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## Methuen's Victory

Casualties in the Fight Near Graspan Numbered One Hundred and Ninety-Sight.

Yorkshires and Naval Brigade Bore the Brunt of the Battle.

All Well at Ladysmith—Despatch From General Buller—The Lancers Are Safe.

(Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 28.—A dispatch has been received here from Gen. Buller giving the list of casualties among the troops engaged in what has been known here as the battle of Graspan, but which is now officially designated the battle of Enslin.

It proves that the British success was heavily bought. The losses announced to-day, added to the naval brigade casualties previously noted, makes the grand total of 198 as the cost of Gen. Methuen's second battle.

The Yorkshires apparently bore, with the naval brigade, the brunt of the fighting, as there were, in addition to three officers, forty-eight of the rank and file killed, wounded and missing.

The fact that the list contains the casualties of the Ninth Lancers seems to dispose of the fears that the cavalry was surrounded and captured, especially as none of the Lancers are reported "missing."

Little News Received.

Apparently the government is monopolizing the single cable working to South Africa, as up to two o'clock this afternoon no news from the seat of war has been received with the exception of Gen. Buller's dispatches. This is particularly tantalizing at the present crucial moment.

While the latest news is of a very reassuring character from the British point of view, much of it, on insufficient evidence, is assumed to be true.

For instance, the reported capture of Honeyest Kloof, of which there is no confirmation, and the stories of the rapid

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retirement of the Boers in Natal must be received with caution.

The fact appears to be that the British scouts have lost touch with the burghers, a portion of whose forces, after withdrawing out of the reach of observers, may make a detour with the object of interrupting the British line of communication.

Gatsere's Advance.

Sharp fighting may be expected at any time on the southern frontier. It is possible Gen. Gatsere's first battle will be in the rough passes of the Stormberg mountains.

Great Britain has notified France that a state of war has existed between herself and the Transvaal since October 11th.

Special Service Squadron.

The special service squadron of the British fleet has been ordered to proceed to Gibraltar. It will probably replace the Channel squadron, which is coming home for Christmas leave.

French Officers Must Stay at Home.

It is said the French cabinet has instructed the minister of war to refuse all officers leave to go abroad, and officers absenting themselves in order to go to the Transvaal do so at the risk of dismissal.

Naval Officers Killed.

A corrected list of British casualties at Graspan shows that Flag Captain Reginald C. Prothero and Lieut. of Marines Walter T. Jones, both of the Doris, previously reported wounded, were killed.

The additional casualties telegraphed by Gen. Buller appear to be the first intimation of the actions of Gen. Methuen's forces, which have not yet been reported.

As the Ninth Lancers participated in the reconnaissance on Sunday, they must have safely returned from the pursuit of the Boers after the battle of Graspan.

British Casualties.

London, Nov. 28.—The war office has received from Buller a list of casualties at the battle of Enslin, on Nov. 25th. It shows that among the wounded of the Second Yorkshire Light Infantry were Captain C. A. Yates, Lieut. C. H. Farny and Lieut. C. H. Akroyd.

The casualties among non-commissioned officers and men of the various regiments engaged were: Killed, 10; wounded, 71; missing, 9.

## DISPATCH FROM BULLER

Ladysmith Reports All Well—Death of Lieut. Lethbridge—Arrival of Wounded Fusiliers.

London, Nov. 28.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Buller, dated Pietermaritzburg, Natal, Nov. 28th:

"Our last news from Ladysmith on Nov. 24th, said all was well."

An old message dated Nov. 19th, just arrived, begins: "Joubert has explained the firing on one of the Red Cross flag, previously reported. Have accepted explanation as satisfactory."

"Lieut. Lethbridge, Rifle Brigade, died of his wounds. The other wounded are generally doing well. The health of the troops is good."

"Six wounded Dublin Fusiliers, captured on the armored train south of Colenso, were sent here to-day."

The casualties in the reconnaissance of the armored train on Friday, Nov.

24th, were killed: Lieut. F. Owen Lewis, Bombay Infantry, and one private; wounded one.

In the reconnaissance of Sunday, Nov. 26th, Lieut. J. G. Sterling and one private of the Natal Light Infantry were wounded.

## MILITARY EXPERT'S OPINION.

There is no Cause for any Anxiety regarding the South African Situation.

New York, Nov. 28.—The military expert of the London Morning Post, in the review of the war called here says:

"For the first time since the war began, one is able to look at the map of South Africa with feelings of satisfaction. It was impossible to draw any consolation from the severed fragments along the railway line in Natal. Now, however, the junction of these several parts has brought relief, if not to Ladysmith, at least to those watching the situation with a full sense of its gravity."

"Now that we are beginning to make headway against the Boers, it is possible to take an interest in the movement of the enemy. General Joubert is likely to make a fight at Colenso."

"General Buller's first business in Natal, naturally, is the relief of Ladysmith. After that, when the invaders are compelled to retreat on Pretoria, the Natal force will get its chance."

"It seems unlikely that an attempt will be made to force the passes of the Drakensberg. The passes, will open of their own accord when the sounds of the flanking army is behind them anywhere from the Wynberg road to the Vaal."

"There is nothing alarming in the circumstances that we have not heard from General Methuen since the fight at Graspan. He, doubtless, is waiting for a complete list of our losses, and only pure ignorance as to the return of the mounted contingent makes us anxious for news."

"There is no movement forward to chronicle toward the Orange river."

## SAMOAN AGREEMENT.

How the Matter Stands Between Great Britain and the United States.

(Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 28.—It is officially reported that the statement that the United States had rejected the agreement between Great Britain and Germany regarding Samoa and submitted a new draft of an agreement, is misleading.

A representative of the Associated Press has been informed that the exact status of the Samoan question is as follows: Consequent upon the signing of the Samoan treaty between Germany and Great Britain, to which the United States had signified its assent, there was drawn up a new form of agreement between Great Britain and the United States. This was necessitated by the new order of things, but in no wise affected the validity of the German-British agreement, which included spheres of influence in Africa and other matters entirely foreign to American interests.

## CANADIAN BRIEFS.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Nov. 28.—Dr. Hazel, a well-known surgeon, is dead from inflammation of the lungs.

Montreal, Nov. 28.—Navigation closes here to-morrow with the sailing of the steamer Mayflower, the latest date since 1884. In that year the last vessel sailed on December 7th.

Perth, Nov. 28.—Lanark County assizes opened yesterday. The most important case on the list is that of Thos. Blake, of Smith's Falls, charged with murdering his wife.

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—A Montebello writes to Mr. Johnson, Dominion statistician, asking for information as to the best way to raise frogs. He is anxious to go into the frog leg industry.

A rumor is current in military circles that Dr. Borden is to be knighted in recognition of his services in connection with the sending of the Canadian contingent to South Africa.

Toronto, Nov. 28.—The assets of the Catholic Register, the organ of the Irish Catholics in Canada, were sold this morning. It is understood the paper will be controlled by prominent Liberal Roman-Catholics.

George H. Bertram, Liberal member for Centre Toronto, is seriously ill. His condition baffles physicians. It is doubtful if the afflicted member will ever leave his seat in parliament again.

Kington, Nov. 28.—Rev. T. G. Smith, D.D., brother-in-law of Hon. W. S. Fielding, died to-day after a short illness. He was a Presbyterian of long standing, and filled pulpits in Hall's, N.S., Pon du Lac, Wis., and in this city. He is survived by a large family.

## NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Nov. 28.—Bishop Perrin, having accompanied Miss Perrin for as North Bend on her way to England, passed through town today on his return to Victoria.

The Grand Opera Company left for today's ferry for the capital, D. G. McDonnell is also a passenger.

## SOUTH BRANT ELECTION.

(Associated Press.)

Frankford, Nov. 28.—Robert Henry, who defeated Hon. W. Patterson in the last Dominion election, was chosen by acclamation and defeated by South Brant Conservatives to appear Mr. Preston for the Ontario legislature.



