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RUSSIAN WOMEN IN CHAINS.

BERLIN, May 19.—By some means or other the political prisoners confined at Schlusselburg, near St. Petersburg, have succeeded in smuggling out of the fortress an appeal addressed to the foreign press in the hope that if publicity is given to their sufferings an inquiry into their treatment will be ordered from high quarters.

A copy of the appeal, written on behalf of seventy-three political prisoners, six of whom are women, has been received here. The writers say that their hands and feet are chained day and night, and that they are given no food but bread and water.

The appeal goes on to narrate that not long ago the fortress was visited by the director of Russian prisons administration. One of the prisoners refused to stand up when the director entered his cell, and was thereupon given fifty lashes with the knout. When the other prisoners protested against this punishment the warders attacked them with the butt ends of their rifles, inflicting severe injuries and rendering many of them unconscious.

CANADIAN BUFFALO HERD DOING WELL.

CALGARY, May 19—Howard Douglas, Dominion parks commissioner, returned yesterday from a ten-day's inspection trip of the buffalo parks at Lamont and Battle River. Mr. Douglas was seen yesterday by the Albertan and said that beyond burning a short distance of the fence around the park at Lamont, the recent prairie fire had done very little damage. The buffalo had come through the winter in good condition and there had only been a loss of five head out of four hundred, or 1¼ per cent. There are ten young calvesand about forty more are expected.

Hay feeding was discontinued last Saturday and the animals are now rustling for themselves. This could have been done a couple of weeks earlier, but there was abundant supply of hay to be carried over.

On Wednesday Mr. Douglas came down to Wetaskawin and went out on the branch line to inspect the new park on the Battle River which is between the C.P.R. and the line of the G.T.P. It contains 103,000 acres of splendid grazing land and will be stocked with the 250 animals that yet remain to be brought from Montana. The contract for fencing this park, 72 miles in length, has been let to Mr. Breckenridge of Calgary. The contract calls for its completion by August which means the building of one mile and a quarter per day.

The government have also reserved 5,000 square miles at Jaspar Pass for another park to be known as Jaspar park, the scenery in which is said to rival that of Banff. The G.T.P. railway will pass through the centre of it. Mr. Cadmer will leave shortly to look over it and report to the government as to its adaptability.

MANITOBA FIRE.

Morris, Man., May 19—Fire yesterday destroyed the residence of L. Korez, just south of here. The family had a narrow escape, just getting out in time. Loss $3,000.

MORE LAND TO BE CLEARED

One Hundred and Fifty Acres Back of the City Now Chosen by C. P. R. Company, and Work Will be Commenced Shortly.

The clearing of the land along the old Victoria road is being pushed rapidly ahead. It is a bit unfortunate and rather a disappointment to the city that the operations have offered no employment to men in the town. There are loggers and timber men in the city who have done nothing for over six months. They are waiting for the camps to open out again, and meantime the clearing of this land would have given them just the kind of work they want. However, the clearing went by contract, and the contractor is employing coolie labor.

There is, the Standard learns, to be another belt of 150 acres cleared on the top of the hill, back of the town. As everyone knows that has been up there, the soil is of a particularly rich and loamy nature, and has always been regarded as peculiarly fitted for orchard purposes. A clearing there has been talked of for years. Now the Standard is in a position to state that instructions have been issued, and the beginning of the work of clearing is not far away. This time, perhaps, there will be a chance of employment to the loggers in the town who have been so long out of work.

It is also possible that the C. P. Railway Company will give a further earnest of its faith in the city, and of its intentions to promote its material interests. Of course, in a sense, this is only natural. From one viewpoint, Ladysmith is a C.P.R. town, and, as was remarked in the Standard last week, Mr. Dunsmuir himself is a C.P.R. stockholder. Thus it is to the advantage of the C.P.R. company to push the development of the city, and Mr. Dunsmuir has a dual interest in the town's growth. From such a combination of interests the town has everything to hope, and it is possible that the C.P.R. will purchase the electric light debentures. It is more than possible, for it is almost certain that the company will make a bid, and, all other things being equal, their offer will assuredly be accepted.

This easy sale of the debentures, supposing it comes off, and to such a company as the C.P.R. will be a great boost to the town. It means that the company has satisfied itself that Ladysmith is a good investment. The fact that the Canadian Bank of Commerce has bought a lot and is going to build its own premises is proof positive of the soundness of rity investments. The Bank and the Railway have spread over the Dominion together, and it may be taken for granted that when the directors of the Canadian Bank of Commerce make a move they have satisfied themselves that the investment will be sound and profitable.

In a sentence, the city is coming into its own and there is greater prosperity ahead of it than it has ever experienced or even hoped to experience.

SITE FOR POWER HOUSE

The site for the power house for the city's electric light plant is still to select. A report was expected from Mayor Nicholson on Monday night, but he was called out of town and nothing was laid before the Council. However, it is not divulging any secret to say that the site below the bunkers is not available. The Wellington Colliery Company, besides objecting to the power house being in such close proximity to their property could not see their way clear to grant a site on land which at any time they might require themselves.

However there are other convenient and practical sites which have none of these objections. The company are willing to consider any of these and indeed Mr. F. Little was so good as to promise to go over the ground himself so soon as he could get to Ladysmith. There is no doubt that a site somewhere around the Pavilion would be preferable to any other and there is no reason to doubt that it will be secured.

BROUGHT BLUSH TO GENDARMES.

Latest Paris Fashions at Longchamps' Race Course Almost Created Riot.

PARIS, May 18. — Disturbances which threatened to become a riot arose at the Longchamp race course Sunday from the appearance in the members' enclosure of four young women attired in ultra-fashionable gowns. The dressmakers of Rue de la Paix frequently boom their latest creations at Longchamps, but Sunday's experiment was too daring even for Parisians. The gowns were so classic, so tight-fitting, that some of the onlookers rubbed their eyes in astonishment. Others blushed, others turned indignantly away, while some men laughed and jeered. The wearers had been sent by their employers to advertise the so-called sheath gowns, an attempted revival of the Directoire fashion. The most sensational of them have a divided skirt The excitement became so great that the police were obliged to remove the young women from the enclosure. A blushing policeman wrapped his cloak around a divided skirt and conducted the owner to a cab. Summonses were talked of, but the police today decided not to act. Director Touny of the municipal police, said: "It seems these dresses are the latest fashion. I think them somewhat daring, but if it is the prevailing fashion there is nothing more to be said."

GAGNON COMPLETES RIGHT-OF-WAY WORK.

ALBERNI, May 18.—Dave Gagnon more commonly known hereabouts as "Frenchy," completed his sub-contract on the right of way on Thursday, and a number of men who had been in his employ left by the Str. Tees the same evening for Victoria.

Mr. Gagnon cleared four miles of the right of way on the loop, where some of the hardest work had to be done, and he made a record that beat everything else on the line. When he took his contract some of the wiser heads smiled, and looked forward to an early failure on his part, but somehow or other he kept at work, and was always able to keep a gang of good workers with him. When his job was completed, the official of the railway company, whose inspection it had to pass, commended it as thoroughly satisfactory.

Mr. Gagnon will remain in Alberni for some time, and looks forward to making new records. He is a woodsman from away back, and has proved that he can deliver the goods.

NANAIMO CELEBRATION

List of Events for Victoria Day Celebration Next Monday—Indian Canoe Races a Feature.

Below will be found a complete program of the Victoria Day doings in Nanaimo next Monday.

The day starts off with a parade. It is hoped that citizens generally will enter into this parade and help make it a success. Everything goes in the parade of an advertising or other nature, and the more entries, the more the entertainment, and the more its success. The parade will form at the Crescent at 10.30. From the Crescent it will proceed to Crace street, along Crace street to Haliburton, up Haliburton to Dixon, to Milton, along Milton to Wentworth, to Wallace, along Wallace to Comox road, down Comox to Front street, along Front street to Commercial, passing along Commercial to place of commencement.

The following prizes have been offered for the parade:

Best representative industrial or commercial float. 1st prize, $20; 2nd, $10.

Three entries or no second prize.

Best comic float; to consist of five characters. First, $25; 2nd, $15.

Best comic float to consist of not less than two characters. First, $10; 2nd, $5.

Best comic individual character, mounted or on foot. 1st, $5.

Firemen's Parade. Committee to furnish horses. Donation of $10 allowed for this.

While the committee has not offered money for the best decorated automobile, it is hoped that the automobile men will decorate their machines and turn out in the parade.

FOOTBALL MATCH.

At 2 o'clock will take place at the cricket grounds the big football game between Ladysmith and Nanaimo soccer teams. This will be the grand climax to a season of the most interesting and keenly contested matches between these two teams that has ever been held between any two teams in British Columbia.

At half time the first pull in the tug-of-war contest will be held, and on the expiration of the game the final pulls will be held. Entries for the tug-of-war contest will be received up to Saturday night. Ladysmith will enter a strong team and Nanaimo of course, will be there with a team.

At 5.30 the regatta, one of the leading features of the day, will commence on the harbor opposite the provincial court house building. The races this year will be mainly confined to the Indian races, which are vastly interesting and always take well with the crowds. Nanaimo, Chemainus, Ladysmith, Valdez and Kuper Island Indians have signified their intention of entering crews in the big war canoe races, and there is a possibility of other crews being present.

The following is the programme of the regatta:

Best decorated boats—1st $10, 2nd $5, 3rd $3.

11 paddle Indian canoe race— 1st $88, 2nd $44, 3rd $22.

Amateur championship of British Columbia—1st, gold medal, value, $25; 2nd, $10 silver medal. Three entries or no race. (Mile sculling).

11-paddle Klootchman's race—1st $55, 2nd $33.

Five-paddle Indian canoe race — 1st $15, 2nd $10, 3rd $5.

Five paddle Klootchman's Race — 1st $10, 2nd $7.50, 3rd $5.

Following the regatta will take place the fire works display, which this year will be better and bigger than ever. $350 has been allotted for the event. During the regatta will take place the illuminated boat parade. Good prizes are offered for this and every boat that is on the harbor should be decorated in some way. With the "sparklers" which are now on sale by the committee, the effect produced on the water in the evening after dark, should be and decidedly pretty. The following is the complete list of the fire works display:

FIREWORKS PROGRAMME.

