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DIED FROM BURNS.

Sad Death of Daughter of One of Queen Victoria's Physicians.

(Associated Press.)

Morristown, N. J., Jan. 28.—The World to-day says Mrs. Mary Treadway, a friend and companion of Queen Victoria, is dead in her home in Chester. She was 94 years old. Her maiden name was Mary Williamson, and her father was physician to the family of George IV. and to Queen Vic-

torian after her succession to the throne. Mrs. Treadway, with her husband, came to America about 20 years ago. Having married against the wishes of her family, a wealthy one, she had no participation in the division of the family estate, and soon broke off all connections with her kin in England. On leaving England Mrs. Treadway was hidden an affectionate farewell by Queen Victoria, who gave her a silk dress, which the old woman prized highly and kept until the day of her death. Death was due to an accident. A week ago her dress caught fire and before it could be extinguished she was fatally burned.

C. P. R. STEAMERS ARE ALWAYS FULLY EQUIPPED

Captain Troup's Evidence at the Coroner's Inquest---Several Witnesses Are Coming Over From the Sound.

"No C. P. R. vessel leaves this port without its full equipment of life-saving apparatus."

This statement was made by Captain Troup in giving evidence at the inquest on the bodies of the Clallam victims, which was resumed before Coroner Hart today. He said that there was a practice of borrowing equipment from steamers out of commission for the purpose of allowing apparatus to be repaired.

At this morning's inquest two witnesses were examined. Besides Captain Troup, evidence was given by Herbert Taylor, who was the first to notice the Clallam in distress from Beacon hill, and reported the matter to the local agents, Capt. James Wm. Troup, general superintendent of the British Columbia Coast service of the C. P. R. Company, said that on January 23, he had come from Vancouver on the steamer Charming. In passing Trial Island no vessel showing distress signals had been seen. At that time witness was in the wheel house with the captain and mate. The weather was clear. The Charming had passed Trial Island at about 7.15, and arrived at Victoria at about 7.45.

On his arrival E. E. Blackwood came down and told witness that the Clallam had come in sight in the neighborhood of Trial Island about 3.30. She had seemed to be having some difficulty and appeared to stop and after to put on sail. He had added that she seemed to pay off and looked as if she was steering. Witness asked what time this was, and the reply was between 3.30 and 4 o'clock. This was after 8 o'clock. Witness had then said that in four hours the Clallam, if put before the wind, would drift 20 miles. Mr. Blackwood had said that the tug Holyoke had left Townsend about 7 o'clock. Witness had assumed by the force and direction of the wind and tide that the Clallam would drift somewhere between San Juan and Smith Islands, in which case the Holyoke should have reached her at the time, or a little after the conversation was in progress. From what Mr. Blackwood had said he was under the impression that Capt. Roberts had some control over his ship. The Charming could not have reached the distressed vessel until about 10 o'clock, after the arrival of the Holyoke.

Replying to Juror Cullin, Capt. Troup said that Mr. Blackwood seemed anxious. He had said that a thorough canvas had been made, but no available boats could be found in the harbor.

Answering C. H. Lugin, witness stated the C. P. R. boat that could have been got out in the last time was the Queen City, which might have been put under steam in about five hours.

Continuing, Capt. Troup said that his impression was that the ship had broken her starboard shaft. He had seen a light that the Clallam would not live over the storm, or that there would be any danger to life.

Questioned by the coroner, he said that the storm of the afternoon of Friday, January 23, was nothing unusual. The sea off Trial Island was bad for small boats. There would be a "bad" time at 3.30 on the afternoon of the wreck. The tide was at its lowest at about 2.47 o'clock.

To Mr. Lugin—When the Charming passed Trial Island a flare could have been seen between 7 and 10 miles away. An ordinary deck light, such as was displayed by the Clallam, could be seen between two and three miles. On a clear night such a lantern could be seen about six miles. It had not been the custom for vessels in sheltered waters on this coast to carry rockets or other night signals. They were not legally required. In his opinion it would be expedient to make it compulsory for ships to carry night signals.

Juror Maroon asked whether any cases of borrowing of equipment for inspection purposes had ever come before the notice of witness.

Mr. Lugin interposed at this juncture. He objected to the question, and did not think that the witness should be made to answer it against his wish. It was his intention to have the matter thoroughly investigated.

Coroner Hart agreed with Mr. Lugin, and explained to witness that the question would not be pressed unless he volunteered a reply.

Capt. Troup, however, expressed a desire to answer. He said: "No steamer of ours ever goes out of this port without the full equipment of life-saving apparatus required by law."

Juror Maroon pointed out that this did not altogether answer his question.

Witness, continuing, said: "As for borrowing equipment for inspection, that has never been done in my experience here. We do borrow equipments sometimes from steamers out of commission to take the place of equipment needing repair. Hundreds of life-preservers are kept in store, and any that was condemned by inspectors was immediately replaced from this supply. Capt. Collister often comes down to inspect without notice, and on these occasions there could be no preparation."

Juror Maroon asked further whether he had ever heard of the borrowing of equipment for inspection?

Witness refused to give a reply. Questioned about deadlights, Captain Troup said that it was usual for C. P. R.

boats to have shutters. The Charming was supplied with plugs in case of one of the ports becoming broken. He was of the opinion that where there were no deadlights a regulation requiring some means for blocking ports under or near the water line would be desirable in the interests of safety.

Replying to Mr. Lugin, witness said that when Mr. Blackwood left him he appeared to have reached the conclusion that it would be of little use for the Charming to go to the Clallam's assistance. Had he thought that there was peril to life the Charming would have gone out. He would have had no fear of entering American waters; he would have gone into Port Townsend if necessary. Had the Charming gone out she would have reached the Clallam before the tug Sea Lion. He had come to the conclusion that the Clallam had broken her tail shaft, because on the trip from Vancouver the Charming was inclined to "race" considerably, and he had thought that if the engines weren't carefully handled something was likely to break. The reason he had not taken out the Charming was because the Holyoke had previously left Townsend.

Answering A. E. McPhillips, K. C., witness said the law did not require inextinguishable lights to be attached to lifebuoys. Some of the C. P. R. steamers, the Princess Victoria and Princess Beatrice, had them. The Charming was not equipped in this way. He thought that a lifeboat with a plug was safe enough if the plug was firmly placed. He did not think that if a boat was launched with plug hole open she would swamp as a result. Such a leak when noticed could easily be plugged with a cap or anything else. The Canadian and American regulations were not similar in regard to the life-saving apparatus for excursions. In the States a vessel was allowed to take an extra equipment on such occasions. According to the Canadian regulations it was necessary to carry equipment sufficient for the maximum number of passengers to be carried. A ship having a list heavy enough to put a broken port overboard would have attracted the attention of the first officer and captain. It was usual for leaks to be stopped by spreading canvas over the side of a vessel. In this case the heavy wind and tremendous sea would make such a thing very difficult.

Juror Rostein asked what officer was supposed, before launching the small boats, to see after their equipment and that crew was in place.

Witness replied that generally the first officer was in charge of the small boats. In a case of emergency he should expect the master to take the matter in hand and see that there was a proper equipment and a full crew before the women and children were placed aboard.

Mr. McPhillips asked whether if placed in similar circumstances he would have put the passengers aboard the tug Holyoke on its arrival, instead of requesting a tow.

Capt. Troup did not wish to reply. It was hard to say what he would do under the circumstances. He added: "I have known Capt. Roberts for the past 29 years and have always regarded him as a capable seaman. He will probably have reasons for everything he did, and when he comes on the stand he will give those reasons."

Herbert Taylor, who followed, said he had observed the steamer Clallam from Beacon Hill about 3.30. She then appeared to be about a mile off Trial Island and evidently in distress. At that time she had a small sail set and her bow was pointing towards the American side. She had gradually swung round into the trough of the sea. He had then 'phoned to Mr. Blackwood's office. He could see her until about 4.30 o'clock, but could make out no flag or distress signals.

Before the adjournment, Coroner Hart announced that he had received a letter from Capt. Roberts stating that he would be over to give evidence at the inquest immediately after the Seattle inquiry, which was expected to finish some time next week. He had secured the promise of several witnesses now on the Sound to come over on Monday. The inquest was accordingly adjourned until Tuesday next.

OUTRAGE IN VANCOUVER.

Fiendish Attack on Young Lady by Two Unknown Men.

(Special to the Times.)
Vancouver, Jan. 28.—The assault made by two men upon Miss Clara Clarke at the outskirts of the city last night turns out to be one of the most fiendish cases on record in the annals of crime in this city. They tore and cut her clothing with a knife, and one man held the knife over her throat threatening to kill her if she moved, while the second assaulted her. There is no clue, and the girl is still practically unconscious. The men threw her into a pool of water. Miss Clara, who is twenty years of age, was on her way to choir practice when she was set upon by the men, who dragged her into the bushes. They gagged her, and in the struggle her face was badly torn, one eye being nearly knocked out. She narrowly escaped being drowned.

BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

Smith and Marcotte Will Play Opening Match in the Amateur Tournament.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 28.—J. De Munn Smith, of St. Louis, and Arthur Marcotte, the Canadian champion, have been selected to play the opening billiard match of the amateur championship tournament, which begins next Monday night at the Liederkranz Club, because of the failure of Wilson P. Foss to enter. The winner of the tournament will become the recognized national amateur champion.