# Victoria West Wins

### The City Council Order the Removal of Craigflower Road Obstructions.

### Electrician Hutcheson Explains Reason for Recent Defective Street Lighting.

For two hours and a half last night the city's representatives on the aldermanic board wrestled with a variety of subjects ranging from the ordinary topics of streets and sewers to the perennial one of Craigflower road. The latter subject was revived by a resolution submitted by Ald. Beckwith asking that the sidewalks recently laid across Craigflower road should be removed and the same road, where it intersects Mary and Skinner streets, should be repaired. The latter part was struck out, though the council decided to remove the sidewalks despite protests from Ald. Humphrey and Macgregor.

The city engineer reported as follows: Gentlemen—I have the honor to refer to the following communications referred to me:

Mr. Lewis Hall, re improvement on Catherine street, between the old Esplanade and the present one. Upon examination of same, it is found to be in a very bad condition, but before recommending any permanent improvement on the roadway in question, I would ask that all the fences now projecting on the street be removed to their proper line. I may say, however, that the sewer on the southern side of the street is in a very bad state of repair, and it would be a benefit to the residents thereon.

Communication from J. H. Frank re Chestnut avenue improvement. The street in question has never been graded, and I could not properly recommend surfacing same with stone or gravel until the water in the gutter is favorable for this class of work; besides there are several other streets more traveled, and these should have first attention. Hoping this will be satisfactory.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, Your obedient servant,  
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Ald. Kinsman suggested some way of compelling people whose property encroached on streets to adopt the proper lines.

In reply to a question, the city solicitor gave it as his opinion that while people might be compelled to remove their fences off the street, in regard to houses on the street, the powers of the council depended very much upon what circumstances attended the erection of these houses.

Ald. Williams moved that the city engineer prepare a plan of the street and that in the meantime \$25 be expended in improving the road.

In regard to Chestnut avenue, Ald. Macgregor thought that even a plow ditch would relieve some of the property affected from being flooded. The section of the water commissioner reported:

Regarding the petition of D. H. Bates and others for an extension of the water main to Baronet street. The estimated cost of a three-inch pipe if taken from Richmond avenue by way of Leighton road is \$440; from Oak Bay avenue via Hulton street, \$435.

Some of the aldermen thought there was not sufficient money on hand to do the work this fall. The report was referred back to the water commissioner for further report as to revenue derivable from this source.

The city assessor reported that an examination of the Chilliwack railway petition proved that it contained 216 signatures, representing \$2,506,108—considerably in excess of the tenth required by the law.

The medical health officer urged more accommodation at the Old Men's Home as absolutely essential to the comfort of the inmates. He suggested that a vacant cottage in the neighborhood could be rented to relieve the congestion. Referred to the Old Man's Home committee.

The city engineer and city assessor reported upon the cost of paving Yates street from Broad to Douglas streets. The cost of the work would be \$6,200.

The report was received and filed and the work ordered to be advertised in the usual way.

The same officials reported upon the cost of paving Broad street between Yates and Fort streets as being \$8,040. This report took the same course.

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Dear Sir—With reference to vacancy in the staff of the lighting station, viz, the position of foreman, I would respectfully draw attention to the fact that the position is an important one and that in selecting a man there is a good deal to be considered. It is important that the foreman should not only be fully capable of taking care of the boilers and attachments, but he should be able to assist in engine or dynamo work in cases of emergency. The man at present engaged temporarily (Mr. Ed. Vipond), is a good man for the position, and I would be pleased to have him appointed permanently, as his past experience in running electric light engines, etc., may prove a great convenience in case of absence of other members of the staff. I also desire to point out that owing to bad weather encountered for some weeks back, necessitated an almost continuous run of plant. The foreman, in consequence, has been unable to give the usual amount of time to lamp repairs. We are short of spare lamps, and although I am aware that some lamps on the circuits are not in good operative condition, I fully expect to be able to replace them by new ones ordered.

with which the matter had been treated. Ald. Humphrey denied he had used the expression "one Fawcett" as he had known the gentleman for years. He thought his friend had taken the matter up with the council since 1895.

The communication was received and filed and Mr. Fawcett will be informed by the city engineer that no such petition had been received since 1895.

John W. Coburn asked leave to plant shade trees on Pioneer street and to have the same watered by the city.

Ald. Stewart warned the council that this street was very narrow and that falling leaves made a great deal of rubbish.

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long are this. With reference to the work of the foreman, he has more work than he can do properly, and I would recommend that he be relieved of the work of taking care of horse and buggy, as the following is the case: The foreman is required to be on duty at 8 o'clock in the morning, 1 hour at noon, 1 hour at 4 o'clock in the evening; making in all 10 1/2 hours per day. The difficulty now is that at this time of year there is only about ten hours elapse between shut down of plant in morning and start up in evening, so that if a lamp becomes defective there is no time to bring it in and make a change, as all available time is taken up. This, to my mind, accounts for defective lamps on the circuits remaining unattended for a time. He trouble experienced on circuits from storm on Saturday evening last, I am of the opinion that the facts of the case should be communicated to the council board, as some one has seen fit to sit themselves in the press in a manner most misleading and unreasonable. The facts are simple. Dynamos operating east section of city started flashing at 8:45 p. m.; at 7 p. m. flashing became severe, endangering new dynamo. It was switched off to avoid damage as a case of necessity. I yesterday inspected lines in east section and found a number of glass insulators had been maliciously broken, also that falling branches of trees had felled the lines, thus grounding the lines. I am of the opinion that trouble will be experienced from the defective light. I am of the opinion that in contact with each other. At 8 p. m. line operating east section broke. I searched for break until 11 p. m., but was unsuccessful in locating same owing to darkness.

I remain yours obediently,  
M. HUTCHESON.

Ald. Williams hoped the letter would be published as a complaint had been general in regard to the defective light. It was possible that the committee might be in touch with neither the committee nor the electrician.

Ald. Humphrey thought the criticism he had seen was decidedly "out." The city light station was running more cheaply than those of most of the American cities.

Ald. Cameron complained that the station was run too cheaply. He didn't believe in running lights on a moonlight schedule. The lights were not lighted at dark. He would like to see them lighted at 4 o'clock. It was a matter of a few more tons of coal it was worth that from the standpoint of appearance and of the safety and comfort of the citizens. He didn't like so much talk about a cheap plant. It was worth, from appearances alone, a little more expense to have a good thing.

Ald. Beckwith hoped that the rule of the council in regard to asking for applications for all positions in the gift of the city would be adhered to. He had no fault to find with the man recommended, but he objected to transgressing this rule.

While agreeing with this as a general proposition, Ald. Humphrey thought, expectations might sometimes be made in case such as the present, when the head of the department recommended a man as suitable for the place.

Ald. Brydon also stamped Ald. Beckwith's argument as fallacious. It seemed to him absurd that the council should disregard the recommendation of the man charged with the care of a valuable plant and put in a man who might not be suitable simply for the sake of following a rule.

Ald. Cameron said the argument of Ald. Brydon looked all right, and if it were to be applied through all departments he would support it. But it was unwise, in his opinion, to make an isolated case of one department. It was possible there were just as good men as the one recommended, who had more claim on the position.

The mayor urged that the whole report go back to the electric light committee for report. There was no emergency calling for a departure from the usual course in regard to reports going to the respective committees for consideration.

Ald. Williams hoped the committee would take into consideration the light on Douglas street near the Fountain, which had been intermittent of late, but it was pointed out that the electrician had given a reasonable explanation of this in his report.

A petition was presented asking for the extension of the sewer on Douglas street from King's road to Hillside avenue. Referred to the city engineer for report.

Other petitioners complained of the injustice of the law, which requires a building to be worth \$800 before it can be removed from one place to another. This prevented proprietors from removing inferior buildings to make room for larger ones, which would otherwise be done. They drew attention to the fact that a contractor's deposit of \$20 was returned to him on the ground of his work, while the \$10 fee for a permit to remove a building was retained by the city.

Ald. Brydon thought the latter part of the complaint called for redress.

In reply to this the mayor said that in moving buildings iron spikes were driven into the road, and these holes, even when filled, resulted in depressions in the road. For this reason if a building were moved any considerable distance along the street, \$10 for a permit was not excessive.