1. Flight of six 21-pound rockets, exploding with sharp reports, and scattering stars of every hue.
2. Ascent of 14-inch shell from mortar with loud report and tossing forth hundreds of feet in the air a wealth of chrysanthemum bloom.
3. Ascent of 18½-inch shell, dis-
4. Exhibition of Mammoth Water Fountains, discharging silver spray and colored globes high in the air, 24 ten-pound fountains.
5. Discharge of rockets, crimson and green stars.
6. Discharge of rockets, cerise and silver stars.
7. Discharge of rockets, azure and amber tints.
8. Explosion of shell, pearl and orange tints.
9. Explosion of shell, golden cloud.
10. Ascent of 4-shot shell, displaying four distinct clouds of color in rapid succession.
11. Grand illumination of the water by powerful prismatic colored illuminators, rapidly changing colors and discharging globes of various shades high in the air, giving fine reflections on the water.
12. Discharge of Mine of Golden playing crimson and emerald duration stars.

Saucissons.

13. Flight of rockets, electric flash light.
14. Flight of rockets, electric spreader and emerald stars.
15. Flight of rockets, violet and opal tints.
16. Flight of rockets, prize cometic rockets.
17. Shell discharge, weeping willow tree.
18. Shell discharge, electric flashlight.
19. Floating water display, electric batteries, 24. Discharge to a great height out of the water. A fine effect.
20. Ascent of Golconda Rockets, shooting meteors of silver.
22. Ascent of Cornucopia or Triple-Headed Rockets.
23. Ascent of shooting colored star rockets.
24. Ascent of eagles' claw rockets.
25. Shell of shells; four separate breaks displaying beautiful effects.
26. Octopus shell. Fiery tentacles writhe in all directions across the sky.
27. Design, the Jewelled Column. thirty feet high and on its surface of silver spray fire rapidly revolving centres of brilliant colors continually change their hue to produce fresh effects.
28. Aerial Whistling Contest by swarms of lightning bugs as they wriggle to earth.
28. Rockets with vari-colored stars.
29. Rockets with veridian stars.
30. Jewelled streamers.
31. Shell, carmine cloud.
32. Shell, emerald cloud.
33. Fancy Motto, "Nanaimo, May 24th" in rich blue lance work, surmounted by rays of golden spur fire.
34. Prismatic transformation Fan Battery. A beautiful screen of colored and electric scinctillations rapidly changing form and color.
35. Second illumination of the scene by masses of crimson and emerald fires, illuminating the scene with a wealth of glow and color.
36. Rockets with Peacock plumes and golden clouds.
37. Rockets with flashing silver tadpoles.
38. Rockets with caliope or screamers. Always cause amusement to the youngsters.
39. Searchlight rockets.
40. Shell, Golden Palm.
41. Shell, golden cloud and sapphires.
42. Aladdin's Jewelled Tree — A beautiful design and an old favorite, the tree is fifty feet in height and glitters with brilliant fire foliage and colored blossoms.
43. Mine explosion; whistling snakes.
44. Electric pearl shower rockets.
45. Chameleon or changing star rockets.
46. Rockets, with trailing Japanese trailing stars.
47. Shell discharge—Aerial rocket shower.
48. Shell, triple repeating, patriotic colors.
49. Mammoth set piece— Quintiple action Gillouche wheel, producing a wheel of silver fire 20 feet in diameter in which revolve a number of smaller fire centres and flying prismatic colors, the effect, if closely watched is very fine.
50. Rockets showing floating parachutes with chains and festoons of fancy colors.
56. Rockets, electric shower.
57. Shell effect. Silver chrysanthemum shower.
58. Shell effect, crimson shower.
59. Shell effect, electric flashlight.
61. Shell effect, red, white and blue.
62. Aerial Rocket Device — Produced by the firing of nine 8-pound rockets, discharging festoons, hanging chains, floating batteries, aerial waterfalls, etc., which hang in mid-air floating slowly along and filling the sky with fantastic color effects.
63. Final Set Piece— Mammoth revolving fountain; from a central basin of fire 60 feet in circumference and 25 feet high, a column of fiery spray shoots 60 feet into the air and falls again clear to the water, tossing up at the same time large colored globes of fire which rise and fall.
64. Discharge of rocket battery, containing fifty rockets. Filling the air with a wealth of fiery colored bouquets.

LADYSMITH-NANAIMO TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS

The following is the special train service that will be in effect Monday between Ladysmith and Nanaimo

Trains leave Ladysmith as follows: 9.30 a.m., 11 a.m., 11.57 a.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., and 10.55 p.m.

Trains leave Nanaimo as follows: 8.15 a.m., 10.15 a.m., 1 p.m., 2.45 p.m., 5.15 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., and 10.30 p.m.

COUNCIL SHOWS GREAT DISPATCH

Business Put Through and Session Adjourned After Only a Fifteen Minutes Sitting.

The eighteenth regular meeting of the City Council was held in the City Hall on Monday evening. In the absence of Mayor Nicholson, Alderman Matheson presided and there were present Alds. Campbell, Roberts Haworth, Brown and McKinnell.

Two communications were received from Electrical engineering firms of Montreal and Seattle respectively, and on motion, were ordered filed.

Accounts totalling $212.10 were presented, and referred to the Finance Committee to be paid if found correct.

The Sanitory Inspector reported that Mr. T. Di Conway, of First Avenue was complaining of the state of the ditch in front of his property. The ditch was blocked up. Last year Mr. Conway's son cleaned the ditch out himself. Mr. Conway asked for the City to look after it.

On motion the report was ordered filed, and the road foreman instructed to attend to the nuisance complained of.

The City Clerk reported that in the matter of the disputed account with Constable Halhead of Chemainus, the man who had caused the trouble had paid the money. He had accordingly forwarded the money to Constable Halhead.

Ald. Matheson said that he had had a conversation with Mayor Nicholson on Saturday night and the course of which the latter had told him that he expected the street work on Gatacre Street would be finished on Monday, and that then a start would be made on Second Avenue.

Ald. Haworth raised the question of shutting up bowling alleys and billiard saloons on Sundays. They were closing up the saloons, and he thought they ought to enforce the same ordinances in respect to other places of amusement. He was not sure about the bowling alley, but he was positive that playing was going on in the new billiard rooms on Sunday. Had they any by-laws bearing on the point?

Alds. Matheson and McKinnell both informed him that in regard to these things there was nothing in the by-laws. The saloons were closed not by a by-law but by the provisions of the law of the province.

Ald. Campbell remarked that while many of the saloons appeared to be tight closed on Sundays, a lot of business was going on. Only the business was being conducted very quietly.

Ald. Haworth drew attention to the stairs in front of the law office of Mr. Russell Simpson, on First Avenue. The property belonged to Simon Leiser & Co., and he would deprecate the idea of the stairs being torn down before that company had been properly notified.

Ald. Matheson said he understood from Mayor Nicholson that Messrs. Simon Leiser & Co., were perfectly willing to have the stairs removed.

Ald. Haworth expressed the opinion that, after finishing Second Avenue, they would be well advised to finish the work on First Avenue while they had the services of Mr. Love. It would be the only big street job they would have, and Mr. Love seemed to thoroughly understand the work. Accordingly he thought it would be well to have the work completed on First Avenue before they lost his services.

Ald. Haworth then drew the attention of the Council to the fact that the bowling alley man was adding to his building without having submitted a plan to the Council. If they had by-laws he thought they ought to be followed.

Ald. Matheson pointed out that the by-laws only called for plans when the buildings touched the front edge of the lots. In Mr. Parrott's case he was building only on the back of the lot, and he was therefore not obliged to submit plans.

The council then adjourned after sitting very little longer than fifteen minutes.

PUBLIC MEETING.

A public meeting will be held in the Council Champers on Tuesday evening, May 26, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of considering the advisability of celebrating Dominion Day.

D. NICHOLSON, Mayor.

BIG OUM FOR SOLVING OF MYSTERY,

LAPORTE, Ind., May 19. — The board of county commissioners after a bitter debate here Saturday, in which the conviction was expressed by members that Mrs. Belle Guiness was still alive, appropriated $9,000 to be spent in clearing up the mystery of the "house of death."

When an attempt was made in the city council to obtain an appropriation of $14,000 to pay detectives, the coroner's special assistants, and to provide for the expenses of the trial of Ray Lamphere, unexpected opposition developed.

John G. Matthews, one of the most potential members of the body, declared that he did not believe that Mrs. Guiness was dead and insisted that all his neighbors and friends were of the same opinion. Matthews has a wide acquaintance, and his statement indicates very nearly the trend of opinion on the case in Laporte county.

Matthews argues that it was ridiculous to suppose that Mrs. Guiness' head could have been burned off her body, while the hands of the children were scarcely more than scorched.

"What sense is there in appropriating money to pay detectives who insist at the start that Mrs. Guiness is dead?" remarked a member of the council.

The attitude of Matthews started a hot discussion that lasted all day. The Guiness case in all phases of the mystery was discussed.

In its final action the council agreed upon a compromise. A resolution appropriating $9,000 was passed to second reading, which practically amounts to final adoption. of the $9,000, $5,000 is appropriated for the county commissioners, who are to use it as they desire for the unraveling of the mystery, but it was tacitly understood that most of the $5,000 is to be offered "for the apprehension of Mrs. Guiness."

To earn the reward proffered on these terms, it will be necessary for detectives to prove that Mrs. Guiness is alive and return her into court.

THE MICHEL MINERS STRIKE.

FERNIE, B.C., May 19.—The mine at Michel, belonging to the Crows' Nest Pass Coal Company, went on strike yesterday because, as they claimed, one of the miners employed had been discharged by the company without any just cause. The company, refusing to reinstate him, President Sherman, of the United Mine Workers of America, and Secretary J. A. MacDonald, who went to investigate, stated that the strike was illegal since it has not the sanction of the union.

NOTICE.

The regular meeting of the Citizen's League will be held in the City Hall tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. Business of importance will be brought up and a full attendance is requested.

G. WILSON, Secretary.

DOMINION ELECTIONS

Hawthornthwaite is Nominated to Contest Smith's Seat.

The Socialists have entered their man for the next Federal Election. Hawthornthwaite is to run against Smith and the Conservative candidate. This decision was arrived at a Socialist Convention held in Nanaimo on Sunday, the nomination of Mr. Hawthornthwaite being unanimously endorsed.

Whatever the result of the election may be the contest will certainly be replete with incident and excitement. Smith and Hawthornthwaite are bitter enemies and the campaign will produce some spicy disclosures, bitter recriminations and tempestuous oratory. Smith, supposing he comes to the scratch, has the fight of his life in front of him.

