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SPECULATORS' CLIQUE GOT KAIEN ISLAND

Opposition Leader Exposes Government's Deal--Challenges Attorney General to Test Validity of Grant in Courts.

No more striking illustration of the difference in the culture of the two leaders in the legislature, or of their method of grappling and dealing with public questions, could have been afforded than that witnessed yesterday when the leader of the opposition analyzed the speech from the throne, and when the leader of the government attempted to reply to him. The speech of J. A. Macdonald, like all those he delivers, was analytical—mercilessly so—and the first minister in his reply attempted only the weakest kind of defence. Mr. Macdonald's speech was such an excellent commentary on the speech, and his criticisms thereof were so trenchant, that it is reproduced verbatim.

Mr. Macdonald said: I thought that I should be able to congratulate my friend, the fourth member for Vancouver, upon one of the best speeches delivered in the House since I have been a member of it. In fact I felt during the first part of his speech that he was saying a great deal of what we had been led to expect would be, and which ought to have been said by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in the speech from the throne. That honorable member, who has just taken his seat, referred to matters of real provincial interest when he was discussing the Municipal Act, the protection of our forests from fire, and other matters with which the people of this province are in sympathy and which they have been expecting the government to deal with during the past session of this House. Unfortunately the latter part of the honorable member's speech was taken up in discussing matters which are of no interest to the people of this province. We have had from time to time attacks made upon the government at Ottawa and upon the legislation enacted there with regard to the Northwest. We have also heard stump speeches delivered, not alone by the member for Vancouver, but weattered ourselves that to-day his speech would be confined to matters relating to the province and that he would not break out in the way he has this afternoon.

Now I had no hesitation, Mr. Speaker, in welcoming to this House, on behalf of the Liberals, our friend the present member of Alberni. We have no ill-feeling because the electors have seen fit to elect the gentleman who now sits in this House instead of the candidate whom we put before them. We feel that when a stranger has been elected to this House, that as the representative of his constituents, he is entitled to, and will always receive from this side of the House, the same welcome as though he sat on this side of the House. We have the greatest pleasure in extending a welcome to our friend the member for Alberni. (Applause.)

Mr. Speaker, I have no hesitation in saying that the task imposed upon the mover and seconder of the address was one of the most difficult ever imposed upon a member of this House. Because of the different speeches from the throne which I have listened to, I think it would be difficult to find one more barren and more unprofitable than the one read the other day. The only merit the speech can claim is that it permits of a great deal of scope to the orator's imagination. I am only sorry that the mover did not do as the seconder did, and give us his own views upon public matters.

The government takes great credit for the flourishing Condition of the Lumber Industry. Now if the present flourishing condition of the lumber was due in any way to any legislation by the government, I should like to have heard the mover or seconder explain how that came about. I have searched for it in every page of the legislation, but I find from an investigation of the public accounts that the present taxation borne by the lumber industry is heavier than ever before. The real explanation of the improved condition of the lumber industry is the better price obtainable for lumber, and the enhanced market in the Northwest.

It was also claimed in a half-hearted sort of way that the present government was responsible for the success and improvement in the Fruit-Growing Industry. Now I think that in some sections of this province—I think in all—that if the fruit-growers heard that it had been claimed that the present government had done anything substantial towards the success of industry, they would be a great deal of amusement. Take the Kootenay district, where the greatest advances have been made around Kootenay lake and the Columbia river. There they have made great strides and have their own Fruit Growers' Association. What do we find when they applied for some assistance towards the holding of a fruit fair in Nelson? That assistance was refused by the government, and the members of this Fruit Growers' Association had themselves to bear the expense of that exhibition of fruit, an exhibition that was not only a great deal of money, but which did

corporation \$1,500,000 of the people's money for the construction of a railroad which is now being constructed without the assistance of one dollar of the money of the public. It was made known through the efforts of the seconder that that scheme was overthrown. It is due to him and one or two others now supporting the government, to them is due the fact that the province is not now saddled with a debt of \$1,500,000 towards the construction of a railway in Shuswap, and that to a corporation which has, in all conscience, received enough from the people of Canada. (Applause.)

Credit is also taken because the Government Has a Surplus. Now such credit might as well be taken by a robber after he had relieved his victim of his possessions, because he too would have a surplus. (Laughter.) The finance minister has shown himself an expert at relieving the people of their money and getting it into the treasury. If that is what is going to build the province then the finance minister is entitled to credit and more. I think that we will never build up this province by taxation. Taxation is not the whole business of a finance minister. I admit that it is a part of his business. I admit, as far as my honorable friend is concerned, that it is part of his business to collect tax upon the people, but it is the business of a statesmanlike minister of finance to attempt out of the valuable public resources of this province to meet the burden of current expenditure without heaping these additional taxes upon the people.

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WHO OWNS THE BED OF RIVER?

IMPORTANT POINT RAISED IN COURT

Appellants in Nelson Case Contend That Property So Situated Belongs to the Province.

Argument was concluded yesterday in the case of West Kootenay Power Company vs. The City of Nelson. Argument has been in progress for a week commencing last Tuesday. The city was represented by E. V. B. Bodwell, K. C. and W. A. Macdonald, and the power company by Messrs. Macneil and Lenie. Additional evidence taken by order of the court was considered in connection with evidence taken at the time of trial.

For the city it was contended that the damage apprehended by the power company was unwarranted, and that the evidence showed that from the place where rock was being deposited to the point of intake of the canal at the lower falls was uphill according to the bottom of the river, and that rocks would not be carried by the stream into the canal nor would head of water at the upper falls be lessened by this rock.

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ENGINEER OF GREAT NORTHERN TRAIN KILLED

Wreck Caused by Log Wh'ch Had Fallen Across Track—Two Passengers Injured.

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Vancouver, Jan. 15.—The Great Northern limited, from Seattle, last night ran into a log which had fallen across the V. & W. Y. track near Burnaby lake, between Vancouver and Westminster. The train was going at a good speed, and the engine and all the cars but the parlor car were derailed. It was a bad smash-up.

Engineer James W. Jones, of Seattle, was pinned between the boiler and smoking car, and died at the scene of the wreck. His legs were crushed, and he begged the train crew not to cut off his legs to release him.

Paul B. Thompson, of Seattle, a passenger agent of the Illinois Central, has an ankle sprained, and a flesh wound on the knee. Charles Hoffman, of Blaine, had his back injured. The engineer had seen the obstruction and applied the brakes, and then stuck to his post. The fireman was uninjured.

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GIRLS FOUGHT DUEL

They Were Rivals in Love—One of Duellists Fatally Wounded.

Mexico City, Jan. 15.—Two girls, Nichol Elzalde and Francis Nuente, rivals in love, decided to settle the question of possession of their lover by a duel. They met in the field in the suburbs of the city and fought with knives. The Elzalde girl was stabbed five times and fatally wounded. The surviving duellist was arrested.

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WITH THE PUGILISTS

Offer of \$15,000 For Fight Between Herrera and Nelson.

New York, Jan. 15.—The World this morning says: "Tom O'Rourke wired to Herrera yesterday offering a match with Young Erne at the New Tuxedo Club outside of Philadelphia. Herrera wired back that he would not bind himself to fight anyone but Nelson or Britt. O'Rourke then sent a second message to the Mexican stating that the Tuxedo Club would give \$15,000 for a twenty-round battle between Nelson and him."

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REGARDING COAST KOOTENAY APPLICATION

Company Must Show There is Room For Two Railways Through the Hope Mountains.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Jan. 16.—The department of railways and canals has decided in regard to the application of the Coast-Kootenay railway for approval of its plans through the Hope mountains, that it must first show that there is room for two roads there. At present the V. & W. E. has got its road approved, and it will be necessary for the department to have satisfactory evidence that there is room for another line before it can be granted. So it is up to the Coast-Kootenay to do this.

The Late Minister.
The Canadian navy will have charge of the remains of Hon. R. Prefontaine from Halifax until they are placed in the vault at Montreal.

Poll Tax Refunded.
When Prince Louis of Battenburg was visiting Canada three of his officers crossed to the United States at Niagara Falls, and were charged \$2 each poll tax. The matter was reported to Washington and the money has now been refunded.

Will Erect Building.
The department of agriculture announces that it is prepared to receive applications for space for Canadian exhibits at the New Zealand international exposition. The government will erect a special building.

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COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT

Three Japs Arrested in Seattle—Part of Plant Was Shipped From Japan.

(Associated Press.)
Seattle, Jan. 16.—Three Japanese counterfeiters have been placed under arrest by a secret service officer and hundreds of dollars' worth of spurious \$5 and \$10 gold pieces, with the paraphernalia used in their manufacture was captured.

The case was unique in the annals of the Pacific Coast, not only from the fact that the batteries and some of the moulds used by the counterfeiters were made in Japan and shipped to this country.

Revolution at End.
Defeat of Insurgents in Santo Domingo—Monte Cristi Capitulates and Guebarra Surrenders.

(Associated Press.)
San Domingo, Jan. 15.—The port of Monte Cristi, on the north coast, which recently was in the hands of revolutionists, capitulated to the government forces to-day, the latter guaranteeing to protect the lives and property of the rebels. The Dominican gumbout independence, which supported General Morales, the former president of Santo Domingo, also surrendered after her commander had sought refuge on one of the American warships.

The revolution is ended and all is quiet.

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DAMAGE BY STORM

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 16.—Dispatches received to-day from various points in Ohio and Kentucky tell of great damage by a severe wind, rain and hail storm last night. During the height of the storm the wind reached a velocity of from 40 to 50 miles an hour.

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OLD YACHTSMAN DEAD

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 16.—Chicago's oldest captain, Jos. Prindiville, died yesterday of paralysis. When he was at the age of 18 he was captain of the Liberty, and was the youngest master of a vessel in Chicago. He was the first commodore of the Chicago Yacht Club.

(Associated Press.)

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PIONEER ATTORNEY DEAD

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Ira W. Buell, a pioneer attorney of Chicago, died yesterday. He was born in Lebanon, N. Y., in 1830, and came to Chicago in 1858. He was city attorney from 1861 to 1863. Mr. Buell was a charter member of the Union League Club, and was one of the founders of the Chicago Bar Association, and was a Knight Templar.

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TWENTY YEARS' IMPRISONMENT

Three Men Sentenced to Be Shot Will Serve Term in Convict Stockade.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 15.—Friends of Dr. C. H. Harle here have been advised that he and the two other defendants, Richardson and Mason, under sentence of death in Chihuahua, Mexico, for the alleged poisoning of two American policy-holders of a life insurance company of New York, will not be executed in accordance with the court's decision by being shot, but will be sent to the convict stockade on the island in the tropics off the coast of the republic, to serve terms of 20 years each at hard labor, presumably in the salt mines.