EGG FAMINE FEARED.

Supply in Chicago Is Not Sufficient to Meet the Demand.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 28.—Unless the cold spell, which burdens Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas and other great egg producing states, lessens its grip, an egg famine is probable. The present supply in the hands of Chicago merchants is entirely insufficient to meet demands. Receipts have been reduced almost to the vanishing point.

DISTURBANCES IN KOREA SPREADING

THE REBELS ARE NOW THREATENING FOREIGNERS

German Ambassador Thinks the War Element Will Gain Upper Hand in Russia.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 28.—United States Ambassador Porter had another lengthy talk with Foreign Minister Delcasse today, going over the latest phases of the Russo-Japanese situation. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador, and Prince von Radolin, the ambassador of Germany, called at about the same time. The former firmly believed the czar's influence will lead to a pacific adjustment, but other officials of the embassy do not share the ambassador's views, and are inclined to believe that war will result. Prince von Radolin, who was stationed at St. Petersburg for a long time, and who is familiar with court influences, considers that the war element is likely to get the upper hand.

The government opinion here remains unchanged, the officials holding that the situation is more warlike, but that it has not passed beyond the chance of diplomatic adjustment.

It can be asserted positively that France shares the view of the United States, British and other governments that no joint mediation is desirable as it would probably irritate the situation, but that each power should use its influence through its own diplomatic channels towards the maintenance of peace.

Korean Troubles.

New York, Jan. 28.—The native disturbances at Pyg Yang are increasing, according to a Herald dispatch from Seoul, Korea. The secret rebel society known as the Tonghaks is openly threatening foreigners and the overthrow of the present dynasty. The Tonghaks were prominent factors in causing the Chino-Japanese war of 1894.

Some 200 Japanese and many Americans reside at Pyg Yang, but the American minister does not expect immediate danger.

Cabinet changes continue. Peck H. Sun, the Korean minister to China, has been recalled to become foreign minister.

Russia is building a telegraph line from Antung to form a connection with the Russian wires now operating on the Chinese railway. The government has wires from Seoul to Ajin. This arrangement will enable Russia to cable to Seoul without using Japanese wires, and obtain telegraph service between Port Arthur and the Yalu river.

Responsibility on Russia.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.—It is anticipated that the answer of Russia to Japan's last note will reach Tokyo not later than next Monday. Besides the intimation conveyed to Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister at this capital, that an early reply was desired, Minister Kurino at St. Petersburg called an Foreign Minister Lamsdorff and politely requested a response. Count Lamsdorff promised that the reply of his government would be delivered within a few days.

Russia's response is eagerly awaited. If it should prove unsatisfactory to Japan, an immediate declaration of war seems unavoidable. The Japanese feel that the entire responsibility for the outbreak rests with Russia. Some doubt is expressed that Russia does not properly appreciate the determination and temper of the Japanese people. The Japanese government is busy perfecting her financial programme. The announced plans to issue bonds and increase the taxation meet with popular approval. The government is receiving many offers for the bonds, and it is said that the

issue will be over-subscribed several times.

The Russian Reply.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—A special meeting of council of state, under the presidency of the Grand Duke Alexis, today reached conclusions which will be drafted for submission to the czar's final approval. It is hardly probable that the reply will be transmitted to Japan before January 30th.

The nature of the conclusions reached by the council are carefully guarded. Semi-official assurances were given that the subject was considered in a pacific spirit and with a determination to do all possible to preserve peace, and to successfully terminate the negotiations.

It is significant that Count Lamsdorff has arranged to receive the Japanese minister, M. Kurino, at 10 o'clock tonight.

Mess Beef For Russians.

San Francisco, Jan. 28.—Three special freight trains have just arrived here from Kansas City and Omaha with a large quantity of mess beef destined for the Russian army in the Orient. They contained over three million pounds of beef. The trains came West on fast time in order to catch a steamer. Half the shipment will go to Port Arthur and the remainder to Vladivostok.

FULLY PREPARED TO TAKE HIS LIFE

WRIGHT HAD REVOLVER IF POISON FAILED

Company Promoter Had Carefully Laid Plans for Suicide if Verdict Was Against Him.

(Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 28.—"Suicide" was the verdict passed by the coroner's jury today in the closing chapter of the career of Whitaker Wright. His death was caused by suffocation in consequence of poisoning by cyanide of potassium.

The jury found that Wright was perfectly sane, that there was not the slightest doubt that his death was due to most deliberate suicide.

From the evidence it was shown that Wright had determined to take his own life in the event of an adverse verdict, and that he went to court with a cyanide tablet in his pocket, while in his pocket was a new revolver, fully loaded and even cocked. After the sentence Wright went to the lavatory, while the servant remained outside. There he swallowed the tablet, returned to the consulting room, washed down the poison with whiskey and water and died.

The small coroner's court at Westminster was so crowded that Whitaker Wright, jr., son of the dead man, had to stand up throughout the proceedings. He and other witnesses in the main bore out the facts already cabied. Neither the son nor the deceased's closest friends testified today; they never heard Wright even intimate that he contemplated suicide.

His solicitor, George Lewis, said the deceased all along implicitly believed that he would be acquitted, or that, at the worst, he only contemplated a disagreement of the jury. Even after his sentence Wright showed only indignation.

In talking with Mr. Lewis, Mr. Eyrice, one of his sursees, and Mr. Waters, the accountant of the London & Globe Corporation, Wright said: "I really think I am the most composed of you all." As regarding an appeal, Wright said he would do exactly as he was advised.

Asked if some one had not better telephone the verdict to Miss Wright, Wright said: "No; there is plenty of time for that." Taking out his watch and chain Wright handed them to Mr. Eyrice, remarking, "I shall not have any use for this in that place," meaning the prison. "I give it to you, Eyrice; keep it for me."

This was all that occurred. After Wright had taken the poison, holding a glass in his hand and still sipping its contents, he said: "Waters, give me another cigar." Mr. Waters took up Wright's cigar case, which was lying on a table, and Wright deliberately cut the end of a cigar and struck a match. Just as he was going to light the cigar Wright flung the match from him, sank back unconscious and died, without uttering another word.

The official analyst, Dr. Freyberger, who conducted the post mortem examination, testified that there was not the slightest doubt that Wright's death was due to prussic acid in its cyanide of potassium form.

LUMBER TRADE.

Proposal to Reduce Price to Northwest Farmer—Seeking Assistance of Canadian Pacific Railway.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Jan. 28.—British Columbia lumber manufacturers and Northwest sellers meet at Winnipeg on February 4th, when a proposal will be made to slightly reduce the price to Northwest farmers. They will also ask the assistance of the C. P. R. railway by charging full local rates on American imported lumber from the boundary line to various towns, which would make the charges practically prohibitive to American.

RESCUERS' SAD TASK CONTINUES

MORE BODIES TAKEN FROM HARWICK MINE

Unfortunate Men Were Killed by an Explosion of Fire Damp—The Death List.

(Associated Press.)

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 28.—At 3 o'clock this morning seven bodies were taken from the Harwick mine, making the number of recovered dead 78.

James B. Roderick, chief of the state department of mines, says: "The explosion was undoubtedly caused by the accumulation of fire damp. This is a fact and not a theory."

Inspector W. P. Cunningham, who is in charge of the mine, now says: "Every man in the mine was killed by an explosion of fire damp. They died much as if shot through the heart with a bullet."

Up to midnight last night seventy-two bodies had been brought to the surface. The blackened bodies, as they were brought out, were loaded on sleds and carried to the school house. The Allegheny Coal Company, in an official statement, said all the men who were in the mine when the explosion occurred, are dead. There are 171 names on the list, which does not include Selwyn Taylor, the two men who were fatally injured in the tipple, or Daniel Lyske, whose body was found in the mine yesterday. He was one of the rescuers. His body was found sitting with his back to the wall of one of the rooms. He had evidently been overcome by the after-damp. C. L. Terry, secretary of the Allegheny Coal Company, says that it is impossible that one or more of those included in the list of dead have escaped. Some others whose names have not been ascertained may have gone into the pit to work.

It is planned now to hold union funeral services for the victims on Sunday. The Catholics will be buried according to the rites of their church. St. Paul's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of this city has notified the Harwick authorities that that institution can take care of 200 children. The Pittsburg Home for Society is also ready to take care of the children.

More Bodies Removed.

Pittsburg, Jan. 28.—The number of bodies recovered from the mine at noon today totaled 95; about 30 more are at the bottom of the shaft ready to be brought up, and probably 50 are still in the mine. Before evening the first of the funerals will have been held.

All night the work of cleaning up the mine itself was carried on. The bodies in the left wing of the south main level have all been recovered, and the work in the right head is progressing. A squad of men were put to work today digging graves for the victims in the plot of ground adjoining the cemetery. Miners who have no friends able to bear the expense of a burial will be buried there.

A body of 125 experienced miners arrived today from Monaca, a city to assist in recovering the bodies still in the mine. They at once relieved men who have been working since Monday, and are now down in the mine.

Crushed to Death.

