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HEAVY IMPRISONMENT.

CHICAGO, Mar. 14.— Imprisoned for life was the verdict of the jury yesterday that tried Howard Steele, colored, convicted of attacking Mabel Miller, 17 years old, near her home last December. Steele was identified by the girl. She said he struck her and left her unconscious in the snow.

TOO SICKLY TO STAY IN.

Mrs. Seaver (to new Norwegian girl)— How is it Ollie, that you were brought up with so large a family and don't know the first thing about housework? I can't understand it.

Ollie (the servant) —I bane too sickly a girl to do housework. My sisters do housework an' I bane have to work outside. I work the ground on an' help my brothers to plow.

BAD LUCK.

There once was a fellow named Dish bone,
Who carried for luck a small wish-bone;
And it does seem too bad
That while eating some shad,
He should strangle to death on a fishbone.

QUESTION OF A CITY SEWER

Mayor Nicholson Raises an Interesting Discussion and Council Decides to Engage an Engineer to Find Sewer Levels.

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

Accounts totalling $24 were presented and referred to the Finance Committee to be paid if found correct.

Fire Chief presented his report of the fire on Fifth Avenue on Sunday evening. The alarm, he said, was turned in at 7:40, and they were at the house ten minutes later. On arrival he found that some members of the Fire Brigade who lived round there had got to the house and practically extinguished the fire. The fire he found was caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp, and he calculated that the damage would amount to $250.

Mayor Nicholson said he was at the fire himself, and considering the night and the heavy state of the road, he thought the firemen made good time with their hose rigs.

The Road Foreman reported that the ditch which he had been instructed to cut from Mr. Gourlay's place across Third Avenue, was finished. He had also cleaned out two ditches, the one on the Esplanade, and the other on First Avenue.

Neither the Street Committee nor the Sanitary Committee had anything to report.

Mayor Nicholson said he would like to hear some discussion on the question of a city sewerage. He thought it would be well for them to find out what would be the cost of getting the sewer levels for the town, so that they could ascertain what chance there was of putting in a sewer system. If they could not see their way clear to put in a complete system, they could at least make a start. If the city found the cost of putting in a system too heavy, there were private citizens who were willing to put one in for themselves provided they could get a satisfactory outlet. He was satisfied that in the block in which he had property that, if the city did not put in a sewer, the people would put in one of their own.

Ald. Matheson said that certainly something should be done with this question of sewerage. If this Council did not take it up the Government would step in and do it for them, and they would have to foot the bill. If the Council could see their way clear to do anything, then they ought to do it. This question of sewerage was to him of more importance than electric lights, and more needed in the city, badly off as they were for lights. If the Council could even encourage somebody to put in a sewer they ought to do so.

Ald. McKinnell asked if it was not correct that levels of the streets had been taken?

Mayor Nicholson—Yes; but not for sewer purposes.

Ald. McKinnell said it seemed to him that they might as well start now as any other time, and he moved that an engineer be employed to take the necessary levels.

Mayor Nicholson said he proposed to go to Victoria in a day or so, and he would be able to find out approximately what the cost of such a job would be.

Ald. Matheson pointed out that it was not necessary for them to decide on putting in a system for the whole town. He thought the business section of the town would need attending to first. Whatever was done should be done permanently and the sewer should be large enough to receive any sewerage that might subsequently be discharged into it.

Mayor Nicholson said his idea in raising the discussion was that, if the citizens wanted a sewer, it could be put in by borrowing money and the citizens themselves would save money. That is the sewerage could be paid for at a less cost than was already paid for city sanitary work.

Ald. Matheson agreed with the Mayor. Some might have to pay a little more, while others would pay a little less. That in his opinion was the way in which it would work out.

Ald. Brown said he thought Ald. McKinnell's motion was perfectly in order and he begged to second it.

Ald. Campbell thought it might be as well to leave the matter over until Mayor Nicholson returned from Victoria, when they would learn how much the services of an engineer would cost.

Ald. McKinnell said that they would have to find out in any case how much a sewer system would cost and they might as well engage an engineer now as later.

Ald. Matheson said the engagement of the engineer would be left to the discretion of the Mayor. The latter would find out what fee would be charged, and would be guided in his conduct by the expense.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously.

Ald. McKinnell asked if there were any reports on the electric light question.

Mayor Nicholson said he had expected to receive some petitions but they had not been sent in.

MAY SELL THE MINES

A Victoria special to Vancouver, dated Mar. 14, says:

Following the announcement of his early departure for a prolonged cruise in the Mediterranean, comes a well authenticated report that Lt.-Gov. Dunsmuir may sell his entire Vancouver Island holdings, including valuable coal mines and coal lands to an English syndicate. If the deal goes through Mr. Dunsmuir and family will take up their permanent residence in England.