MALE VOICE CHOIR

Meeting and Practice Will be Held in the Abbotsford Parlors To-night at 8 O'clock.

At a meeting last night in the Abbotsford parlors the male voice choir, which has been so long talked of, was at last definitely started. The meeting was not so well attended as it ought to have been, but now that the thing has been launched the singers will no doubt turn up.

The first practise will be held tonight in the Abbotsford parlors at 8 o'clock, and all those who have given in their names are requested to attend. Mr. McMurtrie has generously placed his parlor at the disposal of the choir, and as all singing must cease at 9.30, the singers will see the necessity of being there on time.

RAFTER-THOMAS NUPTIALS

There was a jolly wedding at the Rafter residence on Saturday evening when Miss Annie Rafter and Mr. Wm. Thomas were married by the Rev. Jas. McMillan. Both families are old-timers in the district, and the young people are widely known and very popular. Consequently, there was a large number of friends at the wedding, and after the ceremony had been duly performed there was a regular jolly time, in which everybody joined.

The young people were the recipients of a large number of handsome and useful presents, and they enter into their new life loaded with the best wishes of their friends.

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IMPORTANT CLUE IS FOUND.

LAPORTE, Ind., May 16.— The burial last night of Andrew K. Helgelsin marks the beginning of the final stage in the Gdiness farm mysteries so far as human knowledge is concerned. Two more corpses, supposed to have been those of Jennie Olsen and Ole Budsberg, have been partially identified, but to identify the remaining victims no clues exist. The relics taken from the death farm, such as watches, and rings, may ultimately lead to the identification of some of those who were caught in the Guiness death trap.

Yesterday witnessed important findings regarding the bodies unearthed, one by the dentist, who bridged Mrs Guiness' lower jaw for artificial teeth, and that the piece of jaw bone found in the ruins was from her skull. The other attributed to by three experts, showed the body taken from the cemetery of the farm was that of Andrew Helgelein.

The methods by which the victims were put to death probably will never be known, and the identity of seven of the corpses is another puzzle.

The extent to which Ray Lamphere shared in the secret of Mrs. Guiness is a third. The state insists that it has positive evidence against Lamphere and the defence positively states that the prisoner can't be proven guilty of starting the fire, or of having participated in the murders.

The grand jury, it is announced, will begin to investigate the evidence gathered by Sheriff Strater and Prosecutor Smith on Monday next.

FERNIE MINE OPENS.

Fernie, May 16.—The No. 1 mine at Coal Creek, of the Crow's Nest Coal Co., which has been closed for two or three months, will resume work on Monday, giving employment to about 300 men. The miners have accepted the management's terms.

FAMILY FOUND DEAD.

MATTEWAN, N.Y., May 16.— W. B. Shepherd, a farmer who lived about four miles south of Mattewan his wife and a servant named Jennie Dendy were found dead in a farm house today. It is believed they were murdered. An infant still alive but badly injured, was found lying near the bodies.

LADY LAWYER TO RUN IN TORONTO.

TORONTO, May 15.—Miss Brett Martin, one of Toronto's leading lawyers, will oppose Hon. Dr. Pyne, the minister of education, in Toronto East, at the forthcoming provincial elections.

Miss Martin is the first woman in the history of the Dominion to be nominated for parliamentary honors.

FLEET IS OFF TO SEATTLE.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.— The United States Atlantic battleship fleet, under command of Rear Admiral Sperry, weighed anchor at 11 o'clock this morning and sailed out of San Francisco bay in a drizzling rain, for Puget Sound. The flagship Connecticut headed the column.

The fleet is due to reach Puget Sound May 21st.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 18. — The Alleghany Bank suspended today shortly after 9 o'clock, the following notice was posted on the door:— "Closed by order of the comptroller and placed in charge of National Bank examiner.

Ladysmith Bar

✱ Billiards and Pool ✱

Best Liquors and Cigars.

Cartwright & Barclay.

SOCIALISTS NOMINATE DEBS

CHICAGO, May 16.—The Socialists in national convention last evening adopted a platform after a long debate that grew acrimonious at times. As soon as the platform was adopted, the convention proceeded, after midnight, to select a candidate for president. The names of Eugene V. Debbs, of Indiana, and A. M. Simons of Chicago, were placed before the delegates. Phil Calgary, of Missouri presented the name of Debs in a speech assailing President Roosevelt for his "undesirable citizen" remarks, and declared the president to be "the most despicable coward the world has ever known. He denounced the secretary of war for having drunk the health of the Czar of Russia. He also cast aspersions at W. J. Bryan.

John Sparge of New York seconded the nomination of Debs.

Seymour Stedman of Chicago presented the name of Simons, declaring Debs to be physically unfit to make the race. This remark caused the supporters of Debs to burst forth in a pandemonium of shouts and hisses. More clamorous debate and many recriminations followed.

Debs received 152 votes. The poll of the votes proceeded until 192 had been counted, and on the showing it was moved by Victor Berger of Milwaukee that the nomination be made unanimous. The motion carried with a deafening shout.

Benjamin Hanford of New York, was nominated for Vice-President.

AMERICA RETAINS WORLD'S TENNIS CHAMPION.

LONDON, May 16.—America still holds the world's amateur court tennis championship, Jay Gould having again defeated Mills, the British player, for the British title at the Queen's Club this afternoon.

Gould's victory by three sets to one, was easily and complete, and he doubtless could have won in straight sets had he tried. He was not taking any chances, however, and decided to take a rest after his smashing victories in the first and second sets. He had his own way in the fourth set. His service was exceptionally excellent and completely baffled the former British champion in all but the fifth and sixth games of the first set which were won by Miles. The Englishman was nothing like his proper form and seemed quite demoralized until the third set was reached.

RIOTING IN A STREET CAR STRIKE.

Stones and Clubs Used— Cars Stopped in all Sections of the City by Rioters.

CLEVELAND, May 16.—Rioting and violence, although not serious, marked the early hours of the strike of the conductors and motormen on the lines of the municipal traction company here today. The strike was commenced at three o'clock this morning, following a stormy all-night meeting of the carmen. The order went into effect at 5 o'clock. From the beginning there was trouble in getting cars out. One of the first disturbances of consequence took place at the Lakeview car barns, where Chief of Police Kehler was struck by a stone hurled at the police by a strike sympathizer. An effort to run the cars from the Lakeview barns was opposed by the strikers. The men on the cars refused to leave and a crowd gathered as the police, headed by the chief, were rushed to the barn. In the melee stones and clubs were used, and many were slightly injured. The cars are being stopped in all sections by the strikers and their sympathizers. A Paine avenue car was derailed by a rail thrown across the tracks. The crew on a Smith avenue car was dragged from the car and assaulted. The motorman's scalp was laid open. On east ninth street a mob of fifty men tore up the car tracks and traffic was stopped.

For the most part people walked to their places of business this morning. During the first hour or two after the inauguration of the strike there was little trouble. It was not until after seven o'clock that any semblance of rioting occurred.

IRISH PRIMATE ARRIVES IN CANADA.

MONTREAL, May 16.—Cardinal Logue, the primate of all Ireland, arrived in the city this morning from Niagara Falls, and was given a royal welcome by local Irishmen.

His Eminence received press representatives almost immediately after his arrival, and chatted on topics pertaining to Ireland.

Regarding home rule, he said he always was and always would be, a pronounced advocate of that. There could never be any real prosperity for Ireland until she obtained home rule.

Regarding the attitude of the present Liberal Party towards the Irish question Cardinal Logue said that that party had simply got a platonic friendship for home rule. They are doing nothing, practically, to carry it into effect, and have not even put it on their platform for next election.

The cardinal denied strongly that he had said Australia was on the verge of rebellion, a statement Premier Deakin in the House of Representatives at Melbourne yesterday vigorously denounced.

"I was never in Australia," said his eminence, and "I never said a word about it. The whole thing was fabricated by reporters in New York who wanted to make a sensation."

Asked whether Irish emigrants were now preferring to come to Canada instead of the United States, he said they were not. When they emigrated, they preferred to go some where where the British flag did not fly. That was why so many went to the United States.

Another reason why they did not come to Canada was because Canada has such severe winters, their belief being that in Canada they would have six months' work in summer, and six months' idleness in winter. He expressed his admiration for what he had seen of Canada, saying that it truly was a great country. When reminded that Ireland could be dropped into one of the great lakes with out even making a splash he exclaimed:

"Yes, you bet; without a splash, you bet."

LABOR NOTES.

(Free Press Special Service.)

The Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders of America, will meet in annual convention in St. Paul next month.

At a meeting of the Ohio Valley Trades and Labor Assembly, held recently, it was unanimously decided to put a labor ticket into the field.

Milwaukee is preparing to entertain the annual convention of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America next month.

The San Frandisco Labor Council has appointed a committee to consider and report upon the best way of overcoming the effects of the recent court decision in injunction cases.

The California State Convention of the National Association of Stationary Engineers is to be held in Stockton, on June 11, 12 and 13, under the auspices of the Stockton local union of the association.

The Carpenters' District Council of Boston has elected a trial committee, which will henceforth hear and adjudicate all jurisdiction and trade matters that arise between the thirty-four affiliated unions of the council.

The Bakers' Union of San Francisco has appointed a committee to prepare a recommendation to the international convention that is to meet in October to erect a home for aged and disabled members of the organization.

Chicago is to have a workingmen's hospital. It is to be an institution managed co-operatively by the labor unions, in which free treatment and medicine will be given the families of workingmen in time of sickness.

Plans are being made by the Structural Building Trades Alliance and the Central Labor Union of Spokane to erect a Labor Temple in that city to cost $75,000. There are seven thousand union men in Spokane, and by 40 per cent of them taking $25 worth of stock the necessary amount can be raised.

According to Mrs. H. L. Goodrich, secretary of the Woman's Educational and Industrial Union of Boston, the increase in housework wages during the last five years, as shown by the records of the Domestic Reform League, is as great, if not greater, than in any other line of work.

The shoemakers of Italian birth in Philadelphia have been organizing a society for mutual benefit. The society has been in existence for about a month, and has made application for a charter under the laws of Pennsylvania, with the title "Italian Mutual Aid and Beneficial Society of Shoemakers of Philadelphia."