Brownsville, Pa., Jan. 28.—Four men, all foreigners, were crushed to death today in a new air shaft of the Brigg Hill Company near here. The shaft was 685 feet deep, and the men were being lowered in a bucket when a four hundred pound pilot weight broke, precipitating the bucket and men to the bottom. The heavy weight falling on them crushed the men beyond recognition.

POLICY APPROPRIATED.

Liberals of New Constituency Offer Hon. Clifford Sifton Unanimous Nomination.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—Hon. Clifford Sifton has received resolutions passed by the Liberal executives of different centres of the constituency of Thunder Bay and Rainy River, unanimously offering him the nomination for that riding on account of the services he has rendered Canada, especially in Western Canada, and because of his progressive policy of immigration and filling up the vacant lands of the West. Hon. Mr. Sifton has not yet replied.

TAKING A REST.

John Dillon Will Remain Out of Politics For a While—Spending Holiday in Italy.

(Associated Press.)

Dublin, Jan. 28.—John Dillon has gone to the south of Italy under his doctor's orders, and will not return to Ireland or enter politics for four months. In a farewell letter to John Redmond, Mr. Dillon wrote that it was desirable to know that the Irish party would not allow the question of Irish freedom to be dislodged from the front place by any one.

Some parts of Switzerland are experiencing snowstorms and other signs of winter to an extent unparalleled in living memory for the time of the year. In the valley of St. Nicholas several of the villages have been completely isolated for several days, trains having been unable to run for a whole day at a time.



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LIBERALS HELD A GOOD GATHERING

EXCELLENT SPEECHES ON THE PROGRAMME

Feeling Reference to Death of H. Mackenzie Cleland by Mr. Duff— Ralph Smith's Address.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Victoria Liberal Association last night was of an exceptionally interesting character. After the transaction of routine business addresses were delivered by prominent members of the party, including George Riley, M. P., Ralph Smith, M. P., Lieut.-Col. Gregory, R. L. Drury, M. P., P. J. D. McNeven, M. P., P. W. Sloan, L. P. Duff, K. C., and Dr. Milne. John Pierce, president of the association, occupied the chair. The ordinary business was first proceeded with. During its consideration the president and secretary were instructed to forward a letter of condolence on behalf of the association to the widow of N. P. Shaw, whose untimely death in the Chatham disaster deprived the party of one of its staunchest friends.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY. The Work During December Reported On—Balance On Hand.

At the recent regular meeting of the Jubilee Hospital Woman's Auxiliary Society, the secretary presented an interesting report of the society's work during December, expressing thanks to all those who in any way contributed towards it. The statement of receipts and expenditure shows a balance on hand of \$101.40. The receipts from the ball amounted to \$400.

The meeting decided that Friday afternoon should be set aside for the sewing and mending committees. Mrs. Goodacre and Mrs. Stadthagen were appointed buyers to purchase blankets, small pitchers and side desks. Mrs. Geo. Taylor and Mrs. R. S. Brett were appointed the visiting committee for the month.

USEFUL INVENTION. Machine Which Will Register Amount Which Consumer Owes for Gas, Water or Electricity.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—A patent has been taken out here for a combination meter calculating machine and automatic press, which is projected, will register disputes between the consumers of gas, water and electricity and the companies or municipalities supplying them quite unnecessary and perhaps impossible. By the use of this machine a consumer can ascertain the amount of his bill at any time, for by simply turning a key he receives a card upon which is printed the amount he owes.

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At the annual convention of the Royal Arch Masons in Toronto the election of officers resulted as follows: Abraham Shaw, Kingston, grand secretary; elected by acclamation; past superintendent for district No. 16; British Columbia, J. W. Prescott, Vancouver; No. 17, Alberta, E. L. Baker, Medicine Hat; No. 18, Kootenay, C. A. Procmier, Revelstoke.

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NOTICE. The Annual Meeting OF THE Dairymen's and Live Stock Association

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Dr. K. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, a book containing 1003 pages, is given away. Send 31 one-cent stamps (expense of customs and mailing only), for the book in paper covers, or 50 stamps for the volume bound in cloth. Address Dr. K. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

party, and he was able to accomplish a great deal on behalf of his constituency. He had found nothing to criticize in the Liberal government. Its record for the past three or four years would determine its return with an overwhelming majority at the next election. He had discovered that the party at Ottawa wanted to enact legislation in the interest of the masses. There had been less consideration for the few and greater for the many than in the history of any party in Canada.

He did not mean that no assistance should be given for any project by city, individual or corporation, but such assistance should be conditional on the operation of those projects in the interests of the people. This was the stand taken by the Liberal administration. Passing to provincial affairs, Mr. Smith said that the criticisms by the Premier of this province with regard to Senator Templeman were a positive disgrace to a man who called himself the Premier of a province. Such personal criticism would never be permitted in the House of Commons at Ottawa. The Premier had given vent to a personal attack on a public man when the latter was unable to say a word in reply.

When Premier McBride conducted himself in as many, honest and capable a way as had Senator Templeman, he would feel that a hardship to be criticised as an assembly he was unable to defend himself. It was such personal abuse as this which had ruined the province. The government should turn their attention to provincial affairs, for British Columbia needed statesmen more than the Dominion government, and it would be a good thing if some of the membership ability at Ottawa could be transferred to the provincial parliament. (Applause.)

The opposition in the House had acted most reasonably. He was not surprised at the attacks of the Socialists on the Liberals. Their object had been to perpetrate a bad element. Their leaders had said that they wanted to keep the Conservatives in power to produce bad legislation and "bring" near the millennium to which they were always looking.

The sentiment of British Columbia was against such a combination as that of Conservatives and Socialists, and if the Liberals and Conservatives were to go before the people again Mr. Macdonald and his party would be returned by an overwhelming majority. (Applause.)

Mr. Smith then alluded to the effect of the Dominion redistribution on this Island, and explained that in view of the community of interests between Victorians and those formerly in the constituency of Victoria, but now in his district, the city would really retain two members, because he would always give his representative his heartiest assistance. This was the attitude of Mr. Riley towards him and his constituency.

Mr. Sloan, the candidate for Comox-Atlin district, who followed with a brief speech, humorously expressed his pleasure that he and Mr. Smith had "buried the hatchet"; Mr. Smith was a good opponent to get out of the road—he knew that by his experience in the election of 1900. (Laughter.)

Mr. Sloan then referred to the urgency of the party doing their utmost to prevail on all those names were not on the "hatchet" list to get them there without delay. The Conservatives were in a sorry state, and had no issues on which to appeal to the people. He felt certain that this province would send a solid Liberal delegation to Ottawa.

The speaker alluded to the Alaska boundary decision, and emphasized the necessity of an all-Canadian road to the Yukon. The cities of Victoria and Vancouver should agitate strongly for such a road. The cities of the Sound had enjoyed prosperity which should have been British Columbia's. This particularly concerned Vancouver Island, which had a very bright future. In his opinion there was very little doubt that either the Grand Trunk Pacific or Canadian Northern would make the Island its objective point.

Brief speeches were also made by R. L. Drury, M. P., P. J. D. McNeven, M. P., P. W. Sloan, M. P., and Dr. Milne, after which the meeting was brought to a close.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

THE BUDGET DEBATE HAS BEEN COMPLETED

John Houston Considers the McBride Government Has Ruined Conservative Party's Chances.

Victoria, Jan. 27th.

In the legislature today the budget debate was completed and the House made some progress in committee of supply. John Houston confined the debate and was in no wise sparing in his denunciation of the government party. He still maintained allegiance to the Liberal-Conservative party, but refused to recognize the McBride ministry as belonging to that class.

W. R. Ross in his attempted reply took occasion to follow the example set by the Premier and the Attorney-General and became most effusive in his laudatory remarks concerning the Socialist party. This has now apparently become the settled policy of the McBride government.

In committee the opposition members were enabled to show up some of the crooked ways of the government. Noticeable among these examples was that introduced by T. W. Patterson, representing the Islands and who always has a fresh fund of doubtful transactions in which the government are concerned to make known to the legislature.

Prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Barber.

First Reading.

On the motion of H. C. Tanner, a bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways," was introduced, read a first time and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Committee's Report.

C. W. D. Clifford presented the second report from the railway committee, as follows:

Mr. Speaker: Your select standing committee on railways beg leave to report as follows: That the proposal to incorporate the Cowichan, Alberni & Fort Rupert Railway Company, has been proved.

Questions Answered.

John Oliver asked the Premier the following questions: 1. What are the duties of the Agent-General in London? 2. What tangible results have been obtained by the establishment and maintenance of that office?

Hon. R. McBride replied as follows: 1. The duties of the Agent-General are defined by an act of this legislature, chap. L section 4, 1901. 2. Two reports have been submitted to the government by the Agent-General as to the work of his office. These have been laid before the House, and will be printed.

Coast-Yukon Road.

In moving the second reading of the bill to incorporate the Coast-Yukon Railway Company, F. Carter Cotton said this was an important line. The object was to take advantage of the line already subsidized from the coast to Hazelton, and by connecting there build on to the Yukon. The road proposed would with the one already subsidized make one line of railway.

The bill passed its second reading.

