a month's time. He had told Mr. Williams that he would sell the property for \$800. He never thereafter saw a note of the land, as far as he could remember, with Mr. Hodgson.

L. T. Quaglott, the next witness called, testified that he was the owner of the property on Waddington alley. The deeds had been in his possession since the 5th of October, 1905. He paid \$500, or thereabouts, for the land.

Alfred H. Haggart, when called, said he knew both Mr. Williams and Mr. Hodgson. About the 15th of October, 1905, witness said, Mr. Hodgson asked him to go to the office of Mr. Williams in connection with deeds to the property in question. He had agreed, and when questioned said he was there to take over the deeds and to cover them by producing the required \$800. Mr. Williams then replied that if they would call next day the deeds would be produced. He hadn't called the next day.

To Mr. Robertson, witness said he had known Mr. Hodgson from three to four years. The latter told him that Messrs. Williams and Pierson had persuaded him to lend \$800, and asked him to interest himself in the matter. Knowing Mr. Williams he wanted to see the deeds before taking over the property, a matter he was considering. This explained his attitude in Mr. Williams' office.

This concluded the case for the prosecution, and Mr. Hodgson was recalled by Mr. Robertson for cross-examination.

When witness took his place upon the stand counsel called for the note spoken of and it was produced. He had paid the money in cash, obtaining it from the Bank of Montreal.

Counsel for the defence demanded the production of witness' bank book showing the date upon which the money was paid.

Witness claimed it was private property, and his counsel backed him up in declining to accede to the request. Magistrate Hall ruled against the defence.

Continuing, witness called attention to the money received from accused at different times after the loan. He claimed that, figured out, this amounted to about 20 per cent. interest. This also witness agreed to, and Mr. Robertson remarked that "it was pretty good interest even in these hard times."

Questioned further, witness told of his conversations with Mr. Williams. At some of these Mr. Pierson was present. Seven or eight months after giving the note he had gone to see Mr. Pierson. He had done this for the purpose of demanding the Waddington alley property deeds because he had loaned the money to Mr. Pierson on his security and not to accused. Mr. Pierson said that he thought he had the deeds all the time, and that the matter had been settled. He added that he would go to Mr. Williams and find out why they had not been delivered. After this he saw Mr. Pierson quite frequently. He had received some \$30 or \$50 on account of interest, not only on the \$500 in question, but other interests. He couldn't say how much he had received.

Answering further queries, witness said the reason he had not called upon Mr. Pierson for so long was because of the faithful promises of Mr. Williams. He believed that Mr. Pierson was a man of good standing in the community, holding the office of justice of the peace.

When Mr. Williams first asked him to call at his office he said that Mr. Pierson wanted a loan to pay off a mortgage on the Waddington alley property and was willing to submit the deeds as security. Nothing was then said about interest. The money was to be loaned for a period of two months. According to his arrangements with Mr. Williams he had lent the \$500 without having a scrap of paper as security. The money was to be used to pay off a mortgage and until this was done the deeds would not be available. He entered into the transaction under these conditions, not on account of his confidence in Mr. Williams, but owing to his belief in the character of Mr. Pierson. The joint note has been mentioned later on. Before that was suggested he had decided to lend the \$500. He believed the Waddington alley property was worth two thousand dollars. He had been perfectly satisfied with it. Some days before the transaction on trial he had had a transaction with Mr. Williams upon which he had loaned money on his note alone.

Counsel then suggested that the \$500 was paid upon the note, which witness denied emphatically.

He had taken Mr. Haggart to Mr. Williams' office for the purpose of finding out something about the deeds. The issuance of the note had no influence upon him in the transaction.

Re-examined by counsel for the prosecution, witness said he placed absolute reliance upon accused's words that the deeds were in the safe. He found out that they weren't there some time after. Mr. Prior having announced that the case for the prosecution was complete, Mr. Robertson asked for the dismissal of

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Sporting News

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

THE FINAL MATCHES.

The last of the soccer football games of the Northwest Association Football League were finished on Sunday by the game at Woodland park between Seattle and 'Phantoms'.

The 'Phantoms' won the toss and elected to play with the wind. The Seattle team, however, had too strong a combination for the 'Phantoms' and practically had the game from the start.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES.

Arrangements are being made for the British Columbia championship matches which will be played on Good Friday.

BILLIARDS.

Last evening at Adelphi hall a game of billiards was played between H. Franks and J. Peacock.

BASEBALL.