Ald. Macgregor recommended the revision of the whole by-law. The petition went to the city solicitor and engineer for report.

A petition was also presented from Capt. Gaudin and a number of others in Victoria West asking that the sidewalk proposed to be laid on the south side of Craigflower road from Capt. Gaudin's house westerly, should be laid on the north side.

The mayor thought that if the desire for the walk on the north side was general, it would be wise to have it placed there, but if so he thought the petition should be more largely signed.

Ald. Humphrey and Beckwith thought that this end would be served by referring the matter to the city engineer to lay the walk on whichever side of the road he thought most desirable.

Ald. Kinsman also thought that the general desire of the people should be more apparent before the council should alter their plans.

The finance committee recommended that the application for relief from taxes on the Old Women's Home be by the direct

the main motion carried, minus the clause involving repairs to the road.

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Nov. 28, 5 a.m.—Since yesterday the barometer has risen considerably above the coast; this is likely to cause a brief spell of fair weather.

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Report. For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday, Victoria—61; Victoria—8, W. and W. winds, mostly fair weather.

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Report. Victoria—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 49; minimum, 48; wind, 11 miles W.; rain, .04; weather, fair.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.93; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, calm; rain, .80; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, 48; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .90; weather, fair.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts. Owen A. Smyly's Concert Co., Dec. 11.

Superficial hair and all facial blemishes removed by Electrolysis. Electric Parlors, 114 Yates street.

You boil Potatoes but you brew tea. To do so properly consult the directions on the packets of "HONDI".

There is great activity in insurance circles in the city on account of the increased rates, which go into effect on January 1st.

The directors of the British Columbia Agricultural & Industrial Association will meet on Friday evening to consider important business.

There has been a shortage of power on the lines of the street railway company during the last few days, the reason being that the dam at Goldstream has been damaged and the power taken from the Store street station.

The Philharmonic rehearsal will not take place to-morrow (Wednesday) evening, but chorus, orchestra and soloists will rehearse in Waitt's Hall on Thursday night. The orchestra will be on hand at 8 o'clock and the chorus at 8:30.

It is said that cocking mains are being held regularly in the city and vicinity. So far, the police have not been able to secure sufficient evidence to warrant them in proceeding, but a sharp look-out will be kept and it will go hard with any of the would-be "sports" if they are detected.

Arrangements were forwarded at a meeting of the Women's Exchange yesterday afternoon for the sale of goods and supper to be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian lecture room. The secretary, Mrs. Schreiner, 22 B. street, will receive on behalf of the committee, donations of home-made candy and for the supper table.

A meeting of the Victoria District Farmers' Institute was held at Temperance Hall, Cedar Hill, last Friday evening. Mr. W. O. Grant, of Gordon Head read an excellent paper on "How to conserve the moisture in the soil," which was followed by a lively and exhaustive discussion. The next meeting will be held in Lake District, on December 5, when addresses will be given by Prof. H. B. Miller, president of the Oregon State Board of Horticulture, and Prof. D. A. Brodie, superintendent of the Puyallup experiment station.

The sacred concert to be given by the ladies of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church to-morrow (Wednesday) evening will be held in the church, commencing at 8 p.m. The programme, under the direction of Mr. G. J. Burnett and Mr. W. H. Barton, is of special excellence, and will include selections of the organ by Mr. Burnett and Mr. B. Bantley, songs by Mrs. Hunt and Miss Miller; Mr. Barton will give "Why Do the Nations," by Handel, while Mr. Burnett's admired new "Nearer My God to Thee" will be sung by Mr. Cave. The choir will also give several numbers. As this entertainment takes the place of the usual Thanksgiving social, an opportunity to receive thank offerings will be given during the collection.

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GLASGOW BEEF HAM

at Jameson's, 55 Fort street. Mr. and Mrs. Kosche have removed to 101 Fort street.

For the second time within a week the police magistrate found an empty dock this morning.

Miss Lillian L. Arning gives a recital this evening in Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday school.

Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Gigs and Quarters at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

Lord Mayor's Pudding Bowls. Pudding Moulds, Padding Bowls and Jelly Moulds, all sizes, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

Celax Rebekah Lodge meets to-night when, in addition to the regular business, there will be the nomination of officers and other important business.

The regular meeting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city will be held in the police court room two weeks from to-morrow. The list of applications for transfers is very light.

A patriotic concert in aid of the Mansion House fund is to be given at Duncan on Wednesday, December 13. Special services of a patriotic character will be held in all the churches of the district on the Sunday previous.

Double Stamp Days: 20 Trading Stamps given with every dollar's purchase on Tuesday and Wednesday. The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

Communication between Juncen and Skagway is contemplated by some Victoria parties who are endeavoring to enlist Old Country capital in the enterprise. The saving in time in telegraphic communication with Dawson would, it is claimed, be twelve hours.

Columbia Lodge, I.O.O.F., which has the reputation of getting up some of the most enjoyable social evenings in the city, is preparing for a jolly time after the regular meeting to-morrow night. In addition to the usual programme some matters of special interest are promised. A full attendance of members of the order is therefore requested.

His many friends are glad to note that Major Nicholles has so far recovered from his recent severe attack of illness as to be able to spend an hour or two each day at his place of business. Although still quite weak, he is now on the fair road to recovery. To-day he was the recipient of many calls and congratulations at the hands of his friends.

A sale of work in connection with St. Barnabas's church opened this afternoon at 3 o'clock, Mayor Redfern performing the opening ceremony. Vocal duets and solos will be given this evening, one of the special features being the singing of "Soldiers of the Queen" by three young ladies in character. To-morrow evening the Bishop of Columbia will preside at the concert.

Victoria West Lodge, No. 29, I.O.G. T., will hold open lodge to-morrow evening in Semple's Hall. A programme of music, recitations, tableaux, etc., has been prepared, and all attending can be assured of an enjoyable evening. Among those who will assist are the Misses Andrews, Young, Firman and Duncan, and Messrs. Etherston, Cave, Russell, Penwill, Fairall, McKenzie, Semple and Dresser.

Several new members were elected at last evening's meeting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Reports received were to the effect that six cases of cruelty to animals had been attended to during the month. The society received with regret the resignation of the secretary, Dr. Holden, who is compelled to sever his connection with that position on account of pressure of business. Mr. W. F. Best was elected secretary in Dr. Holden's stead, the latter named still retaining his position of treasurer.

Alfred Beckwith will move at the next meeting of the city council that be granted to introduce a by-law authorizing the incorporation of the city of Victoria to subscribe for shares in the capital stock of any company that may be incorporated for the purpose of extending the V. & S.; of establishing a ferry connection between the Saanich peninsula and the Mainland of British Columbia, and building and equipping a railroad from that point on the Mainland to Chilliwack, to an amount not to exceed \$500,000.

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Valuing the Right-of-Way Sale Still On

To-Day's Proceedings Before the E. & N. Land Arbitration.

Testimony Given by Old Residents and Expert Land Valuers.

When the proceedings of the board of arbitration engaged in assessing the value of the Songhees Indian reserve lands acquired by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway commenced this morning promptly at 11 o'clock, there were present, Arbitrators F. G. Richards (for the Dominion government) and George Riley (for the railway company), umpire Judge Harrison and the following counsel: Deputes Attorney-General McLean, E. P. Davis, Q. C. (for the Dominion government), E. V. Bodwell, Q. C., and A. P. Laxton (for the railway company), and H. Dallas Heller, Q. C., M. P. P. Mr. Joseph Hunter, ex-M. P. P., Robert Dunsmyth, R. J. Russell and B. J. Perry were also in attendance.

Charles F. Jones having been duly sworn as stenographer, Mr. H. A. McLean, deputy attorney-general, proposed that the provincial government should wish to be represented at the arbitration. He had performed his duty by entering the protest made yesterday.

Mr. Joseph Hunter, called by Mr. Bodwell, was the first witness. Duty being testified to the fact of his being the chief engineer during the construction of the E. & N. The road was opened for traffic to Russell's station in October, 1886. That station is just on the border of the Songhees reserve. The company gave notice to the Indian agent, Dr. Powell, on September 29th, 1885, of their intention to run through the reserve.