The Labor Council of the Women's Auxiliaries of Greater New York has for its purpose the starting of a systematic movement by the trades unions to make the union label necessary to employers as a means of selling their goods. It is composed of one representative from each women's auxiliary belonging to a trade union in the greater city, and one representative from each trade union having an auxiliary in connection therewith.

BULLETINS.

LONDON'S POPULATION.

London, Ont., May 16.—London's population is now 48,541, an increase of 779 compared with last year.

BROKEN-HEARTED, SUICIDED.

Montreal, May 16.—Broken hearted over the death of his wife, who had been dead less than a week, Isaac David, 60 years of age, resident of Tetreaultville, committed suicide by hanging himself in a shed at the rear of his home.

JUBILEE HANDICAP.

London, May 16.—Hayden, a 10 to 1 shot, won the Jubilee handicap, 3,000 sovereigns, for three-year-olds and up, mile and a quarter, at Kempton Park. Wm. Clark's All Black was second. Geo. Fabes' Marlua third.

DRUNK ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Pilot Mound, Man., May 16.—Ferrier Laller, a well known citizen of this place attempted suicide last night by shooting himself with a revolver. After having shot himself Laller cut his throat with a knife. It is believed he was drunk. No hope is held out for his recovery.

AGREEMENT SIGNED.

Pekin, May 16.—The proposed agreement for the settlement of the Yellow river controversy between Japan and China was sent down to the Ytin Tsen government two days ago and signed by the Chinese government, also by Baron Haiashi the Japanese minister.

VOILENCE IN STRIKE.

Brantford, Ont., May 16.— Violence continues in connection with the strike of the moulders at the Buck stove works in this city. Attacks by unknown parties were made last midnight. The attack last night was on two houses occupied by non-union men, Considerable damage was done but no one injured.

DENIES REPORT.

Paris, May 16.—The foreign office today denied the report that France has issued an ultimatum to the porte under the terms of which diplomatic relations between the two governments shall cease in ten days unless Turkey fully recognizes the rights of French subjects in the matter of the Heractage mines. The negotiations are still pending.

BRIDGE DESTROYED.

MINITONAS, Man., May 16.—The Canadian Northern Railway bridge over the North Duck River at Cowan, 20 miles east of here was destroyed by fire this morning. The train from Prince Albert for Winnipeg is on the other side of the bridge. It will take some days to replace the bridge. Passengers and mail will be transferred until the bridge is rebuilt.

SPORTING NEWS

B. C. CHAMPIONS.

Nanaimo United are the Champions of the Island and of British Columbia. Even to us in Ladysmith there is some sort of consolation that at least the honor is still on the Island, and if we were to lose it then we would rather it went to Nanaimo than anywhere else.

The Nanaimo boys deserve the honors. It must be said that they got the B. C. Championship easily enough, but there was never much doubt about them accounting for the Thistles. As it has turned out they got the first game by default and the second they won from a scratch team as they pleased.

Mr. J. G. Brown, in his valedictory address to the Island Association, expressed the opinion that the B. C. F. A., was unneccessary, and could easily be done without. There was further proof that the time had come to end it on Saturday. There were absolutely no arrangements made for the game. No one had looked after the grounds even and it was left to Con Jones to do that. Even then there was no gate, no official referee—in short not a thing had been done.

It may be that some part of all this muddle was due to the alterations that had been made in the dates owing to the Shield Competition. As a matter of fact, the Shield Committee had no right and really no reason for cutting into the Association dates. Still if, when the alterations were made, proper arrangements had been made there would not have been much ground for complaint. As it was the match was spoiled, the competition robbed of all interest, and football in Vancouver given a serious and regrettable setback.

At the last monent the Thistles were unable to put a team on the field. Rogers and Strange failed to put in an appearance. Forrest was not there, and none of the regular forwards. The places of these absentees were filled by substitutes picked up on the ground, and it was against this scratch combination that Nanaimo battled for what was intended to be the highest football honors in the province. Naturally, play was never really interesting. Walker, who played goal for Nanaimo never handled a shot. The Black and yellows were always round the goal and they bagged three in the first half, not counting three Hurren put through from an offside position.

In the second half they had things even more their own way. The game became a farce. The locals had piled up eight goals, and might easily have doubled it had they so chosen, when the whistle blew for full time. It is rather a pity that Nanaimo should have obtained the title in such hollow fashion, but it was none of their fault that the opposition was not stronger, and had it been the strongest in Vancouver, I believe the Islanders would still have carried it off.

Centralias Champions.

The Centralias have captured the Wasson Cup and are this year's champions of the City League. After leading all the season the Shamrocks lost out on Sunday by the odd goal of the match, the Centralias scoring two goals to their one. The game was keenly and vigorously fought from start to finish and the feeling exhibited by the players made it interesting for the spectators. Unfortunately the weather was wretched and the gate suffered in consequence.

CHOLERA OUTBREAK.

SIMLA, May 18.—An outbreak of cholera has compelled the withdrawal of nearly all the white troops with Major General Willicok first column, into the cholera camp. The intense heat and the absence of running water necessitating dependence on the muddy village water.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

NEW YORK, May 18.—W. Russell, United States minister to Venezuela arrived here today en route to Washington, D.C. Mr. Russell said little information was obtainable at Caracas regarding conditions at Laguiria, which is under close quarantine as a result of the outbreak of bubonic plague.

Porto Cabello, Ven., May 18.— It is believed that the bubonic plague has broken out here although the exact nature of the disease which started has not yet been decided.

There have been three new cases of milarial fever, and one has resulted fatally. Some persons declare the disease had all the symptoms of bubonic plague.

BASHFULNESS.

Thereis never a sorrow, and never a pain
Which comes in this world of sighs,
But what is felt by Adolphus Gain,
Poor chap, it's a wonder he's not insane,
He's one of those bashful guys.

His education is good. You know
He's a 'Varsity graduate.
But his stream of talk never starts to flow,
Poor fellow, he's always embarrassed so,
He's always "carrying weight."

If his tie is crooked his face gets red,
As he struggles to put it right.
At the dinner table he drops his bread,
And wishes himself at home in bed
Where he would be out of sight.

If his trousers bag at the knees, he thinks
That everyone wears a sneer.
And if anyone laughs, and slyly winks,
He knows he's the cause, and his spirit sinks
Till his face is white with fear.

And when a girl tries to talk to him
He feels that his boots are nines.
His lips get dry, and his face grows grim,
He cannot talk to the maiden trim,
His forte is in making signs.

Ah, 'tis an affliction, gentle friend,
A sorrow, to make one cuss.
The bashful fellow, you may depend,
Has a woeful life to the very end.
Poor Gain, he is SO like US.

RIOTING IN THE CLEVELAND CAR STRIKE.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, May 18.— Many acts of lawlessness were committed in connection with the street car strike between midnight and dawn today. Trolley wires were cut crews were driven from their cars, and in some instances non-union men were attacked by strikers and sympathizing friends. Trolley wires in Lakewood, a western suburb were cut in several places with the result that the Municipal Traction Company announced this morning that no further attempt would be made to run cars in that section until the Lakewood authorities guaranteed protection for its men and cars. Because of alleged discrimination in farce against Lakewood by the Municipal Traction Co,, it is claimed that the authorities of the town are making no effort to suppress lawless acts committed by strike sympathizers.

CHINAMAN'S WHITE WIFE IS SHOT.

VANCOUVER, May 18.—Tom Morcy, a young Englishman, is under arrest for having shot on Sunday noon, Edith Lemong, a woman of the half world, who came into notoriety last week because she married a Chinese of New Westminster.

Morcy told the police afterwards, that he had been keeping the woman two months. He visited her room, ordered in breakfast and when she sat up in bed to eat he exclaimed: "So you married a Chink?" and opened fire. Five bullets took effect but all caused merely flesh wounds. The woman was removed to the hospital. Morcy was arrested by a policeman who heard the shots.

BIG STRIKE.

VALLEYFIELD, Que., May 18 —The Montreal cotton mills here closed indefinitely and three thou sand operators are idle as a result of the strike of the spinners. The town is full of idle men.

MANITOBA DOCKS.

Quebec, May 19—The Str. Lake Manitoba docked at 2.45 a.m. and landed passengers at 5.55 a.m.

NANAIMO PLAYED THISTLES AFTER ALL

Nanaimo, May 18.—

Usual Poor Arrangements in Effect for Final Championship Game in Vancouver on Saturday.

The final match for the British Columbia championship was played after all at Vancouver on Saturday. Just before going to press on Saturday a wire was received at this office, stating that no game was to be played between Nanaimo and the Thistles. As matters turned out, however, the Nanaimo men went to the grounds about 4 o'clock and waited the coming of the Thistles, who it appears had given a sort of half promise that they would play. The B.C. Football Association made no arrangements whatever for the game. Nothing had been done regarding the referee, the gate, or the grounds. The whole affair adds further weight to the general contention on the Island, that the B. C. Football Association matters need a general overhauling if the association is to remain intact.

After waiting about in the miserable weather till about five o'clock or later, the Thistles finally turned up. It was not however the Thistle eleven that has put up such a strong fight during the season, but one comprised chiefly of intermediate players, and these were easily outclassed as might be expected by the Nanaimo men, who did not exert themselves in scoring eight goals.

Thus it was a tame ending to what has been the greatest football season in British Columbia football. The only satisfactory thing about it is that the best team has won.

FLEET HEADING FOR SOUND

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 19 —The United Wireless Telegraph office in this city was in communication with the flagship Connecticut of the Atlantic fleet at midnight. The fleet was then 165 miles north of San Francisco and steaming 1400 knots in heavy seas.

BORDEN'S CONFERENCE.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 18.—R.L. Borden had a conference with Sir Wilfrid Laurier this morning in connection with the Government Election Bill, but it was announced that no arrangement for interim supply, or any compromise on the bill had been reached.

CHARGE AGAINST BROKERS

NEW YORK, May 19. — Criminal charges against certain members of the firm of T. A. McEntyre & Co., stock brokers, who recently failed, with liabilities exceeding one million dollars, were laid before District Attorney Jerome today by C. C. Burlingham, the receiver of the failed firm. Mr. Jerome at once presented the charges before the Grand Jury.

MORE YIELDING ON BILL AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, May 15.—The House of Commons spent today mostly in committee of supply, and there was no trace of the conflict which is raging over the election bill. It is understood that there is a tentative arrangement between the premier and the leader of the opposition by which there will be a radical pruning of the obnoxious clauses.

