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In addition to the direct losses from the late fire, which obliterated our office and printing plant, together with the business establishments of several other citizens, that disastrous event has had the natural effect of temporarily disorganizing our business in every respect, and with our curtailed office conveniences, it has been found impossible to get monthly accounts, etc., out with our usual regularity. Under all the circumstances, we shall regard it as a favor if those who are indebted to us for subscription, advertising or job work, especially those who may have running accounts for any length of time, will endeavor to promptly settle the same and thus relieve us of the almost inevitable stringency which such an occasion as the present superinduces. With every faith in the future outlook of the royal city and its environment, we are sparing no expense nor trouble in putting in such a newspaper and job outfit as will enable us to give our readers, our advertisers, and the public generally a considerably better service than they have ever had before. Forward is our motto, not backward; this we conceive to be the spirit and unmistakable tendency pervading this city and district as well as the province at large, and, relying upon this conviction and our determination, which has ever been our endeavor to keep well abreast of the times, and if possible do credit to our immediate consistency, we confidently appeal to our readers and the general public to give us all the reasonable assistance and encouragement in their power. We promise that it will not be thrown away.

SPAKING OF THE Behring Sea question, a Halifax journal, representing Conservative views, says: "If Great Britain fails to do her part, nothing will be left to the Canadian sealers but to raise a fund and fit out their vessels with effective weapons of self-defence. When blood has once been spilt, Great Britain may be aroused from the lethargy which has seized upon her statesmen." This, as an exchange remarks, is about equivalent to proposing a declaration of war. British Columbians are the ones who have suffered most from the high-handed, and as yet unchecked, actions of the American authorities in Behring Sea, and British Columbians are a proverbially long-suffering people. Nevertheless, their forbearance must be tested too severely. Much loss resulted last year to our sealers engaged in the legitimate prosecution of their calling, and it is to be hoped, in the interests of justice, fair play and the maintenance of cordial relations between the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon people, that the British government will be able to spare the time from its other more or less important occupations and arrive at a definite and indisputable understanding with the Washington authorities on this really momentous question, before another season shall have been marred and possibly serious results precipitated, by a toleration of the provoking piratical farce carried on by so-called American cruisers last year being again resumed in the open waters of Behring Sea.

The ghost mysteries which gained so much notice from some of the eastern papers a short time ago are gradually reaching a solution. The Toronto Mail says: "It has been discovered that the St. John, N.B., ghost was the result of an over-indulgence in spirits on the part of the lady who saw the apparition. The Pontiac ghost was the production of a neighbor, and a new spook, recently reported to have appeared in a Quebec church, was in reality a man in an epileptic fit. In future all ghost stories should be accompanied by a bushel of salt." It must be a great relief for the erstwhile ghost-ridden east to have discovered a satisfactory and perfectly natural explanation for each of its harrowing and apparently supernatural manifestations. The "bushel of salt" recipe suggested by the Mail is a very pertinent one. It might be as well, too, for the future to put all ghost stories in a strong pickle of brine until they lose some of their "freshness" before springing them upon an unsuspecting public. We congratulate our eastern friends on the fact that they can now breathe freely for a season and devote themselves to their usual heroic winter sports, varied by the healthful excitement of an occasional parliamentary or legislative matinee.

A PETITION has been forwarded to the department of the interior, says an eastern Canadian contemporary by the settlers of the Battleford, N. W. T. district protesting against the action of the federal gov-

ernment in setting apart large reservations of hay lands and wood lots for the use of the Indians: The settlers say that to limit the area of hay lands available for the use of farmers and stock raisers in the manner proposed will greatly discourage settlement; and that they have at present much difficulty in obtaining their winter supplies of fodder. With respect to the necessities of the Indians, it is contended that the present reserves are sufficient for them, and that to lock up more lands would be grossly unjust to white settlers. Referring to Mr. Dewdney's proposal to create reserves of hay lands, the Battleford Herald, a conservative paper, says that to tie up more hay land for Indians than is really necessary is to throttle the stock raising industry in its infancy.

## CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Judge McConnell has rendered his decision on the motion of the attorneys for the defence for a new trial in the Cronin case. The verdict in all the cases but that of Kunz must stand. It is probable Kunz will be liberated in a few days.

Owing to the intense cold and scarcity of food, cattle, sheep and horses are dying in large numbers all over the cattle districts of Wyoming. Several men have been frozen to death.

Beautiful Kansas has been visited by a terrible blizzard, and great suffering has been caused thereby. A coal famine is threatened.

The latest advices from Rio de Janeiro state that on Dec. 18th a large number of imperialists went in a body to the public buildings, pulled down the republican flag and hoisted the imperial standard. The troops charged the crowd and several royalists were killed before the streets were cleared.

The Portuguese people are getting very warlike in temper, and the government is in a quandary how to act on the questions at stake with England. Absolute submission to England's demands would probably cause a revolution in Portugal.

Lord Cairns, better known as Viscount Garmoyne, is dead, aged 29 years.

A train on the Grand Trunk railway, near Richmond, P. Q., was blown from the track during a storm yesterday.

Henry M. Stanley and his party have arrived safely at Cairo.

The saucy Haytiens have insulted the British consul at Port au Prince, and the matter has been reported to Lord Salisbury. The Haytiens will be punished for their insolence unless full and speedy reparation is made.

Senhor Pimental has succeeded in composing a new Portuguese ministry, as follows: Premier and minister of the interior and ad-interim minister of war, Pimental; minister of justice, Loyronaz; minister of finance, Bianca; minister of marine, Arroyo; minister of foreign affairs, Ribeiro; minister of public works, Aronca.

The lord mayor of London and other British capitalists will apply for a charter for the Canadian Atlantic railroad, to extend from Quebec to Labrador. This road will connect with the Grand Trunk railroad and, in conjunction with a line of ocean steamers, will shorten the time of travel between Chicago and Liverpool by two days.

## SURREY MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

The nominations for reeve and councillors for the municipality of Surrey took place on Monday last, the 13th inst., at the town hall, Surrey Centre, and resulted as follows: For reeve, Jas. Punch, of Brownsville, and Jno. T. Morton, of Clayton. For councillors, ward 1, J. W. McCallum, a member of the retiring council, and Geo. W. Cann, both of Clayton; ward 2, Jno. Douglas, also a member of the retiring board, of Brownsville, and James Johnston, jr., of Mud Bay; ward 3, Jno. Armstrong, of Mud Bay; re-elected by acclamation; ward 4, Thos. Shannon and Edward Parr, of Clover Valley and Kensington Prairie respectively; ward 5, Wm. Brown, of Mud Bay, re-elected by acclamation. There will thus be contests for the reeveship and in wards 1, 2, and 4, one to be elected in each case. Polling will take place on Thursday (to-morrow), the 16th inst.

## A RUSHING TRADE.

The drug trade is having a run of business practically unexampled in the annals of the trade in this city. Patent medicines have sold by the bushel, especially those that modestly claim to cure only consumption, catarrh, sore throat, bronchitis, coughs, asthma, heaves, whooping cough, croup, laryngitis, pharyngitis, sneezing, hepatitis, laminitis, meningitis; and lay no unblushing claims to eradicate spavin, game legs, cock eyes or abnormal partition of the lamboidal commissure. Prescriptions have also flowed in by the score and each drug emporium has had plenty to do filling them. "It's an ill wind that blows nobody good." The humbler concomitants of the Esculapian art, viz. the undertaker and the grave digger are content to wait their turn, as they are sure from above statistics that business must improve very soon.