The company's letter of notice and its acknowledgment were put in evidence, Mr. Davis taking formal objection on the ground that no plan or book of reference being filed, the letters did not fix the date at which the valuation was to be made.

Continuing, Mr. Hunter said the company proceeded to locate the line in April, 1886; he thought construction was commenced in 1887, and the road was formally opened about April, 1888. He could get the dates exactly by reference to data in the office. The Indians were paid for their improvement when the line was located.

In answer to Mr. Davis, Mr. Hunter said he could not say exactly when the work of grading across the reserve was commenced, but thought it would be in 1887. It occurred to him that a map and book of reference were filed at Ottawa.

Mr. Davis said they were filed in December, 1891, but Mr. Hunter thought the map then filed did not cover the right-of-way.

It was decided to have Mr. Hunter refer to data in the company's office for the purpose of making him testify as to whether a map and book of reference were filed before the date mentioned, and recall him later in the proceedings.

At this stage it was made known incidentally that the first order-in-council by the Dominion government was dated December, 13th, 1882, giving the company permission to take the right-of-way and 15 acres for terminal facilities. On January 13th, 1885, another order-in-council was made varying the former one by substituting 19 acres in another portion of the reserve for the 15 acres mentioned in the order of December 13th, 1882. Again on January 19th, 1886, another order was made rescinding the order of January 13th, 1885.

Mr. Robert John Russell of Russell's station was examined by Mr. Bodwell. He had lived at Russell's since 1876. In 1880 the land was worth \$300 an acre, and there was no increase in 1887. Land began to rise in value in 1891 and 1892. The land taken for right-of-way was rocky and only a small portion would have been suitable even for grazing.

In answer to Mr. Davis, Mr. Russell said it might have been suitable for residential purposes, most of the houses around Victoria being built on rocks. His estimate of \$300 an acre was based on an actual sale made by him of three acres between the old and new Esquimalt roads at \$850. His land was not on the waterfront and was further away than the land in question. He sold it for residential purposes, but thought the sale was made in 1886, but could produce no evidence to that effect.

Mr. Davis decided to postpone further examination of the witness until the afternoon, when the book would be produced.

Mr. Simon Leiser was called by Mr. Bodwell. He has lived in Victoria twenty odd years and bought a block of land at the corner of Store street eight or nine years ago. He had formed an estimate of the value of the land in the E. & N. right-of-way, and thought it was worth very little in 1886, before the railway came. He didn't know what use it could have been put to except for shipyards or fisheries purposes. It was not worth more than \$200 an acre and \$300 an acre before the railway went through. The only way to reach the land before then was by Point Elsie or by boat. He would not have selected it as a residence property. Even with the Indians away he did not think anyone would have chosen it for a residence; there was no scarcity of residential property in the city. For business purposes, without the water front, the land would have sold at anything between \$225 or \$250.

In answer to Mr. Davis, Mr. Leiser said he supposed the value increased immediately after the construction of the railway probably \$100 an acre. He could not remember any specific sale, but Mr. Heisterman had once offered him land of Mr. Russell's in that vicinity for something like \$400 an acre, which witness declined. That was after construction was commenced, but witness could not be sure whether it was before or after

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While walking along the Esquimaux road yesterday the reflections of a meditative young business man of the city were rudely interrupted by a shock administered from the rear. His first impression was that a fly-bite had exploded just below his coat tails. A glance behind him, however, revealed at once that he was being made the subject of attention by a sage billy goat, to whom the temptation of a little pasture had been sufficiently strong to lure him from the more profitable occupation of cropping herbage. Billy, pleased with the success of his first attack, was preparing to renew it when the subject of his hostility strongly comprehended whether or not his intentions were honorable. Seeing the goat's head lowered menacingly, however, he grasped the situation and a stick, and met the second charge with a forebly administered blow over the goat's nose. Unfortunately the force of the blow exceeded the strength of the stick, and a third and more serious engagement was only avoided by the party of the second part scaling the fence which skirts the roadway. For over half a mile the combatants marched side by side, resting reticentful glances at one another through the fence, the goat rearing the wild gestures of his antagonism, the expression altering to one of scandalized morality at the awful language which the breeze bore to him from the other side of the fence.

The funeral of the late A. Miller took place this afternoon from the Odd-fellows' Hall, Rev. Rural Dean Barber officiating. Those who acted as pallbearers were Bro. Melville, Drake, Crowe, Lewis, Rumble and Ellswood.

Those who have not yet secured tickets for the dance of the football club may obtain them at the door to-morrow night.

The Transvaal War Fund. Received with thanks this Nov. 11th, 1899, of citizens of Victoria, British Columbia, the sum of £100.

Appropriated as directed, JOHN VOCE MOORE, Lord Mayor, Treas.

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Personal. Capt. O. Anderson, of the ship Yosemite, is at the Victoria.

W. V. Taylor, of Gananoque, Ont., is registered at Hotel Victoria.

John J. Nolan, manager of the Black Patti company, is at the Queen's.

Benjamin was a passenger from the Mainland on yesterday's Louisa.

C. B. Sward, inspector of fisheries, was a passenger from the Mainland yesterday.

Hon. Alex. Henderson, attorney-general, arrived by the Louisa from Vancouver last evening.

A party from Vernon consisting of H. Holmes and family, Miss Holmes and Chas. Ashton, is at the Occidental.

R. W. Brown, who for the last two years has been attached to the reportorial staff of the Vancouver World has accepted a position on that of the News-Advertiser. Mr. Brown left the News-Advertiser to join the World staff.

KRUGER'S PHYSICIAN. He is a Canadian and a Native of Peel County.

W. H. Groves, of Burnhamthorpe, writing to the Brampton Conservator, says: "In the midst of this South African excitement, it may be interesting to Canadians, and especially to Peel county people, to know that President Kruger's private medical adviser is a Canadian, being none other than Dr. Gillespie, who practiced in Streetsville for a few months about eight years ago, going from there to Penetanguishene, and later to the Transvaal. Dr. Gillespie, who was in college with myself, I believe is a native of Cannington, and a son of Dr. Gillespie, of that town. He is a Presbyterian, a Conservative, and a good physician, and with such a combination of commendable characteristics should be able to exercise some favorable influence over his distinguished but stubborn patient."

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ANOTHER PATRIOTIC CONCERT.

Saturday Night Fixed for the Second Entertainment for the Mansion House Fund.

Saturday evening should be kept free from other engagements by all loyal Victorians, for on that evening the second patriotic concert in aid of the Mansion House fund will be given in the Drill Hall. The energetic committee is doing good work, and among those who will take part are Mrs. Tomkinson, Miss L. Loewen, Miss N. Prior, Miss E. Lombard, Mr. H. Kent, Mr. J. C. Brown, Messrs. Goward, Wollaston and Worlock and the Arion Club. The navy band has also been kindly placed at the disposal of the committee. The sheet for the reception of the shower of silver to be called forth by Mrs. Tomkinson's recital of "Pay, Pay, Pay" will be larger than on the former occasion, with the object of making the collection less difficult. The admission is 25 cents and tickets may be purchased in advance at the principal stores in the city.

The names of Messrs. C. E. Redfern, T. R. Smith and Chas. Hayward have now been added to the committee, and Chas. Hayward was yesterday unanimously appointed treasurer for the local Mansion House fund.

As some question has been raised as to how the money already forwarded to London is to be acknowledged, the following received this morning by the Bank of British Columbia, through whom the first contribution was forwarded, will be read with interest. It will be noticed that the sum is not credited to any individual, corporation or committee, but to the citizens. The document is as follows:

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At \$12. Blue melton cloth, plaid lining, long capes, sewn and vulcanized seams.

At \$16. Blue beaver, heavy lining, steam vulcanized seams, linen sewing throughout, 27 in. capes.

At \$20. Soft blue beaver cloth, plaid wool lining, silk attaching, steam vulcanized, rubberized, had sewn seams, long capes.

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Some advertisements should be taken with a grain of salt - Blue Ribbon Berylton Tea and only cream and sugar

Provincial News.