At the Liberal caucus this morning which was the largest and best attended of the session, it is understood that while the sentiment was in favor of standing by the bill to the last, some of the eastern members announced their disapproval of the bill. It is likewise stated that Mr. Borden is in possession of the terms Sir Wilfrid is to concede.

What these are, if they are in existence, will not be known until Monday, when the Aylesworth bill will come up again. It is possible that the bill will not come up even then, but that minor government bills will be considered.

Those departments of the government which had already been voted their full estimates for the year, were paid in full today but the justice, militia, printing, interior, railways, mounted police, post office and labor only got half of their usual cheques.

The votes in supply today were for public buildings in the west, the opposition contenting itself with pointing out that the constituencies in which these buildings were to be erected, were represented by Liberal members.

JAPANESE ORDER.

Seoul, May 18— Prince Ito has issued strict instructions to Japanese soldiers and civilians that they must not treat Koreans as a conquered people, but the rights of all law-abiding citizens must be respected under penalty of severe punishment.

REVIVAL PREACHER MURDERS HIS WIFE.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., May 18.— Temporarily insane, according to his own statement, the Rev. S. A. Coffman, 50 years old, a prominent Methodist Episcopal clergyman, killed his wife early today by cutting her throat. A moment after the crime, he says, he regained his senses and realized what he had done. He surrendered himself and was locked up. Rev. Coffman resides at Rosstown, about three miles from here, and is in charge of two or three local churches. His wife was a member of a prominent local family and was 38 years old.

During the past week or two Rev. Coffman has been conducting a series of revival services and has been adding many to the membership of the churches under his care. Yesterday he finished his revival and appeared to feel pleased with the result. About midnight he and his wife were discussing these services, when he suddenly seized a poker, and began beating her on the head. There was a struggle during which Mrs. Coffman succeeded in escaping from the house to a garden at the rear. She was closely followed, however, by her husband and when he caught up with her another battle for her life took place. Coffman had taken a knife with him, and when he had her powerless in his grasp, he cut her throat from ear to ear, causing instant death.

According to a statement by Rev. Coffman, when he looked on the lifeless body of his wife his sanity was immediately restored and he realized what he had done. He came here and surrendered himself to the police. Rev. Coffman says it had been his intention to kill not only his wife, but also his family and himself.

FLEET LEAVES SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, May 18.—Under the command of Rear Admiral Sperry, fourteen of the sixteen battleships, comprising the Atlantic fleet, leave San Francisco today on the voyage northward. The Maine and the Alabama have been detached from the fleet and organized into a special service squadron under the command of Capt. Giles B. Barber. The battleship fleet is due to arrive in PugetSound next Thursday.

NORWEGIANS WILL CELEBRATE.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 16.— Sons and daughters of Norway who have found new homes in the Northwest are rounding up in Minneapolis today for a monster celebration of the independence day of their native land.

The observance of the anniversary has of late years become an established custom in the Norwegian settlements of Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas, but the celebration this year is to surpass all of those that have gone before.

The celebration opens in the auditorium tonight with a festival under the auspices of the Sons of Norway, at which the speakers will be Ove Gode, Norway's minister to the United States; Oscar M. Torrison, a leading attorney of Chicago, and Siver Serumgard, the blind orator of North Dakota.

Tomorrow will be the big day of the celebration. In memory of Henrik Wergeland, the Norwegian poet and patriot, who secured the recognition of May 17 as a national holiday in Norway, an interesting programme of exercises will be carried out in the Auditorium tomorrow afternoon. The feature of the exercises will be the presentation of a statue of Wergeland, a gift from Normandy Foresters of Norway. The presentation will be made by Bishop Bang, primate of the Church of Norway and former secretary to the late King Oscar. The statue is the work of Gustav Vigeland, the foremost sculptor in Norway. The statue will ultimately be placed in a public park at Fort Abercrombie, N.D., one of the earliest Norwegian settlements in the Northwest.

CURFEW WILL NOT RING TONIGHT.

NEW YORK, May 16.—The curfew never tolls in New York, which last caused Anita Rhodda, a Spanish girl who had been there but two months, to carry an alarm clock with her every time she went out, so that when the alarm went off she would know it was time to return home. With nothing save the alarm clock to save her from harm, Anita went forth the other night, but being unfamiliar with the city, lost her way. The alarm rang and although Anita was only too willing to obey the summons of her native curfew, she knew not where to turn. She was finally discovered by a policeman who took her to the police station where all of the discomforts devoted themselves tenderly to the task of trying to understand Spanish, while the girl reciprocated by doing her best to understand English. After several hours of futile efforts her employer turned up to report that his servant was missing. When Anita saw him she wept for joy.

"It isn't an alarm clock she needs" said the police captain. "She needs to have a map."

HETTY GREEN GETS THE FAD.

NEW YORK, May 16.—New Yorkers are very much agog over the recent unheard of extravagance of Mrs Hetty Green, who is known far and wide as the "richest woman in the world." From a dingy flat in Hoboken, where Mrs. Green paid $19 a month, she has gone to the fashionable Hotel Plaza on Fifth avenue where she pays $800 a month for her small apartment. However, she looks out on the beauties of Central Park, where before she gazed day after day into the back yards of scrubby tenements.

At the Plaza Mrs. Green still continues many of the habits she acquired in her years of living the simple life. She refuses to have any of the maids or bell boys assist her, has requested the telephone removed from her rooms, and orders inexpensive meals. By following the circuitious route and availing herself of several free transfers she is able to go to her office every morning for a nickel. Mrs. Green has carefully concealed the motives that impelled her to move to the Plaza. It is rumored, however, that she desires to get into society since the engagement of her daughter Sylvia to Matthew Astor Wilks, great grandson of the first John Jacob Astor. Wilks denies that there is any engagement, but it is generally believed that it exists.

GOTHAM'S "400" THING OF THE PAST.

NEW YORK, May 16.—It is now conceded that Gotham's "Four Hundred" is a thing of the past. The knell has been sounded by Frederick T. Martin, who has been the most conspicuous man in New York society the past winter. This popular leader declares that it is impossible any longer to group and classify society, owing to the fact that the aristocratic population is constantly shifting and that New York's Eleven Hundred would come nearer indicating the number of people who can rightfully be regarded as belonging to the fashionable set.

Furthermore, Mr. Martin declares that the doors of society do not any longer open to the man or woman with a big bank account alone, but that cleverness and good manners, together with good taste in dress, are required for social recognition. The first real intimation the New Yorkers had that society was becoming more democratic was the occasion of a reception in honor of Mrs. George Gould's return to the stage for a brief half hour, and the interest attached to this entertainment was widespread. There were eleven hundred persons present at Mr. Martin's invitation. At this entertainment Mr. Martin appeared in his famous combination of sack suit and silk hat, which was regarded everywhere as an indication that more individual freedom in the matter of dress was to be tolerated in the best society.

EXPERTS DECLARE THAW INSANE.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y., May 16— Harry K. Thaw, who is seeking by habeas corpus proceedings to obtain his freedom from the state asylum, for the criminal insane at Mattewan, was declared by District Attorney Jerome's experts today to be insane.

Dr. Carlos McDonald testified that Thaw is an incurable paranoiac, whose confinement is demanded in consideration of the public safety, and Dr. A. L. Baker, acting superintendent of the asylum, asserted on the witness stand that from his observations made in the asylum, he was of the opinion that Thaw would endanger public safety if he was freed.

REASON ENOUGH.

"The king orders you executed at sunrise for offending the queen."

"But she wanted me to elope with her and I refused."

"That's just it."

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SOLE AGENTS:

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IMPERIAL LAUNDRY COMPANY, INCORPORATED

The current issue of the B.C. Gazette contains the certificate of incorporation of "The Imperial Laundry Company, Limited," of Nanaimo with a capital of fifty thousand dollars, divided into one thousand shares of fifty dollars each.

The company at its recent organization meeting elected the following officers:

President.—J. Sampson.

Secretary—F. G. Peto.

Directors.— Hugh Aitken, W. Cullum, W. H. Vater, E. W. Harding, and C. Dickinson.

E. M. Yarwood, Solicitor.

Sufficient stock has now been subscribed to guarantee the success of the new industry in the city. A site has been secured on Comox Road and within a month's time the building will be under way. Within three months' time the plant should be installed and the laundry in operation. With no opposition in Nanaimo and a very large district to draw support from there is every indication that the company will meet with every success. There has been quite a rush after stock and it is generally believed that it has now all been sold or spoken for.

The certificate reads, the following are the objects for which the Company has been incorporated:

(a.) To carry on the business of a laundry;

(b.) To carry on any other business, whether manufacturing or otherwise, which may seem to the Company capable of being carried on in connection with the above, or calculated, directly or indirectly, to enhance the value or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights:

(c.) To draw, make, accept, indorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading:

(d.) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property or rights of the said Company:

(e.) To purchase, take on lease or exchange, hire or otherwise secure any real or personal property and any rights or privileges which the Company may think necessary or convenient for the purposes of its business, and in particular any lands buildings, easements, machines, plant and stock-in-trade:

(f.) To do all such other things as are conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above objects.

KIDNAPPING CASE HEARD LAST NIGHT.

Nanaimo, May 16—

Case Dismissed and Father Gets Possession of Child—Judge Harrison May Hear Case Again.

The kidnapping case, in which Mr. and Mrs. Rudolfson are interested, as detailed in last night's Free Press came up for hearing before Judge Harrison at the provincial court house last night.

Judge Harrison dismissed the case, giving the child in dispute, for the present, into the care of the father. The mother has a suit for divorce now pending in the United States courts, and the judge stated that in the event of her securing a complete divorce, if she came to Canada he would be prepared to take up the case again.

Asked for a statement in connection with the whole matter, Mr. Rudolfson said this morning that he did not wish to enter into a mud-slinging contest, for it little behooved him to blacken the character of the mother of his children. There was one statement, however, that he would like to correct, while at the same time he denied all her other statements intotem, that was in reference to his deserting her and going to Santa Cruz with another woman, as mentioned in the interview last night. Mr. Rudolfson states that his mother lives at Santa Cruz. After producing letters to establish that fact he said it was highly improbable that he would take another woman to his mother's home, which is a place about the size of Nanaimo.

A VALDEZ ISLAMD RESIDENCE IS BURNED.