Budget Debate Closed.

Upon resuming the budget debate, John Houston said the budget had been debated by members affiliated with the Liberal party, the Conservative party, the Independent-Labor party, but it remained for him to debate it from the standpoint of the Liberal-Conservative party. Possibly he was the only Liberal-Conservative in the House. He said he would not wander into Dominion politics. Some of the speeches delivered were good, some were bad.

"Names," said F. Carter Cotton.

"Well, the worst speech I heard," said Mr. Houston, "was that of the Attorney-General, and the next was that of the Premier."

The government said the treasury was depleted when it took power. But when did the members of the government ever plead for retrenchment. The Finance Minister, Chief Commissioner and the President of the Council all pleaded for increased appropriations for their ridings. The Premier pleaded not for retrenchment, but for office.

The government was responsible for the expenditure made since it took office. They had expended every cent appropriated by the previous government, and exceeded the appropriations. Under contingencies they expended \$30,000, and now asked for \$22,000 more. This \$52,000 for contingencies which provided the means for expenditures which they

wished to conceal, was greater than any previous government.

The government was kept in power by the Socialists. The Socialists were doing right. They were there for practical purposes. The only thing to do with a government like this was to squeeze them when you got a chance, and that the Socialists were now doing.

He alluded to the way in which the members who had previously sat in opposition from another member from the two sides of the House. When were they patriots, when on the other side of the House or when on this side? He was convinced that the members of the government were not patriots when in opposition, and were now no more patriots.

Referring to the time thirty years before when he personally was in a pawnshop, who was about as crabbled as the Attorney-General was when interrupted by the member for Delta. When he pawned his watch the broker told him he was in a sound financial position. This was when the broker had told the government with respect to the country.

On the question of the Chinese Restriction Act he believed that the policy of the Liberal government would exclude the Chinese. He therefore did not think that \$200,000 would come into the treasury under this head.

The Finance Minister explained that the refund from the Dominion government was a year behind time in coming, and hence that received next year would be for the Chinese coming in before 1904.

Mr. Houston said he still thought that the money would not be left in the hands of the Dominion government until after June 30th.

The income under taxes on mining was put at \$85,000, which was a larger sum than any previous year. If the government was going to be true to its promises to revise that two per cent, tax he did not see how they could reconcile these.

The Premier had referred to "me and my party." Well, he knew the Premier, but he did not know his party.

W. J. Bowser wanted to know why he wanted to join that government.

Mr. Houston said he wanted to join it for the sole reason of making the government line up to its pledges. Had he joined it he would have done so. The member for Vancouver knew that if he (Houston) joined it he would predominate it. It would not be a "McBride" government.

On the question of retrenchment, he wanted to know what had been done. Had they cut down the expenditure when they assumed power? (Cries of "No.") They had cut the head off of a poor government agent at Wells or Bennett or some place.

They could have cut off the department of mines and thus kept down expenses. By cutting it off there would be no loss to the province.

The government he knew was not really in earnest in bringing about any reform. To do so the men must really believe in reform. The members of the present government were not men of that kind.

The appropriations for roads, bridges, etc., had been practically cut in two. Had the appropriation for the men who had charge of the carrying out of this work reduced in the same proportion? The heads of some of the high-priced officials in Victoria could have been cut off and thus reduced the expenditure without impairing the service.

Taking up the reference to Russia which had been distasteful to the Attorney-General, he said he rather thought the Russian methods superior to those of this government. The members of the McBride government had proved themselves past masters in duplicity. He would like to see their words would be taken by a bank manager in Toronto unless endorsed by a good man.

The railway policy, he thought, would likely be confined to a right-of-way to John Hendry's road over the mud flats of False creek, which of course was of very great importance to the country, especially to the political centre of the country. (Laughter.)

Respecting the coal licenses in South-East Kootenay, Mr. Houston wanted to know which member of the government had "lied" in this matter.

A member of the government had told different parties before election said that the Lieut.-Governor had prevented the granting of these licenses until the government was endorsed by the country. Since election members of the government had told parties interested in these lands that the Lieut.-Governor had again refused to grant them.

This was not true. The Lieut.-Governor had not interfered in the matter or they had not responsible government in the province.

In the city of Nelson the government refused to apply an appropriation of \$40,000 voted by the previous government.

But the city of Nelson was represented by a Liberal-Conservative, and that party in Nelson had emphatically denied that they had any faith in the McBride government. It was sometimes worth \$40,000 to express an opinion. The records of the McBride government, he said, had put the Liberal-Conservative party out of business in this province. (Applause.)

W. R. Ross took exception to aspersions cast upon him. He boastfully

guaranteed that he would have a more illustrious public career than the member for Delta. While that member might not be able to point to any great legislation which he had initiated he would yet be able to point to the fact that he had been the greatest political scavenger.

He had ceased to follow the member for Nelson when he found that in order to do so the will of the member for Nelson had to predominate.

Quoting from not very fulsome articles appearing in the Nelson Tribune in referring to the government, Mr. Ross contended that Mr. Houston had altered his stand.

Exception had been taken to the Socialist members, but if it came to a question of deciding between supporting the Socialist party as represented by the members of that party in the House and supporting the Liberal-Conservative party as represented by J. Houston, he would not be long in deciding in favor of the Socialists. He contended that it would be difficult to get the resolutions passed in Nelson against the McBride government now. His reason for thinking that was that a municipal candidate who was supported by the Tribune had been defeated. He found fault with the member for Nelson persisting in retaining the position of president of the Liberal-Conservative Association after taking the stand he did against the McBride government.

Hon. R. F. Green advocated "peace terms" from Ottawa. He went faithfully over the ground respecting the Grand Trunk Pacific being of no use to British Columbia. The fair value clause would not overcome the difficulty fully with respect to the employment of Orientals on the line. It was not pointed out by opposition speakers that of the \$187,500 for works which was voted last year only \$91,789 was expended. Of the \$15,000 appropriated only \$467,274 was expended.

Mr. Oliver wanted to know why such large supplementary votes were asked for this year.

Hon. Mr. Green said that the reason was that the government provided for supplementary works not provided for last year, and it was not proposed to expend the amounts left over in the appropriations.

In Cariboo instead of \$10,000 being appropriated there was \$64,000. Chimney Creek bridge was to be completed. There was \$20,000 appropriated for the Cariboo road and \$10,000 for road machinery in addition to the \$10,000 for roads and bridges. The government had done the best it could with the money available for these works.

Reading from the Dominion statutes he said that the money from the Chinese head tax could not be paid until the close of the fiscal year.

In mining the province was in better shape than it had been for years. The silver-lead bounty of the Dominion government he agreed had done something in this respect.

The amendment of J. A. Macdonald to amend the motion to go into committee of supply by adding after the word "chair" the following words: "But this House condemns the conduct of the government in proceeding with the committee of supply before amending the statutes in respect to taxation on mines, as promised by the Minister of Finance," was lost, and the motion to go into committee of supply was carried.

The division was as follows: Yeas—Messrs. Drury, King, Brown, McNeven, Evans, Tanner, Oliver, J. A. Macdonald, Henderson, Munro, Patterson, Wells, Hall and Cameron—14.

Nays—Messrs. Davidson, Hawthorthwaite, Williams, Taylor, McBride, Wilson, Cotton, Bowser, Fraser, Ross, Green, Fulton, Garden, Wright, Young, Gifford, Macgowan Stratford and Grant—19.

Supply.

The House then went into committee of supply with F. Carter Cotton in the chair.

On the vote for the department of mines W. B. McInnes brought up complaints by mining men against the mining bureau, particularizing the lack of co-operation between the mining men and the department. He instanced cases on the West Coast where officials were charged with actually preventing sales of mines. He called attention to a resolution on the subject passed by the B. C. Mining Association last November.

The leader of the opposition called attention to the fact that local mining associations had complained before on this subject. Complaints were made against the provincial mineralogist, who in visiting a mining section had not, it was stated, examined the best mines in the section. It had also been reported that this official had already made a report concerning the coal lands of Southeast Kootenay without visiting the best coal areas.

The Premier said that if any charges were made against any officials he would investigate them fully. When the member for Alberni submitted his report he would make the fullest investigation. He would do the same with respect to any demand for it which the leader of the opposition might make. Personally he said that the provincial mineralogist stood high in his profession, and he had no charge standing against him.

J. R. Brown thought that another inspector of mines was necessary. There was just one inspector of metalliferous mines for the Mainland. That official had too much to do. He wished the government to keep this in mind.

On the appropriation for finance and agriculture, Mr. Oliver took occasion to refer to the deputy minister of agriculture. It was complained, he said, that that official not only acted in a very overbearing manner, but it was also said that he had asked an official of the department to wash his dog.

The Finance Minister said he had no complaints against that official.

Mr. Oliver also, on the vote for the lands and works, wanted attention paid to referring that office.

Hon. Mr. Green wanted time allowed. Mr. Houston wanted to know why the salaries in the land registry office were not equalized. Nelson was the third office in importance in the province, and yet the salaries for the same work was less than in New Westminster. This was a New Westminster government, aided and abetted by a Vancouver contingent.

The Premier explained that the head of the office in New Westminster had been a very long time in the service.