PERNIE MUNICIPAL CONTEST

A. W. Bleasdel Elected Mayor Without Opposition—Water Works Question the Issue.

(Special to the Times.)
Pernie, Jan. 16.—A. W. Bleasdel was yesterday elected by acclamation for mayor.

For aldermen on the citizens' ticket the following were nominated: J. D. Quail, J. L. McIntyre, Thos. Beck, Thos. Biggs and W. W. Tuttle. The ticket opposed to the citizens' ticket and known as the Coal Company ticket has the following in nomination: L. M. Proctor, Richard Hammond, A. B. Tritts, A. H. Cree, S. F. Wallace and Geo. Cody.

Besides the above E. A. Kummer is running as a free lance.

Dr. D. Corran and C. J. Digby were elected school trustees.

The issue in the water works question. There is an agreement now between the city and the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, giving the latter a ten year franchise, and the citizens' ticket wish to have this agreement quashed.

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FAVORABLE REPORTS ON FALL WHEAT

Winnipeg, Jan. 16.—The condition of the fall wheat of Alberta to-day is declared to be all right. The acreage is largely increased as compared with 1905, and the progress of the plant is good in every respect.

From Lethbridge the reports assert that the fall wheat acreage is heavy, and as a result of the recent snows is in a very favorable condition. High River is not quite so optimistic, the report saying that the wheat has not secured a good start yet, except that on the summer fallow, which is most flattering. It is six inches high on the summer fallow, and quite vigorous. That put in after September 15th, however, is not so good. Macleod reports a splendid condition, and prospects of a fine yield. At Carleton Place, in the west, the conditions are most satisfactory, the plant is strong and making excellent progress. At Pincher Creek everything is reported progressing with a largely increased acreage, and prospects of a high yield. Two feet of snow fell in that district in December, and much of it remains as a warm wet cover for the growing grain.

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ANOTHER CONSERVATIVE STRONGHOLD CAPTURED

Preston Has Returned Two Liberals—Unionists Admit Chamberlain's Majority Will be Reduced.

(Associated Press.)
London, Jan. 16.—The Conservative newspapers have ceased their efforts to explain the defeats of the Unionist candidates, and confine themselves to attacking the new government and its supporters at every point. They dilate especially on the danger to the nation through the new found power and influence of the Labor party.

As an instance of the unexpectedness of the Liberal landslide, Preston, which returned two Liberals, has been consistently a Tory stronghold for 41 years, and it has been 14 years since the Liberals ran a candidate there. One of the Liberals elected for Preston is Harold Cox, a former secretary of the Golden Club.

The Liberals suffered one reverse by the defeat of one of their whips, Freeman Thomas at Hastings.

Among the most interesting pollings to-day will be those at Liverpool, which was represented by eight Unionists in the last parliament. To-day's contest will be: Seats represented by 42 Unionists, 11 Liberals and one Nationalist.

Birmingham will poll to-morrow, and the Unionists though assuming great confidence in the return of Jos. Chamberlain, admit that they are likely to lose two other seats, and that Mr. Chamberlain's majority will be materially reduced.

The Laborites and Liberals as a result of yesterday's election at Newcastle-on-Tyne exchange a seat. Both these seats were formerly held by Unionists with majorities of 1,300 and 5,000, and the force of the anti-Unionist blizzard can be gauged by the fact that the result which was announced to-day gives the Labor and Liberal candidates majorities of 7,000.

The batch of unopposed returns, which the Liberals to-day will receive, will consist of: 11 Nationalists, 15 Laborites, 15 Socialists, 1.

Sir Charles Dilke and Col. Sanderson were among the members of parliament re-elected to-day without opposition.

The feature of to-day's contest is the flight of John Burns, whose resignation and president of the local government board, to retain his seat at Battersea division of London.

The Unionists are exerting a tremendous effort to unseat him, and they do not hesitate to admit that the defeat of Mr. Burns, whose victory attacks on the Unionist administration have done so much to influence the workmen voters of London, will materially help in removing the soreness caused by the general downfall of the party. Two other interesting personalities are competing to-day—Adam Ashmun, Bartlett, Budeletts, Countess in Westminster and Sir Henry Storer-Kerr at St. Helens.

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New York, Jan. 15.—The latest information from Caracas regarding the Critchfield claims against Venezuela, which dispatches from Washington say will be pressed by the state department, is that they will be satisfactorily adjusted between the governments of Venezuela and the United States and the Venezuelan company, which now operates the Critchfield concession, says the Tribune. The claim grows out of the shutting down by the government of the asphalt property, Elmacarte, near Maracaibo, for failure to pay an export tax imposed on the product by President Castro. The claim is for \$1,500,000.

MORE SURPRISES IN OLD COUNTRY

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Vancouver, Jan. 15.—In a storm on Saturday night the Catholic church at Sechart was burned. Whitaker's hotel and other buildings had a narrow escape.

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CLOSING SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

MATTERS DEALT WITH AT FINAL MEETING

Ald. Hanna Made an Explanation Last Evening—Usual Concluding Congratulatory Addresses.

The final meeting of the 1905 council was held last evening, all the aldermen being present with the exception of J. A. Douglas, who was absent through illness.

The following supplementary report from the legislative committee was adopted: Gentlemen—Your legislative committee have further considered certain amendments which are desired to be introduced into the legislation of this year.

On motion of Ald. Fullerton the matter was referred back to the writer for further information. Mrs. Gordon, of the Gordon hotel, Yates street, asked for the removal of a nuisance at the rear of her house.

Ald. Fullerton corroborated the statement that the street was in bad shape, and moved that the matter be referred to the city engineer. The appended communication was received from the city solicitor:

Re Amendments to Municipal Act. Gentlemen—I beg to advise that, acting upon instructions from the council, I have conferred with the city barrister and prepared sections carrying out the report as to the amendments to be brought, recently adopted by the council, and also on the following further points: For licensing persons doing electrical work;

I have also prepared an amendment dealing with an anomaly which exists with regard to local improvement. As the matter now stands, it is open to the city to spread the assessment for a work of local improvement over an unlimited term of years; but if the city contribute to the cost they must make their contribution in ten or less annual payments.

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gent of the electors, of the city's property in James Bay. I find the government had had printed a consolidation of the Municipal Clauses Act, practically a copy of the consolidation made last year for convenience, and accordingly it will be expedient to ask the opinion of the law officers upon the proposed amendments before they are introduced in committee.

In explanation Ald. Fell stated that he had seen the attorney-general and discussed the amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act proposed by the Victoria council. In order to expedite matters he had forwarded a copy for the honorable member's consideration before it was laid before the House.

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Acting Mayor Goodacre thanked the council for the assistance tendered him in his efforts to fill the chair in the absence of the mayor. This closed the session, and some of the aldermen left the hall humming "Auld Lang Syne."

HOME FROM TANANA. Capt. Wallace Langley Says District Will Be Biggest Producer in North. Capt. Wallace Langley, of this city, arrived home from the north on Sunday, having reached Seattle on Saturday. During the past year Capt. Langley has been engaged in navigation on the Yukon and Tanana, being owner of the steamer Wilby; Crummon and the fleet of barges operated in conjunction with that vessel. These craft ply between Fort Gibbon, Chena and Fairbanks. The captain left Fairbanks for Victoria on the 9th of September, and had to muck out for the greater part of the trip to the coast.

Before leaving, Fairbanks there had been some severe cold weather, when the thermometer never registered less than 45 degrees below zero. Following this, however, came a spell of good weather, and this prevailed on the greater part of the trip to the coast. About half way up the Delta river opposite a place called Nigger Bill's, the river overflowed, and the party numbering eleven men and three ladies had to "swim" it on a bar exposed to a cold gale of wind blowing down the river drifting sand like snow. They were compelled to wait over until the snow arose before making progress. If the party had not to follow this river and the Tanana, but could have made use of a continuous land trail, Captain Langley says he would have reached Victoria two months ago. Speaking of the Tanana, he says that the district will be a wonder for a gold producing country. While there was an output of seven million from the Tanana district last year, he said it will not be less than double that amount next year. As for the year after next, the yield will exceed anything that has ever come out of the Klondike.

According to the annual Clyde ship-building returns all previous records have been beaten, the output for the year being 350,000 tons, against 415,000 during the preceding twelve months.

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FOR MAYOR

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Being requested by a number of citizens to accept nomination for Mayor, I feel in duty bound to offer my services, and do so the more willingly, believing the people are weary of the invidious influences exercised by corporate companies over city affairs. That they are prepared for municipal control and gradual ownership of public utilities. For the replacing of the present high rates for light with the minimum for good service. For a square deal on the water question, believing that the present trumped up suit is a menace to the reputed rights of the city. For a more efficient and economical service of the department of works. For the safe-guarding of the city's interest in the disposition of the Songhees Reserve. And for open dealings of the Council.

A. J. MORLEY December 2nd, 1905.

FOR MAYOR

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Having in response to numerous requests, consented to accept nomination for Mayor at the approaching election, I hereby respectfully solicit your vote and influence. If you honor me by election I will earnestly endeavor to continue the progressive policy of my previous term of office, and will do all in my power to promote the prosperity and well-being of the City of Victoria.

Chas. Hayward January 2nd, 1906.

ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I will be a candidate for re-election. Thanking you for past favors, I am, respectfully, W. J. HANNA.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I am a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit the votes of the electors. ED. BRAGG.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited in my behalf as Alderman for the above Ward. Yours respectfully, D. SPRAGGE

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election, and respectfully ask for a continuance of your support and influence. W. F. FULLERTON

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election on my behalf. Yours respectfully, GEO. PENKETH.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—At the request of a number of citizens, I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for re-election, and therefore request your vote and influence on my behalf. Your obedient servant, LEWIS HALL

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward at the coming election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. FRED. DAVEY

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the position of School Trustee at the forthcoming elections. MARGARET JENKINS

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for re-election to the position of School Trustee at the forthcoming election. E. ARMAN LEWIS

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MUNICIPAL NOTICE

For Alderman To the Electors of South Ward.