Nanaimo, May 16.—

Mrs. Wake's Residence on Valdez Island Completely Destroyed by Fire Yesterday.

Fire yesterday morning completely destroyed the residence of Mrs. Wake on Valdez Island, situated right by the Gabriola Pass. Mr. Gray and another man on the neighboring island saw the blaze and made all haste to the scene, but when they they arrived they could be of no service, only the walls remaining.

The fire is supposed to have originated in a spark catching in the roof. The loss will be a serious one to Mrs. Wake who is a widow. There was no insurance on the building and nothing was saved from it.

Among the contents destroyed were many family treasures received from England by Mrs. Wake after her brother's death some years ago.

CZAR FORTY YEARS OF AGE

ST. PETERSBURG, May 18.—The fortieth birthday anniversary of the Czar was observed as a general holiday throughout Russia today. In St. Petersburg business was generally suspended and flags were displayed on many public and private buildings. At Tsarskoe Selo the members of the foreign diplomatic corps called during the day to pay their respects and to present messages of congratulation in behalf of their respective rulers and governments.

Nicholas II. was born May 18, 1868, and is the eighth ruler to represent the house of Romanof-Holstein on the throne of Russia. He ascended the throne Nov. 1, 1894, upon the death of his father, Emperor Alexander III. A few weeks later he was married to Princess Alexandria Alix, daughter of Grand Duke Ludwig IV., of Hesse. They have five children, four daughters and one son, the latter will be four years old next August.

BOYS' BRIGADE.

LONDON, May 15.—Fifty members of the Boys' Brigade, travelling 600 miles from Camborne, Cornwell, to London, will attend the Empire Concert under the direction of Dr. C. A. E. Harries, of Ottawa, on Empire Day by invitation of Oliver Wetherd, of B. C.

FAMILY QUARREL RESULTS IN MURDER.

LONDON, Ont., May 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Ridout street, has received the following telegram from authorities in Toledo, O.:

"John Lougheed dead here, shot and killed wife and self. Will take charge of remains."

The day before the tragedy Mr. Jones received a letter from Lougheed asking him to take care of two little children who were left in his charge when Lougheed went to Toledo for his wife. The letter intimated that he was going to do something desperate, but did not definitely state what writers' intentions were. Lougheed belonged to London before leaving here is said to have remarked: "If she leaves me, she won't live, and I won't live either."

KAMLOOPS FAIR.

Agricultural Association Intends to Surpass all Former Efforts.

The exhibition which will be held on Sept. 23, 24 and 25 at Alexandra Park, Kamloops, will, if the intentions of the managing board are carried out successfully, far surpass that of any previous year in the life of the association.

Mayor Robinson, who is president for the year, has always been an enthusiastic worker for the association and during his tenure of office as secretary manager were held the best shows heretofore. With the experience he gained during those two years and with an energetic board at his back, Mr. Robinson will be able to materially assist the work of the secretary manager.

It is the intention of the board to make the exhibition of produce and fruit thoroughly representative of the district and indicative of its potentialities. The live stock men will be encouraged to prepare good exhibits for the fair and the prize lists will be revised with this object in view.

The matter of attractions will be looked after by an energetic committee, who will see to it that this branch of the exhibition will be such as will bring people from outside points. The racing committee will be appointed with a view to securing men who will have the best interest of the "sport of kings" at heart and a programme will be arranged which will attract an unusually large number of the best horses in the west.

Lovers of the racing game can rest assured that the two day meet will furnish the best of sport for both participants and spectators. The track, already one of the best appointed in the west, will be considerably improved and fast going will be assured.

Altogether Kamloops and the district will have reason to congratulate themselves when the exhibition of 1908 is closed.

STRAY TOPICS FROM THE BIG CITY.

NEW YORK, May 18.—The girls in the fashionable Horace Mann school are up in arms over a recent edict that has been issued by their principal that no one will be allowed to wear ultra-fashionable or extravagant headgear, false hair, elaborate adornments of jewelry, high heeled shoes and peek-a-boo waists. The school authorities believe that the question of good taste in dress properly comes within the province of the school work. The girls are heartbroken over the command, for the order means that "merry widow" hats are all tabooed. Peek-a-boo waists, or waists with short sleeves, bracelets, rings, tight shoes with fancy cloth tops or high heels, and gowns of conspicuous colors are also on the black list.

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Of the many kinds of thefts that are committed in New York every day one of the most common is the stealing of bottles of milk that are left temptingly at the basement doors in the early hours of the morning. The recent invention, however, of the shoemaker who lost his bottle regularly for a week, bids fair to catch all thieves and thus put a stop to the practise, or at least trap the inexperienced robbers. The shoemaker in question rose early and attached a spool of thread to the milk bottle the moment the milkman had left it, and then went back to bed and watched the spool upon which the thread was wound. Soon the spool began to move and jumping out of bed the shoemaker dressed hurriedly and went in search of a policeman. The loose end of the thread was soon discovered, and the bluecoat followed it up. It led him, after a short chase to the tail pocket of a man who was leisurely walking along the street. The milk was recovered and the man arrested, while the shoemaker danced with glee over the success of his invention.

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The pernicious effects of the "tipping" custom were shown up in a new light the other day in the dining room of a small hotel in Brooklyn. Wm. Jenkins, a waiter, was serving an elaborate dinner to a man and woman and had kept on the jump for over an hour attending to every want. Finally the man called for his check and drawing a bill of large denomination from a big roll handed it to Jenkins. Presently the waiter returned with just $8 change. "Keep it" said the diner, and Jenkins fell to the floor dead. A doctor was summoned and said that the waiter had died of heart disease.

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The students of Columbia University are rejoicing over the outcome of the warfare they have conducted against Kingdom Gould, son of George Gould the millionaire. Young Gould has been obliged to leave the college without a degree. He was practically driven out by hazers, who so hampered him in his studies that he found it impossible to graduate as a mining engineer. All this is the outgrowth of an attempt to kidnap him three years ago in order to make an "exhibit" of him at the sophomore class dinner. The young man resisted their efforts in an unusual and unprecedented manner by drawing a revolver, which he discharged several times, although no one was injured. The students have never forgiven him for defending himself and have put every obstacle in his path that they could devise.

BILL REPORTED.

Ottawa, May 16.—The Senate last night reported Fisher's Bill to amend the Meats and Canned Goods Act.

BIG STRIKE I SDECLARED.

Montreal, May 16.—At a mass meeting of the textile workers of Hochelaga last night it was decided to declare a general strike in the mills of the Dominion Textile Company on Monday morning. This will tie up all the Montreal mills and will add about 1,500 more to the unemployed list. The mill closed today, but it was because the employees were working on short time.

OUR WEEKLY OTTAWA LETTER.

Ottawa, Ont., May 9.—If the Laurier Government adheres to clause 1 of the bill to amend the Dominion Election Act, the parliamentary struggle which began on Tuesday of this week will be in progress six months hence. The Opposition has carefully considered the question and has reached the conclusion that it would be treason to the rights and liberties of the people, and to representative government if this attempt to prevent fair and honest elections in some thirty constituencies should succeed. The proposed measure, which practically authorizes the stuffing of lists, or wholesale disfranchisement, according to the local party requirements, is a more safe and cowardly method than the devices of switching and stuffing ballots, importing personators, manufacturing trick ballot boxes and similar schemes which have now been found dangerous in provinces where the Liberal machine does not control the department of justice. But it accomplishes the same purpose, at little expense, with less peril and with more absolute certainty of success. It is invented by the same machine, introduced by the minister to whom the previous conspirators owe so much, and supported by those baser elements which have brought the Liberal party into its present position of disgrace. If the measure should be adopted it will be operated by the class of officials of which Leach, Preston, Wagner, Moberly and Nixon are samples, and of whom Mr. Pritchett, "Cap" Sullivan and such persons have been advisers and instructors.

With unparalleled impudence, added to hypocrisy, Mr. Aylesworth has attached this scandalous clause to what professes to be a measure amending the election law against corruption and fraud. The Aylesworth bill, as Mr. Boyce points out, is better described as a measure for the promotion of fraud and corruption, and the minister devoted nine-tenths of his speech to a defence of the infamous clause which is the main purpose of the bill. The provisions against bribery and fraud are much weaker than those of the bill introduced by Mr. Alcorn on the Conservative side, and even these few wholesome provisions are tied to the main clause, so that the Opposition can only secure this much election reform by giving the government power to steal a dozen or more seats which otherwise they could not hope to carry.

What is this clause which the Opposition are fighting? It is simply a provision giving the Government power to step in after the election writs are issued, and prepare new electoral lists for the whole of British Columbia, the whole of Manitoba and all those parts of Quebec and Ontario which are not organized into municipalities. British Columbia and Manitoba have complete and thorough registration systems. The unorganized and outlying districts of Ontario and Quebec are amply provided for by the provincial franchise law. So far as Quebec is concerned, the chief effect of the measure would probably be to allow the Dominion authorities to make voters' lists of miscellaneous railway labourers along the line of the Transcontinental and attach them to certain constituencies. The effect in Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia will be to enable the machine to create absolutely new lists, to do it at the last moment, to shut out all effective appeal and all publicity, and so to carry out under form of law that process of seat stealing which was performed contrary to law, by the "thin red line" crime of 1904. It would do more easily what was accomplished by the London conspiracy of 1905, by the Brockville and Huron steals of 1889, by the, St. James, Montreal, plot of 1908, and was attempted by the trick ballot boxes in Hastings and Frontenac four years ago.

Mr. Aylesworth points out that the Conservative party is committed to federal control of federal franchises, while he admits that his own party is committed to provincial control. Each system has its merits if honestly pursued, and each might be honestly advocated. But there is no merit and no honest purpose in a method which retains provincial control in provinces where the Laurier party dominates and imposes federal control of the franchise in Conservative provinces. The Aylesworth bill does not touch the Maritime Provinces, it does not touch Quebec except probably in the Transcontinental Railway belt. It does not trouble Alberta or Saskatchewan, which are under Grit rule. But for Dominion elections it authorizes absolute control of the franchise in the two Conservative provinces of the west and of a large part of Ontario.