Mr. Houston proposed that as a mark

of his efficient services this official should exchange places with the Premier.

On the vote for the commissioner of freight rates and supervisor of horticulture, Mr. Oliver and Mr. Tanner paid compliments to the efficient services rendered by Mr. Palmer.

J. E. Gordon wanted the salary of the provincial librarian increased somewhat. Objection was taken by members of the government on the ground that no increases were to be made in salaries this year.

Mr. McInnes pointed out that by dispensing with a typewriter that therefore this increase could be made on a par with what was done in the treasury department.

Mr. Oliver, though he opposed increases in salaries generally, thought an efficient and obliging official like the librarian might have an increased salary.

Under boiler inspection, J. A. Macdonald pointed out that insurance companies made inspections of boilers and that the owners found it inconvenient to have this double inspection.

Mr. Oliver pointed out that the inspection of insurance companies was incomplete.

Mr. Macdonald did not argue in favor of exempting government inspection. He thought that some arrangement might be made by which the government inspection might be accepted by the insurance companies, which was not the case at present.

Mr. Brown said that one objection to the inspection was that no discretion was given inspectors. This worked a hardship on boilers quite up to those passed by the inspectors but to be altered in details. This feature might be altered. He wanted to know what the duties of surveyor of taxes and inspector of revenues were. (Laughter.)

Mr. Houston wanted to know if this was the officer who cut the rate fixed for advertising tax rates from \$1 to 70¢. The Minister of Finance said that he himself was responsible for all these acts.

Mr. Tanner wanted the assessor to spend more time in the districts round about Victoria.

On the question of an assistant at New Westminster agency, Mr. Oliver advised the appointment of J. J. Johnson, who was now temporarily filling the office.

Mr. Houston wanted to know why the government agent who filled the office of assessor also should get only the same salary as the government agent at Kaslo. The government agent at Nelson was not excused in the province. He paid strict attention to his duties and did not go about organizing Masonic lodges. The mining recorder at Nelson got only \$100 a month, while that official at Kaslo got \$120.

Hon. Mr. Green tried to explain that there was more work performed at Kaslo.

Mr. Houston persisted that it was the other way about. He moved that the government agent at Nelson be given \$150 a month instead of \$135.

The chairman said the motion was out of order.

"What are we here for, then?" asked Mr. Houston.

Mr. Brown wanted Mr. Cunningham, an efficient officer at Greenwood, made gold commissioner, as Mr. McGregor had a lot of duties. He did so because it was deserving, although Mr. Cunningham opposed him in the election.

Under the grant for the reformatory, Mr. Oliver recommended to the Attorney-General the advisability of providing for the whipping of offenders who could not be punished in any other way.

Mr. Houston wanted to know what had become of the Vernon jail. Was it by mistake that its maintenance was left off the list? (Laughter.)

The Minister of Finance said that the superintendent of provincial police had recommended the closing of it.

Mr. Houston said he proposed a vote of thanks to the government for its retrenchment.

The House then adjourned until half past eight.

EVENING SESSION.

Upon resuming at 8.30 the consideration of the estimates in committee of supply was continued.

On the item of \$11,500 for a fish hatchery at Strathcona, Mr. Oliver wanted details concerning the vote. The item was laid over for further consideration.

Under the item of \$75,000 for hospitals, J. A. Macdonald drew attention to an institution in Rossland which, though not of a public character, did good service. He wanted to know if it would be aided.

The Minister of Finance said it would be dealt with according to the act.

Mr. Henderson thought that the \$500 for a resident physician at 150-Mile House could be saved.

The Premier said that if it was found possible to save it this would be done.

Mr. Oliver thought that the vote of \$300 for a resident physician at Mission City could be dispensed with.

The Premier said that it was an absolute necessity. He did not ask it because it was in Dewdney district. It was difficult to keep a doctor there without a subsidy being paid.

Mr. Oliver said he would withdraw his objection if the Premier would say that the cutting off of this subsidy would result in the doctor quitting that place. It was necessary to have a doctor at Mission City.

Mr. Houston wanted to know why the grant for a resident physician at Creston had been cut off. He spoke of the distance which Creston was from other places. Of course miners were not subject to the same diseases as farmers. (Laughter.)

Mr. Murphy thought some control of the rates allowed to be charged by the doctor should be made. The physician at 150-Mile House had consumed all the money in the district.

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The Daily Times Has All the News

(Continued on page 6.)

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well known that the Chief Commissioner would scorn a lie, not perhaps as an offence against morality, but as derogating from the dignity of the high position he now holds.



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IMPERIAL QUESTIONS.

The Democratic party of the United States has practically declared itself in favor of greater freedom of trade with Canada.

We hold that this is a matter of far greater significance to Great Britain than to Canada.

To us it appears that the case of the Mother Country is altogether different.

This tendency, strange as it may seem, is more apparent in a colony of wholly British origin as to race than it is in Canada.

The future of the British Empire rests absolutely in the hands of the people of Great Britain.

Deceived by the political leader he despised in his heart, rejected by the Lieutenant-Governor, shunned in a large measure by politicians of strictly orthodox views.

THE DEATH OF AN OLD FRIEND. From the Columbus (Ohio) State Journal.

A GOOD POINT. Portland Oregonian.

present. But no one could listen to the speech of John Houston without being impressed by the obvious fact that the rejected of the higher powers is chief in point of personality on the government side of the House.

Canadian Gazette (London): In the Morning Post of last week we read this pretty anecdote.

It is not a matter of great importance, but as the Colonist and the News-Advertiser and Bazaar persist in asserting that the comparisons between the amount of provincial taxes collected in Victoria and Vancouver are misleading.

THE SPORTING EDITOR: In reference to Mr. Fred Richardson's letter in your issue of yesterday, re match between the Victoria and Columbia football teams which took place last Saturday.

SOME RAILWAY CROSSINGS. To the Editor:—Permit me to direct attention to the fact that at no point where the Victoria & Sidney railway crosses the city streets are any signs displayed indicating that fact.

KIDNEY SEARCH LIGHTS.—Have you backache? Do you feel drowsy? Do your limbs feel heavy? Have you pains in the loins? Have you dizziness? Have you a tired dragging feeling in the region of the kidneys?

THE GAIN. Little by little we gain. Little by little we gain.

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Sale of Val Laces and Insertions Friday. Spencer's Western Canada's Big Store. Friday and Saturday the Last Two Days of January Selling.

What You Can Purchase at Spencer's at a Considerable Saving on Friday or Saturday, the Last Two Days of Our January Sale.

Val Laces Butter, White and Ivory. Satins at 35c, were 75c yard. Friday and Saturday--Two Days More of January Sale Shoe Selling.

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The Smartest Sack Suits AT EXTRAORDINARY LOW PRICES. Those who have purchased Suits during the past month know full well the value given.

\$3.75 For Men's All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth up to \$7.50 each.

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City News in Brief.

—Good dry cordwood at Johns Bros., 250 Douglas street.

—Put it on your card, the number, 106. This is Erskine's Grocery, where fresh goods are to be had at fair prices.

—Under the direction of Gideon Hicks a very successful practice of the oratorio "Elijah" was held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last night.

—The annual meeting and election of officers of No. 4 Company, Fifth Regiment, will take place next Wednesday, February 3rd, after drill.

—The new Point Ellice bridge is now well advanced in construction. The contractors expect to have their undertaking of erecting the superstructure finished in a couple of weeks.

—On Tuesday evening a meeting of the Juvenile Lodge, S. O. E., was held in Sir William Wallace hall. President Robt. H. Watt occupied the chair. Two members were initiated and other business transacted.

—Change of Time V. & S. Railway.—Beginning Sunday, January 31st, train No. 1 for Sidney, Nex, Westminster and Vancouver will leave at 7.45 a.m. instead of 8 a.m., as at present. Train No. 2 will arrive at 6.15 p.m. instead of 6 o'clock.

—Are you furnishing? If so, get one of our kitchen lists. It will help you to commence that formidable list of kitchen needs, inexpensive, but still very necessary to home comfort; also get our handsome catalogue if you have not already received one. Weiler Bros.

—E. A. Dinsdale has commenced work on the laying of the foundation for the new Victoria creamery on the site of the old building just beyond the city limits, off the Saanich road. The new establishment will be rushed to completion with all possible dispatch.

—On Tuesday morning the death occurred at Vancouver of Thos. H. Condel, formerly a resident of Victoria. He ceased was 69 years of age and a native of Tyrone county, Ireland. He came to Canada in early youth, and settled at Toronto. In 1885 he came to this city and after living here a year moved to Vancouver. He owned considerable valuable real estate in the Terminal City. He leaves a widow and three children to mourn his loss.

—The Domestic Science class for teachers, conducted by Miss McKeand, opened Saturday last with a full complement of pupils. This instruction to teachers will be given every Saturday, and judging by the attendance at the opening lesson most of the pedagogues will avail themselves of the opportunity presented. Mr. Bimes will open his teachers' class in brush drawing on Saturday week. In this department, also, there is assured a large attendance of pupils. The classes conducted last year by Mr. Dinnell were largely attended, and the instruction proved most profitable.