DUNCAN. A public meeting was held in the Agricultural hall on Tuesday, 21st inst., at which it was unanimously decided to hold a patriotic concert in aid of the Mansion House fund.

GREENWOOD. A. File, who was appointed principal of the Greenwood school, arrived from Vernon on Tuesday and opened the first division yesterday.

ROSSLAND. A man who gave his name as Brown walked into the Sisters' hospital on Friday afternoon and stated that he was seriously ill.

MEN OF ALL AGES suffering from the effects of early fully quickly restored to robust health by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

OLD DR. GORDON'S REMEDY FOR MEN in a few days will make an old man of 40 feel 20 years younger.

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The public library recently received a consignment of books, and this brings the total number of volumes on its shelves up to 1,000.

The breaking of the boom contained more than a million feet of saw logs at Stou's mill on the north fork on Sunday evening, caused even more damage than was at first announced.

Mr. H. S. Hays, superintendent of the Granite and Banner mines, which are situated in Camp McKinney, passed through Columbia on his way to Toronto.

Mr. P. Welch, C. P. R. carpenter, arrived from Phoenix the other day. He reports the grading as about finished in that camp, but there are yet six or seven miles of steel to be laid.

The case against Capt. Weinewright, charged with obtaining money from Lillie Brothers by false pretences with intent to defraud, was tried summarily by Police Magistrate Croese on Friday morning.

A meeting of the carpenters of the city was held on Friday evening for the purpose of perfecting their organization. There were upwards of forty present, and they elected the following officers:

Mr. Donald Stewart, U. S. customs officer, was in the city on Friday en route for Grand Forks, where he is to be permanently stationed. Mr. Stewart has been detailed by Collector of Customs Housley, at Grand Forks, to clear goods for points in Washington and coming in bond through Canada from the United States.

They have tested the merits of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and return the verdict that for backache and kidney disorders there is no preparation in any way equal to this great discovery of Dr. A. W. Chase, America's greatest physician.

Everything has two sides; and the dismal annals of crime have not been relieved of late by many curious incidents. The pious burglar, the scripture-quoting prisoner, the thief with a high sense of honor, are not infrequently to be met with.

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Man's Gallbladder Cure cures all forms of gallbladder disease, including gallstones, cholecystitis, and all forms of biliary trouble.

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NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE. Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Ladner and Louisa Islands-Sunday at 11 o'clock.

ALASKA ROUTE. Steamships of this company will leave for Port Simpson and Intermediate ports, Victoria, Ladner and Louisa Islands, at 8 o'clock p.m.

BARCLAY ROUND ROUTE. Str. Williams leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sand Point, at 10 o'clock a.m.

C. P. N. Co., Ltd., Steamers. Will leave Turner, Beaton & Co.'s Wharf for Victoria, Ladner and Louisa Islands, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co. For San Francisco. The company's elegant steamship, Queen, will leave Victoria for San Francisco, at 10 o'clock a.m.

FOR ALASKA. LEAVE SEATTLE 9 A.M. Cottage City, Nov. 11, 25, Dec. 1, 15, 29, Jan. 12, 26, 30, Feb. 13, 27, 31, and every fifth day thereafter.

O.R. & N. Oregon Short Line. Lowest Rates. Shortest Route. Seattle to all points East and Southeast.

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Steamer Victorian. TIME CARD NO. 7. Effective Monday, October 16, 1900.

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Victoria & Sidney RAILWAY. Trains will run between Victoria and Sidney as follows:

THE GREAT NORTHERN. 75 Government Street, Victoria, B. C. Lt. Daily. 8:30 a.m. - S.S. VICTORIAN - 11:15 a.m.

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THE WISCONSIN CENTRAL LINES and you will make direct connections at St. Paul for Chicago, Milwaukee and all points East.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. CURE SICK HEAD ACHE. Aches they would heal most precious to those who suffer from this complaint.

TIME TABLE 34. NORTH BOUND. D'ly Sat. Sun. a.m. p.m. L.v. Victoria 9:50 4:25 2:00

Excursion Tickets. On sale to and from all points on Saturdays and Sundays. For rates and all information apply at company's offices.

A FEW INTERESTING FACTS. When people are contemplating a trip, whether on business or pleasure, they naturally want the best service obtainable.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE. Real Property Tax Sale By Law, 1899.

List of Lands and Improvements within the Corporation of the City of Victoria to be sold for Taxes, Interest and Costs, on the 1st day of December, 1899, at the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of 'The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By Law, 1899' unless the means are taken to pay the Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid.

Table with columns: Lot, Block, Section, Lands and Improvements, Assessed Owner, Registered Owner, and various tax/interest amounts.

Along the Waterfront.

J. W. Harrison, the coal and metal broker of San Francisco, is his coal circular for the week ending on Saturday last says: During the week there have been four arrivals of coal, from Washington, 11,200 tons; two from Oregon, 1,620 tons; one from British Columbia, 11,430 tons; three from Swansea, 1,930 tons; total, 29,192 tons. Our consumption of coal for steam and house use this week must have been fully 3,500 tons in excess of the quantity delivered here. This cannot endure long, or we shall have to notify large consumers the same as the water companies do almost perennially, viz., "practice economy." We are not short of sources of supply; there are numerous all along the coast, but we cannot get it here, the coal which as well as on "Mt. Olympus" so far as we are benefited. A couple of months hence we may look for the government to release a number of their transports, in addition to which it is anticipated that a few new steamers will be drilled into the coal service. We will then, in common parlance, be on "Easy Street" for fuel. Prices have not been disturbed as yet, and for the moment there seems to be no disposition to do so on the part of our principal producers. We need not look for any relief from foreign sources, as tonnage is scarce and high in all foreign ports. The freight situation everywhere is "mixed;" all calculations this year have been faulty, even plungers this year have misgued and conservative merchants have been large losers.

The scarcity of steam tonnage is shortly to be relieved, for the United States government is returning the transports to their owners. The Geo. W. Elder and the Belgian King were released a few days ago, and the rest of the big transport fleet will go into the more peaceful lines on which they ran before they were trooping, as soon as they return from the Far East. The release of the transports will make a vast difference to the shipping trade of the Pacific coast, and also to many shipping men who have grown rich in consequence of the charter of their vessels. The war was a godsend to many owners, for the demands of the United States government came at a most opportune time. The Klondike rush had waned, the steamers one by one were being tied up, and had it not been for the unpleasantness made by Aguineldo et al, they would have lain idle. Now, it is believed, employment can be had for all the vessels as soon as they are discharged. There is a scarcity of tonnage and freights are high, although it is possible with the return of the fleets, rates will take a tumble. The lumber and coal traders were most affected by the scarcity.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has decided to place a line of steamers on the Cape Nome run. This announcement, which J. D. Farrell, president of the Pacific Coast Company, the parent organization of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, has just made, will come as a clap of thunder from a clear sky to the numerous transportation companies and concerns now competing and about to enter into competition for the Cape Nome traffic. It is an entirely new field for the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, but one which it has definitely decided to enter. The Wilamette, Senator, City and the steamers one of the vessels the company will operate between the Sound and Cape Nome. Both the City of Puebla and the Senator are now plying between San Francisco and Manila as United States transports. Upon the completion of the present voyage on which the vessels sailed about ten days ago, they are to quit the government service. The Wilamette, now running as a collier, will be used in the new field chiefly for the purpose of general merchandise transportation.

Steamer Wilamette is now due on her second voyage to Vancouver with freight for shipment East, the consignors preferring to send it by the C.P.R. rather than by the lines out of San Francisco, despite the extra cost of shipping. If she has a cargo of wool valued at \$202,575, 627,206 pounds in all, consigned to New York and Boston.

One of the latest carriers seen on this coast sailed on the 22nd from Hongkong for San Francisco under charter to the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. She is the Alga and has a carrying capacity of 12,000 tons. Every inch of space has been engaged at San Francisco for her return voyage.

Beware of False and Deceptive Promises Made by Manufacturers of Inferior and Imitation Dyes.