The bill provides that in the provinces concerned "voters" lists shall be prepared immediately after the issue of any writ for an election, or at any time when the Governor-in-Council so directs; and for the purpose of preparing and giving effect to such voters' lists the Governor-in-Council may appoint all necessary officers and confer upon them all necessary powers," and that "no person whose name is not included in the voters' list as prepared and revised shall be entitled to vote." The measure professes to adopt the provincial franchise system and method, and to take the provincial lists for a basis, but it freely authorizes the Dominion officers appointed for that purpose to strike out or add names to any extent, and thus gives complete power to make a new list. There is no condition requiring appeal to judges, no restriction upon the powers of the federal officers, no qualification for appointment to these positions, nothing to prevent the Government turning over the whole business to a political committee of Cap. Sullivans, Leaches, and Moberleys.

The only excuse for this intervention is the fact that constituencies in Manitoba and British Columbia sometimes cross the boundaries of Dominion constituencies, requiring the rearrangement of names. It is true that this happened elsewhere than in these provinces, but the Government does not mind that. It is true that this little difficulty could easily be met by the appointment of a judge in the locality to assign the voters to their proper polls. It is true that the worst offences in the "red line" crime of 1904 happened in districts where these broken boundaries did not occur, and where there was no excuse for the wholesale disfranchisement. It is also true that Mr. Borden and the Manitoba Conservatives have declared their willingness to accept a measure which will meet the difficulty about boundaries without interfering with the provincial control of franchises. They are willing that Mr. Aylesworth shall accomplish all that he pretends to desire if he will be content with that.

But Mr. Aylesworth and his Manitoba supporters have shown clearly that the overlapping of boundaries is not their trouble. They have attacked the Manitoba Government and its control of the franchise. They have read in the House affidavits, proved to have been bought and paid for, to show that Manitoba provincial lists were unfair. Their Galician affidavit maker has served a term in jail, and is entitled to another one. It is established that Manitoba has a franchise system as free, registration as fair, and lists as near perfect as can be found anywhere in Canada. According to Liberal doctrine the provincial governments have a right to control the franchise for Dominion elections in that province, and while a Grit government was there that right was never questioned. It was never questioned as to British Columbia until the Conservatives obtained control there. It will never be questioned as to Alberta and Saskatchewan while they are governed by a Grit machine.

The Aylesworth bill is as clear a case of political conspiracy as the London election crime. A similar measure was proposed before the election of 1904. Mr. Sifton, who fathered it, told his followers in Manitoba at revision time that they need not trouble about the election list, as the authorities at Ottawa would attend to that. The present Chief Justice Fitzpatrick was then Minister of Justice, and it is understood that he absolutely refused to sanction this plot. So the Sifton bill was not introduced, and the western boss authorized his organizers and returning officers to mutilate the lists without legal authority. Many officers found themselves in the criminal courts in consequence and others were greatly shamed. Mr. Aylesworth confesses that his present bill is made necessary by the fact that the officers will not take any more such risks. Mr. Borden, Mr. Alcorn, Mr. Boyce, Dr. Roche, Mr. Monk, Mr. Lake and others have exposed fully the facts above set forth. They have made it clearly understood that they are willing to assist in providing a remedy for every wrong, and they have made it equally clear that the Opposition will resist, by every constitutional means, this proposed legislative crime.

FOR STRICT RULES AGAINST DRINKING.

Grand Chief Stone, of B.L.E. Makes Strong Recommendations.

Columbus, O., May 16.—About 400 delegates were in the city for the convention of the International Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, when Grand Chief W. S. Stone called the initial meeting to order in Memorial Hall yesterday.

The annual report of Grand Chief Stone was read. The grand chief makes recommendations along the line of temperance. The rules at present declare that any member discharged from any position for drinking shall also be expelled from the order. It is recommended that this rule be so amended that any member who drinks either on or off duty shall be liable to expulsion.

FIGHTING BOER NO MATCH FOR GANS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—Joe Gans, of Baltimore is still the lightweight champion of the world. Rudolph Unholz, the fighting Boer, attempted to wrest the title from the dusky wonder last night and failed. For a time Unholz worried Gans with his peculiar tactics, but early in the mill Gans solved the Boer's style and thereafter held him safe. The bout went along to the eleventh when the referee stopped it to save Unholz.

MURDERER CONFESSES.

Matawan, N.J., May 18.—Although the county authorities deny it, there is good reason to believe that Frank Seaster, the Polish farm hand, has made a confession that he killed Mr and Mrs. Wm. Shepherd, and their servant, Miss Jennie Bendy, who were murdered in Mr. Shepherd's farm house Saturday morning. It is understood Seaster knew Sherherd had money in his possession and efforts will be made to locate the money taken from the Shepherd home.

CASHIER WRECKS PITTSBURG BANK.

PITTSBYRG, Pa., May 18.— Following meetings lasting all day Sunday, and at which a thorough discussion of Cashier Wm. Montgomery's speculations was held, the Allegheny Bank suspended today. That the bank would not open today was generally stated in the morning papers. Quite a number of depositors were gathered on Fifth Avenue opposite the bank and when the order of suspension was posted, all read it and then quickly dispersed. Cashier Montgomery, who is in the county jail accused of embezzlement of $469,000 by the abstraction of securities will be arraigned in the United States court this afternoon.

While his prelusions are officially placed at $594,000, it is said the bank's shortage is close to two millions.

Montgomery is held in $125,000.

STEAMER SINKS.

MAASLUIS, Netherlands, May 18. The British steamer Avoac from New York, May 5th for Hamburg, came in here with her bows damaged and was at once beached. She had been in collision with the steamer Lordze. The Lordze sank and two of her crew were drowned.

The forty-first annual session of the British Trade Union Congress will open in Nottingham, September 7th.

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COAL MINES REGULATION ACT.

Notice of Examinations.

NOTICE is hereby given that examinations will be held for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Certificates of Competency under the provisions of the "Coal Mines Regulation Act," at Nanaimo, Fernie and Cumberland, on the 16th, 17th and 18th days of June, 1908, and for 2nd and 3rd Class Certificates of Competency, at Coutlee, on the 16th and 17th days of June, 1908, commencing at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

The Subjects will be as follows:—

First Class Candidates—
- Mining Act and Special Rules.
- Mine Gases.
- Ventilation.
- General Work.
- Mine Machinery.
- Surveying.

Second Class Candidates—
- Mining Act and Special Rules.
- Mine Gases.
- Ventilation.
- General Work.

Third Class Candidates—
- Mining Act and Special Rules
- Mine Gases and General Work.

Application must be made to the undersigned not later than Friday, June 5th, 1908, accompanied by the statutory fee, as follows:—

By an applicant for First Class Examination..... ....$10.00

By an applicant for Second Class Examination $10.00

By an applicant for Third Class Examination $5.00

The applications must be accompanied by testimonials and evidence stating that:—

(a). If a candidate for First Class that he is a British subject and has had at least five years' experience in or about the practical working of a coal mine, and is at least twenty-five years of age:

(b). If a candidate for Second Class, that he has had at least five years' experience in or about the practical working of a coal mine.

(c). If a candidate for Third Class that he has had at least three years' experience in or about the practical working of a coal mine:

(d). A candidate for a Certificate of Competency as Manager, Overman Shiftboss, Fireboss or Shotlighter, shall produce a certificate from a duly qualified medical practitioner showing that he has taken a course in ambulance work fitting him, the said candidate, to give first aid to persons injured in coal mining operations.

By order of the Board.

FRANCIS H. SHEPHERD,
Secretary.

Nanaimo, B.C., April 4th, 1908.

The attention of the Lands and Works Department having been directed to the fact that town lots in a townsite named Prince Rupert, being a subdivision of Lot 642, Range 5, Coast District, situated on the mainland between the mouth of the Skeena River and Kaien Island, are being offered for sale, it has been deemed necessary to warn the public that the said townsite is not situated at the terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, and is not the townsite which is owned jointly by the Government of British Columbia and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company.

F. J. FULTON,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., May 1st, 1908. 1m

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Fuel for Public Buildings.

Whole or separate sealed tenders will be received by the Hon. the Chief Commissioner up to and including Monday, the first day of June next, for supplying and delivering best lump and washed nut coal required at the Provincial Government Buildings at Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster, B.C., as enumerated hereunder, during the year ending 30th June, 1909, to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as may be directed during the period above stated.

The approximate annual consumption of coal at each of the buildings named is as follows:

Best lump coal—
- Parliament Buildings, Victoria, 230 tons.
- Government House, Victoria, 110
- Court House, Victoria, 60 tons.
- Jail, Victoria, 100 tons.
- Court House, Vancouver, 88 tons.
- Court House, New Westminster, 70 tons.
- Provincial Hospital for Insane, New Westminster, 60 tons.
- Jail, New Westminster, 40 tons.

Washed nut caal—
- Provincial Hospital for Insane, New Westminster, 1,200 tons.

The above mentioned quantities are not guaranteed; the quantity actually required may be under or above the figures stated.

While tenders shall be accompanied by a cheque in the sum of $300, and separate tenders by a cheque in the sum of $100 on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner, which will be forfeited if the party tendering decline or neglect to enter into the contract when called upon to do so.

The cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned upon the execution of the contract.

The Department is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

Tenders must be signed by the actual signature of the tenderers.

F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 14th May, 1908.

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Notice to Architects.—Competitive Designs.

The Government of British Columbia invite the Architects of British Columbia to submit competitive designs of a Public Hospital for the Insane, which it is proposed to erect at Coquitlam, situated near New Westminster, B.C.

The designs, accompanied by specifications, reports and estimates of cost, and superscribed, "Design, Public Hospital for the Insane," and addressed to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, will be received up to noon of Tuesday, the 30th June, 1908.

The designs, specifications, reports and estimates of cost shall have no distinguishing mark or motto, the author's name being enclosed in a blank envelope securely attached to the design submitted.

The design shall be adjudicated upon by an Architect practising outside the Province, to be selected by the Government, after the 30th June 1908.

The design placed first by the Adjudicator shall receive a premium of $700, and the one placed second, a premium of $500.

The Government is not bound to erect the building from any of the designs submitted.

If the design awarded first place is accepted, the premium referred to above shall be included in the professional fee paid to the architect.

Printed conditions governing the competition can be obtained by bona fide competitors upon application to the undersigned.

F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 7th May, 1908. td.

PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Regulations for the Docking of Mooring of All Vessels Arriving at British Columbia Ports from Plague-Infected Ports.

(Approved by Order of His Honour the Administrator-in-Council, dated 8th April, 1908).