## AN AWFUL TRAGEDY.

The following despatch was received from Chilliwack last evening: A fearful tragedy occurred here last evening (Monday) between 4 and 6 o'clock, by which Edward Hall and John Segers lost their lives at the hands of George Rutherford, who afterwards took his own life. It appears that Rutherford had been despondent of late, owing, it is said, to a disappointment in a love affair. Yesterday evening he called at the residence of Burrows Irwin, where he generally got butter, accused him of having put something in his butter, and raised a knife, which he carried, saying: "I have shot John and Ned, they tampered with my food," and finally said, "You are a good man. I will go home now and shoot myself. If I don't I am sure to be hanged." Mr. Irwin gave the alarm and H. Webb and S. Knight proceeded to investigate. They found Hall lying dead between his house and the barn. He had been returning from feeding his stock. Segers was also dead, lying on the floor in his house. They then went in search of Rutherford and found his house vacant. On the table was his watch and purse containing \$10, some rifle cartridges, a lantern, beneath which was a letter addressed to "My dear friend Laidlaw." "I leave you everything. Take me just as I am. Put me in a box. Some of the boys have been in my house. Ned Hall put something in my food. The council owes me \$10 and seventeen rods of ditching. I hope God will forgive me. (Sgd.) George Rutherford." They found Rutherford's body in the barn lying on his back, his rifle between his knees and the top of his head blown off. The ball entered under the chin.

## A DASTARDLY DEED.

A few days ago a gentleman in the city who owns a fine hunting dog was going home up the hill, the dog running on before him some distance. The animal, as is natural to the canine family, ran up all the alleys and entrances, snuffing about in the ordinary manner. He had gone up an alley between two houses and disappeared from view a few minutes, when the gentleman was startled to hear the most agonizing shrieks and howls of pain, and a moment afterwards the dog rushed out of the passage and darted down the street as if the evil one were after him with a red hot poker. The owner of the dog at once saw that the poor brute had been scalded, and instantly ran to the rear of the buildings and asked the Chinamen in both houses what they had done to the dog. The two yellow fellows protested they had never seen the dog and had no "sahoy" of him; all the owner of the dog, expressing a burning desire to put a heat on both the Celestial outcasts, informed them in glowing, test-proof, double-barrelled high Dutch what he would do if he knew which of them did it, withdrew to seek his suffering friend. The dog was very badly scalded about the back and haunches, but a strong constitution and skilful nursing are restoring him to his wonted form.

## MAINLAND REPRESENTATION.

An influential meeting was held last night in Vancouver to discuss the question of Vancouver and mainland representation in the provincial and Dominion parliaments. After a general discussion of the situation the following resolutions were carried unanimously: "That this meeting form the nucleus of an association to be called the Mainland Association, for the purpose of protecting mainland interests and for obtaining fair representation in both the Dominion and provincial houses for the mainland of British Columbia."

"That a provisional committee, consisting of seven members, with power to add to their number, be appointed to carry out the purposes of the association, and that voluntary subscriptions be solicited to defray the necessary expenses."

The following gentlemen were elected as members of such provisional committee: Dr. Whetham, Messrs. T. Dunn, A. St. G. Hamersley, J. W. Horne, W. F. Salisbury, R. G. Tatlow, C. D. Rand, and H. H. Hirschberg, the latter to act as secretary. A considerable sum was subscribed in the meeting, which then adjourned.

## THE QUEEN'S HOTEL.

Mr. H. G. Walker, the new proprietor of that fine hostelry, the Queen's hotel, has secured the services of Mr. Alex. Matheson, well known in this city and to the travelling public generally throughout the province, who will act as manager under the order of things just inaugurated. Mr. Matheson has been before the public for several years as proprietor and manager of the leading hotel in Kamloops, where he was ever popular, and better still a most successful manager. Under the new management the Queen's hotel is sure to be a most popular stopping place, and its fine appointments make it one of the most comfortable and home-like establishments in the province.

