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OUT-OF-WORKS IN TORONTO

Three Hundred March on City Hall and Ask for Employment.

TORONTO, Feb. 18.— Three hundred unemployed marched to the City hall yesterday and asked for work. They claimed that the labor bureau established by the city has not worked out properly, and that while regular men are given steady employment, men who registered at the labor bureau are ignored. Then were 2,800 men registered at the bureau waiting work. No promise of work was given.

HARNESSING NIAGARA DESTROYING SCENIC BEAUTY

British Expert Says That to Utilize The Power of Niagara Will Destroy Much Natural Beauty.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.— Dr. W. J. Spencer, the British scientist, commissioned by the Geological Survey of Canada, to investigate the Niagara Falls problem, discussed today the effect of the utilization of its waters by power plants upon its scenic beauty. At the instance of the American civic federation, Dr. Spencer has appeared before the house Rivers and Harbors committee and presented data concerning the petition of the Ontario Power Company for a franchise.

To develop this power would require forty thousand cubic feet of water per second, which Dr. Spencer contended is from twenty to twenty-five per cent. of the discharge of Niagara river and would greatly impair the characteristic of the whirlpool rapids lower the river bed up to the falls, break up the surface rock at the foot of the American falls and Goat Island, and thereby cause a more rapid recession of the horse shoe.

As the beginning of these rapids is marked by a rim over which the flow of water is already thin. the division of the water would destroy about 800 feet of flow on the eastern side of the great horseshoe and break up the American streams into separate streams. The total length of both falls would be contracted roughly from four thousand feet to sixteen hundred feet. This diversion of the water will produce a horseshoe, so that what remains will be entirely on the Canadian side of the boundary line."

He argued that the lowering of the water in the basin above the upper rapids would increase the slope of the river so that the surface of Lake Erie will be lowered by three feet which in turn would lower Lakes Huron and Michigan. Already with a parallel, Lake Erie has been lowered ten inches. This amount of lowering includes that of the Chicago canal which at present is taking five thousand cubic feet a second.

In connection with the calculation for repairing the harbors and canals by the United States engineers, it is calculated that to increase the depth of the Chicago canal over one foot would cost twelve million dollars.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Seattle, Feb. 19.—Because his wife threatened to secure a divorce from him, L. Asbury shot and killed her last night. He then turned the weapon upon himself and sent a bullet into his head.

BEACH LAND WORTH OVER $150 A TON

Ladysmith Men Stake and Lease Some Claims on Wreck Bay Which May Turn Out an Island Bonanza.

There are many legends about unknown El Dorados on Vancouver Island. From time to time articles appear in the American journals which speak of gold deposits known only to the native Siwash. Even with the Indians, the existence of the gold lives only as a tradition, handed down through the generations. Not long ago an American paper described an expedit on which was being fitted out under the guidance of Chief Good, of Nanaimo, designed to trace back some of the creeks to their source. The precious metal was said to be present in unheard of quantities, and the finders were to be richer than the fabled Monte Chris to, or any of the character creations of Haggard.

Nothing, of course, was known of the expedition locally; but the story opened out interesting speculative possibilities. It is just probable, however, that there may be an Island gold rush apart altogether from these Indian legends. Mr. Walter Myles and some half a dozen local associates have staked and registered some claims, which, if they bear out all their promises will assuredly produce a gold rush on the Island.

The claims are situate on the sea beach on Wreck Bay, in the Clayoquot Mining District. There is a sand bank one hundred feet high, and according to the discoverers, the whole bank is teaming with gold. It pans out at from 5 to 15 cents the pan, and Mr. Myles states that in all his experience of all kinds of gold mining, both in Colorado and in the North, he has never seen anything to equal it.

It is two or three months since Mr Myles last visited the claims, and he then brought a sample down with him. It certainly looked good and assayed better. Mr. Myles sent it to a reputable assay Company in Colorado and he has been in communication with the firm ever since. The results of the assay were so unprecedented that the firm were scarcely able to credit the data with which they were supplied.

There were three kinds of sand in the sample, namely beach sand, black sand, and ordinary sand. Reckoning gold as worth $20.00 the ounce, the assay revealed that the first would $104.40 to the ton, and the third, $8.80 cents to the ton. In all, therefore, a ton of the native material would represent a cash value of yield $43.20 to the ton, the second, $156.40. Nothing could add to the effect of these figures.

There are millions of tons of the raw material in the bank already alluded to, and if the trial pans are borne out, there is wealth beyond the dreams of avarice right at our doors.

The locality, says Mr. Myles, is ideal for mining. There is a plentiful supply of water, and no obstacles to the cleaning out of the gold.

Mr. Myles and his associates are in communication with a party of American capitalists, and a deal may be concluded any day. Of course, a visit will have to be made to the claims; but Mr. Myles is confident of the result. Altogether it is not too much to hope that a few months' time will see the inauguration of a gold boom on the western coast of the Island.

MEETING OF THE LEAGUE

Question of Electric Lights and Sidewalks Informally Discussed.

The regular meeting of the Citizen' League was held in the City Hall on Thursday. Dr. R. B. Dier presiding. The meeting was only moderately attended, and a report which was expected from the electric lighting committee was not forthcoming for the very sufficient reason that not a single member of the committee was present. The fact called forth some comment, and certainly it is of the utmost importance that the issue should be kept as much as possible before the people. It is also necessary that some reliable data should be obtained so that the cost of the lights to the consumer may be given as nearly as possible to the actual figure.