At the request of a large number of the ratepayers of South Ward, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for municipal honors. If elected, my efforts will be directed towards the re-opening of the many claims of the ratepayers of South Ward, which, up to the present, have been ignored. Am strongly in favor of a progressive policy, the encouragement of local manufacturers and the establishment of new industries. As a property owner and business man, I am interested in seeing that proper economy is observed in the administration of municipal works and in protecting the ratepayers' interests. Yours sincerely, ANDREW BLYGH

South Ward For Alderman

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote and influence are kindly solicited on my behalf at the forthcoming municipal election. JAMES A. DOUGLAS

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. W. H. SMITH.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election for Alderman. Wm. Mumphy

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. Wm. Brodrick January 2nd, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election for Alderman. F. W. VINCENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming municipal election. Your respectfully, EDMUND J. WALL

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRE WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. L. J. QUAGLIOTTI January 2nd, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for Alderman, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. E. H. ANDERSON

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election. H. E. LEVY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for election for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. A. STEWART

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for election for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. J. STUART YATES

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I am a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. LAWRENCE GOODACRE

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I am a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. JOHN P. ELFORD.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 1906

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors in the Court Room at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1906, from 12 noon to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of nomination of Candidates shall be as follows: The Candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality, and proposed and seconded, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be open on THURSDAY, the 18th day of JANUARY, 1906, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 7:30 p. m., in the manner following:

For the office of ALDERMAN for the North Ward, in Room No. 3, at the Public Market Building, Cornmarket street. For the office of ALDERMAN for Central Ward, in Room No. 7, at the Public Market Building, Cornmarket street. For the office of ALDERMAN for the South Ward, in Room No. 1, at the Public Market Building, Cornmarket street, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British Subjects of the full age of Twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been six months next preceding the nomination registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value of One Thousand Dollars, or more, over, and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as ALDERMAN of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British Subjects of the full age of Twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been six months next preceding the nomination registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value of Five Hundred Dollars, or more, over, and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 6th day of January, 1906. WM. W. NORTHCOTE, Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE Election of School Trustees

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors in the Court Room at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1906, from 12 noon to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing FOUR (4) persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British Subject of the full age of twenty-one years and otherwise qualified by the "Public Schools Act" to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District, shall be elected or to serve as School Trustees.

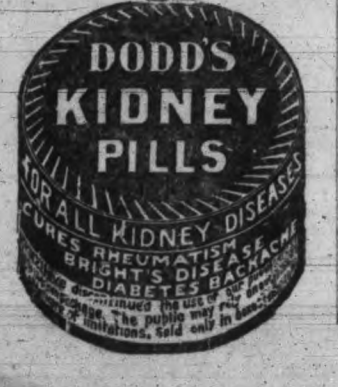
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Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 6th day of January, 1906. WM. W. NORTHCOTE, Returning Officer.

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Tenders Wanted

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until noon on Thursday, the 15th day of January, 1906, for the purchase of the Sloop "Troy" with equipment, including 2 fishing nets. For further information apply to the undersigned, or to Capt. D. McIntosh, Point Ellice Boat House. THE HIGHEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED. W. M. MONTEITH, Official Administrator, Administrator of the Estate of Geo. Mitchell, Decedent.



The Lansing Rowan Company—"The Christian" at the Watson-Jerome K. Jerome To-Night.

The Lansing Rowan company, billed to hold the boards at the Victoria theatre for this week, made their first appearance last night in an awfully fearful, double-barrelled deep dyed tragedy entitled "Where the Sun Sets."

Notwithstanding the difficulties that stood in the way of a smooth performance, "The Christian," as produced by the Watson stock company last evening, will long be remembered by the large audience present, as one of the most interesting and really good plays presented on the local stage in many a day.

Mae Keane, who was to have played Glory Quangle, was called away by the death of her brother. At one day's notice Miss Adelaide Keith prepared for the part and gave a really excellent portrayal of what is one of the loneliest and most difficult roles in a modern play.

The new leading lady of the Watson company, Miss Elizabeth Hale, arrived yesterday afternoon and gladly consented to help Manager Watson out of his trouble by appearing in the small part of Polly Love. It was not the part a leading lady would accept to make her bow before strangers, and especially when she had only a couple

of hours in which to study the lines. In the few scenes that fell to her lot, Miss Hale proved that she had ability far above the average, and she will be a welcome addition to the Watson forces.

The entire performance went without a hitch last evening. There were many special features, but one of the most interesting was the singing of the boys' choir at the opening of the third act.

Every member of the company worked with a will last night, the many strong scenes and stirring climaxes arousing the audience to enthusiasm.

Next week the Watson stock company will play at Lady Smith and Napanee. During the absence of the company the Watson theatre will be occupied by the MacKendler's merry makers, a high class minstrel organization made of real southern darlings.

It is announced that John McCall, former president of the New York Life Insurance Company, has given a trust deed on his home in Long Branch, N. J., to secure the \$100,000 note which he gave the New York Life Insurance Company in part payment for moneys which had been paid by the company to Andrew Hamilton and not accounted for by him. The total advanced to Mr. Hamilton and unaccounted for was \$23,000, and in addition to this note Mr. McCall gave the company a cheque for \$5,000.

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Subscriptions for the Shares will be Received at any B. C. Branch of the Bank of Montreal. REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD INVEST IN THIS CORPORATION. 1. Stock in Trust and Securities Companies has proved to be one of the most profitable of stock investments. 2. There is a great opening for a Trust Company in British Columbia. 3. The affairs of the Corporation are subject to inspection by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. 4. The liability of the shareholder is limited to the amount (if any) unpaid on his shares. 5. The following figures are published in the November, 1904, issue of the "Business and Finance Journal," showing the earning powers of various Trust Companies.

ance to railroads might cease. He favored a land grant to some railways where the necessities warranted it. If there had been lavish bonusing at last session the Similkameen would have been thrown back from its position to-day. It would be remembered what a lobby was put up against some of the bills, and how the Government was forced to come in from the south. If a bonus had been given to a road from the north the more advantageous road from the south would have been delayed and the country held back. There were parts of the country, however, in which a bonus might be given in favor of the Government.

The school bill might require some amendments which would be asked for by representatives from the reeves' convention held in the lower Mainland. He thought that in connection with the health of the province that a closer connection might be made between the municipal health officials and those of the province. There might be concerted action in the matter.

Mr. Macgowan said referring to the success in Alberta and Saskatchewan that these victories for the Liberal party were all arranged beforehand. These victories had to be won at any cost, and accordingly were. The province had made little advance towards better terms since last year. He advised now, as he did a year ago, that the province should demand better terms for the province to the Dominion. The province did not come as a humble supplicant in demanding better terms, but came as British subjects demanding fair play.

Referring particularly to the speech of His Honor, Mr. Manson, said that the opposition papers were very reluctant to give any credit to the provincial government for any share in the prosperity of the country. These papers, however, turned round and criticized the Dominion government for prosperity in the Northwest. He was prepared to give credit wherever credit was due.

The country should feel proud of the environment which granted with the finances of the province in the way it had done it. It was not a popular thing to reduce expenditures and increase taxes. This the present government did, however. The people of the province in general had manifested loyalty.

He was pleased to see that there were steps being taken to arrange a settlement of the fishery question between the local government and the Federal authorities. He was glad to see steps taken to protect the forest interests of the province.

The mining industry was shown to be in a prosperous condition, and this year \$21,000,000 would be produced from it. The increase in the value of the land was due to the fact that the laws were left unchanged.

Referring to railroads, he expressed the idea that the time had apparently come when aid should not be required for the construction of railroads. He was well satisfied with the policy of the present government in the matter of railroads.

In connection with game laws he thought a larger bounty might be placed on the destruction of panthers. With reference to the Kalen Island grant, he said that he thought the government was to be congratulated upon the bargain made with reference to the Grand Trunk Pacific terminus. The action of the government had prevented the terminus going to a point where it would be controlled by speculators. It had been secured at a point where it would be of the greatest benefit to the province.

While in the House he expected to have his differences with members of the legislature, but he hoped that the motives of all would always be to work in the best interests of the country. A. H. B. Macgowan.

A. H. B. Macgowan seconded the address. He said that little was expected from the speaker. He congratulated the mover, Albern had done himself for a second time proud. In sending Mr. McInnes to the legislature, the constituency had sent a man who would do honor to any House. Mr. McInnes would yet make a record for himself in the Yukon.

Mr. Macgowan said he was not going to make a speech. He had been reminded that after he had made what he considered a pretty good speech in the city of Vancouver he was told by a young lawyer that a little talk like Mr. Macgowan had made would be better than a speech. He would therefore give a little talk.

He hoped that taxation would soon be reduced. He favored taxing real estate and income. He thought the time had come when there might be a centralization in the collection of taxes. He thought that the taxes might be collected through the municipal authorities.

The timber industry required wise legislation. He believed that by June 30th, 1906, it would be shown that the third move was derived from timber than previous to this.

There might be more expended in the protection of the forests. In Ontario there was a very good system in force which called for the owners sharing in the cost of protection. He congratulated the province on the advertising done by the fruit exhibitors in the Old Country. He favored greater unity of action among the Farmers' Institutes, the Dairywomen's Association and the Fruit Growers' Association.

He advocated a system of grading and marking butter so that the purchaser might know what he was getting. He thought a model farm in the province would be a good thing for the improvement of stock. Such a farm, he thought, in a short time would become self-supporting.

During his address he referred to a trip to the upper country, where he saw the capacity of the Similkameen as a fruit producer. He stood under a cherry tree which had produced \$100 worth of fruit. Peach trees lived longer there than in most parts.

He thought the province should do something in the direction of effecting a settlement of the Indian reserve question by which the vast areas held as reserves might be thrown open for settlement. The day of the romantic Indian was past.

On the question of railroads he was glad to see by the address that the time had not quite come when assistance to railroads might cease. He favored a land grant to some railways where the necessities warranted it.

He defended the Kalen Island grant, the justice of which he said would be proved when the terminals of the Grand Trunk Pacific were placed there. The province retained 2,500 acres of the townsite and a quarter of the water front. This would give the province a magnificent income, bringing millions to the exchequer. He was proud of the arrangement made.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

PREMIER WILL NOT CONSIDER RAILWAYS

He Has No Present Intention of Dealing With Transportation Legislation This Session.

Victoria, Jan. 15th, 1906.

The legislature this afternoon got down to work in earnest, sitting until 6 o'clock. The afternoon was largely devoted to the debate on the terms to be offered to the Dominion government for the address of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor.

In the course of the debate the premier, profiting by the lesson taught in previous sessions, announced that there would be no railway legislation this year. In other years the premier has deferred a definite answer on this subject and postponed putting himself on record. This has bred all kinds of trouble, so that in order to avoid the difficulty this session he took occasion to early set the House at rest on the subject.

The feature of the afternoon was the able address by J. A. Macdonald, leader of the opposition, who severely criticized the government for its policy or lack of policy since assuming power. He showed how the premier had deceived the electorate before election and the House from session to session in the matter of a railway policy which was ever deferred. The readiness of Hon. Mr. McInnes to vote a million and a half as a railway bonus last session was referred to, the leader of the opposition stating that this was only prevented by Mr. Macgowan turning recalcitrant. The School Act was also subjected to a short criticism, Mr. Macdonald giving expression to the statement that the duty of trustees even if the act were bad was to be true to the interests of the rising generation and carry it out as well as could be until amended.