Beware of dyes prepared for home use that promise to wash and dye goods at one operation. The soap in such dyes may do a trifle of cleaning, but the coloring work will be a flat and decided failure.

Beware of dyes that claim to dye all wool and cotton goods with contents of one package. This is a chemical impossibility. The operation will of course get a color—something muddy, clouded and streaked that will arouse indignation and anger because of disappointment and loss of materials.

Diamond Dyes give fast, brilliant and perfect colors, but they do not promise to cleanse or wash soiled garments or materials. A washing machine may do good washing, but it cannot pretend to dye the ironing as well.

Diamond Dyes prepare special dyes for wool goods, and for cotton and union goods, and guarantee perfect work in all directions are observed. If you desire to color all wool goods, ask for Diamond Dyes for Wool; if you have cotton or mixed goods to dye, ask for Diamond Dyes for Cotton and Mixed Goods. Crude imitation dyes and soap grease mixtures can never come with these great chemical triumphs—Diamond Dyes.

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CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, City Hall, Victoria, B.C., November 10th, 1899. CHAS. KENT, COLLECTOR OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, B. C.

Just for Christmas. You had better commence to give the matter of fixing your homes with new CARPETS, CURTAINS, FURNITURE, etc., your closest attention, as we are always on the rush, especially during the latter part of December. Excellent Values in Every Line. WEILER BROS. NEW STORE, GOVERNMENT ST.

Sheffield Cutlery. If you want the best. Pocket Knives, Razors, Scissors, Carving Sets, Table Cutlery, Shears, etc. FOX'S 78 Government Street. Always buy the best.

To Dealers in Fancy Goods. We have in stock and are now offering a large and complete stock of TOYS, DOLLS and FANCY GOODS for the Christmas Trade. J. PIERCY & Co. Wholesale Dry Goods, 21-29 Yates Street, VICTORIA.

British Columbia Tanning Co., LIMITED. ROCK BAY, VICTORIA, B. C. JOHN MESTON Carriage Maker, Blacksmith, Etc. BROAD ST., BETWEEN PANDORA AND JOHNSON. Buckskin Dressed for Gloves Lace and Lash Leather. Highest cash price paid for Hides, Pelts and Skins.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. THE AL SHIP "Glenogil" 2235 TONS. Sailing During January, 1900. For Freight Rates Apply to R. P. RITHEK & Co., Ltd. Charles Hayward. Established 1870.

Funeral Director and Embalmer ANDREW SHERET, Government street, Victoria. Plumber 122 FORT ST. Cor. Stanchard Telephone Bldg. Cns. Steam and Hot Water Fitter.

Householders' Vote MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 1900. In addition to the regular hours, the office of the Assessor at the City Hall, will be open from 7 to 9 o'clock each evening except Sunday, up to and including Friday, December 1st, for the purpose of receiving registration of Householder Voters for the forthcoming Municipal Elections. WM. W. NORTHROTT, Assessor. City Hall, Victoria, Nov. 23, 1899.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT. THE BRITISH PACIFIC GOLD-PROPERTY COMPANY, Limited, Liability, begs to announce that it has opened for purchase by the Public a new block of 250,000 shares of Treasury Stock at prices of 50 cents per share, the current market price of this Stock since organization. THE COMPANY'S OFFER IS TO RETURN THE AMOUNT PAID FOR TREASURY STOCK TO SUBSCRIBERS THEREFOR IN DIVIDENDS IN FULL AS SOON AS THE DIVIDENDS ARE PAID IN RESPECT OF ANY OTHER PORTION OF ITS STOCK. In order that Victorians generally may have the benefit of this offer, the offer, and reap the benefit to be derived from the development of one of the most remarkable mining properties in the Province, namely, THE NEW YORK GROUP, JOHN H. GIBBES & CO. (LIMITED) (INCORPORATED IN CANADA) (INCORPORATED IN BRITISH COLUMBIA). This Company has decided to allow persons preferring to do so, to purchase shares within the next three months upon the INSTALLMENT PLAN, that is to say, BY PAYING ONE CENT PER SHARE PER MONTH UNTIL THE FULL AMOUNT IS PAID. For specimens of ore and assays, prospectuses, maps and reports, and for statements and other information respecting this and other properties of the Company, apply to the Company's Office, No. 28 Broad Street, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE. Native is hereby given that application will be made by the Corporation of the City of Victoria to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in pursuance of an Act authorizing and enabling the said Corporation to enter into and execute a lease or leases to any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who or they may be in a position and willing to carry out the terms thereof, of firstly, all that tract or parcel of land partly covered by water situated within the limits of the Corporation, called, or commonly known as the James Bay Flats, and secondly, a very fine line of Belleville street, and secondly, all the land and buildings situated, lying and being on the south side of Hund street and extending from the said James Bay bridge to, but not including, the Recreation Ground, and bounded by the streets of Nos. 171, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting at the Licensing Court for a license to John Hayward of the license for the sale of wine and liquor by retail upon the premises situate at the northeast corner of Fort and Pandora streets, Victoria City, known as the "total" section. Dated the 10th day of November, A.D. 1899. AT FIDELITY. By His attorney at law, C. A. HULL, Solicitor for the Applicant.

# Through Yankee Glasses

The South African War as an American Cousin Sees It.

Mr. Julian Ralph's Letter From Capetown to the London Daily Mail.

Mr. Ralph, the distinguished American journalist, is engaged by the London Daily Mail to describe the war from an independent standpoint. Mr. Ralph will follow the war from start to finish for the London Daily Mail.

Capetown.

A German correspondent took me aside in the City Club to-day and said: "You see, the Boers have been playing us all for fools. They have allowed the world to believe that they can only fight behind rocks, and while the British acted on this belief they have come right into the open and given the British a huge surprise, bottling up Kimberley and cutting off all communication with it, besides capturing trains, destroying bridges, and all the rest."

"Almost as he spoke out of his dense ignorance, an American born in Natal, and now in a most important position in South Africa, drifted to our group and told us his very different opinion of the enemy. "The British talk about keeping on the defensive until their whole force is in position in December; but, mark my words, it will all be over before then. I was born among the Boers, I speak their language, I have hunted with them, seen them in war, been

intimate with them.

In all the states and colonies, and I tell you they will not hold out. They are fanatics, but their fanaticism goes only so far. They have never seen more than a thousand British in war, and these they have potted at from behind rocks while the British were wholly exposed. They have an idea this is to be always the rule. I can cite you instances in several wars with natives where the Boers absolutely refused to occupy positions of danger. They want to kill, but do not at all risk being killed. They are so closely related, and there are so few families, that the killing of a Boer makes mourning in forty families. The killing of forty Boers would practically put the whole Transvaal in mourning. "I will predict, very close to the truth of what is going to happen. To begin with, their deftest discipline, and always dispute with their leaders. Every man who knows them will tell you that even when they make up a hunting party they waste the best time of the day arguing over every plan that is proposed. The Englishmen who hunt with them have learned to say to them, 'You stay here and dispute, but we are going in such a direction,' and then they go off and leave the Boers to follow them. In war they will want to argue every plan that is proposed, and they will rapidly grow more and more discontented. Their rule of life is for each Boer to look out for himself.

All Are Farmers.

And each man in the field has left his affairs with no one in charge. They are not professional soldiers like the Boers, they are not like the English. By-and-by they will begin to go home. They will say that they must look after their farms, and when they decide to do so, nothing can stop them. I passed through the Transvaal a few days ago, and I had two remarkable conversations which go to show how peculiar the Boers are. The first was with a man who had been sent to a Boer house to collect some taxes that were long overdue. He rode up to the house, called out the head of the family, and stated his errand. The Boer turned on his heel and went into the house. Presently he came out again with his gun. "See here," said he, "I own this house and all the land as far as you can see around you. It is mine. I Kruger that if he sends another man here to get that five pounds of taxes I will kill the man. As for you, if you say any more about it I will shoot you." My second talk was with a field cornet. Said he, "They are talking of going to war with the English. Well, my people are not satisfied with the way things are going. They tell me that they hear that Oom Paul is rich; that he rides in a carriage, and does no work. They say they are poor and are getting nothing out of the

Government Stealing.

and that if they are sent to war Kruger had better look out, or they may come with their guns and ask him to divide with them.