President Dier read a communication from the Hinton Electrical Company. A representative of this firm went over the city about two years ago for the purpose of submitting an estimate to the Council, so that they are in a position to quote for the needs of the town. They gave an estimate for a 2000 light plant in which they guaranteed all the appliances to be of the newest and most up-to-date kind. Their estimate places the cost of installation just over $23,000, If arc lamps were required for the streets $3,600 would need to be added to the total.

An informal discussion followed upon the reading of the communication the object of the speakers being to find out at what cost the lights could be supplied to the consumer in order to make the investment a profitable one. Of course, it was impossible to figure the matter satisfactorily with the data before the meeting, and it was generally felt that to instal a plant capable only of giving 2,000 lights would be a mistake.

Mr. G. Wilson pointed out that the Municipal Convention would be held in Nanaimo next week. Probably two delegates would be attending from their Council and they would make it their object to get all the information possible on the subject from the delegates of other cities. This information they could give the League at its next meeting.

There was some further informal discussion of the subject, Mr. Ward stating that what they should do was to apply for information from other cities of the same size as Ladysmith that already possessed an electric lighting system. They could learn not only the cost of installing the plant, but the expenses of operating it, and everything connected with it. With the data before them they could not get any further ahead than they were.

Mr. Wilson then brought up a suggestion which was made by Mr. W. Jones at the last meeting of the League. This was the laying of two sidewalks right up High Street and Roberts Street, so that people living up the hill could get down town without trailing through slush and mud. All the money the city had expended on Street work had been devoted to improving the roads for horses and teams, and it was time the people received some consideration.

Ald. Haworth wanted to know if it were practicable to lay sidewalks up these streets. Was there a street in the town that was fit to walk on when there was snow or ice? Why, even where there were wooden sidewalks the people took to the streets.

Mr. Ward said that though he was in the lumber business he was not in favor of wooden sidewalks. He favored cement, and the little bit in front of his property was, he considered the best sidewalk in the town.

Mr. J. E. Smith did not consider the subject one of sufficient importance to be discussed by the League. He was not sure that it came within their province anyway. He thought they could leave the matter to the Council to attend to.

Mr. J. McLennan differed from this view. It was all right for a person who lived down town to talk like that. It was a different matter for those who lived up the hill. The children had to wade through mud and slush to get to school and get down town. So also had their mothers when business called them down town. Sidewalks were badly needed.

Mr. Wilson also thought that human beings were more entitled to consideration than horses and certainly it was time a passable road into town was made for pedestrians.

Mr. Ward thought that perhaps too much was made of the grievances of people living up the hill. It was absolutely necessary that the main arteries of a town should be finished first. He thought the suggestion given by the Standard was a good one. Let the Council formulate a general scheme of improvements and carry it out even if it lookedHHHH carry it out even if it took ten years to complete. The result would be more satisfactory than doing a little here and a little there and finishing nothing. A great mistake had been made in the first place in not having the houses on the various streets built on a fixed level. However that could not be altered now, but they would achieve more satisfactory results with the improvements they were making if they adopted a general plan and scheme for the whole town.

The meeting then adjourned.

BIG LOCOMOTIVE DERAILED

Meddler With Switch Throws Engine Off the Track and Stops the Mines From Working.

The mine was idle unexpectedly on Thursday. The night train pulled out at 10 o'clock on Wednesday night and was derailed at the switch. Someone had interfered with the switch, so it is alleged, with the result that the big locomotive was thrown right across the track.

It was impossible to get the cars up to the mine, and the men on the afternoon shift were brought down on flat cars. It was then found that it would not be possible to get the locomotive on to the rails in time for the morning shift, so there was no other option than to lay the mine idle. And all this because some one chose to meddle with a switch.

KUROPATKIN SHOULD BE IN STOESSEL'S PLACE.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 21. — The passing of the death sentence yesterday by court martial on Gen. Stoessel, who was tried on charges of cowardice and treason in surrendering Port Arthur to the Japs, was read with little satisfaction in the Russian capital.

There it is felt that Generals Stoessel, Folk, Reiss and Smornoff did practically nothing toward establishing the real responsibility for the fall of the fortress. The court indeed decided the extent of the guilt of Stoessel and the others, but it neglected to judge the system of which they were the product. They declined to admit the testimony regarding the preparedness of the fortress at the beginning of the war; she roll in the defence of a marine stronghold, and other underlying factors in the humiliation of Russia.

The newspapers today express sympathy with Gen. Stoessel, and that the sentence undoubtedly would be commuted. They demand also that Gen. Kuropatkin, Viceroy Elexief and other officers still more intimately responsible for the loss of the war, be placed on trial.

NO INTERNATIONAL COLLEGIATE HOCKEY.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 21.— It was stated by the Yale Athletic authorities today that there would be no international hockey game this year between the Yale team, the winners of the United States intercollegiate championship, and the seven from the University of Toronto, There has been some talk of a meeting between these two teams to decide the intercollegiate championship of North America, but Yale's team has gone off training and will not play again this season.

THE K. OF P. ANNIVERSARY

Successful Dance Given in the Opera House Last Evening.

The local K. of P. Lodge celebrated the fourty-fourth anniversary of the order last night by a dance and supper in the opera house. The hall was prettily decorated in red, white and blue colors, the walls and roof being daintily draped and festooned. Flags and Chinese lanterns added to the effect, the work being carried out with the true artistic taste that distinguishes all that Roedding does in the color line. The floor also was in splendid condition, and, with the best of music from the Ladysmith orchestra, under Mr. F. G. Ashron's leadership, the dancers had a fine time.