—The Ladies' Choral Society held their second practice since organization yesterday afternoon. Preparations are being made for a concert to take place in the near future. The programme, it is intended, shall consist of several part songs, a fairy tale in song and a cantata, Schumann's "Breathe Ye the Steps," from Paradise and the Peri, Todd's "The Long Life," and Greig's "At the Choiseur Gate" are among the part songs being rehearsed. The fairy tale illustrates "The Sleeping Beauty," and is Jensen's "The Briar Rose." Hoffman's dramatic cantata, "The Song of the Horns," it is anticipated, will prove the feature of the forthcoming entertainment.

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GRANT & CONYERS,

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—Members of the Junior Basketball Association are requested to meet at their hall at 7.30 o'clock this evening.

Lifebuoy Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

—The ladies of Baxter Hive, No. 8, are requested to attend a special review of the hive on Friday at 2 p.m. sharp, at Semple's hall, Victoria West.

—Cash buyers can obtain lots of snags at Erskine's Grocery, corner Johnson and Quadra, as the buyers for cash and sell on small margin. Telephone, 109.

—It is expected that work in the first degree will be put on by Dominion Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F., this evening. A full attendance is desirable, as business of importance will be brought up.

—Another drop of ten per cent. in the price of seal skins is reported from London, England, where some 3,000 pelts belonging to the Victoria Sealing Company were sold by Lamson the day before yesterday. Details of the sale have not yet been received.

—Senior league basketball is to be the extra attraction at Saturday evening's band concert at the drill hall. The contesting teams for this game will be players representing the Y. M. C. A. and Victoria West clubs. The game will be played in part second of the programme and will start at 9 o'clock.

—Yale's "Everlasting Devil's Auction," which comes to Victoria as regularly as the seasons, will appear at the theatre this evening. This management have garbed the production in a costume which contains many new elements, and for some of the novelties special attention is claimed.

—There was a large attendance at the James Bay Methodist church last evening when an illustrated lecture on the "Life of Christ" was given by William Ritchie. The entertainment was much enjoyed, the explanatory remarks of Mr. Ritchie as picture after picture was displayed being most interesting and instructive.

—The Krysin Manufacturing Company, under the management of W. H. Doupin, has opened a factory at 187 Douglas street. Krysin is a vegetable compound, a powerful disinfectant, and is claimed by the manufacturers to possess invaluable washing properties for all kinds of service, such as the cleaning of clothes, dishes, windows, painted walls, furniture, carpets, floors, oil-fresco ceilings, etc.

—A pleasant social time was spent by those who attended the entertainment held last evening at Finn's Court, Work Point barracks, under the auspices of the warrant officers, staff sergeants and sergeants. Victoria was well represented, and many were also present from H. M. ship in port. A number of the sergeants' mess of the Fifth Regiment were also in attendance. Besides dancing numerous amusements had been provided for the occasion, among which were rifle target shooting, card playing, ping pong, etc. An impromptu programme was rendered later in the evening, to which Sergt. Taylor, Sergt. Turner and Staff Sergt. Bird among others contributed. Refreshments were also served.

—The school board will meet to-morrow evening for the purpose of taking up the estimates. These must be submitted to the council by the last day of the month, so the board has none too much time at the disposal. It is altogether likely that the extraordinary estimates will include an item for additional school buildings. Last year an attempt was made to place before the ratepayers a by-law providing for the erection of a school in Victoria West and another in the central portion of the city, but it was impossible to secure a sufficient number of signatures to the petition. Possibly the council may assist the board by not requiring a petition this year. At any rate the trustees intend to secure additional accommodation, and if new buildings are not erected quarters will be rented.

—Following is the list of officers elected for 1904 at the annual meeting of the Native Sons on Tuesday evening: Past Chief Factor, Thos. Watson; chief factor, W. H. Langley; first vice-factor, Geo. Thos. Fox; second vice-factor, S. Sea, Jr.; recording secretary, Arthur E. Hayes (sixth term); secretary-treasurer, E. P. Johnston (fifth term); hon. treasurer, J. A. McDavid; (second term); auditor, Richard Jackson; inside sentinel, E. A. Hisecks; outside sentinel, U. Smeethurst; committee of management, Jas. Fletcher, L. J. Quagliotti, G. H. Barnard, Jas. A. Douglas and W. F. Adams; delegates to grand post, Thos. Watson, G. T. Fox, J. E. Wilson, Dr. J. D. Helmeck, J. Stuart Yates, S. Sea, Jr., and E. H. Henly; alternate delegates, Jas. Fletcher, L. J. Quagliotti, W. F. Adams, E. P. Johnston, G. H. Barnard, H. E. A. Courtenay and Jas. A. Douglas.

—Have you tried the nice salmon bellies that are being so freely sold by Erskine, the grocer, at the corner of Johnson and Quadra. Only 12 1/2 cents per pound. Telephone, 106. Orders promptly filled.

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LADIES' VELOUR CALF LACED BOOTS, Bal & Blucher cut, Matt Kid top, stout soles, stylish, all sizes. Regular, \$3.00. Sale price.....	\$2.00	LADIES' DONGOLA LACED BOOTS, patent tip, double soles, good and stylish, all sizes. Regular, \$2.50. Sale price.....	\$1.75
MISSIE'S DONGOLA AND BOX CALF LACED AND BUTTON BOOTS, double soles, sizes 11 to 2. Regular, \$2.00 and \$2.25. Sale price.....	\$1.50	BOYS' STANDARD BRAND SCREW BOTTOM LACED BOOTS, sizes 1 to 5. Now.....	\$1.50
YOUTH'S STANDARD BRAND LACED BOOTS, screw bottom, sizes 11 to 13. Now.....	\$1.25	BOYS' GOOD STRONG LACED BOOTS, sizes 1 to 5.....	90c
MEN'S STANDARD BRAND LACED BOOTS, screw bottom, sizes 6 to 11. Now.....	\$2.00	MEN'S BOX CALF LACED BOOTS, (Goodyear Welt, double soles, stylish and good wear. Regular, \$3.50. Now.....	\$2.75

The Paterson Shoe Co. Ltd

H. C. Martindale has opened an exhibition of his own art in the Balmoral block, Douglas street. The apartments have been tastefully arranged and the pictures shown are of a pleasing variety.

Henry Henwood was charged with vagrancy in the police court this morning, and a protracted session was held to investigate the charge. Ultimately after a number of witnesses were heard, the matter was laid over until Saturday. Henwood came here from the Sound on the sloop which was seized by the customs for an infraction of the regulations some time ago. Two of his companions were sentenced to terms of imprisonment for the theft of liquor from the Windsor hotel bar.

Rev. R. M. Simmons will arrive from Seattle to-morrow, accompanied by Judge V. Y. Barnes, Supreme court, United States, general counsel; Deacon Daniel Sloan, manager of stocks and securities, and Deacon James E. Peters, general committee of transportation of Zion superintendent of transportation of Zion City. These gentlemen, accompanied by Dr. John Alexander Bowie to San Francisco, and are now en route back to Zion City. They will address a meeting in Zion tabernacle, 68 Johnson street, to-morrow evening.

There is still considerable speculation as to the personnel of the board of police commissioners for 1904. Several names have been mentioned, but so far no announcement has been made. Aid. Beckwith, John Croft, president of the Young Conservative Association, and W. H. Price, one of the present commissioners, are among those who are believed to be in line for the appointment. The selection of commissioners of police appears to be a task of much delicacy judging by the time it takes the government to make up its mind.

At the council meeting last Monday evening the secretary of the Licensed Vintners' Association drew attention to the flagrant violation of the law by Chinese, who were selling Chinese liquor without licenses. Some of the aldermen stated that the Chinese imported thousands of gallons of Chinese wine annually, and reaped the benefit of a considerable trade. In this connection it is interesting to note that six thousand dollars for this privilege were collected from the Chinese wine merchants by last year's council. Previous to that they had been carrying on their business without the formality of contributing to the municipal revenue. Mayor McCandless and the council, however, turned their attention in this direction, and made the dealers pay.

THE TELEPHONE PLANT.

"Centrales" Will Take Up Their New Abode Next Month.

Splendid progress is being made in the installation of the new equipment of the Telephone Company in their quarters in the Bank of Montreal building, and it is probable that everything will be in readiness for operation by the middle of next month. When the change occurs Victoria will have telephonic facilities unsurpassed on the coast. The new switchboard is a marvel of mechanism, a model of convenience and time economy. The many difficulties which obtain under the present system because of the shortcomings of the plant will be unknown under the new arrangement. Every feature of the equipment will be the most modern obtainable, a fact which becomes appreciated without inspection when it is considered that the whole represents an outlay of something like seventy-five thousand dollars. The improvement will command itself to the public in such a manner that the local system will become extremely popular, and the list of subscribers is bound to increase in consequence.

WITH A CRICK IN THE BACK

You are up against a whole lot of trouble unless you have a strong remedy like Nerviline to settle pain and dislodge stiffness from the muscles and joints. Just rub Nerviline into the painful spots and much rubbing, because Nerviline has more power than ordinary remedies. You won't suffer long after Nerviline is applied for it relieves almost instantly. Mr. Philip Adams, of Oakland, says: "If I hadn't used Nerviline I guess my back would be stiff yet. A few applications of Nerviline took out all the soreness and stiffness. I can recommend Nerviline for any kind of muscular pain, also for rheumatism. Price 25c."