"I want to see the Boers," said I. "I think of going to Stellenbosch to see them in their homes. Is that a good place to go?"

"No. You might as well go to Pleddilly circus to see the English farmer or the Scotch Highlander. The Boers in the Cape Colony are so different from those in the Transvaal that we never call them Boers. We speak of them as Afrikaners. They are one hundred years ahead of the Transvaal Boers. They are better. They have schools and colleges. They have never been far or long removed from civilization and the English. You will get very wrong ideas if you go and see the Cape Dutch and write them up as Boers. Would you like me to describe a Transvaal Boer home and family? Very well, I know them nearly all, and have stopped with scores of them, for they are kindly and hospitable, except when their animosities are aroused. A Boer house is a building made of brick and roofed with zinc. It is divided into two rooms, with a wing or lean-to at the back.

That Wing is the Kitchen where the Kaffir dirt works. The other two rooms are the bedroom and the eating room. The floor of all the rooms is made of anti-bill earth stamped down and painted over with diluted red-oxide, sometimes mixed with blood. This gives the floor a glossy green surface. The sleeping room has, as many beds as are required—usually a large one for the man and wife, and another for the children. Often you will see the children's bed pushed under that of the parents. The eating room contains a long table and some chairs, seated and backed with strips of leather.

There will be another, smaller table, covered with American cloth, on which the Boer keeps a white glass sugar-bowl and perhaps a green glass spoon jar such as are given away with a pound of tea or home-made and some Bibles, panned up without frames, are the only ornaments, and a sort of settee with a seat made of leather strips completes the furniture. Arrived at the house, the Boer will take you to the kitchen, and after you have eaten your extra porridge and dried beef and sweetened the wife will set out for you a plate of porridge and eat off the bottom, but this is a ceremonial putting on the side. There may be a harmonium in the corner of the room, and if you can play any simple tunes the whole family will dance as long as you like to play. For looks there is

and there will be a prayer book if they can afford it. They are religious, you know, that is, they go to church and are fond of thinking themselves in God's keeping, but they never let religion interfere with business. At a horse trade they will cheat the back teeth out of your head.

"You have heard that they sleep in their clothes? Well, the man takes off his coat and waistcoat, and sleeps in the rest that he has on. The wife drops off an outer skirt, perhaps, before she gets into bed. Of late extra rooms have been added to the houses of the better class Boers; but in the old style, typical two-roomed house, whoever stops overnight must sleep with the old folks or children. When you sleep with the old folks, the husband always takes the middle of the bed. A story which I know to be true is told of Bishop Merriman. He was once entertained in this way, and when he woke in the morning he found that the Boer had crept out to look after his cattle. He gave one glance at his sleeping companion, and dropped out of bed as quietly as if he had been thrown out. As to their abstinences, you will seldom see a Boer with a glass face. One of them had written to a Capetown relative that his people will not wash until they have driven the British into the sea. That sounds impressive, but will not entail much hardship upon his people.

"They tell a story about Paul Kruger's 'polish' after he had been to London and seen the Queen and Mr. Gladstone. It is not a true tale, but it might easily be true of the average Boer. The story goes that when Kruger came home, and was about to get into bed, his wife came in and saw him dressed in a suit of pyjamas. 'Paul,' she exclaimed, 'how are you doing with those English foot clothes?' 'They are fine and put on your trousers, and go to bed like an honest burglar.'

"As to their intelligence, you know the very old story of the Englishman who was walking through the Cape Colony, and was warned not to say he was English in any house where he was from Yorkshire. He always said he was from Yorkshire, and was handsomely treated. I don't know whether that is true or not, but it is not an exaggerated illustration. There was a leading Transvaal Boer who said to me the other day that his countrymen would not stop

until they have driven the English into Table Bay." "And then," said he, "we shall go and capture England." "How can you do that without ships?" I asked him. "Oh," said he, "how did Moses lead the children of Israel across the Red Sea? They did not need any ships. Just in the same fashion God will find a way for us." Another Boer who was talking of England said to me, "I suppose you can see England from Capetown, can't you?" "Finally my friend closed his remarks by saying that he had been to give me a clear idea of the Boers in such a short time. He cautioned me to realize that when he is the Dutch in Cape Colony, who are 100 years ahead of the better class Dutch who live in houses in the Transvaal. These, he said, are the ones about whom I have been speaking. But these, in turn, are far ahead of the Boers who move north and south with their cattle every year and live at least a part of the time in tents.

JULIAN RALPH.

HORSES AND MULES KILLED.

The transport Victoria, experienced severe weather and had to put back to Seattle.

(Associated Press.)

Seattle, Nov. 28.—With a cargo of drying horses and mules and fifty-five empty stalls, the United States transport Victoria returned to port late last night, having been forced by unprecedented stress of weather off Cape Flattery to turn back from her voyage to the Philippines.

Of four hundred and two horses and mules carried by the Victoria, fifty-five were literally pounded to death against the sides of the stall during the storm, and all the animals are so badly bruised that officials of the vessel believe many cannot be saved.

The Victoria sailed for the Philippines on November 23rd. The weather grew worse as the Victoria advanced toward the open ocean. Outside the straits the vessel was tossed on the crest of the waves described in the log as "mountains," and a strong gale blew thick with blinding mist. The ship labored so heavily that Captain Michels decided to round the vessel and hold for Seattle.

NEWS FROM CAPE NOME.

About Two Thousand Five Hundred People Will Spend the Winter There.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Nov. 28.—The Record's special correspondent at Cape Nome sends the following letter, dated Nov. 1st: "The snowing of the last night, the Albatross, will leave Cape Nome, and from then until next June the country will be shut off from the world. There has been a great exodus of people, and most of those who were here early have gone. Probably 2,500 people will remain during the winter. Coal and lumber have been cornered, and both have been selling at exorbitant prices."

RAILWAY FATALITIES.

(Associated Press.)

Belleville, Nov. 28.—John A. Linton, a Grand Trunk brakeman at Toronto, is dead, the result of falling under the wheels of a train. Both his legs were severed. He leaves a widow and two children.

Beaufort, Nov. 28.—Abram Henry, a Six Nation Indian, was killed on the Grand Trunk track near here last night.

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# SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

25th Nov. 1899. (Continued from page 1.)

The tug Lion made a search as far as Cape Beale, but saw no sign of any vessel in distress or otherwise, and the report was thus proved to have been without foundation. Despite the Sea Lion's report, however, the heavy storms, the continued rumors of wreck, and the fact that so many vessels were overdue, gave birth to a fixed belief in many quarters that some vessel had met with misfortune. The Quadra, therefore, made a thorough search of the islands of Barclay Sound and the West Coast from Beale down. The Quadra's search showed that no wreck had occurred, for not a sign of wreckage was seen. Nothing was seen of any shipping, for the weather was bad, and the thick misty rain obscured the sea off the entrance to the straits. Nothing was heard of the missing Seattle fishing schooner Myrtle, Capt. Nelson, which is now three weeks overdue. She was last heard of at Nootka. It is probable that she has remained sheltered in one of the West Coast harbors. The beacon was not erected by the Quadra owing to the violence of the current of the river, which has been swelled by the heavy autumn rains. The weather throughout the cruise was bad, heavy southeasterly gales being encountered continuously.

Bark Theobald, Capt. Cameron, arrived in the Roads this morning in tow of the tug Willowa. She is from Honolulu after an exceeding fast passage of 18 days. She carried the heavy south-east gales and fortunately reached the Cape and rounded it as the gale died out. She lay under the Cape for fourteen hours before being picked up. The Theobald saw or heard nothing of the overdue vessel, not a speck of sail being seen from the time Honolulu was left. The Theobald has beaten a fleet of vessels which left the islands to the north for coal before she sailed. The bark Abbie Palmer sailed for Tacoma six days before she left, the bark Edward May sailed for Departure Bay six days before her, the bark Iolani one day before her, and the Colosa, for Seattle, on Monday. The bark Iolani has a cargo of coal. The bark Colosa has a cargo of coal. The bark Iolani has a cargo of coal. The bark Colosa has a cargo of coal.