The grand march was set for nine o'clock sharp and up till two o'clock in the morning the floor was constantly engaged. About thirty couples were present, so that there was no crushing.

A splendid supper was served by the Pythian Sisters. The latter have made a reputation with their cuisine work and certainly they made good last night again. There was enough and to spare of everything, and everything was of the best. The dance was both a financial and a social success and all there enjoyed themselves.

ICE IN COAL MINE CAUSES DESTRUCTION

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 21. — While ten miners were being lowered into the stanton of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Co., today a large body of ice in the shaft fell striking the hood of the cage, demolishing it. Two of the ten men were killed outright and one died on the way to the hospital. Three others it is believed will die of their injuries.

MOTOR WORKS IN OHIO GO UP IN FLAMES.

DAYTON, Ohio, Feb. 21.— The plant of the Dayton Motor Car Co., with contents were destroyed by fire early today. The loss is estimated at $200,000, covered by insurance.

The fire is supposed to have been due to spontaneous combustion. The flames made rapid progress and the entire local department battled for many hours before subduing them. Ten new unfinished autos, valued at three thousand dollars each were consumed.

THE LONGBOAT-OLYMPIC CONTROVERSY.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—Referring to the threatened withdrawal of the American team from the Olympic games if Tom Longboat enters, Deputy Chief Stark, who is a member of the Olympic committee for Canada, said it would be time enough for protest to be taken when Longboat is chosen, if he qualifies as a competitor. The Olympic Committee is responsible to the English Committee for the amateur standing of all competitors sent and the Canadian Committee is absolutely sure of their ground before the letting of Longboat or anybody else go.

Stark added, with some emphasis that Canadians were not interfering in any way with what the United States committee was doing.

DEATH OF MRS. JACKSON

Respected Resident Passes Away with Tragic Suddenness on Thursday Morning.

The death occurred with startling suddenness in the early hours of Thursday morning of Mrs. Margaret Jackson. The deceased had never quite recovered from the shock of her son's death in the Nanaimo hospital some two months ago. Still she appeared to be in her usual health and was able to attend to her house work. She was all right on retiring to bed on Wednesday evening, but was taken sick during the night. She called for adrink of water, which one of the boys procured for her, and afterwards she must have risen, for she was discovered seated in her chair, quite dead. The immediate cause of death was heart failure.

The deceased was well known both here and in Nanaimo, and the news of her sudden death caused a painful shock round town. She was a native of Scotland and in her 46th year and leaves behind her one daughter, Barbara, and three sons, George, Munro, and John. George and Munro are both grown up, but John is small, and the loss of the mother will fall most heavily on him.

The funeral will take place on Sunday morning under the auspices of the local Pythian Sisters, A service will be held in the family residence on Fourth Avenue, the Rev. Jas. McMillan officiating, and then the cortege will proceed to the depot in time to catch the noon train. From the Nanaimo depot the procession will proceed direct to the Nanaimo cemetery where the Rev. Millar will conduct the grave.side services.

MAURETANIA'S BULLETIN TELL OF RESCUE.

A graphic story of the Mauretania's first rescue at sea is published by the "Daily Bulletin," the newspaper printed on board the Cunard liner.

"On leaving New York," says the Mauretania's little newspaper, "we little thought we should have the happy experience of being the means of saving three lives from a watery grave. But so it happened. The barge Fall River, in company with two others, the Mantangas and Grafton, left Philadelphia in tow of the tug Concord bound for Fall River. Each of the barges was laden with coal from the Pennsylvania and Virginia coalfields.

"The weather was fine and promising, and a quick passage was expected to be made. The and its heavy tows had arrived off Point Judith close to their home port, when a storm suddenly arose from the northeast with heavy showers of thick snow. Towards night the wind increased in force and the sea rose. The weather became so bad that the tug was obliged to put back with its charges and run for shelter in Long Island Sound. But the snow fell faster and thicker as night advanced, and next morning, when the little fleet arrived off the Sound, they were unable to discern the land.

"Later, the stern barge, the Grafson, showed danger signals, and at 9 p.m. all the tow was adrift. The wind still blew hard from the northnortheast, with blinding squalls of snow; but it veered gradually to the northward with clearing weather. The pumps on the Fall River were kept at work until about 11 p. m., when a terrific sea broke aboard and smashed in the engine-room hatch, putting the pumping gear out of commission. The Fall River was then hopeless and at the mercy of the wind and sea and the men could do nothing but hand on to the sinking vessel throughout the night. At 3 o'clock next morning a huge sea carried away the rudder, which made matters worse. At 7:30 the crew decided to abandon their vessel and trust to the frail dory, and it was well they did, for just after they had jumped in the barge foundered and disappeared beneath the waves. Then commenced a struggle with the elements. The men pulled with all their might towards the land, but were repeatedly driven back. One steamer bound for the eastward passed them during the morning. In the afternoon their hearts bounded when they saw a large steamship coming along like an express train, and presently they concluded that she was the famous Mauretania.

"The officers of the watch on our good ship descried the little dory, and Captain Pritchard immediately bore down towards the boat Ropes were thrown to the dory, which was then hauled alongside as far as could be done with safety. Another rope—looped—was also thrown and two of the poor fellows, with the rope fastened round them, jumped from their boat, and were hauled aboard by willing hands, while the third made a successful leap to the ship's ladder.

"The rescue was effected amid the cheers of hundreds of the passengers and crew.

"It was all done in 20 minutes."

MUTUAL POLICY HOLDERS MAY RE-INSURE.