The Kalen Island grant made by the government was described by the leader of the opposition as an illegal one made in the very teeth of the Land Act. It was a bonus to the Grand Trunk Pacific made without the sanction of the legislature. The most valuable piece of land in the province, in consequence of being the terminus of the railway and the northern metropolis of British Columbia, had been disposed of for \$1 an acre. Fifteen square miles had been given as a bonus to the railway to be used for townsite purposes. He pointed out that if this could be done at Kalen Island every townsite along the line of the railway could be given away and in turn every one along the route given. This was clearly not the spirit of the Land Act, and the government had violated the statute in spirit and in word. So satisfied was Mr. Macdonald in this contention that he challenged the attorney-general to test the right in the courts.

The agreement of the government to hand over the 30,000 acres to E. V. Bassett personally, who appeared as the solicitor of the Grand Trunk Pacific, was described as a most unusual proceeding. The leader of the opposition pointed out that the evident intention of the present government was to take away from the legislature the power to say what disposition should be made of the lands of the province. Last session it secured the right to deal with the Songhees Indian reserve without referring it to the House. Now in Northern British Columbia the crown lands were disposed of as a bonus to a railway company without the sanction of the legislature.

The address of Mr. Macdonald called forth hearty applause as he scored his points on the government. The reply of Premier McBride was weak and, as usual, he said gracefully over the points of attack without attempting to answer them.

The speeches of the mover and second of the address in reply to the speech of His Honor were well received, little of a controversial nature arising in them. During the afternoon speakers on both sides made reference to the House which had been sustained in the House by the retirement of W. W. B. McInnes, who now fills the office of commissioner of the Yukon.

Prayers were read at the opening of the House by Rev. Canon Penland. The consideration of the address was then proceeded with. W. Manson, in rising to move the reply to the address of His Honor, was greeted with applause from the government side. He said that he felt

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SPEECH OF THE OPPOSITION LEADER

Without reflection upon the general style of derogation of the effectiveness of the powers of debate exhibited by members of the present Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, we think we are safe in saying that the speech on the address delivered yesterday by the leader of the opposition was one of the most masterly analytical discourses that has been heard in the precincts of the chamber for many years. There is a tradition, especially cherished by old-timers, that the present generation has produced no speakers or debaters like the old political masters who had their day, and have gone either to their place of everlasting rest or have retired into private life. There is no question that the voices of men of considerable natural eloquence and great power of appeal have rung through the halls of the old legislative building. The Premier strives in a feeble way to imitate the style of his gifted predecessors, but he lacks in other essentials besides in the force which made the appeals of the political fathers of British Columbia so very effective. Mr. Macdonald's addresses are not of the kind which would excite the unbounded enthusiasm of an average crowd of listeners at a public meeting. They are usually appeals to the intelligence and the understanding and the common sense rather than to the emotions. His sentences are clear cut, his reasoning irrefragable, and his conclusions logical. He does not soar to great heights of denunciation nor belabor his desk in the fury of eloquent wrath. But there is a sincerity in his tones which is very convincing to those who are in sympathy with his views and a keenness in the weapon he wields with such skill that cuts deeply into the sensibilities of those who are opposed to him. The leader of the opposition, we believe, has introduced a new style—the true parliamentary style—into the debates of the Legislature. While not a campaigner of the "stump" variety, he is a model leader, and is sure to gain ground rapidly in the esteem and confidence of the people as he becomes better known. To-day we publish in full the speech Mr. Macdonald made on the address in the Legislature yesterday. The words are printed just as they fell from the lips of the speaker. Although the delivery was extempore, it required neither revision nor correction. It possesses the merit of "reading as well in print as it sounded when delivered." We can assure our readers that it will profit them considerably to study it carefully.

THE RAILWAY POLICY.

We think we can say (without fear of successful contradiction, as Premier McBride would put it) that it is not the intention of the government to bring down any railway policy during the present session of the House. It is true that the course of the administration in the past, the remarks of the speaker of the address and the preliminary announcement of the Premier as he rose to reply to the speech of the leader of the opposition, might have engendered a belief in the minds of members that at last the govern-

ment had reached a decision with respect to this important question of the encouragement of railway construction. But when we search the remarks of Mr. McBride in the hope of finding something to indicate that the government has at last agreed upon a railway policy, we find not a word to indicate that the ministers are to-day in any different position from that which they held when during the first session of the present parliament they announced that a comprehensive scheme for the promotion of railway construction would be presented to the members before the House prorogued. At the end of the first session the country was officially informed that the matter of railway construction was too important to be dealt with hurriedly, and that consequently a special session would be called within a few months, when the government would be found thoroughly prepared and equipped for the task to which its supporters insisted it should set its hand. The special session, as was predicted, was never held. The second regular session became due and was passed without action because the demands of promoters were so numerous that the really meritorious projects could not be separated from the schemes concocted by mere speculators actuated by motives of private gain. Now the third session has been opened, and the Premier, waxing bold from past experience, announces practically that there is no necessity for the government to bring down a railway policy because several railways are being built without assistance from the province. He congratulates the House on the fact that active construction of railways is proceeding in the Similkameen, that the treasure-places of the interior will soon be opened up by two competing lines, and poses with his usual grace as the promoter of those much-needed enterprises. His policy, and the policy of some of the members of his government, was to oppose the representatives of British Columbia, who fought a stubborn battle in the House of Commons on behalf of the Great Northern railway. If Hon. Richard McBride had had his way, the Great Northern railway would have been barred out of Southern British Columbia, the C. P. R. would have refused to build the branches it is now constructing free of cost to the people without substantial aid from the provincial treasury, and then the provincial government would have had an excuse for the introduction of a railway policy. The situation is that all the McBride administration has to do is to watch the developments that are taking place as the result of the actions of wiser and more patriotic men. The Premier looks and talks as though convinced that he is responsible for the activity of railway companies in the Similkameen country, and to do him justice, he seems to believe that the prestige of his great name and of the government of which he is the distinguished head has accomplished the results which have been productive of the hopeful feeling and much of the prosperity that exists in British Columbia to-day. The fact is, as pointed out by the leader of the opposition in his masterly dissection of the situation in the legislature yesterday, the government cannot formulate a railway policy that would meet with the endorsement of the House. Therefore it acts independently of the representatives of the people, and of the provisions of the statutes. The outrageous Kalen Island deal indicates the lengths the administration is prepared to go in order to satisfy its friends and to circumvent the well understood desires of the electorate. The application of the policy of the government as exemplified by the Kalen Island scandal along the whole of the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, in British Columbia would constitute a railway policy worthy of the reputation of the members of the government, but it would prove a serious blow to the hopes of the public, who have cherished the belief that the commencement and completion of that great work would hold out a promise of relief from the burdensome taxation that is so seriously affecting business in this province.

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Fifteen square miles of territory is to be given to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company as a townsite at the proposed terminal point in British Columbia of the line. The city of Vancouver does not cover half that amount of land. Vancouver is merely in its infancy, and yet it is safe to say that the site on which it stands is worth anywhere from twenty to thirty millions of dollars. The water front at Kalen Island and all the rights the province can convey, goes with the fifteen square miles. Vancouver, it has practically been decided, does not own its street ends on the water front. The rights in question, in course of time, will be worth millions more. And yet the Premier says his government has no railway policy! But there is a peculiar feature in the transaction which is worthy of special note and emphasis. The railway company does not seem to be particularly impressed with the nature of the bargain it has made or can make if it takes up the proposition that has been submitted to it by the parties acting on its behalf. There is a mystery about the transaction which it would be interesting, and possibly profitable, to have cleared up. The Grand Trunk people say they have not yet decided where their terminal in British Columbia will be. If they

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Commissioner Lampan of the drawing inspection has decided to examine privately the children "implicated" in the school controversy. This is a decision that will be approved of. The "heckling" of the witnesses by lawyers in the endeavor to extract from them such testimony as would be favorable to the cause the legal talent represent could hardly bring out the facts desired by the commissioner.

WHAT OTHER PEOPLE THINK

CANDIDATES' QUALIFICATIONS. To the Editor:—In reply to the inquiry in last night's issue, I am pleased to state that I am the owner of real estate in the city, on which I have regularly paid my taxes for the last twenty years. Dear Sir, I love dogs, no dogs in my opinion in this section.

A GOOD RECORD. To the Editor:—Ald. Stewart should be returned at the head of the poll in Central Ward at the forthcoming municipal elections. He has a splendid record at the city council board, always standing staunchly by all measures in the interests of the city. He is not an orator, but always votes right, and his voice is always heard in opposition to the "faddists" and exponents of freak ideas who occasionally get an opportunity to make themselves heard. Ald. Stewart is essentially the right man in the right place at this period of the city's progress.

A REMINDER. To the Editor:—Seeing by last evening's Times that both Thornton Fell and Mr. James Douglas are up for re-election as aldermen for the South Ward, it would be as well for all South Ward voters to remember that these gentlemen were amongst the most ardent promoters of what is now generally known as "that Dallas road fiasco, the swimming hole and bath house." In the face of earnest remonstrances, and going dead against a petition from propertyholders in the locality, these gentlemen used all their influence in the city council to back up the Tourist Association in their noble attempt to spoil the beauty of the coast line, and to deface the people's park. During the absence of Mr. Barnard in Ottawa, the vote for a substantial sum of the ratepayers' money was granted to the Tourist Association to build a breakwater at the bay at the foot of Montreal street, and with what result? As residents here told these aldermen, the first winter breezes, with the help of the waves, smashed it to pieces, and now only two or three piles remain to point out what was one of the various "golden deeds" of these aldermen during the past year.

COMMON SENSE. Victoria, B. C., January 16th, 1906. MINE WORKERS' RESOLUTIONS. To the Editor:—By direction of Gladstone Local, No. 2,314, U. M. W. A. I beg to send you copies of resolutions passed by said local and to request you to publish the same, if you kindly will.

THOS. BIGGS, Secretary. Fernie, B. C., January 15th, 1906. Whereas the eight-hour law, as now interpreted by statute, has for a long time past been observed and is now in operation in the extensive mines of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company; And whereas, as we believe, the operation of the said law has, at all times, been agreeable to all parties affected by it;

REAL ESTATE BOOM. Small Fortunes Being Made in Exchange for Seattle Tide Lands—General Prosperity. E. E. Blackwood, local agent for the North Pacific Railway Company, has returned from a brief visit to the Sound. He announces that there is exceptional activity throughout business circles both in Seattle and Tacoma. Great excitement has been aroused at the former place through the remarkable advance in the value of tide lands, and many profitable exchanges are reported to have occurred during the past week. Mr. Blackwood refers to one instance in particular, namely, that of John Hoffmann, who will be remembered by Victorians as one of those who gave evidence during the Clallam Inquest. A short time ago he invested \$2,000 in these lands, and the other day sold them for no less than \$250,000. Another business man purchased a lot a short time ago for \$4, and

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DIVIDENDS. Another column will be found the semi-annual dividend notice of the B. Permanent Loan & Savings Company, showing that a dividend at the rate of nine per cent. per annum upon class "A" permanent stock has been declared for the past half year.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE Vote for ROBT. MOWAT.