15 PER CENT OFF FOR CASH AT GRANT & MACLUR'S BOOT AND SHOE STORE. "tc

Room I, Bank Building, is the temporary office of THE COLUMBIAN. "tc

**LOCAL ITEMS IN BRIEF.**

Potatoes have gone up alarmingly in price. Rev. H. Irwin and bride arrived home yesterday afternoon.

Reports from the upper country state that hay is becoming scarce.

**SPECIAL BARGAINS IN REMNANTS AT THE GLOBE HOUSE.**

The Bushby block will be finished and ready for occupation in a few days.

The thermometer registered 34° above zero to-day and the barometer 29.22.

Last night's storm effectually quenched the smouldering debris on the site of the late Columbia street fire.

Mr. P. McTiernan, Indian Agent, was yesterday attacked by the influenza and was forced to take to bed. We hope to see him about again, as well as ever, in a few days.

Fortunately the books, papers and other valuables had been removed from Port & Co's warehouse some time before the wreck. Nothing of any great value was destroyed.

The motion to quash the by-law honoursing the Victoria, Saanich & Westminister railway came up before the chief justice on Monday, at Victoria, and was adjourned till to-morrow.

One common pattern drunk paid \$5. bail to appear in court this morning to explain why. The cash has been duly entered in the police station ledger on account of the culprit's non appearance.

A very large and interesting meeting of the B. C. Fruit Growers Association was held at Vancouver yesterday. The president's report covered the ground very fully, and was adopted. The meeting is still in session.

The present snow will make it necessary to replace certain parts of the Columbia st., sidewalk when spring comes. They were rotten enough before, but the snow has effectually completed their term of usefulness.

Last night's blizzard in many cases undid the work of yesterday's snow shovellers. Even some of the roofs which had been cleanly shovelled off, contained nearly as much snow this morning as they did after the storm of Monday.

The main timbers for Mr. P. Biledean's projected hotel are being laid on the ground. From all accounts the new hostelry will be worthy of Westminister's rapid strides, and under the management of Mr. Biledean will be sure to be a great success.

A gentleman who was in the city to-day states that the snow storms experienced at Nanaimo lately were the severest ever seen in that locality. Some residents formerly of Nanaimo say these snow tornadoes equalled any they had witnessed on the plains.

Dog owners will have an opportunity to exchange "onomatopoeic falsettos" with the tax collector in a short time. It is about this time that people don't say "love me, love my dog." This, of course, is so "self demonstrative as to be almost axiomatic."

The directory man is around town. Several very severe frights have to be chalked up as having been given by him to nervous people who took him to the poll tax collector as he entered with his portentous looking note book in hand and his bland "good morning."

Dr. Fagan after curing innumerable cases of la grippe type, at last succumbed to the disease, and has been laid up with it for three days. The doctor is recovering rapidly and will be able to treat all cases of influenza from rugged experience when he resumes attention to the sick list.

Some heavy drifts are reported on the railroad line between this city and Port Moody. The locomotive snow plough, however, cut through them with ease. A large gang was kept busy to-day on the track between Sapperton and the city. The snow makes lots of work for the section hands.

The two collapses of buildings in the city yesterday on account of the snow had a good effect in inducing others to get up on their loaded roofs and shift the burdens from them to the side walks and back yards. These lessons in the strength of building materials come high in price, but it does seem as if we had to have them.

The river below the city is free of ice, and if steamships will head to land here they could do so without difficulty. The ice opposite the city is rotten and spongy, and so weak that an ordinary row boat could almost cut a way through it. It is reported that there is a little ice near Ladners, probably the same quality as the above.

The annual general meeting of the B. C. Rifle Association was held Monday evening in Victoria. Colonel Wolfenden occupied the chair and Capt. Quinan acted as secretary. Owing to the absence of the secretary, who is out of town on business, and the indisposition of the treasurer, the meeting was adjourned to Monday evening, the 27th inst.