1. All vessels arriving at British Columbia ports from ports infected or suspected of being infected with Bubonic Plague shall conform to the following regulations:—

(a.) Vessels shall be moored or docked at a distance not less than six feet from wharf or land:

(b.) Ropes or chains connecting a vessel with wharf or land shall be protected by funnels of size and shape satisfactory to Local and Provincial Boards of Health:

(c.) All gangways shall be lifted when not in use, Gangways when in use shall be guarded against the exit of rats by a person specially detailed for this purpose:

(d.) All vessels changing route to solely British Columbia ports shall give satisfactory evidence of disinfection and extermination of vermin to Provincial Board of Health.

2. Every owner, agent, or captain of any vessel, and every other person violating or instructing, authorizing, ordering, permitting, or otherwise suffering any person to violate any of the foregoing regulations shall be liable, upon summary conviction before any two Justices of the Peace, for every such offence to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, with or without costs, or to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for a term not exceeding six months, or to both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the convicting magistrates.

Dated at Victoria, 9th April, 1908.

(By Command).

HENRY ESSON YOUNG,
Provincial Secretary.

Charles J. Fagan, M.D.,
Secretary Provincial Board of Health.
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LOCAL NEWS

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The northern coal trade will be opening out very shortly. The sacking of coal began at the bunkers yesterday and a brisk time at the local mines may be expected.

The road gang is now busy on Second Avenue. There has never been a road along the Avenue proper and there are houses on it which no wagon can approach. The Council is continuing the road which their predecessors made up to the Catholic church, to the end of the Avenue.

There is going to be enough and to spare of bowling alleys. Mr. Parrott is doubling his place, and on Buller Street Mr. John Pogorly is building a combined store and alley. Another is to be erected up the hill so that the next thing will be bowling clubs and a city league competition.

TO LET.—Mr. H. Pollard, of Second Avenue, has a front furnished bedroom to let. m20-3t

Mr. D. Johnson expects to open his billiard and pool room this week. The building is finished and the tables are on the road. So soon as they arrive they will be set up and business commenced. Dave has got a fine cue which he will offer for competition to the players.

The successful contestants at Mr. Parrott's bowling alley last week were Messrs Jno. Meuer and G. Ross. The former took the first prize, value $3.00, with a score of 201, and the latter second prize, value $2.00, with a score of 187. This week there is a dollar prize nightly for the highest score. Mr. S. Zuick taking it on Monday evening with a score of 235, the record of the alley

The Lawn Social which was held last night under the auspices of the Laurel Rebekah Lodge, at the Gilchrist residence on Second Avenue, was a great success. The evening was fine and light and there was a large attendance. The City Band was engaged and nothing was wanting to add to the pleasure of the evening. Miss Gillespie and Mr. Jno Blair were the lucky prizewinners in the drawing.

Only 10 cents a tin for a No. 1. quality of Milk, is the Special Snap at the Big Store this week.

Constable Stephenson, of Nanaimo, was in town this morning.

Mr. H. Ward went down the line this morning.

Mr. de Gex boarded the Victoria train this morning.

If you want refreshments, fruit, candies or good cigars when in Victoria, and not at holiday prices, but at regular prices, go to the Railway Cigar and Confectionery Store, opposite the Queens Hotel, Store street. And while seeing the Empress Hotel, and boats, see the James Bay Confectionery Store, and secure a delicious dish of Ice Cream with crushed fruit of the very best. Ladysmith Cigars will be always on hand as soon as first order arrives.
A. WESTERNDALE.

THE ASSIZES.

The Spring Assizes opened at the Court House, Nanaimo, yesterday, Chief Justice Hunter, presiding.

The following are the names of the Jurors:

Grand Jury — Paul Bennett, Jos. Mullett, Malcolm McRae, Edward Quenelle, Joseph G. Ross, John Rudd, James C. Reilley, Emerson E. Summers, James Watson, Alfred C. Wilson, Wymond W. Walkem, William James Watson, George Williams.

Petit Jury—George R. Copley, Nestor Doumont, Dennis P. Donnoghue, Griffiths Davis, Jas. Davidson, John J. Doherty, Fred Davies, Enoch Dowd, John Eno, Wm. Fox, Alex. Fraser, Wm. Fern, Robt. Freethy, Jr., Wm. Ferguson, F. Garnitt, Jas. Gray, D. Gourlay, R. Gourlay, Wm. Ralph Graham, Gro. Graham, C. E. Gibson, A. J. Godfrey, Jas. Gourlay Robt. Gordon, Jas. Gordon, Joseph Gordon, Thos. Gordon, Pat. Fagan, Jos. H. Gray, J. W. Gray, Thos. Gummell, John Halloran, Herbert Hodgson, John Hamilton, Jr., Geo. T. Hardy.

There was only one case to be heard that of Rex vs. Drew, and the Grand Jury brought in no bill.

SUICIDES OF DAY.

Indianapolis, May 19.—John McGaughey, a former county commissioner, and prominent as a local Republican politician, shot himself today. The grand jury recently returned an indictment against one member of the commission, but McGaughey had not been indicted.

New York, May 19—Miss Bluny, the young woman who yesterday was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary by Judge Dike in Brooklyn for shooting Chas. M. Sanford, a lawyer, attempted suicide today. She was found unconscious in her cell in the Raymond street jail from inhaling gas. Her life was saved by the prompt action of a physician who was hurriedly summoned.

Winnipeg, May 19.—Chas. Martin, aged 35, an invalid out of work, hanged himself with a small piece of cord at his home on Laurie street last night. Despondency was the cause.

New York, May 19.—Because he was to be married again, George Sterry, 72 years old was shot and killed today by his son, Geo. Sterry jr. The younger man afterwards committed suicide. The father was a member of the large wholesale drug firm of Weaver & Sterry. He was engaged to be married to a young school teacher.

RATHER DIE THAN LOVE ANOTHER.

PARIS, May 18.—A love affair at Boisgrenier has ended in a double tragedy. August Chevassier, the son of a wealthy land owner, had for some time been secretly engaged to Lucile Bourier, who was as poor as she was beautiful.

His father, however, intended otherwise for him, and informed him that he had made all arrangements with an old friend that Auguste should marry his daughter. All that remained for him to do, he was told was to win the affections of his fiancee.

The young man protested that he could not fall in love with two, and finally declared that he would never marry anyone but Mlle Bourier. His father replied that he could choose between the girl and starvation, whereupon Auguste left the house. Shortly afterwards Auguste and his sweetheart were found hanging together from a beam in a shed.

ELECTION RUMOR.

From present appearances it is likely that the convention of Comox-Atlin Conservatives will be held in Vancouver in the near future. The latest rumor in connection with the riding is that the redoubtable John Houston, of Prince Rupert, will be a candidate in the forthcoming election.

ONE GUINESS FARM VICTIM IDENTIFIED.

LA PORTE, Ind., May 19.— The issuing of a death certificate for Bennie Olson, and the turning over of the body by Coroner Mack to the relatives in Chicago, puts the official stamp of identification upon one of the bodies found on the Guiness farm regarding which there has been much controversy. Although identified by her brother, many refuse to believe that the girl is dead. The grand jury resumed its sessions today. The seven unidentified bodies, one female and the others males, exhumed from Mrs. Guiness' barnyard, were today buried in potter's field.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak— We want a new carpet.

Mr. Crimsonbeak—Well, I saw one down town today I'd like to have.

"What was the pattern?

"I don't remember, but it had a sign on it saying, 'This carpet can't be beaten'."

NOT SO EASY.

It's easy to say we'll be cheerful
Regardless of weather or luck,
And whether our schemes are successful,
Or if we fall down and get stuck
Or if we lose money in guessing,
Or win on our ventures a pile.
But answer this question in passing,
Can a man pay his taxes and smile?

ON THE JUMP.

"The last time I gave you money," said the kindly old lady, "you promised me you wouldn't walk right into a saloon and spend it."

"Dat's right, lady," said the hobo.

"Yes, but as soon as you got the money you did."

"Say, lady don't youse know de difference between a walk and a sprint?"

PERSONALS

Messrs. John McKeanon and W. McInness left town on Monday for Vancouver. If they can find work in the Terminal City they will stay there until the camps open out again.

The Third elocutionary contest organized by the W.C.T.U. will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Friday night. In addition to the recitations there will be a musical programme, and the entertainment will be well worth while attending.

Mr. John Manus, widower and Mrs. Lanna Hill, widow, were married by the Rev. Mr. McMillan in the Presbyterian Manse on Monday night.

Mr. W. H. Slinger is in town attending to upholstering and mattress repairs. Mr. Slinger is an expert workman, and any one needing repairs to the cover of lounges and the like can secure his services by leaving an order at Peterson's furniture store.

Noot, the jeweler, has received a consignment of English silverware which for quality, design and beauty cannot be beaten. This is themating season. Wedding bells are ringing all round, and weddings means presents. These goods of Noot's are the identical thing.

Mr. Geo. Fletcher of Nanaimo was in town on Monday morning.

Mr. A. E. Hilbert paid a brief business visit to town on Monday a.m.

Mr. Chas. Mains returned to business on Monday.

Mr. Robt. Gibson was in town on Monday morning.

Mr. Parker Williams, M.P.P. returned home on Monday from Nanaimo.

Mr. J. H. Burroughs left on Monday for Fernie to attend the Socialist convention there.

Mr. J. H, Simpson was in town this morning.

Miss Ingham was a passenger on the Victoria train this morning.

The Rev. Mr. Wilkinson returned home this morning from Vancouver, where he had been attending the Methodist Conference.

Mr. Jas. Bateman was in town this morning.

Mr. Adloph Gatz left this morning for Victoria, on route for Seattle, where, provided he can get work, he will take up residence.

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Returning, leaves Nanaimo, 8:15, and 10:15 a.m., and 1:00, 2:45, 3:15 5:00, 7:00 and 10:30 p.m.

Excursion rates in effect between all stations. Tickets on sale May 23rd to 25th. Final return limit, May 26th.

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Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday

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Notice is hereby given that I shall make application to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Ladysmith at their next regular meeting for a transfer of the retail liquor license now held by me for the premises known as the Columbia Hotel, situate on Lot 2, Block 30, Ladysmith, from myself to Clement Tebo.

A. DYER.
Ladysmith, B.C., May 6, 1908.

NOTICE.

The Committee of the Ladysmith Football Club request that all accounts against the Club be rendered on or before Wednesday, May 20th, in order that the Club's books may be audited for the season.

W. G. SIMPSON,
Secretary.