The members of the Ladies' Choral Class will meet as usual tomorrow at 4:30 p. m. at the Poplars, 10, Bellot street. Business of importance will come up for consideration.

VOTE FOR A. B. McNEILL For SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

Special evangelistic meetings will be held every evening of this week until Thursday in the Central Methodist church. The service will open at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE, Vote for William McKay.

It is announced that the lucky number in the grand tombola contest held in connection with the recent annual show of the Victoria Poultry Association was 1,829. The holder of that ticket wins a fine new Petaluma incubator.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE Vote for GEO. SNIDER.

The Arion club is arranging for a concert to be given on Wednesday, the 31st inst. They will bring three artists here to assist in the concert.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE, Vote for J. S. H. MATSON.

The statistics of the 1905 pack of Puget Sound salmon has been compiled. With the exception of the year 1901, the season of the record pack on Puget Sound, last year, was the most successful year since 1888. Returns from all canneries place the total sockeye pack at 94,939 cases, valued at \$5,508,900.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE, Vote for Agnes D. Cameron.

D. A. Upper, for the past four years manager of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company's office, has left the city on a leave of absence which will probably extend over several months. It is understood to be Mr. Upper's intention to engage in the real estate business in Seattle, and this may ultimately result in his remaining in the Sound city permanently. F. W. Bowes, of the local staff, has been appointed acting manager during Mr. Upper's absence.

The Loyal True Blue Association held their regular meeting on Friday evening. After general business had been transacted and one member resigned the following officers were installed by Bro. Walsh, D. D. G. M.: W. M. C. E. Dunaway; P. M. L. Hoskings; rec. sec., C. L. Hoskings; fin. sec., E. Viner; trans., J. Walsh; chaplain, J. Clark; D. of Cer., A. Dockings; conductor, E. Pottinger; committee, Bro. Walsh, Bro. Clark, Bro. Patterson, Bro. Brown, Bro. N. Docking; T. E. Bro. Clark; O. H. Bro. Wallace.

Rowland Brittain, patent attorney of Vancouver, sends the following abstract from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending January 2nd. During this week 696 patents were issued to citizens of the United States: Australia, Hungary; 4; Canada, 14; Cape Colony, 1; Denmark, 1; Great Britain, 12; France, 3; Germany, 20; Italy, 1; Sweden, 1; Switzerland, 2. Hugh Condon, of Vancouver, received during the week a United States patent on his novel attachment for hand saws, to which reference was made in a previous report.

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CANDIDATES SPEAK IN VICTORIA WEST. A LARGE MEETING IN SEMPLE'S HALL. General Opinion That the Ratepayers Asked Too Much For a New School.

The first meeting of the Victoria West electors in the present municipal campaign was held last evening in Semple's hall, under the auspices of the Victoria West Municipal Voters' Association, to hear the views of the candidates respectively for the offices of Mayor, aldermen and school trustees. Phil Smith presided as chairman, and there was a good attendance of the electors.

At the annual meeting of the Methodist Farmers' Institute, held in Methodist hall on January 10th, the financial report was submitted showing a balance in hand of \$67.92. The report of the directors showed a membership during the past year of 286. Thirteen meetings were held during the year, with a total attendance of 592 giving an average attendance of 4 at each meeting. The following were elected to serve for the ensuing year: T. C. Oldershaw, president; Thos. Parker, vice-president; J. H. Smart, secretary; A. H. Peatt, A. E. Bisminter, John Wallace, A. E. Wale, V. V. Harte, Gavin Welfe, W. M. Christie, directors; H. Helgesen, J. D. Reid, auditors; A. H. Peatt, delegate to Central Farmers' Institute.

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The time for the holding of the Eagles' big annual masquerade ball is again drawing near. The committee having this affair in hand held a meeting during the past week, when sub-committees were appointed, and preliminary arrangements made that give promise of being still more elaborate in every way than at any other like affair of the past. It was definitely decided to offer again among the many valuable prizes given away annually by the Eagles, a ladies' grand tombola prize for which in all probability a piano will be again secured. The following officers constitute the arrangement committee: W. President, W. B. Shakespear, W. V. P. J. A. H. Pennington, W. Chap., Peter Shandley, Sec., Frank LeRoy, Treas., M. O'Keefe, P. W. P. Henry E. W. Behnesse; trustees, Joseph J. Wächter, J. M. Hughes and Thos. M. Grayshaw, chairman of committee. Date and other particulars will be announced in the near future.

limit he would prefer to answer questions. He would simply say that during his term of office he had tried to do all that was possible, and had possibly not done all he should.

Mr. Hinde asked the speaker whether, if elected, he would pledge himself to resist the arbitrary removal of teachers. Mr. Mowat replied that it was much against his will that the principal of the school had been removed, and he was quite in sympathy with their demand and would certainly comply.

Touching briefly upon the school house question, he warned the electors that site and building must be made one issue. A by-law had been introduced asking for \$30,000 and rejected, and if they asked again for \$30,000 it would undoubtedly be blocked. If, however, they asked for a more moderate amount, they would probably get it. His idea, however, on principle, were in sympathy with the electors on the subject of the necessity for a proper school house.

In conclusion, Mr. Mowat made satisfactory replies to a number of questions put to him. E. A. Lewis spoke on a number of points on which he had dwelt at previous meetings. He favored the school house being from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m., with an intermission of one and a half hours for lunch and no home lessons. He advocated the introduction of a commercial course in the lower grade of the high school, and he promised, if elected, to do his best to have a by-law passed providing for the erection of a new school in that district.

A. B. McNeill, in addressing the electors at the meeting, went over pretty much the same ground he had covered in his remarks at the city hall and at Oaklands. He wanted it clearly understood that he was entirely an independent candidate. The main question was that of a new school for Victoria West. He had visited the one now used and found it in a very unsatisfactory state. But other districts were in a similar plight. He believed in broad principles. The city should have adequate schools. A by-law should be brought forth and passed; but this could only be achieved by educating the other parts of the city to the general need.

Mr. McNeill then expressed his views on the matter of a school corporation and a municipal corporation. He believed the latter question that certificates should be granted for distinct subjects. To wait two years for a diploma was too long. W. McKay wanted to see a new school erected in the district, and promised to use his best efforts, if elected, towards securing the same. He agreed with Mr. McNeill as to the superfluous number of subjects taught. He thought it strange that the trustees only appeared before the electors at election time; they should speak periodically to explain matters.

Mr. Mason had appeared before the electors four years ago. He said that the subject of Miss Cameron's case had not yet been touched upon. His position on that matter was this: That if Miss Cameron had suffered injustice, he was prepared to fight for her. He was not prepared to say that the school board had been wrong, but he knew that Miss Cameron was always reasonable in reason if properly approached. The proceedings now going on would probably have the effect of purifying the whole educational system throughout British Columbia, but he did not think the case of Miss Cameron a proper matter to refer to in connection with the school question.

Mr. Hubbard asked if the speaker had ever had any disposition on the part of the trustees to deal unfairly with Miss Cameron, and Mr. Mowat replied that while he was on the board, P. J. Riddell contended that there was no room for improvement in the present educational system except in minor details. He considered that Victoria West had not had its due share of education. A new school, if elected, one of the first things he would try to do would be to set a new brick school for Victoria West. It was then decided to hear the candidates for majority.

Chas. Hayward was the first called upon in the course of his remarks. Mr. Hayward stated his intention to propose any scheme which would induce the public to subscribe one and three-quarter million dollars to purchase the water, power and lighting interests with the franchises, and to state what advantage would accrue to the city therefrom. He thought the ratepayers in Victoria West, who thought the ratepayers in that district asked too much, if they had as good a chance as they might have succeeded. He reviewed the salient points of the water question since 1872. He believed that the course would give Victoria the first right of the goldfields, which would secure to Victoria an unlimited supply of water economically.

A. J. Morley was opposed to the manner of the waterworks suit, and said it was a dangerous thing to lay claim to less than the whole. He believed that he could equalize all rates oppressive to Victoria. Mr. Morley promised a clear outline of his policy on Wednesday evening next. He again expressed his position with regard to the Indian reserve. He considered that the ratepayers placed their ambitions a little too high. He thought that if the matter of the school house was quietly discussed with the electors, and if the electors could see the justice of Victoria West's claims, he would be glad to see the school house and prayer. Since leaving Victoria, Elder Brooks, a cognomen under which he is better known, has resided in different parts of Eastern Canada. Word has now been received that his zeal in carrying into practice what are no doubt his firm religious beliefs has again placed him within the firm clutches of the law. A dispatch dated January 8th says in part: "Rev. Eugene Brooks, a Dowieite leader at Toronto, and Dowie's representative in Canada, was to-day sentenced by Judge McCormick, senior judge of the county of Ontario, to six months with hard labor in the Central prison, Toronto. The charge against the prisoner was of aiding, counselling and abetting one Marshal Harmon, of Victoria, in securing medical assistance during his wife's last illness. Harmon's wife died early last summer, her illness being a severe case of diphtheria, which developed one week after her confinement. The husband was a faith cure believer, and refused to allow neighbors who wished to render assistance, entrance to the home. He sent to Toronto to High Apostle Brooks, and met him at Uxbridge station. Brooks, after a brief stay at the station, proceeded to the home of the prisoner to meet the case, his wife was left alone at home helpless with an infant seven days old. Brooks remained with the woman for a few hours, and prayed with the patient. The husband then drove him back to the station, leaving the poor wife alone a second time. "Brody Elder Brooks was asked by the judge if he had anything to say, and he took advantage of the judge's offer to deliver a half an hour's harangue, quoting Scripture in support of his belief. He admitted that he had told Mrs. Harmon on her husband that if they depended on the arm of flesh for a cure, they could not expect assistance from the Almighty. "His honor here interrupted the prisoner with the remark that he saw that he had supplied himself with a course in flesh in the person of Wm. S. Sinclair, barrister of Oshawa. The prisoner laughed, and admitted he wasn't altogether relying on divine aid in this trial. "The judge delivered a scathing address to the prisoner on sinning against God. There have been several of the Dowieites in attendance during the trial, and they have been indignantly rebuked in the distribution of their literature throughout the town."