As previously mentioned in these columns it has been decided that two matches shall take place during the 23rd of May celebrations.

It is announced that negotiations are in progress with the University of Williams for a game somewhat earlier in the season than those referred to.

ORGANIZATION MEETING.

Members of the Victoria Amateur Baseball League will hold an organization meeting Tuesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. building.

YACHTING.

The Times is in receipt of a communication from H. P. Wood, secretary of the Hawaiian Promotion committee.

TRANS-PACIFIC RACE.

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PRINCE ARTHUR'S JOURNEY.

From Two Hours Fishing in Shuswap Lake. Field, B. C., April 2.—At 7 o'clock this morning the Garter mission party was astir.

FRANKLIN'S PORTRAIT.

Has Been Handed Over to United States Ambassador Whitelaw Reid.

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AWAITING NEWS.

The preparations for the forthcoming lacrosse season as far as Victoria is concerned are at a standstill at the present time.

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"The patient came at length. Everything was ready. Van Sneek murmured something and looked vaguely about him.

"Don't be a fool," Bell said sternly. "It's a mere matter of current."

Heritage nodded, without reply. He took up the knife, there was a flash of steel in the brilliant light.

"Beautiful, beautiful," Heritage murmured. "How easily it comes away."

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Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway

TIME TABLE NO. 5-EFFECTIVE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21st, 1904. Table with columns for Northbound, Daily, Southbound, Northbound, Sat. Sun. Southbound, Leave, Arrive, P.M., A.M.

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Oceanic S.S. Co. S.S. ALAMEDA, for Honolulu, April 7, 11 a. m.

S.S. MARIPOSA, for Tahiti, April 14. S.S. SONOMA, for Auckland, Sydney, 2 p. m., Thursday, April 12.

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(Associated Press.)

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FULL COURT SITTING.
 Appeal Under Settlers' Rights Act Is Being Heard To-day in Vancouver.

The Full court opened to-day at Vancouver. There is quite a long list of appeals to come before it, and a number of judgments in cases heard here are looked for. None of these were handed down to-day.

The appeal in E. & N. vs. McGregor, under the E. & N. Settlers' Rights Act, is being argued to-day. This is an appeal from the judgment of Mr. Justice Martin, who decided in favor of the defendants, giving as his judgment that under the act Mr. McGregor was entitled to the land.

The appeal is taken by the E. & N.

THE GERARDY CONCERT
 Mrs. A. B. Sheldon and M. Benoit Will Appear With the Great Cellist.

In connection with the appearance here on the evening of the 24th inst. of M. Jean Gerardy, the world's master cellist, it is announced to-day that there will also appear with Gerardy on the same evening and upon the same programme, M. Andre Benoit, one of the greatest of the new Parisian school of pianists, and Mrs. Annie Beatrice Sheldon, whose coast critics have since her return from Europe pronounced the finest dramatic soprano in western America.

Reversing the usual order of things, the Gerardy prices are less for Victoria than for the Sound cities, tickets for this city being placed at \$2, \$1.50 and \$1, whereas on the Sound \$3 is the top price.

Much interest will be evinced in the appearance in so distinguished company of a once Victoria favorite, Mrs. Sheldon being a native daughter of this city, where she made her first appearance as a public singer. She has just returned from Europe, after three years of arduous study, and has embraced a professional career which promises to be singularly successful. Gerardy, of course, is the great star of the engagement.

J. M. Finn, formerly band master of the Fifth Regiment band, will shortly leave for Omaha to take charge of a musical organization. This organization is known as the Royal Victoria band. It played in Omaha all last year.

An examination is being held in Nanaimo of those who took the ambulance course under Dr. Hogler. Manager Stockert, of the Western Fuel Company, has donated a gold medal to the one taking the highest standing in the examination.

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Mr. Olney is a member of the Physical Research Society, and when in London gave demonstrations of his powers before that scientific body. Sir Alfred Wallace and Sir Alfred Crookes pronounced him one of the most marvellous men of the century. Few people even in this age of wonders have ever seen instantaneous healing by the universal energy and the power of the mind.

If you are sceptical or a sufferer, better attend the lecture and free healing demonstrations at A. O. U. W. hall Thursday evening at 8 and investigate this amazing phenomena. Admission 10 cents.

Final Notice.

All holders of tags, certificates or coupons redeemable for premiums are requested to send them in for redemption without delay and get their premiums, as we will positively close our premium department on April 30th, 1906, after which date no tags, certificates or coupons will be received or redeemed.

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