SE. JOHN'S CONCERT.

Church was Crowded and a Splendid Programme Heartily Enjoyed.

Victorians had heard F. T. Watkins, as a pianist, notably when Madame Albani appeared in Victoria a few years ago, but not until last night had they the opportunity of hearing the talented player as an organist in public entertainment. Mr. Watkins arranged the concert given in St. John's church last evening in aid of Mrs. Gibbons, of Tacoma, widow of the late organist, who met so tragic a fate in the foundering of the steamer Callan while on his way to this city a few weeks ago. The deceased had been appointed organist of St. John's, and the proceeds of the concert just held, as also the monthly salary for January will be forwarded to Mrs. Gibbons, the latter at the request of Mr. Watkins.

The programme arranged for the concert was admirably selected. The organ was not in the best tune for solo work, but Mr. Watkins with musician's genius was able to disguise to a certain extent many of the tonal defects, and in his four selections gave his hearers a real treat. Mr. Watkins is not a player of Canadian renown only, but he is widely known in the Old Country, and is a pianist of exceptional ability. His four solos last evening were Offertoire (No. 5), Wely; Nocturne in E flat, Chopin; Andante Cantabile, Tschaikevsky, and Sonata (No. 9), Mendelssohn. The rendition of these numbers created the greatest enthusiasm. In addition a number of vocal selections were given, Mrs. W. E. Green singing "Come Ye Children" and "There Is a Green Hill," Mrs. D. E. Campbell, "Alight With Me" and "There Were Ninety and Nine," and Herbert Taylor, "Honor and Arise" and "The Lord Is My Life." The church was crowded, and the audience highly pleased with the programme.

IMMIGRATION ACT.

Committee Report It Was Being Enforced as Well as Could Be Under Circumstances.

In the legislature this afternoon W. J. Bowser presented the report of the select committee which inquired into the British Columbia Immigration Act. The report was short and was to the effect that there was no foundation for the charges preferred against the government, and that the act was being enforced as well as could be under the circumstances. The report was signed by all the members of the committee.

PERSONAL.

Henry Ceell, a mining engineer of London, England, is in the city. It is his intention to look over a number of mining properties in this province in the interests of American capitalists. Mr. Ceell says that the standing of British Columbia financially in the money markets of London was at a very low ebb. This condition has been brought about by the Whitaker Wright fraud and a series of minor dishonest transactions which resulted unacceptably. However, this province cannot be kept down; there's too much wealth lying dormant here to remain out of sight for long. The Americans, I think, realize the resources of the country and it won't be long before any amount of capital will be available for developing the mines of British Columbia. While here Mr. Ceell is a guest at the Dominion.

Canon Paddon and H. L. Paddon were among the arrivals from Island ports by the steamer Troquois yesterday. A. F. Doherty came over from Seattle by the steamer Princess Beatrice yesterday. John Skinner, of the Dominion hotel staff, has returned from a holiday trip to the Sound. Mrs. E. R. Shepherd, formerly of Guelph, Ont., but now of Chicago, is visiting her son, F. J. Shepherd, of this city. G. C. Hinton was among the passengers from Vancouver by the steamer Charmer last evening.

Steamer Dolphin sails for Seattle and other Puget Sound points daily except Sunday at 7.30 p.m. E. E. Blackwood, agent.

A race to the first platform of the Eiffel Tower and down again has been won by G. Thomas, of the Paris Athletic Club, in 12 minutes 40 seconds. There are 330 steps to the platform.

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73-GOVERNMENT STREET

DAUGHTERS OF PIETY.

Initial Arrangements for the Annual Children's Cinderella in Aid of Hospital.

The Daughters of Piety, Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, held their regular meeting in the city hall on Monday, when donations were acknowledged from Mrs. Huckle Robertson, Messrs. Bithel, Ward & Co. (per T. R. Sulbi), Messrs. Hall & Co., Fell & Co., Mrs. W. F. Burton, Mrs. Hasell, Miss Dunsunur, Miss Wellaston and Miss Fell. Also a gift of twelve dressed dolls from "A Lover of Children." Mrs. Hasell paid in the sum of \$30.00, a donation from Mayor Barnard for the special purpose of providing easy chairs for the free wards, one of which is also promised by Major Dupont. The treasurer reported: Cash in hand by members' fees, \$13; donation, "A Friend," \$15; balance in bank, \$160.

The annual children's "Cinderella," in aid of the hospital, will be held this year under the auspices of the Daughters of Piety at Assembly hall, Fort street, on Friday evening, February 12th. The meeting went into a committee of the whole regarding the provision of refreshments, Miss Lester, Mrs. Hasell, Miss Hartnagle, Miss Potts, Miss M. Fell, Miss Barber, Miss Hisecks, Miss Schell, being appointed to attend to preliminary arrangements. Miss Dunsunur undertook the advertising, and all members were cordially invited to assist in the refreshment room on the evening of the dance.

The following new members were welcomed: Miss Hartnagle, Miss Potts, Miss M. Fell, Miss Barber, Miss Hisecks, Miss Schell, being appointed to attend to preliminary arrangements. Miss Dunsunur undertook the advertising, and all members were cordially invited to assist in the refreshment room on the evening of the dance.

The King has decorated another postman. His Majesty has granted an Imperial Service Order to James Henstock, of Matlock Bath, who in forty-two years has walked 25,000 miles and delivered 9,000,000 letters. A number of "pit-brow lasses" are to be employed at two new collieries near Bolton, Lancashire. The employment is preferred by the girls and women to mill work, and the majority of them present a healthy and robust appearance.



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE (Continued from page 3.)

tion was made that the government would recognize the rights of the people to a vote in how the money should be expended. Under the head of \$2,000 for the protection of the bank of Ladouze river at Trout Lake City, Mr. Houston wanted an explanation.

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BASKETBALL. F. Y. M. A. V. CENTRALS.

This evening a match will be played between the F. Y. M. A. and Central Junior teams. The game will take place at the Fernwood hall and will commence at 7 o'clock promptly.

AN INTERMEDIATE GAME.

An intermediate league match will be played this evening between the Y. M. C. A. and F. Y. M. A. teams. The game will take place at the Y. M. C. A. annex hall and will commence at 8 o'clock promptly.

ATTENTION, BUSINESS MEN!

Members of the Y. M. C. A. business men's class will spend an hour on Friday evening between 5 and 6 o'clock practicing the popular game of basketball. Two teams will be selected and the match will take place at the annex hall, corner Broad and Pandora streets. A large attendance is requested.

THE KENNEL. PARLOR SHOW TO-NIGHT.

A Victoria Kennel Club parlor show will be held this evening at the Palladium. The classes to be taken up are: Cocker spaniels, terriers (all varieties), collies, St. Bernards and a miscellaneous class. The admission fee will be ten cents.

JOINED IN MARRIAGE.

Mr. Robert Henry Pooley and Miss Laura Loewen Principals of a Happy Event.

An event in which local society took much interest took place at St. John's church yesterday afternoon, when Mr. Robert Henry Pooley, second son of Hon. C. E. Pooley, and Miss Laura Loewen, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Loewen, were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, January 20th to 28th, 1904.

The chief feature of the past week's weather has been the abnormally high barometer pressure both on the Pacific coast and also the Canadian Northwest.

On Saturday an ocean storm area developed over the upper part of the province, its movement causing a moderate gale along the Straits of Fuca, but it quickly disappeared, and during the remainder of the week the barometer gradually rose until on Tuesday it stood at 30.25 inches in this district.

Precipitation has been above the average, and snow has been frequent on the Upper Mainland, both at Barkerville and in the valley of the Thompson river, and once or twice snow fell also on the Lower Mainland.

With the exception of the snow on Saturday, winds have been light to moderate. On the immediate coast temperatures have been mild; becoming lower inland on the American plateau district and also on our own Upper Mainland.

At Dawson the weather during the first four days of the week was intensely cold, with temperatures reaching 42 below zero, but it gradually moderated to the close of the week, no precipitation occurred and there was an entire absence of wind. In the Northwest an intensely cold wave set in during the early part of the week, the minimum temperature reaching 40 degrees below zero. The weather was mostly fair, with occasional light snowfall.

At Victoria, there were eight hours and 36 minutes of bright sunshine; the highest temperature was 45.0 on the 23rd and 24th; and the lowest, 37.8 on the 20th; rainfall, 0.23 inch.

At New Westminster, the highest temperature was 44 on the 23rd; and the lowest, 19 on 20th; precipitation (rain and snow), 1.38 inches.

At Kamloops, highest temperature, 34 on 24th; lowest, zero on 20th; snowfall, 0.38 inch.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 30 on 20th; lowest, 14 below zero on 20th; snowfall, 19 inches.

At Dawson, highest temperature, zero on 25th; lowest, 42 below on 20th; no precipitation.

KAISER'S BIRTHDAY.

Family, Visiting Kings and Princess and Ambassadors Touched His Majesty Good Wishes.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—A great crowd gathered in front of the palace this morning both to salute Emperor William on his birthday and get good places from which to see the members of the royal family and court and other officials offer their congratulations to His Majesty.