Toronto, Feb. 19— It is understood that negotiations are on for the re-insurance of policy holders in the Mutual Reserve Life of New York with the Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada.

While negotiations with the latter are not absolutely completed, it is believed that satisfactory arrangements will be made. It has been stated that the amount to be paid for reinsurance would be about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars There is now on deposit with the government about $265,000 and the Toronto general trust corporation hold an additional $75,000.

Ottawa, Feb. 18— The Earl of Ranfurley, who was governor and commander in chief in Nz from 1897 to 1904, arrived in Ottawa last evening and will be a guest of Earl Grey for a few days.

JOINS THE BIG MAJORITY

Mr. C. A. Sutherland, Free Press Editor Quietly Married on Wednesday Evening.

Nanaimo, Feb. 20.— The strange disappearance of Mr. C. A. Suther,and of the Free Press staff caused considerable alarm around this office today.

When the staff assembled for work this morning that gentleman was no where to be found, and a vigilant search conducted at all his known haunts failed to reveal his whereabouts.

Eventually it was learned that the news editor. tired of bearing the worries and responsibilities of newspaperdom, had taken unto himself a most excellent partner in the person of Miss Mable Shook, daughter of Mrs. A. J. Shook, of Commercial street, and one of the most popular young ladies of the city.

The wedding took place last night at the home of the bride's mother and was of the quietest nature, in fact the announcement of the marriage will come as a complete surprise to everyone.

Inspector E. G. Taylor tied the nuptial knot. Mrs. Fred. Clark, an old Vancouver schoolmate of the bride's, assisted her, while Mr. Hugh McMillan supported the groom through his pleasant.

The bride was gowned in cream brocade silk with velvet and pearl passementerie. Mrs. Clark was attired in a cream silk evlienne over cream taffeta trimmed with blue forget-me-nots.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland left on the Joan this morning for Vancouver and after a visit to Seattle will return to the city on Monday to take up residence on Victoria Road, in the house lately occupied by Mr. J. A. McAloney.

The entire staff extend congratulations to Mr. Sutherland and his estimable bride and wish they many years of prosperity and happiness.

The "Standard" man most heartily chimes in.

MORE ABOUT SIDEWALKS

Ladysmith, Feb. 21.

Editor Standard.

Reading the proceedings of the City Council of last Monday evening, it seems an impression has been created in the Council that I, as owner of the Stevens Block, desire the city to tear down and rebuild the sidewalk around said building.

Now, such is far from my wish. The sidewalk suits me as it is, and if it does not suit the city, it is up to the Council to do whatever they please with it. It is true I built it, and, in the language of one of the learned councillors, "asked nothing from the Council" (there was none that time) or anyone else. When the city was incorporated the sidewalks ("traps" and all) were taken over by it, and it is now up to the city to do as it sees fit with them.

Should the sidewalk be lowered, it would necessitate the expenditure of a few hundred dollars, on my part, to lower the building in conformity therewith, hence it suits me better as it is. I have always complied with the requests of the Council, when reasonable; for instance, in removing steps off the street in front of the Hotel Ladysmith, when such requests were ignored by others on the same street. I do not stand in the way of improvements. On the contrary, I am always willing to do my part, but no more.

Yours truly,

ANNIE STEVENS.

PORTUGUESE CAPITAL ON EDGE OF REVOLT

LISBON, Feb. 21.— The air is full of rumors of plots and counterplots. Some speak of increased revolutionary agitation among the republicans. others of the revival of Franco, others of a palace and barracks plot to establish a military dictatorship.

Oporto newspapers stated positively that the government has discovered a Francoist plot at the palace, and is prosecuting Counts Arnosos gnd Taronca and Major Jose Lobo, who are alleged to be leaders.

They declare however, that they will support the government if it continues its liberal policy and officials argue that the government will use all efforts to hold order and ensure respect for the constitution.

The unsettled state of the public mind is reflected in business conditions which are very bad. The exchange is showing a downward tendency.

DRASTIC REFORM.

Toronto, Feb. 19— The Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance which meets in annual convention in a few days, will demand of the Ontario government immediate enactment of the law abolishing bars and making the treating system a criminal offence.

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THE LIGHTING QUESTION.

The question of electric lights is just now very prominently before the citizens of Ladysmith. It is not, of course, a very exciting subject and chance to get at which the captain of rush of interest. Still, the fact that the question has been previously before the people is no reason why it should be regarded now as dead issue. Even if common sense have been turned down the vital importance to the town of a lighting system has in no degree diminished. Rather it has increased, for every year that has passed since the town was incorporated has more and more demonstrated the supreme necessity of a system of light to the town. And those who have grown faint hearted in the struggle should never forget that communities no less than individuals, and nations no less than cities are liable to change their opinions. There are one or two points in connection with the question that cannot be too often reiterated. They are fundamental and should be borne in mind by all who are interested in the welfare and development of the town.

The first point is that a city without lights is not only dark, but is a city without life, a city of darkness as necessarily a condition of stagnation. Darkness and progress are antagonistic terms. Where there is neither food nor water, where there is no life, there can be no progress. There can be no progress, no development, no expansion. Outsiders can only conclude that the people are content with things as they are, and that there are no prospects for growth or increase of the city. The second proposition is that the people of Ladysmith have to make up their minds for themselves whether they will have lights or do without them. The decision of Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Rossland, Revelstoke, Trail, Greenwood, Phoenix, Grand Forks, Cumberland, Fernie, Nelson, Kaslo, New Denver, Sandon, Slocan City, Enderby, Armstrong, Vernon, Kamloops, Golden, Donald, Revelstoke, Nelson, Cranbrook, Fernie, Michel, Moyie, Rossland, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Phoenix, Princeton, Penticton, Summerland, Peachland, Nanaimo, Ladysmith, Duncan, Victoria, Vancouver, Westminster, Revelstoke, Kamloops, Vernon, Kelowna, Salmon Arm, Armstrong, Enderby, Kaslo, Nelson, Trail

SPORTING NEWS

ENGLISH FOOTBALL.