Schooner King Cyrus has reached Port Townsend 32 days from Tientsin, China, to which port she took lumber from Chemsulau. She encountered a heavy typhoon when out a few days, but weathered it without serious injury.

Schooner C. S. Holmes, which has arrived at San Pedro from Port Blakey, reports losing her mate overboard.

Sealing schooner Diana and Mary Taylor towed to sea this morning, bound south on a sealing cruise.

Steamer William Bowden sailed from Yokohama for the Roads on Nov. 10th.

The Charmer left Vancouver at 1:15 p.m. She connected with the train.

THE PARNELL ESTATE.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 28.—The corporation council of Dublin, having informed him that the old British parliamentary act, under which he holds office, declares the place vacant if the incumbent is absent from duty for two calendar months, Lord Mayor Tallon, who had expected to spend Christmas in America, has been compelled to cut his visit short, and leaves on Saturday for Ireland on the Cunard liner Campania. He will be accompanied by John E. Redmond, M.P., and between them they will take back nearly \$50,000, raised to save the Parnell estate in County Wicklow, and also to build a memorial monument to the Irish parliamentary.

A SUCCESSFUL ASTRONOMER.

(Associated Press.)

Geneva, N. Y., Nov. 28.—Dr. William R. Brooks, director of the Smith observatory, has just been awarded by the Paris Academy of Science, "The Grande Victoria" prize for his numerous and brilliant astronomical discoveries. The prize is a gold medal worth 500 francs, or its value in gold. Besides his other discoveries, Dr. Brooks is the discoverer of a larger number of comets than any other living astronomer in the world.

HESSIAN FLY APPEARS.

(Associated Press.)

Crawfordsville, Ind., Nov. 28.—The Hessian fly has made its appearance in the wheat of Indiana, and a failure, even more pronounced than that of the season of 1898, seems imminent for the next year.

VILLE MARIE BANK CASE.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Nov. 28.—Council for Weir found guilty of issuing a false statement to the government regarding the condition of the Ville Marie Bank, applied for the right to appeal the case this morning. Decision was reserved for Monday next.

CLERK'S CRIME.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Nov. 28.—Richard Lehman, a clerk in the employ of S. Carsley & Co., has been convicted of stealing \$1,200 from that establishment, and sentenced to thirty months' imprisonment. He had been married only a couple of weeks when the theft was discovered.

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Nov. 28.—Stock Exchange, morning board: War Eagle 278, 2-8; Payne 125, 114; Montreal and London 45, 40; Republic 120, 118; Sales: Montreal and London 500 at 43; 1,000 at 42; Republic 200 at 118.

DR. A. W. CHASE'S 25c. GATARRN CURE.

It is most direct to the diseased parts by the Improved Flow, Heals the ulcers, clears the air passages, stops droppings in the throat and permanently cures Croup and Hay Fever. Sufferers from all dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase, Medicine Co., Toronto and Buffalo.

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# Sporting News.

LACROSSE.

TORONTO TEAM'S TRIP WEST.

Secretary H. Ryall, of the New Westminster Lacrosse Club, has received the following self-explanatory letter from Mr. J. M. Macdonald, secretary of the Toronto Lacrosse and Athletic Association:

"At a meeting of the Toronto Lacrosse and Athletic Association a motion was passed instructing me to convey to the New Westminster Lacrosse Club and its supporters the thanks of the meeting for the many kindnesses and manifestations of hospitality showered upon the representatives of the club, during their recent visit to the Royal City.

"Everyone of the team spoke in the warmest praise of their reception at your hands, and testified to the sportsmanlike conduct of your players, both off and on the field.

"Although defeated in the contests, the members of the club rejoice in the knowledge that the game of lacrosse has made such wonderful strides in the West, and venture to express the hope that an annual interchange of visits between the Eastern and Western clubs may result.

"Kindly convey to your club the thanks of the Toronto Lacrosse and Athletic Association."

ATHLETICS.

J. B. A. A.'S NEW INSTRUCTOR.

Professor Christal began his duties as instructor at the J. B. A. A. gymnasium yesterday afternoon, when a number of members of the club were put through a course of sprouts in the many arts of fencing, boxing and wrestling. The new instructor has gained the confidence of the clubmen by the thorough manner in which he does his work, and all look forward to a great improvement in the physique of the members under the hands of Mr. Christal.

As he is only sojourning in Victoria, his large interests in the Yukon and Alton deviate his presence there at an early date, it is recognized by all the members that the opportunity of mastering those graceful and most useful arts from one so eminently qualified to impart a thorough knowledge of them, is not to be missed.

The instruction is given at the club three afternoons and three evenings a week, that is on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. During the fore part of every day and on the afternoons and evenings of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Professor Christal devotes his time to his private pupils, who already include some of the best known men in town.

In his prime Professor Christal was one of the doughtiest wrestlers on the coast, and he has given many of the big fellows a hard fight for honors. His knowledge of the noble and ancient art is not confined to theory, as it is in the cause of many teachers, but was gained in actual combat with the best wrestlers of the time. Like all Frenchmen, Professor Christal is a born swordsman, and is equally at home with the foil, rapier, sabre or broadsword. During the Franco-Prussian war he had plenty of occasion to employ this knowledge for his own defence, and he

has indelible evidence about his own head and shoulders to prove that the Prussians are hard hitters.

The Boys are naturally well pleased to have secured the services, even temporarily, of this famous athlete, and while they have got him they will undoubtedly make excellent use of him. It may be pointed out that the non-members of the club, who have a desire to equip themselves with a practical knowledge of these arts, which entitle a man to face with calmness and entire confidence those little unpleasantness which are thrust upon even the most peaceably disposed when they least expect it, have also a fine chance to qualify privately under a man who has won celebrity in the arena of hard experience.

HOW A DRAGON IS MADE.

Many people, if not all that have seen and heard Wagner's "Rhinewald," have wondered about the inner workings of the dragon, thirty feet long, that plays a conspicuous part in that beautiful music drama. The secret is disclosed by Gustav Kobbé in an article in the November Century on "Wagner Behind the Scenes."

As the performance progresses, the next mechanical property of interest is the snake, into which, in the Nibelheim scene, Alberich changes himself by means of the Tarn-helm, to prove to Wotan and Loge the truth of his boast that he can assume any guise. Alberich steps behind a rock, immediately a huge snake issues from behind it and crosses the stage with the undulating movements of a serpent. This is a famous bit of theatrical property, the mechanism of which is as simple as it is ingenious. The snake is mounted on small wheels which are entirely hidden from view, and by digging them into the stage floor works the beast along, while, with a string which he holds between his teeth, he plays the lower jaw of the monster, so that it shows its fangs as it crosses the stage.

The serpent's tail is made in joints connected by two wires to which straps are attached. The man puts his feet in the straps, and by moving his legs as if he were swimming, he makes the long tail curve and straighten out again. This, combined with the forward motion, gives the realistic effect which saves serpent and scene from being ridiculous.

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A correspondent in the London Globe says: "The French are frantic with joy because the British lost two regiments and a mountain battery in Natal on the 30th, or 29th, October, 1899. Let them look back to the 27th October, 1870, when Marshal Bazaine, with two other marshals of France, 6,000 officers and 173,000 men, capitulated to the Germans at Metz. Did England rejoice over that calamity? We might add, also that at Sedan 25,000 men were taken prisoners in the battle, while 83,000, with seventy mitrailleurs, and 560 guns, surrendered afterwards. Besides these, 14,000 fell into the hands of the Germans, and 3,000 laid down their arms after crossing the Belgian frontier. Yet we can safely say that here France found nothing but respectful pity for that tremendous disaster.—The Globe."

DIED.

PLEWIS.—In this city, on the 26th inst., William Henry, second son of Thomas Plewis, the late Jane T. Plewis, a native of Victoria, B. C., aged 37 years.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday, at 2:30 p. m., from Oddfellows' Hall, Douglas street, and at the Reformed Episcopal church at 3 o'clock.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

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