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Silver Band Mining Co., Ltd. The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, 74 Wharf Street, Victoria, on Wednesday, 14th February, 1906, at five p. m. E. B. MARVIN, President. F. F. HEDGES, Secy. Treas. 12th January, 1906. left alone at home helpless with an infant seven days old. Brooks remained with the woman for a few hours, and prayed with the patient. The husband then drove him back to the station, leaving the poor wife alone a second time. "Brody Elder Brooks was asked by the judge if he had anything to say, and he took advantage of the judge's offer to deliver a half an hour's harangue, quoting Scripture in support of his belief. He admitted that he had told Mrs. Harmon on her husband that if they depended on the arm of flesh for a cure, they could not expect assistance from the Almighty. "His honor here interrupted the prisoner with the remark that he saw that he had supplied himself with a course in flesh in the person of Wm. S. Sinclair, barrister of Oshawa. The prisoner laughed, and admitted he wasn't altogether relying on divine aid in this trial. "The judge delivered a scathing address to the prisoner on sinning against God. There have been several of the Dowieites in attendance during the trial, and they have been indignantly rebuked in the distribution of their literature throughout the town."

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Sporting News

THE RING. CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS.

Arrangements have been made by the management of the Victoria Amateur Boxing Club to hold a championship tournament in the near future. On this occasion the following titles will be decided: Middle, welter and bantamweights. At the present time these are held by J. D. Desbriens, F. Mellor and W. Hill respectively.

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Shipping

NEW PACIFIC LINER.

The C. P. R. steamer Montego, which is being added to the Pacific fleet of the company, is scheduled to leave Hongkong on her first trans-Pacific trip on May 2nd, and should reach here on May 28th. The Montego is at present being overhauled, and will be sent from Montreal to Hongkong in the early spring. The Montego is a modern twin-screw steamer of 5,500 tons, has accommodation for 125 saloon passengers and will make the trip from Yokohama in fourteen days, about the same time as is made by the Hill liners. She was built in 1899.

A LONG TOW.

Capt. John Roberts, late master of the Globe Navigation Company's steamer Tampico, who recently, with Charles L. Dimond, of the Jay Steamship Line, New York, purchased the steamer Olympian and Zealander, will commence his long tow from San Francisco to Seattle on February 1st. The feat which Capt. Roberts will endeavor to carry out is probably one of the most difficult ever attempted by a ship master with vessels like the Olympian and Zealander. The Zealander, which was the last of the two vessels to be purchased, the deal being consummated but a few days ago, will tow the Olympian. The vessel is now at San Francisco. She will be brought to Comox, where her cargo of fuel coal will be taken on. The vessel has a capacity for carrying about 3,000 tons. It is estimated this amount will enable her to tow from San Francisco to New York without a stop. The vessel will have to cover about 13,000 miles.

THE PUERIA.

Bids have been opened for the dry-docking of the steamer City of Pueria, and the removing of her propeller and shaft, in order that a thorough inspection may be made. The bids were as follows: Moore & Scott Iron Works, \$398; Union Iron Works, \$799; Fulton Iron Works, \$1,950; Ladson Iron Works, \$1,490; United Engineering Works, \$1,490. Bids were also opened for outfitting a new low-pressure cylinder, but no award has yet been made, says the San Francisco Chronicle of Friday last.

JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS.

A dispatch from Washington states that Consul-General Miller, at Yokohama has informed the state department that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha or Japanese Steamship Company is negotiating to buy the trans-Pacific line of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company. The dispatch then goes on to say that Mr. H. H. Harbison's recent visit to Japan may have had something to do with this proposition, and that the Japanese government is behind the intending purchasers. The trans-Pacific line of the Pacific Mail consists of the steamers Korea, Siberia, Manchuria and Mongolia.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Pielades, of the Boston Steamship Company, will sail from Seattle direct to Vladivostok, Siberia, and Hakodate, Japan, on her next trip. She is due to leave the Sound port on February 23rd. Neither one of these ports was formerly touched by the big liners. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has offered the owners of the steam schooner Chehalis \$15,000 to settle the salvage suit brought against the City of Pueria for \$100,000 without going to the Admiralty court. Messrs. Christensen & Hudson refuse to accept the sum offered, which they state is too small.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

A port Townsend dispatch says that the barque Abbey Palmer has been transferred to the Alaska Packers' Association by her former owner, Robert Sudden. Captain F. H. Paterson has relieved Captain Johnson of the command of the vessel, and she will leave for Ladysmith, where she will load coal for San Francisco. The Abby Palmer was formerly the British ship Blairmore, which capsized in San Francisco harbor.

ELEGANT CABINET PHOTOS OF HIS EXCELLENCY.

We have received so many letters from ladies in Canada asking us to continue the supplying of the beautiful Cabinet Photos which we have been sending out for the last two months, that we have decided to continue the supply until the end of February, 1906. Please note the conditions for securing a photo. On photo will be sent free of cost to each lady who sends her full post office address and four of the inner envelopes which contained DIAMOND DYE of any color. This offer will be valid until the end of February, 1906. Send in your address at once with the four empty envelopes, so that you may get this photo without delay. WELLS & RICHARDSON CO., LTD. 295 Mountain Street, Montreal, Que.

ATLIS'S PRODUCTION.

Dr. Young Says That the Shortage of Water Interfered With Output. Dr. H. A. Young, M. P. P. for Atlin, has arrived in the city to attend his duties in the legislature. He reports that while shortage of water last year cut down the production in his district from what it would otherwise have been yet the indications are that the coming season will be a record one.

The production during last year was about \$600,000. Dr. Young says that the opening up of Windy Arm will have a beneficial effect in developing the quartz properties. It has been proved that there is rich quartz at Windy Arm. Col. Conrad has been successful in raising the necessary capital, the doctor says, in what I have to say.

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CANADIAN NOTES.

Mother Accidentally Shot By Her Sons - Plumbers Sentenced For Conspiracy. St. John, N. B., Jan. 15. - Mrs. Root Moore, of Garrett settlement, seven miles from here, was accidentally shot and killed by a rifle in the hands of her young sons Saturday. The two sons were playing with a rifle when it was discharged, the bullet lodging in Mrs. Moore's breast, and before assistance arrived the victim was dead.

Seed Selection Train.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15. - Western Immigration Association will continue its active operations for two years more, having received the necessary financial assistance to carry on its aggressive campaign. A dispatch from Washington states that Consul-General Miller, at Yokohama has informed the state department that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha or Japanese Steamship Company is negotiating to buy the trans-Pacific line of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

Failure.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15. - The firm of Nash, Carson & Naylor, departmental store proprietors, assigned to liquidators, \$58,150 and assets, \$72,900. Regina, Sask., Jan. 15. - W. E. Knowles, barrister of Moose Jaw, was nominated by Liberals of West Assiniboia for the Commons to-day.

Return to Work.

Hamilton, Jan. 15. - All union printers in the city were on a strike, because of a dispute regarding wages demanded for machine operators. The whole printing trade of the city was tied up as a result, as practically every printer in Hamilton is a union man. The dispute was settled this afternoon and the men returned to work.

Printers Strike.

Quebec, Jan. 15. - Members of the local typographical union employees in the Herald and Mercury newspapers are on a strike for an 8-hour day. Sherbrooke, Jan. 15. - The Stenstead election petition was dismissed by the court this morning owing to the failure of the petitioner to furnish a bill of particulars. Lovel (Liberal), M. P. is confirmed in his seat.

Sold by Auction.

Toronto, Jan. 15. - The board of trade building, erected during the real estate boom in Toronto at a cost of nearly half a million dollars was sold by auction to-day to the New York Life Insurance Company for \$20,000. Plumbers Fined. Toronto, Jan. 15. - Nearly one hundred plumbers came before Chancellor Boyd to-day in the Justice court for sentence for conspiracy. In passing sentence, Chancellor Boyd commented upon the spectacle of respectable businessmen having to appear in court and plead guilty to criminal misconduct. The fines inflicted ranged from \$50 to \$200.

Ended His Life.

Napanee, Jan. 15. - Charles Wager, a farmer, about 60 years old, living at Minks Bridge near Napanee, blew his head off with a shotgun yesterday. He had been in poor health lately, and was prey to melancholia.

THE AUTOCRAT OF THE BREAKFAST TABLE.



Now, kindly mark me well, my friends, in what I have to say. About the coffee of this morn and that of yesterday. That coffee served us yesterday was slaty-grey and fat.

And who knows the coffee plant know what is meant by that. The berry grow indifferently from out impoverished soil. Nor had the richness at its roots from which to draw the oil.

Or, if a bit of oil were stored, the roasting was not well. And being charred the oil escaped from out each tiny cell. And so 'twas tasteless, fat and brown, and I put in my kick.

And I am pleased that Mrs. Brown has changed her brand so quick. This coffee has a brilliant brown, its body, too, you'll note; Those little bubbles mark the oil—observe them where they float.

That means the berry had the best that sun and soil can give. 'Tis CHASE & SANBORN'S growth, you know—a firm that's proud to spend its time and money on its plants. Care, caring, roasting, too. Are just the best that expert hands, experienced long, can do.

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To establish, construct or acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise, any telegraph, wireless or cable lines of telegraph or telephone from and to any place in Canada or elsewhere, and to make connection with any telegraph or telephone lines, including cables, and any systems of wireless telegraphy, now or hereafter in use in Canada or elsewhere, or lease its lines or any part thereof, to any public authority, or to any telegraph company for the exchange and transmission of messages, or for the carrying of telegrams, or for the carrying of any other arrangements with respect to the lines of the Company.

To acquire and dispose of any rights in letters patent, franchises or patent rights for the purposes of the Company's undertaking.

To manufacture, purchase or otherwise acquire, lease, deal in, sell and dispose of any telegraph, wireless or cable lines, and to dispose of shares in any capital stock of, and the bonds, debentures or other securities of any company authorized to carry on a telegraph or telephone business.

To acquire and dispose of any rights in letters patent, franchises or patent rights for the purposes of the Company's undertaking.

To maintain and repair telegraph lines for others within the Dominion of Canada, or elsewhere, and to erect, maintain and keep up their lines or lines along the side of or across any public highways, bridges, water courses or other such places, or under any navigable waters, either wholly in Canada or dividing Canada, into any other country.

To enter by and through their workmen and agents, duly authorized, into and upon the lands of His Majesty, or any person or persons, or bodies politic or corporate whatsoever, and survey the lands, or any part thereof, and to set out and ascertain such parts thereof as they think necessary and proper for making the said telegraph or telephone line.