The following are the positions of the clubs to February 1:

Division 1.

	W	L	D	Pts
Manchester United	18	3	2	38
Newcastle United	12	6	7	31
Sheffield Wednesday	14	8	2	30
Bury	10	3	7	27
Manchester City	7	7	6	26
Bristol City	9	8	7	25
Middlesbsough	9	10	7	25
Preston North End	8	9	9	25
Everton	10	9	4	24
Bolton Wanderers	10	12	3	23
Woolwich Arsenal	8	10	7	23
Notts County	8	11	7	23
Sheffield United	8	10	7	23
Liverpool	9	9	4	22
Aston Villa	7	9	8	22
Notts Forest	5	9	9	21
Chelsea	9	13	3	21
Birmingham	6	10	8	20
Blackburn Rovers	7	11	6	20
Sunderland	8	14	3	19

Division II.

	W	L	D	Pts
Derby County	15	4	4	34
Bradford City	15	5	4	34
Oldham Athletic	15	6	2	32
W. Bromwich Alb.	13	5	6	32
Fulham	14	7	3	31
Hull City	14	9	2	30
Burnley	11	7	6	28
Leicester Fosse	10	6	7	27
Wolverhampton Wan.	10	8	7	27
Stoke	11	10	3	25
Stockport County	8	9	7	23
Leeds City	8	11	5	21
Clapton Orient	8	10	5	21
Gainsborough	8	11	6	21
Barnsley	8	11	4	20
Glossop	6	12	4	16
Chesterfield	3	12	8	14
Grimsby Town	5	15	4	14
Blackpool	3	14	7	13
Lincoln City	5	18	1	11

FOOTBALL.

Here is an instance of the surprises of football: Manchester United, head of the first division in the English League, was defeated on Saturday by Blackburn Rovers, nineteenth team in the league by a score of 2 to 1.

MAUD S. THE BEST TROTTER

CLEVELAND, Feb. 15.—A well-known horseman, after asking the question, "What was the greatest event in the history of the harness horse world?" answers the query by saying: "The crown belongs to Maud S., 2:08¾, the peerless chestnut mare which, driven by Blair, stepped her record mile over the Cleveland Driving Park track at Glenville, Ohio, July 30, 1885.

"It is true that faster miles—far faster—have been trotted since that memorable day. But no horse ever duplicated the feat of the chestnut daughter of Harold.

"Lou Dillon pulled a high-wheel sulky over the same course in 2:05, and the feat was hailed as marvellous. Why, Maud S.'s record had been shattered.

"But investigation revealed that the silly circus were equipped with roller bearings. And the California trotter was paced by a runner in front, drawing a sulky to which was attached a dirt shield.

"So, while the 2:08¾ which for years hung over the main entrance of the Glenville track, was replaced by 2:05, the feat of twenty-two years ago was not overshadowed, and to this day I believe horsemen consider that mile flight of Maud S. the greatest event in the harness horse world."

THE PEOPLE'S SHIELD AGAIN

Vancouver, Feb. 19. —A letter to Dr. Ings, of Calgary, from W. T. Madge, of London, reads as though the People's Shield competition for 1908 will be played in the Alberta city.

Dr. Ings, who wrote to W. T. Madge of "The People," who are the ones who out up the shield which the Caledonians won at Winnipeg last year, received a reply from him a few days ago which looks like a triumph for Calgary. There has been quite a controversy as to whether the shield would be played for in Calgary or here, and at times it looked as though Vancouver had won, but the letters from Mr. Madge puts a somewhat different face on the matter and now again prospects are bright that the games will be played in Alberta during the Dominion Fair. The letter is as follows:

George A. Ings, Esq.

Dear Sir,—I received your letter of the 10th inst., and may say at once that there is much force in your argument that the next competition be held in Calgary, indeed, under ordinary circumstances the challenger should of course go to the challenged, but I would have you remember that our object in giving the shield was to foster football throughout the Dominion, and that is best attained by changing the venue as often as possible. Moreover, the relative importance of the various districts must be considered and take it that Vancouver would be a much more populous centre than Calgary. Still, in view of the strong case you have put before me, if the exhibition you refer to is to take place in Calgary, could not the competition take place in Calgary during the exhibition? If that could be arranged possibly Vancouver would wait until the year following.

Whilst I make this suggestion, I do not, of course, wish to interfere unduly with the discretion of the trustees who, I understand, are Mr. Chipman, of the Hudson's Bay Company, Mr. Thompson, of the New York Life office, and Mr. Parker. Mr. Parker is in London at the present moment but is just leaving for Canada, and I have recommended my views to him. With reference to the indifference and want of proper supervision by the trustees at Winnipeg referred to by you, it certainly is regrettable. Evidently the body of trustees wants strengthening and I would suggest that as you evidently take such a strong interest in the sport you should become a trustee. I will mention this to Mr. Parker, and if you join that body I trust you will be able to arrange the locale of various annual competitions in a manner satisfactory to the various committees, and which will realise the object in giving the shield, namely, that football may be fostered throughout the Dominion, and with that object the competition for the shield should practically circulate all over the country. Yours truly,

(Signed) W. T. MADGE.