The nominations at Maple Ridge on Monday resulted as follows: For reeve, W. J. Harris and John Hinch. For councillors—Ward 1, Thomas Haney (elected by acclamation); ward 2, Joseph Stevens (by acclamation); ward 3, Robert Blake, Hector Ferguson and Daniel Docksteader; ward 4, Wm. Isaac and John McIvor; ward 5, John Callaghan and John McKenny.

"You should say epidemic, not epizootic," remarked a purist yesterday to a friend. "Why, what's the difference?" enquired the latter. "Well, one's correct and the other isn't, that's all," said the purist. "Well, epizootic's good enough for me," retorted the friend. "Probably, probably," sarcastically responded the purist, "it means a general disease among animals and you ought to know."

The nominations for Richmond, held yesterday, were as follows: Reeve: J. W. Sexsmith and W. H. London. Councillors: Ward A—J. T. Errington and W. F. Stewart, elected by acclamation. Ward B—B. W. Garratt and Geo. E. Magee, elected by acclamation. Ward C—W. H. Steves, James Whiteside and John Blair. Polling will take place at the Town Hall, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. to-morrow.

A San Francisco despatch says: "Thaddeus Harper was to-day made defendant in six suits filed in the superior court, based on judgments rendered by the supreme court of British Columbia. The aggregate amount of judgments is nearly \$200,000. Plaintiffs are Henry S. Mason, the British Columbia Land and Investment Agency, Canadian Pacific Land and Mortgage Company, John Cameron and John McCully."

Capt. Pittendrigh received a letter yesterday morning from his son at Osoyoos who is manager of the most extensive cattle ranch in the Osoyoos district. Mr. Pittendrigh states that the thermometer has averaged 2° below zero since the present wintry weather set in; there is plenty of snow in the ranges, but the weather is very enjoyable, the cattle being in the best of condition. He anticipates a prosperous season when the spring opens.

It was something like a Northwest blizzard that struck the Royal City last night. The snow fell in small dry particles, and was blown with such force by the wind that the faces of persons breathing the storm were stung by them in a very uncomfortable manner. The roads in the upper portion of the city were drifted over, and all tracks made by the snow-plough yesterday were obliterated. The gale lasted all night and continued this morning, and although very little snow fell, the storm is the greatest that has visited this section in years.

**MORE OF LA GRIPPE'S WORK.**

The premier had engaged to meet the settlers of Comox on Thursday evening for the purpose of discussing with them the wants of that important district, and had, with that view, gone the length of engaging a state room on the Isabel; but that inexorable tyrant, la grippe, has, at the last moment, stepped in and vetoed the arrangement—not by laying an injunction upon the premier in person, but by disabling those whose indisposition renders his absence from the capital just now impossible. We need hardly assure our friends in Comox that it is with extreme regret Mr. Robson is thus placed under the necessity of disappointing them.—[Colonist.]

**THE McLAREN-ROSS MILLS.**

Work in connection with the McLaren-Ross lumber mills is progressing very rapidly. The iron work of the burner is complete and now reaches a height of 145 feet above the ground. It is the largest burner of the kind in the world. For a distance of 70 feet inside the burner will be bricked, and work on this will commence as soon as the weather is favorable. Two of the engines have been set up and four of the boilers are in place. More machinery is expected daily. Since the commencement of this gigantic work, in which a very large number of men have been employed, not a single accident has occurred.

**ELECTION EXPENSES.**

Detailed statement of the election expenses of Thos. Cunningham, at the election held at New Westminster November 25th, 1889:

Printing (Columbian) . . . . .	\$147 58
Printing (Truth) . . . . .	37 50
Shorthand report . . . . .	5 00
Gas bill . . . . .	2 65

Total . . . . . \$192 73

J. C. ARMSTRONG, Agent.

New Westminster, B. C., Jan. 12th, 1890. j15w1

**"LAND REGISTRY ACT."**

LOT NO. 12, BLOCK XXII, AND LOT NO. 21, BLOCK XXVIII, CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

A certificate of indefeasible title to the above mentioned hereditaments will be issued to Alexander Coutts on the 11th day of January, 1890, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to the undersigned in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest in said hereditaments or some part thereof.