The town, surrounded by generals, appeared before a window overlooking the square and acknowledged the acclamation. Later, good wishes were tendered by members of the family and their suites, the cabinet ministers and the heads of the army and navy, visiting Kings and Princess, and ambassadors. The Emperor received callers in the pillar hall until midnight.

Thomas Lawlor, a Toronto golf player, whose wife refused to live with him, attempted to shoot her on Wednesday night; then turned the weapon on himself, the first shot killing him.

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Lake Erie-Can. Pac., Mar. 5. From Halifax, N. S. Ionian-Allan Line, Feb. 22.

Siellan-Allan Line, Feb. 29. Bavarian-Allan Line, Mar. 7.

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MAYOR CARTER AT LIBERTY.

Judge Tutbill Declares He is Not Guilty or Liable.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Mayor Carter H. Harrison was ordered this afternoon by Judge Richard W. Tutbill to be immediately discharged from custody in connection with any responsibility for the wholesale loss of life in the Iroquois theatre fire.

Simultaneously with the surrender of the mayor to the sheriff application for a writ of habeas corpus was made, with the above result.

In delivering his opinion, Judge Tutbill said: "I have gone over the testimony of Fire Marshal Musham and Building Commissioner Williams and the mayor particularly, and I can say without qualification or hesitation that I find no word in the evidence so far as I have examined it which tends even remotely in my judgment to show that the mayor had any knowledge of this matter or that he was in any respect negligent of any duty imposed upon him by the laws or by the rules that commonly apply to persons who are responsible for the safety of others."

After stating that the report made some weeks before the fire that none of the Chicago theatres had absolutely complied with the ordinance had been properly referred by the mayor, the judge says: "It is not for the mayor to pass ordinances, and it was not for him simply upon the report of these conditions then existing as appeared to him, to say that during all the years that were passed this ignoring of the provisions of ordinances would justify him in closing up all the theatres because the report covered all of them. The most careful and cautious man that could occupy the mayor's chair could not have done more than the mayor did."

"I find that there were gross violations, not only of the city ordinances, but of common rules of safety that anybody without expert knowledge could be said were absolutely essential at the Iroquois theatre. But how the mayor, who is simply at the head of the city government, could be held responsible in view of this evidence, I cannot conceive. I don't hesitate to say that, under the evidence, to place upon the mayor of the city this undoesed stigma, as I find it to be without basis in the law or in the facts, is a very great wrong."

The petition was based on the contention that there was no evidence to warrant holding the mayor.

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SCENES ARE GRAND.

So Says the Montreal Star of the Moving Pictures.

The first entertainment of the present engagement of "Living Canada" will be given at the Victoria theatre to-morrow night. The Montreal Star says of these pictures: "The scenes are really grand, and there was not one picture but met with greatest approval. The Hiawatha Indian series, as played by the Indians every summer at Desbarats, Ontario, was as good as seeing the play itself. The Bioscope Company, of London, England, is the proprietor of 'Living Canada,' and the scenes are all taken by its own artist. One picture which drew forth much applause from the audience was on Britain's fiscal policy, and was entitled 'Standing Room Only For John Bull.' John Bull is discovered seated comfortably before his own fireplace, blowing great whiffs of smoke from his long pipe. Above the fire place is the motto 'Free Trade.' A Frenchman enters, John Bull arises, shakes hands cordially, and Monsieur Gaseon quickly appropriates the chair John Bull has been using. A German enters, John welcomes him also. The German takes John's seat. A Russian and then an American enter, and the same operation takes place. John Bull finally having no seat. The door opens, and in rush three hardy colonial lads. They quickly put the Frenchman, German, Russian and American out of the seats they have appropriated, and get into them themselves, first offering John Bull the choice. Then they pull down the 'Free Trade' motto and break it, and put up 'Fair Trade.'

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VANCOUVER NOTES.

Italian Found Dead in Bed—Chief of Police Applies for More Men.

Two Italians named Julius Pomi and Leo Bosso lived in adjoining shops on Sallsboro Drive. Bosso had been ailing for two weeks, but on Monday night he parted from Pomi at about 9 o'clock and went to bed as usual. On Tuesday at noon Pomi knocked several times at Bosso's door, but there was no reply. The door being forced open Bosso was found lying dead on the bed.

Magistrate Williams has applied to the fire and police commissioners for a stenographer for the police court. He understood that it had not been used to take down the evidence in summary convictions, which was, however, in direct violation of the act. Ald. Garrett said he understood that they had gone to the opposite extreme and were taking down evidence in the case of common trunks, which was absurd. The cost of a stenographer was discussed, and eventually the chairman and chief of police were instructed to see the magistrate and report at the next meeting. The chief informed the committee that he had requested of the chief commissioner an increase of police by one man, viz: five patrolmen, one sergeant, one jailer and two desk clerks. It was decided that the chief should pick out those whom he considered most suitable from the list of applicants on file and state his reasons for recommending them, to be presented to the committee at the next meeting.

Robert Cosgrove died on Tuesday at the age of 68, at the residence of his son-in-law, Alex. Martin, 134 Twelfth avenue, Mount Pleasant. Deceased was a native of Ireland and had only been three months in this city. He leaves a widow.

News has been received of the death at Portland of P. B. Bontbee, a bank clerk. Deceased, who was a nephew of Major Bontbee, of this city, plunged into the swimming bath at the Multnomah club when the water had been drained out, receiving injuries from which he died.

A heavy squall which struck the shore, struck with fatal effect, when at work. The stick with which he attempted to adjust the belt was jerked out of his hands and he was struck a violent blow in the stomach.

SERIES OF FATALITIES.

Two Men Found Frozen to Death—Fishermen Drowned.

Fort Frances, Ont., Jan. 27.—George Green, hardware merchant, 55 years old, was found frozen to death in his store at International Falls yesterday.

Liverpool, N. S., Jan. 27.—Arthur and Wm. Wharton, Beach Meadows, have been drowned while overhauling lobster traps by the upsetting of a dory during a heavy squall which struck the shore.

FATALITY CRUSHED.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Robt. Ozonham, an employee of the Townsend steam laundry, was crushed to death by the elevator yesterday afternoon.

FOUND FROZEN.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 27.—Ed. Green, a farmer, was found in a ditch near here yesterday, frozen to death.

FARMER'S DEATH.

Little Britain, Ont., Jan. 27.—Joseph Faudt, a respected and well-to-do farmer, living about five miles from here, was killed by a load of grain falling on him yesterday.

VICTIMS OF NATIVES.

Sixteen People Killed While Seventy Are Missing—German Garrison Is Still Holding Out.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—The Neuste Nachrichten, of Brunswick, has received a dispatch dated from Karibub, German Southwest Africa, yesterday, saying that Okandjanja was still holding out against the besieging rebel natives. Official intelligence from Swakopmund, dated yesterday, says Okandjanja reports that sixteen persons have been murdered in that district, and that seventy people are missing.

Advices from Fezan say that General Sir Harry MacLean, colonel of the Sultan of Morocco's bodyguard, who was reported to have been captured by rebels at a spot about a day's journey from Fez, has arrived at that city.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Saratoff's Macedonia agents have proclaimed a fresh revolution for March 28th.

Miss Radthorn, an American, aged 35, who has been staying at Cannes, was killed and three other persons were injured in an automobile accident on Wednesday. The automobile party was composed of Mr. Metbor, an American, the owner of the car; Mr. Allen, also an American, Mrs. Ethallag and Miss Radthorn. The machine was being driven at a high speed along the road when it collided with a car.

Professor Prince Tarkianov, the Russian Military Association, presented the well-known scientist, recently before the cancer patients who had been cured of malignant growths by the use of radium, and expressed the opinion that the problem of determining the sex of children, which Prof. Schenck had failed to solve, will shortly be settled by the aid of radium. When large quantities of radium were available he contended the whole system of modern warfare would be revolutionized, as powder magazines whether in forts or in the holds of vessels would be at the mercy of radium rays, which could explode them at a long distance.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., December, 1903. (Based by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Table with columns: Date, High Water, Low Water, and sub-columns for Time, Height, etc.

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

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120 Meridian west, it is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight.

For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 28.—5 a. m.—There has not been much change in weather conditions during the past 24 hours; the pressure continues high over the North Pacific slope, but has decreased over the Northwest Territories southward to the adjoining states; temperatures are moderate, and no precipitation has occurred west of the Rockies, but light snow has fallen at Montreal and cold weather continues in Manitoba.

FORECAST.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday. Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cool.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cool.

REPORTS.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.61; temperature, 38; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 28; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 20; minimum, 14; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Harkerville—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, 24; minimum, 18; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 48; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 34; minimum, 20; wind, 12 miles N. W.; weather, fair.

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Corporation of the City of Victoria Notice is hereby given that on Friday, the 29th Day of January, 1904

Victoria Building Society The 18th Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held on Friday, 29th January, at 8 p. m., at Sir William Wallace Hall, Broad Street.

THE VICTORIA NO. 2 BUILDING SOCIETY The 2nd Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held on Saturday, 30th January, 1904, at Sir William Wallace Hall, Broad Street, at 8 p. m.