RUGBY

Wales is nearing striking distance of the triple crown. After having licked England at Bristol by 28 points to 18, the Principality took Scotland on at Swansea on Feb. 1, and won by the narrow margin of 6 points to 5, scoring two tries to Scotland's goal. Great interest was evinced in the match, which was witnessed by forty thousand, it was the twenty-fourth time for the two countries to meet and the last time Scotland won a match in Wales was in 1892, although the Scots beat Wales at Edinburgh last year by two tries to a penalty goal.

On this occasion Wales was the first to score, Gabe cutting off a fine opening and putting Trew in, but soon after the Scottish forwards made a great effort and kicked the ball past Winfield and Newfield on it, Geddes converting and thus at half time Scotland led by 5 points to three.

In the second half Vile got the ball out to Bush when the Scotchmen were right on him, the Cardiff man jumped aside from two of them and slung the ball out to Gabe who raced for the line in his greatest style and passed at the right moment with that wonderful Welsh swerve to D. L. Williams, who got the ball down at the corner for an unconverted try. This concluded the scoring.

Wales now has only to beat Ireland next month in order to secure the triple crown.

On the same day the New Zealand beat Ebby Vale, a little team in the Monmouthshire hills, by 3 points to 2 (Northern Union.)

THE RING

Bob Ritchie and Billy Lauder will fight next month for the lightweight championship of Canada at Calgary.

JOE GANS IS RESTLESS

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.— Joe Gans has resumed his yellow jacket and is training for his bout with Battling Nelson, which is to be pulled off in Goldfield, Nev., on July 4 next. Gans is restless because he is not allowed to box more than once a month, and he is anxious to get back his crown. He is now the lightweight champion of the world, but he is not the idol of the fans because he has not been able to get a match with any of the men who are ranked next to him in the lightweight class. Gans is willing to box any of them, but he is not willing to box Nelson, who is the only man he is afraid to meet. Gans is afraid of Nelson because he knows that the Battling Dane is a dangerous man to box, and he knows that he himself is not the man he was when he last defeated Nelson. Gans is not the only champion who is afraid of his job, but he is the only one who is willing to box, and he is the only one who can draw a crowd to see him box. Gans is willing to box Nelson, but he is not willing to box anyone else, and he is not willing to box Nelson unless he can get a match with him. Gans is willing to box Nelson for a purse of $2,500, but he is not willing to box Nelson for less than $2,500

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LOCAL NEWS

The Rathbone Sisters will meet at the Odd Fellows' Hall, (Ladysmith) on Sunday morning at 10:45 o'clock to attend the funeral of their late sister, Mrs. Margaret Jackson.

Don't forget the meeting in the Finn Hall tonight, where an address will be given by the Rev. A. W. McLeod, of Nanaimo.

NOTICE.

In connection with the funeral of Mrs. Jackson tomorrow, the Pythian Sisters are requested to meet in the Lodge Room at 10:30 a.m., so as to be in time to attend the service at the family residence.

There is to be a Leap Year Dance in the Opera House on Friday evening, Feb. 28th. A strong committee has the arrangements in hand, and a swell time is assured. Tickets are now on sale for ladies at $1.00 each. The gentlemen are to furnish refreshments, and the ladies wish it clearly understood that rocks are not refreshments. Any gent making a mistake of this kind will be rocked to sleep.

CONSERVATIVE NOMINEE.

Calgary, Feb. 21.—Maitland McCarthy was unanimously nominated last night by the Conservatives of the city to contest the constituency in the next general election.

APPLICATION FOR RELEASE OF JAPANESE GRANTED

VANCOUVER, Feb. 21.—Chief Justice Hunter this morning granted application for the release of the two Japanese recently convicted at New Westminster under the provisions of the Provincial Natal Act.

He reservedly stated that he didn't believe the Natal Act contravened the immigration laws of the Dominion, but was positive it did undoubtedly run counter to the act sanctioning the treaty with Japan.

R. Cassidy, K.C., for the province argued that the Dominion sanction treaty was ultra viers, and that it guaranteed special privileges to Japanese above other nations.

Appeal to the full court will be taken immediately which will probably be argued on Monday expediting the final appeal to the Privy Council which is absolutely certain.

GOTCH AND HACK MATCHED.

Boston, Feb. 21.— It was announced today that arrangements had been completed for a wrestling match for the championship of the world between Gotch and Hackenschmidt to be held at Chicago on the evening of April 2. The match will be for a purse of ten thousand dollars, sixty per cent. to the winner and forty per cent to the loser.

The wrestling will be of the catch-as-catch-can style, best two out of three falls.

FOREIGNER ARRESTED AS RESULT OF REVOLT.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 21.— As a sequel to the remarkable scene enacted in Broad street late yesterday afternoon when several hundred policemen gave battle to more than a thousand unemployed foreigners who were marching to thirty hall for the purpose of making a demonstration, fourteen Italians were held in jail here today. Five were detained on a charge of assault and battery and inciting a riot, and the others on that of inciting to riot During the battle, the police testified, at an informal inquiry today, members of the mob fired several revolver shots, one of which slightly injured an onlooker.

A witness said that at the mass meeting preceding the march, a woman speaker had incited the men by declaring "it is better to be in jail where you get plenty to eat, than to be out of work and hungry."

Voltarine de Cafre, the anarchist, among others, addressed the mass meeting, but disclaimed today any responsibility for the march. She said her speech was made in English and that half of the audience did not understand her. During the march toward the city hall a number of red flags were carried. The Central Textile Union at a meeting last night, decided to march in parade to the city hall in the near future and appeal to the mayor for aid in obtaining work for its unemployed members.