To erect in or upon such lands, such posts, station houses and other works, as the Company think requisite and convenient for the purposes of the said line or lines, and to acquire, or to lease, or to purchase, or to borrow such sum of money, not exceeding such sum as may be payable at the discretion of the Company, as the shareholders deem necessary, and to issue bonds therefor, which shall be in full and complete charge upon the whole lines, works and plant of the Company, in such sum and at such rates of interest, as may be determined by the directors or any committee of the directors, for the purpose of carrying out any of the objects or purposes of the Company.

To enter into contracts with any government, corporation, company or firm, for the construction, acquisition or operation of telegraph or telephone lines, or any public or private improvements in any Province of Canada or elsewhere.

To possess all such other powers and authorities as may have been given to any company having like purposes in view, or as may be incident to, or reasonably necessary for the successful carrying out of the undertaking contemplated.

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Oceanic S. S. Co. S. S. SIERRA, for Auckland, Sydney, 2 p. m., 1. urday, Jan. 25. S. S. ALAMEDA, for Honolulu, Feb. 3, 11 a. m. S. S. MARIPOSA, for Tahiti, Feb. 3.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any person numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 8 and 20, not reserved, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less. Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

Coal—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Not more than 250 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected the gross output.

Quartz—A free miner's certificate is granted upon payment of \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500 to 500 feet. The fee for recording a claim is \$5. At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or the mining recorded by him thereon. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1 an acre.

The patent proceeds for the payment of a royalty of 2% per cent on the sales. PLACER mining claims generally are 100 feet square, or less, and are payable in gold. The miner may obtain two leagues to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of one season from the date of the issue of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental, \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2% per cent, collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000. W. W. COBY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

NOTICE

The south end of St. Charles Street, from Fairfield road to Chandler street, is closed to vehicular traffic from December 27th until further orders. C. H. TOPP, City Engineer.

British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company

Dividend No. 15. Notice is hereby given that a dividend of NINE PER CENT per annum on this day declared on the Permanent Stock of the Company for the half-year ending December 30th, 1905, and that the same will be payable at the office of the Company, No. 39 Government Street, Victoria, B. C., on and after January 15th, 1906.

By order of the Board. THOS. T. LANGLOIS, President.

Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway

TIME TABLE NO. 57-EFFECTIVE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21st, 1905. Table with columns for Northbound, Daily, Southbound, Northbound, Sat., Sun. Southbound, Leave, Arrive, Leave, Arrive.

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For South Eastern Alaska

Connecting at Skagway with the W. P. & N. Railway. LEAVE SEATTLE, 9 P. M. S. S. Cottage City, Jan. 10, 24. Steamers connect at San Francisco with Company's steamers for ports in California, Mexico and Humboldt Bay. For further information obtain folder. Eight is reserved to change steamers sailing dates. TICKET OFFICES: VICTORIA, 59 Government and 61 Water Street. SAN FRANCISCO, 4 New Montgomery St. C. D. DUNNAN, Gen. Passenger Agent 10 Market St., San Francisco.

Run The Times

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1905.

ASSETS	
SINKING FUNDS.	
Water Works Loan By-Law, 1886	\$ 2,901 08
Streets and Bridges Loan By-Law, 1886	12,237 40
Johnson Street Sewer By-Law, 1888	9,435 24
Water Works Loan By-Law, 1886	6,206 67
Sewerage Loan By-Law, 1886	53,491 21
Public Market Site By-Law, 1886	9,009 48
Public Market Building By-Law, 1886	8,000 48
Flour Mill Bonus By-Law, 1889	7,473 83
Loan, authorized by Act of Victoria, 1887	78,938 96
Agricultural Association Loan By-Law, 1891	12,587 58
Street Loan By-Law, 1891	2,735 22
Surface Drains By-Law, 1891	14,372 64
Educational Loan By-Law, 1891	9,239 58
Electric Lighting By-Law, 1891	4,900 92
Prov. Royal Jubilee Hospital Aid By-Law, 1894	3,137 21
Exhibition Loan By-Law, 1894	2,230 77
Sewerage Loan By-Law, 1894	13,220 10
Water Works Loan By-Law, 1894	13,220 10
Consolidated Debentures Loan By-Law, 1899	6,800 30
Bridge Loan By-Law, 1900	3,044 32
James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-Law, 1901	4,130 38
High School Loan By-Law, 1901	84 26
Govt. Street Paving Loan By-Law, 1901	4,780 30
Sewer Loan Guarantee By-Law, 1902	4,001 01
Langley and Bastion St. Paving Local Improvement By-Law, 1901	785 30
New Point Electric Bridge Loan By-Law, 1901	2,070 01
Yates Street Local Improvement By-Law, 1901	427 36
Home for the Aged and Infirm Loan By-Law, 1902	405 00
Douglas Street Extension Compensation Loan By-Law, 1905	165 00
MUNICIPAL TAXES, LICENSES, ETC.	OUTSTANDING.
Assessment Roll, 1904	895 82
Assessment Roll, 1905	8,311 53
Assessment Roll, 1904	12,113 28
Assessment Roll, 1905	14,847 82
Water Rates and Rents	4,541 73
Licenses, other than Liquor	1,300 00
Liquor	1,200 00
Sewers Rental and Sewers Tax Fund	4,546 65
Home for the Aged and Infirm (Savings Bank)	107 50
Sewer Loan Guarantee	9,729 68
Electric Lighting Loan By-Law, 1891	10,509 57
Home for the Aged and Infirm Loan By-Law, 1902	2,144 23
Douglas Street Extension Compensation	2,476 59
Local Improvement Debentures sold, but not delivered	60,425 83
Cash	246 00
Corporation of City of Victoria, being excess of Liabilities over Assets	1,843,960 32
	\$ 4,865,132 13
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Bank of B. N. America, 1st January, 1905	112,165 61
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Licenses, other than Liquor	3,474 66
Cookery Fee	1,115 30
Dog Tax	285 79
Fire Insurance	3,389 18
Market Fees and Rents	1,800 00
Permanent Sidewalks	1,800 00
Permanent Approaches	1,800 00
Highways	1,244 54
Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks (including upper part) Local Improvement By-Law	4,125 30
Police Court Fines and Fees	1,464 20
Bond Fees	60 00
Revenue Tax (General)	1,620 17
Miscellaneous Receipts	14,626 72
Sinking Funds	14,626 72
EDUCATION.	
Provincial Government	\$ 22,044 94
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Real Property, Etc., Held by the Corporation.	
REAL PROPERTY.	
Lot -218, Block 11	
Yates Street Stables	\$ 5,000 00
City Hall Property	11,000 00
Market Property	10,000 00
Gravel Pit - Niagara Street	1,300 00
Pond in Victoria Park	1,500 00
James Bay Mud Flats	10,000 00
Fire Halls	2,000 00
School Property	2,000 00
Isolation Hospital	34,000 00
Agricultural Buildings and Grounds	50,000 00
Electric Light Building and Site	20,000 00
Lot - Block 11, Victoria Park	1,750 00
Lot 47, Spring Ridge	1,000 00
Carnegie Library	50,000 00
Home for the Aged and Infirm	14,500 00
Gorge Park	14,250 00
	\$ 448,735 00
OTHER PROPERTY.	
Waterworks Construction Account	\$ 80,000 00
Flour Mill Deposit	2,210 00
Horses, Engines, etc.	31,200 00
Rock Crushers, Rollers, Sifters, etc.	7,825 00
Electric Light Plant	69,000 00
Old Men's Home Furniture and Old Building	2,000 00
Public Library	7,000 00
	\$ 189,100 00
REAL PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.	
Beacon Hill Park	\$ 400,000 00
Cedar Hill Park	4,000 00
Water Front, James Bay, for Esplanade	18,000 00
Lots on Ontario, Simcoe, Superior, Michigan and Victoria Streets	28,200 00
Cemeteries	47,100 00
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IT'S THE NEW SOCIETY GAME. A Race Track in Your Pocket. INTERESTING. FASCINATING. PICK THE WINNER! "Make Your Bet." Press the Stick. You can spend an enjoyable evening at home entertaining your friends, while watching THE PONIES RUN. IT'S THE REAL THING IN NEW YORK.

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IT'S THE NEW SOCIETY FAD. Entertainment. Interesting. Amusement. Fascinating. Sport. Exciting. Watch the Wheel Go Round and See the Miniature roulette with layout, a perfect pocket roulette of an expensive roulette wheel. It is the only Pocket Roulette that has the Ball and Wheel, both revolve. Worked by simply pressing the stem; spaces and numbers are printed in red and black. With each wheel give a layout 12x8 inches, printed in red and black numbers to correspond with wheel.

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Never Fails to Give Satisfaction.
Lump and Sack Coal, \$6.50
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ELFORD STREET.
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The Crimson Blind

By FRED. M. WHITE

CHAPTER VII.

No. 218, Brunswick Square. The emotion of surprise seemed to have left Steel altogether. After the last discovery he was prepared to believe anything...

"I know you quite well by reputation," the girl gasped. Her little hands were pressed to her left side as if to check some deadly pain there.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

RATES for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

WANTED-MALE HELP. Advertisements under this head... ART STUDIO. MISS MILLER, Art Mistress... REAL ESTATE DIRECTORY. PEMBERTON & SON. 45 FORT STREET.

BEAUMONT BOGGS. Real Estate and Insurance. New Home List Just Out. COWICHAN-20 acres, 10 cultivated, 12 pasture...

PATENTS. TRADE MARKS. Scientific American. MUNN & Co. 351 Broadway, New York. Good Dry Wood. Burt's Wood & Coal Yard. TAI CHEN & CO. LADIES' SILK AND COTTON UNDERWEAR... Jap-a-Lac. Wears Like Iron. Mellor Bros., Limited.

David turned with a start. He saw before him a slight, graceful figure and a lovely, refined face in a frame of the most beautiful hair that he had ever seen...

"I am Miss Ruth Gates," she said. "Will you say that Mr. Steel would like to see me?"

"You mean that a certain inconvenience," the girl asked, at length. "Certain!" David exclaimed. "The walls, the pictures, the furniture—all the same. I could swear to the place anywhere. Miss Gates, if I cannot prove that I was here at the time I name, it is likely to go very hard with me."

"No, and neither will be for some time to come. There seems to be a certain pressure on the brain which we are unable to locate, and we dare not try the Roentgen rays yet. So on the whole you are likely to escape with a charge of aggravation, at least."

"Oh, the man is better," Cross said, cheerily. "He has recovered consciousness, yet, though the press has given us every assistance. I fancy the poor fellow is going to recover, though I am afraid it will be a long job."