T. O. TOWNLEY,  
Deputy Registrar.

Land Registry Office,  
New Westminster, 7th October, 1889. j15w1



**EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RECEIVING TENDERS.**

The time for receiving tenders for the Pile Work Extension to the Wharf at the Custom House in the City of Victoria, B. C., is hereby extended to the 1st March next.

Plans and specifications can be seen, and forms of tender procured at this Department, Ottawa, at the Agency of this Department, Victoria, and at the Post Offices, Vancouver and Nanaimo.

WM. SMITH,  
Deputy Minister of Marine.

Department of Marine,  
Ottawa, Canada, 24th Dec., 1889. j15

**TENDERS WANTED.**

Tenders will be received by the undersigned, at the City Hall, up to MONDAY, 20th inst., at 6 p. m., for the erection of a fire hall. Plans and specifications may be seen at the City Clerk's office.

H. HOY,  
Chairman B. of W.

New Westminster, Jan. 14th, 1889. 5t



[L. S.] HUGH NELSON.  
CANADA.

**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, etc., etc.

To One faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Thursday, the Sixth day of February, 1890, to have been commenced and held, and every of you—GREETING.

**A PROCLAMATION.**

THEODORE DAVIS, WHEREAS the meeting of the Attorney-general, Legislature or Parliament of the Province of British Columbia, stands called for Thursday, the Sixth day of February, 1890, at which time at Our City of Victoria, you were held and constrained to appear.

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents conjoin you, and each of you, that on THURSDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of JANUARY, 1890, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained, IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereto affixed: WITNESS, the Honorable HUGH NELSON, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this twenty-sixth day of December in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and in the fifty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command. JNO. ROBSON,  
Provincial Secretary.

**NOTICE.**

Notice is hereby given that the business formerly carried on under the name and style of Dickinson & Company has been this day sold to Caroline Matilda Dickinson and William Wright Dickinson, who will continue the business under the name and style of Dickinson & Company. All accounts due the late business must be paid forthwith to Mr. W. W. Dickinson for account of the executors of the late R. Dickinson, and all accounts due by the said business must be presented to Mr. W. W. Dickinson for payment by the said executors.

CAROLINE MATILDA DICKINSON,  
CHARLES E. WOODS,  
Executors Estate of the late R. Dickinson.  
New Westminster, B. C., Jan. 2nd, 1890. d1w

**NOTICE.**

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company to construct, operate and maintain a street railway in the City of New Westminster, and to acquire lands and do all things necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

Dated this 25th day of September, 1889.  
B. DOUGLAS,  
HENRY V. EDMONDS,  
For selves and others.

**WANTED.**

A boy 16 years old as an article clerk in a law office. Apply to box 240, New Westminster. j8d6t.

**NEW WESTMINSTER WATER WORKS.**

The time for receiving tenders for these works has been extended until noon of Saturday, 15th February, 1890.

D. ROBSON, City Clerk.  
New Westminster, B. C., Jan. 7th, 1890.  
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**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.**

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, carpenters, has been dissolved this day by mutual consent. All accounts owing the undersigned are to be paid to S. Turner, and all claims against the said firm are to be paid by him. EDGAR A. KIPP,  
S. J. TURNER.

S. TURNER will continue the business under his own name at the same shop on Main street, Centreville, opposite A. Kipp's harness shop. All kinds of wood-work done; satisfaction guaranteed.  
Chilliwack, Dec. 20, 1889. j3w3m

**NOTICE.**

A brown heifer has strayed on to the premises of the subscriber, on Melbourne street. The owner can have her by proving property and paying expenses. If not claimed within thirty days she will be sold to pay expenses. (j8d1m) A. J. GORDON.