It is said that eighteen thousand of the textile workers in the mill district are now out of employment

NEARLY THREE QUARTERS OF MILLION TO BE EXPENDED

VICTORIA, Feb. 21.— The budget speech was delivered by Hon. R. G. Tatlow ae the sitting of the legislature yesterday, the estimates being brought down by special message.

Never has the financial position of the province been so satisfactory. A net surplus of revenue over expenditure of $1,201,000 was reported, This was due to the fact that the actual revenue of the province has grown by leaps and bounds in the past twelve months, far beyond even the expectation of the government. The actual expenditure exceeded the estimate expenditure by $220,000.

As the finance minister recounted the steps which had been taken in reducing the public debt of the province, his remarks were punctuated with frequent outbursts of applause.

The estimates owing to the change in the fiscal year are only for the nine months ending March 31, 1909. They provide for an expenditure of $3,143,276.66. This amounts to within $150,000 of the total expenditure of last year. Over $700,000 is to be voted for roads, trails and bridges while each of the various departments of government, owing to expansion of the last year, requires a larger amount set aside for it.

Capt. Tatlow dealt at some length with the condition of the different industries of the province and his remarks in this connection were heartily applauded.

The debate upon the budget was adjourned until Monday next.

J. H. Hawthornthwaite moved the second reading of his bill to regulate employment in dangerous industries. He proposes to impose an educational test for employment in various industries. The measure is designed to prevent the employment of Asiatics in the province. Mr. Hawthornthwaite supported his measure in a speech of some force and considerable length. He declined to fraternize with the Japanese, though he confessed himself a believer in the brotherhood of man. The only hope of the western world he averred was the conversion of the Japanete to socialism.

In cammittee upon the bill to protect factory workers, the member for Nanaimo created a debate by bringing in an amendment to make the act apply to hospitals. This was designed to shorten the working hours of nurses. The amendment was finally withdrawn, however.

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STOESSEL TO KNOW HIS FATE.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 19. — The court which has been trying Gen. Stoessel for the surrender of Port Arthur to the Japanese, retired for deliberation at noon today, ordering Gen. Stoessel and the other defendant in the courtmartial proceedings, Gen. Risse, to appear Feb. 20, at eleven o'clock when sentence is expected to be pronounced.

Sentries have been stationed at the doors leading to the judges room, which have been provided with beds, etc., indicating that the judges and others would have a struggle before finishing.

PARENTAL NEGLECT RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUNG CRIMINALS.

SEATTLE, Feb. 13.—Parental neglect is declared by Chief of Police Wappenstein to be responsible for a great percentage of the crimes committed. It is not unkindness, but carelessness and unconcern as to the habits of the child, both boy and girl, which the chief severely censures in a letter to Rev. Geo. R. Cairns, minister of Temple Baptist church, read by the divine from the pulpit last Sunday.

The letter was written at the request of the divine, who is preaching a series of sermons on "The Problems of Today," and who on Sunday dealt with the question of the criminal young. The letter follows:

Dear Sir,— I am in receipt of your communication enclosing a list of problems, and calling my attention to problem No. 10: "Why are so great a percentage of our criminals (incarcerated) young men?"

"This has been a matter that has caused us a great deal of worry, and the only way that we can account for the state of affairs is the lack of interest taken by parents — not that they do not love their children, but the indifference or overconfidence they have in them— until something happens, and then they are shocked and cannot understand how their children could do such a thing. If they would notice little vices that the child is acquiring and check them before they result in something serious, a great deal of crime among young children would be stopped.

"In many cases the children grow up and the parents are the last ones to know of the company and habits of their children; and, when things that are wrong are reported to them they do not believe them and pass them over lightly. Were they to investigate these matters that are brought to their attention, it would save a lot of trouble. I have visited families where the child or the young man would appear, using slang, which the parentslaughed at, thinking it was cute. Later on the children got to smoking cigarettes, and reading trashy novels.

"The parents do not discover these things until it is brought to them forcibly, and they thenthreaten the children and try to put a stop to it, but they do not. The child has already acquired these habits to such an extent that only fear of the parents might check it.

"If he continues the company that he acquires these habits from he will commence sneaking and lying, and there will be but one result. He must have money to satisfy these habits, and to keep up his end of the fast company—the finish is in prison.

"The amount of crime committed by young people is alarming, not only among boys, but among girls ranging from 11 to 15 years of age. Our investigations have convinced us that there would be a great decrease in criminals if parents were to study the habits and company of their children and try to have more amusement for them, instead of the children running the streets in search of pleasure."

LEGISLATURE AGAIN DISCUSSES LABOR MATTERS.

(From our own Correspondent.)

VICTORIA, Feb. 14.— In the legislature yesterday, J. H. Hawthornthwaite introduced the following resolution:

Whereas a conflict of interests has arisen between the province of British Columbia and the Dominion of Canada in respect to Oriental immigration into British Columbia; and

Whereas a treaty, known as the Anglo-Japanese Treaty, has been endorsed by the Dominion government; and

Whereas the treaty contained the following section:

"The subjects of each of the two high contracting parties shall have full liberty to enter, travel or reside in any part of the dominions and possessions of the other contracting party, and shall enjoy full and perfect protection for their persons and property."