Messrs. L. Eaton & Co. COMMISSION AGENTS AND AUCTIONEERS. COR. OF DOUGLAS AND FORT STS. Cattle and Furniture Sales a specialty. First-Class Pianos for sale by private treaty. Household Furniture always on hand. The Auctioneers, L. EATON & CO. Hardaker, Auctioneer. Friday, 19, 2 p. m. I am instructed to remove from James Bay to Sale Rooms, 7-9 Douglas Street, for convenience of sale. DESIRABLE AND WELL KEPT Furniture. The furnishing of an 8 roomed house, which includes a number of old style Mahogany Chairs. Particulars later. Wm. T. Hardaker, AUCTIONEER.

LIVE STOCK SALE. Deputy Provincial Commissioner Tells of Report of His Trip to Mainland. P. M. Logan, deputy provincial live stock commissioner, has returned from a visit to the various stock raising centres of the Mainland with the object of instituting a stock sale under the auspices of the department, for pure bred stock, in the early spring. Mr. Logan found the breeders well disposed towards the proposal, and has been assured of the practical and monetary support of the Ottawa department in carrying out his ideas, subject to the conditions prevailing in the early spring. Mr. Logan reported the result of his observations during the tour, which was distinctly favorable to the ranchers and their stock. He found, in fact, an adequate supply of cattle in good condition which the breeders were willing to part with at the promise of at least 100 head beforehand. The immediate object of this idea is to facilitate the sale of good stock for the smaller breeders, and the holding of such a sale at some convenient central point. New Westminster would ensure the assembling of a large concourse of buyers, the secondary advantages being that such a meeting widely advertised would greatly stimulate the interest in pure bred stock, and in this case he hoped would result in the formation of a live stock association, which should prove of direct and mutual benefit to the stock dealers of the province generally.

WEATHER BULLETIN. Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, Jan. 16, 5 a. m.—A heavy storm developed last night on the Vancouver Island and Washington coast, the barometer falling to a minimum below 29 inches, and a fresh southerly gale prevailing on the Strait and outside waters. Snow fell at Barkerville, Kamloops and in Eastern Oregon, and also on the inland higher levels, and heavy rain-fall has again occurred in nearly all parts of the Pacific states. In the North West the weather is fair and much colder, with occasional snowfall. Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Southerly and westerly winds, colder, with occasional rain or snow. Lower Mainland—East to south winds, mostly cloudy and colder, with occasional rain or snow. Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.12; temperature, 25; minimum, 20; wind, 24 miles E.; rain, .16; weather, rain. New Westminster—Barometer, 29.14; temperature, 26; minimum, 20; wind, 5 miles E.; rain, .14; weather, rain. Nanaimo—Wind, calm; weather, cloudy, sleeting. Kamloops—Barometer, 29.22; temperature, 22; minimum, 25; wind, calm; snow, .02; weather, cloudy. Barkerville—Barometer, 29.46; temperature, 6; minimum, 4; wind, calm; snow, .10; weather, cloudy. San Francisco—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, 54; minimum, 54; wind, 22 miles E.; rain, .14; weather, rain. Edmonton—Barometer, 29.76; temperature, 14 below; minimum, 14 below; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, clear. To-night Rev. Dr. Campbell, First Presbyterian church, will be the speaker at the evangelistic meeting in the James Bay Methodist church. All are welcome.

Prescriptions. When we dispense your prescription it is just what your doctor intended it should be. Our prices are moderate. Let us fill your prescription. John Cochrane, Chemist. N. W. COR. YATES AND DOUGLAS STREETS. Our Increasing Sales of Voonia Ceylon Tea. PROVE ITS INTRINSIC VALUE. 4-LB. LEAD PACKETS, lb. 25c. 1-LB. LEAD PACKETS, lb. 50c. 5-LB. LEAD LINED BOXES, box \$2.25. Try it on our Recommendation. THE West End Grocery Company. Government Street, Opposite Weller Bros. Phone 58.

Cove Oysters. 3 Tins for 25c. AT THE Windsor Grocery Company, Opposite Post Office, Government Street.

ELECTRIC COOKING. THE OLD TROUBLE ABOUT THAT TASTY HOT SUPPER IS ENTIRELY REMOVED IF YOU POSSESS ONE OF OUR ELECTRICALLY HEATED CHAFING DISHES, EITHER WITH OR WITHOUT PORCELAIN LINING. NO BOTHER WITH THE STOVE; JUST SWITCH ON THE CURRENT, YOU CAN COOK RIGHT ON THE TABLE. WE SHALL BE DELIGHTED TO SHOW YOU THESE DISHES AND OTHER ELECTRIC COOKERS. HINTON ELECTRIC CO., LD. 29 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR BIG BARGE FOR CARRYING CARGO FROM THE MAINLAND. Vessel to be Built in Yard of Victoria Machinery Depot of This Port. The Victoria Machinery Depot in this city were yesterday awarded the contract by the E. & N. Railway Company for building a large barge for the carrying of freight cars between Vancouver and Ladysmith. The price agreed upon is in the neighborhood of \$50,000. Tenders for the work were received from a number of shipbuilding firms—a Victoria and Vancouver, and that bidding was extremely keen may be inferred from the fact that between the successful company and its closest rival in the competition for the undertaking there was but \$800.

IN THE LEGISLATURE. Kalen Island Deal Attracts Great Interest—New Bill Coming Up. In the legislature this afternoon the debate on the address will be continued. The first to take part will be Charles Munro, who is recognized as one of the most finished speakers in the House, and who on account of his fairness and ripe judgment, is always listened to with marked attention by both sides. Interest continues to centre about the Kalen Island grant made by the government to the Grand Trunk Pacific as a townsite. Members on both sides of the House seem to regard the transaction with the greatest suspicion, and await the return of the additional papers which have been called for by John Oliver. This has opened the question as to whether the terminus will eventually be at Kalen Island or not. The officials of the Grand Trunk Pacific in the east have never yet admitted that the place is absolutely settled. Incidentally it may be worthy of note that E. G. Russell, of this city, who is supposed to be the representative of the Grand Trunk Pacific on the coast, went north by the Tees last evening. What Mr. Russell's mission is has not been announced, and it is a question of some interest whether this trip is not made in connection with the terminus matter. The notices of motion appearing on the order paper includes the following: By R. L. Drury on Wednesday next to move: That an order of this House be granted for a return of all letters or telegrams that have passed between the government of British Columbia and the Dominion government since the passing of the "Songhees Reserve Act, 1905," relating to the said Songhees Indian reserve, or the removal of the Indians therefrom. J. R. Brown on Wednesday next will ask the chief commissioner of lands and works: 1. What amount was spent in Green-Riding from January 1st, 1905, to January 1st, 1906, on roads, trails and bridges? 2. What amount was paid to Joseph Wilmshurst, Jr., road foreman, during the same period? John Oliver on Wednesday next will ask the chief commissioner of lands and works: 1. Has the government issued crown grants of lands at Kitimat to A. I. Church, T. M. Magnusen or M. E. Oliver, for lands at Kitimat? The Socialist members have got to work early in introducing legislation. J. H. Hawthorthwaite yesterday brought in his bill to extend to women the franchise. Another bill introduced by him proposes to reduce the deposit for candidates for election to the legislature to \$50. Mr. Hawthorthwaite will this afternoon introduce a bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act by making it compulsory that candidates for a mine manager's certificate shall take an examination in ambulance work, whereby they will be able to render first assistance to injured miners. Equipment for this purpose are also proposed for every mine to be furnished by the owners. Parker Williams proposes to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act by increasing the amount capable of being recovered to \$2,500, instead of \$1,000 as at present, and also to make other changes relative to compensation. The attorney-general is busy also with amendments, and proposes to introduce to-morrow a bill to render ineligible as members of the legislative assembly persons accepting or holding offices, contracts or employment under the Dominion government. He proposes also to consolidate and revise the Land Registry Act and the Municipal Clauses Act, and also to amend the Small Debts Act and the Companies Act, so as to provide for the registration of companies mortgages. John Houston is not in the city at present, having gone to Nelson to take part in the civic elections. The law clerk of the House this session is C. K. Courtenay, of this city.

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Ottawa, Jan. 16.—The proposition which British Columbia has submitted to Ottawa regarding the fisheries and the taking over of the provincial fisheries by the Dominion will likely find favor with the conference of all provinces to deal with the outstanding questions between themselves and the Dominion. BURNED TO DEATH. (Special to the Times). Vancouver, Jan. 16.—Mrs. J. W. Currell, Drake street, was fatally burned in a fire at her house early to-day. MARSHALL FIELD DEAD. (Associated Press). New York, Jan. 16.—Marshall Field died at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

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During the past few weeks large numbers of visitors have arrived from Manitoba and the Northwest. A close examination of the registers of the foreign birth stations will show that an average of between 15 and 25 arrive daily. This is a striking evidence of the beneficial result of the extensive advertising crusade carried on by the Victoria Tourist Association. The secretary, H. Cuthbert, states that he is constantly receiving applications for accommodation in the comfortable boarding houses, most of the arrivals from the prairie provinces preferring the privacy of such places to the ordinary hotels. The majority also intend to spend the winter here, thus escaping the intense cold which prevails throughout the interior. For these reasons Mr. Cuthbert wishes all those having rooms to leave their addresses with him at his offices, Fort street. MAN AND WOMAN SHOT. Were Wounded by a Man For Whom the Police Are Now Searching. 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CONCERT. A Vocal and Instrumental Concert Will Be Given in Christ Church Cathedral. SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM, ON Friday, Jan. 19th, 8 p. m. Tea will be served at the close of the concert. Admission, 25 cents. Proceeds in aid of Missions. South Ward. A meeting of the South Ward candidates for Aldermen will be held at South Park Schoolhouse to-night at 8 o'clock.

ALL KINDS OF HAIR WORK. Made to Order at MRS. G. KOSCHE'S Hairdressing Parlor, 55 Douglas St. EX "PING-SUEY." Hubuck's Genuine English White Lead. In 28lb. Kegs. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. PETER McQUADE & SON, 75 WHARF STREET. legislature for his paper during the present session of the House. Wm. Sloan, M. P. for Comox-Alton, arrived in the city by to-day's train, and will remain over for the ball at Government House to-night. He intends to return to Nanaimo to-morrow. D. M. Lineham, M. D., of Dauphin, Man., and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Roper, of Kamloops, are registered at the Dryad hotel. Francis A. Thomson, son of J. A. Thomson, inspector of boilers, arrived after spending a few days in the city, left last evening for Goldfields, Nev. Stuart Mannel, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion hotel. I. Macintosh, D. Macintosh and Geo. A. Fraser, of Grand Forks, are registered at the King Edward hotel. A. E. Ashcroft, of Vernon, is at the New England. Dr. Reynolds, proprietor of the Ladysmith Ledger, is visiting the city. He is registered at the Dryad hotel.

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