And whereas the industrial and labor interests of British Columbia have been seriously affected by the abnormal influx of Japanese immigrants under said section; and

Whereas laws enacted by this province to regulate said immigration have been uniformly disallowed by the Dominion authorities; and

Whereas the existing condition cannot continue without injuring the various interests referred to, and further endangering the good understanding that has existed between the people of Japan and the people of this province;

Therefore be it resolved, That this house memoralise the imperial govcretary, to appoint a royal comernment, through the Colonial Semission to fulky inquire into all the circumstances in connection with these matters.

He urged in support of this that the whole question of Oriental immigration should be fully gone into, and the matter settled.

The debate was adjourned on motion of Premier McBride.

Parker Williams asked—

1. What amount was spent on roads, trails and bridges in the district of Newcastle from July 1, to Dec. 31, 1907?

2. What position did Henry Trudell hold in the District of Newcastle during last session?

3. What was the total sum paid as salary, wages and expenses to the following parties during last season: John Cairns, Walter Michael, D. Ferguson, John Love and H. Trudell?

Hon Mr. Fulton replied—

1. $6,143.81.

2. Cruising for road to Green Mountain?

3. John Cairns' salary, $136; expenses, $44.

Walter Michael, salary $334.75; expenses nil.

D. Ferguson, salary $256.75; expenses nil.

John Love, salary $68.25; expenses nil.

H. Trudell, salary $154; expenses nil.

All in Newcastle District.

Parker Williams also wanted inserted in the Crows' Nest and Northern Railway Company's bill the following:

"Provided always, that neither directly nor indirectly, shall any person of Oriental birth or extraction be employed in the construction of the said railway."

Mr. Ross would not accept this as he said it was simply introduced to try and make it appear that he was opposed to labor. He was agreeable to a fair wage clause being inserted if it was thought admissable.

Premier McBride pointed out that such a section threatened the disallowance of the bill at Ottawa. A similar provision had been struck out of lots of other bills. It had been pointed out that if the company came seeking exemption from taxation the government might insist upon the employment of white labor.

The amendment of Mr. Williams was lost, only eight voting for it, the three Socialists and Messrs. Egleson, Yorston, Jones, Henderson and Jardine.

Mr. Ross will introduce a fair-wage clause into the bill.

The debate was continued on the bill to prevent discrimination against members of trades unions, introduced by Mr. McInnes.

The premier opposed the bill as he thought legislation of this kind would tend to interfere between employer and employee. He thought it unwise to introduce general legislation to cover a particular instance such as had been alluded to by the introducer as existing at Grand Forks.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite pointed out that a colliery owner had threatened to discharge his men if they joined a union and the bill would prevent such a course being allowed.

J. A. Macdonald supported the bill. He did not believe employers should have the right to say employees should not belong to this or that organization. He did not however believe the bill would be effective as there were too many ways in which its provisions could be evaded.

Parker Williams said that Mr. Macdonald had intimated to the Granby Smelter Company that there were means of evading the act.

Mr. Macdonald said he had given up his retainer with the Granby Company when he entered politics.

Mr. Williams could not see any difference between services given under a retainer and those given any other way.

The bill was defeated.

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PERSONALS,

Mr. W. F. Norris was in town on Thursday.

Mr. J. Shaw went up to Nanaimo on Thursday en route for Alberni.

Mr. E. Mulholland was up to Nanaimo on Wednesday.

Mr. Chas. McMillan and the Misses McMillan returned from Nanaimo on Thursday morning.

Mr, and Mrs. H. Thornley went up to Nanaimo on Wednesday, returning the next day.

Mrs. G. D. Scott has returned from Victoria and is now able to get out again.

Mr. T. Bryant, the local postmaster, has been laid up for a few days with an attack of lumbago.

Miss Gillespy returned yestesday morning after an absence of two or three days.

Mr. J. Curry is in town again.

Mr. H. Marboeuf returned to Victoria yesterday morning.

Mr. J. M. Morgan, of Victoria, was in town Thursday and Friday.

YANKEES ASSUMING A RELIGIOUS STREAK.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 21. — A new departure was announced yesterday by the American Sunday School Union when it offered $2,000 in prizes for religious literature.

One thousand dollars would be given to the author who presents the best original work on "Christian principles in our rural districts; how to make them a controlling influence;" $600 for the best original work, and $400 for the next best original work to be written on "The Bible, an attractive book."

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Ladysmith, B. C., 24th January, 1908.

FRANK BARBERO.

NOTICE.

The United Guild of St. John's Mission will hold a Musical Social in the Church of England Mission Room on Tuesday, Feb. 18th. Admission, 25 cents. The proceeds will be devoted to the Sunday School.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the matter of an application for a duplicate certificate of Title to lots three and four (3 and 4) Block twenty nine (29) Map 703a. Townsite of Ladysmith.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication here of to issue a Duplicate Certificate of Title to the above land issued to Mary Davies on the 28th day of July 1902, and numbered 7945c.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C. the 11 day of February, 1908.

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for an Act to Incorporate a Company with power to equip, build, maintain and operate a line of railway of standard or other gauge to be operated by steam, electricity or oeher power for the carrying of freight, passengers and express from a point situated on Section Fourteen (14) or Fifteen (15) in Range Five (V.) Cranberry District, or Section Fourteen (14) Range Six (VI.), Cranberry District; thence south-easterly by the most feasible route to a point situate on Oyster Bay in Oyster District, a distance of about twelve miles more or less—with authority also to construct, equip, maintain and operate branches from time to time from any point or points of the proposed railway; with power also to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines for the purpose of its business and for the public; with power to own, use and operate water powers convenient to the road, railway and other purposes, and with such other powers and privileges as are usually given to Railway Companies.

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