Although negotiations are only in a preliminary stage, Mr. Dunsmuir has expressed his willingness to sell out all his business interest.

The matter was fully discussed by Sir Edwin Vincent, the eminent English financier during the latter's recent visit to Victoria. Sir Edwin was assistant to Lord Cromer in Egypt for many years, and at an earlier period helped the Sultan to straighten out the tangle finances of the Ottoman empire. Mr. Dunsmuir and Sir Edwin had several conferences on the subject of the proposed deal. Although no bond was given, Sir Edwin learned the basis on which the lieutenant governor was willing to deal. When he left for England he carried with him a detailed report of Mr. Dunsmuir's vast interests. It is not unlikely that the negotiations will be advanced a further stage when Mr. Dunsmuir arrives in London.

His Honor has keenly felt the attacks made on him by organized labor, and has of late frequently expressed a desire to retire to England, where several of his married daughters reside.

If the deal is made it is estimated the purchase price will exceed fifteen million dollars.

DUNSMUIR'S MINES NOT SOLD.

VICTORIA, Mar. 17— A report has been circulated in various cities on the coast to the effect that the Wellington Colliery Company's interests on Vancouver Island had been disposed of to Edgar Vincent, the representative of capital who recently visited this city.

Hon. Jas. Dunsmuir denies that there is any truth in the report. He has not sold out as the published report states. On the contrary, he retains all his interests as formerly.

FIRE BELL ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Lamp Explodes In a Fifth Avenue Residence and House Narrowly Escapes Burning Down.

The quiet of the Sabbath evening was rudely broken into on Sunday night by an alarm of fire. It was about 7:30 when the bell pealed out, and there was an immediate scamper up hill from all directions.

The fire was located in a residence on Fifth Avenue, occupied by a family named Colloi. The head of the family, Mr. T. Colloi, as it happens, is in Victoria, suffering from appendicitis. Mrs. Colloi was trimming two lamps in the dining room. She filled the big hanging lamp with coal oil, and lit it. She then proceeded to fill the little lamp, when the big one exploded. Mrs. Colloi at once rushed out, snatching up the baby; she ran, shrieking for assistance.

The room blazed up immediately, and the flames spread into the kitchen and for a moment it looked as if nothing could save the house. However, willing help was at hand. A runner was despatched to the fire hall to turn in the alarm, and with buckets and hose a large force of men fought the fire, checked it and ultimately extinguished it.

By the time the fire hose reached the house, the fire was out and all danger past. But the kitchen and dining room showed all effects of the scorching they had received. The paper was burnt off the walls and considerable damage was also done by the water. However, under all the circumstances, it was lucky that the house was saved, and that it was, was due entirely to the prompt measures taken by the first arrivals on the scene.

Much sympathy is felt for the Colloi family. It is only a few months since one brother was severely burned in the mine. The head of the house is now in Victoria undergoing an operation, the second in two months.

The alarm sent a great crowd up the hill and emptied the Churches of a large number of the congregation.

NEW YORK WEARS THE GREEN.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The local Irish societies expect tomorrow's observance of St. Patrick's day to be the most general that New York city has ever known. The feature of the celebration will be the closing of all business houses owned or controlled by Irishmen. It is expected that nearly 50,000 men and women will appear in the annual parade. The first brigade of the Irish volunteers will act as guard of honor and the Hibernians and other Irish organizations will turn out in full force. The celebration will wind up in the evening with a hundred or more banquets and social functions, arranged to take place in every section of greater New York.

Lest They Forget

The Free Press on Monday published a table of games between Ladysmith and Nanaimo in which all the advantage is with the latter. The table is published to stop us from crowing too much. Well, lest Nanaimo should forget, an extended table is given in which they do not show up quite so well. The games the Free Press gave were as follows'

May 19th, at Ladysmith.
Ladysmith ..... 2 goals
Nanaimo United ..... 1 goal
May 24th, at Nanaimo.
Nanaimo United ..... 4 goals
Ladysmith ..... 2 goals
June 9th, at Nanaimo.
Nanaimo United ..... 4 goals
Ladysmith ..... 1 goal
Jan. 11th, at Nanaimo.
Nanaimo United ..... 4 goals
Ladysmith ..... 2 goals
March 14th, at Ladysmith
Ladysmith ..... 2 goals
Nanaimo United ..... 1 goal
Total—Nanaimo United, 14 goals; Ladysmith 9 goals.

The games the Free Press did not give are as under:

1904. B. C. Cup.
Nanaimo ..... 2 goals
Ladysmith ..... 8 goals
1904 B. C. Cup.
Ladysmith ..... 8 goals
Nanaimo ..... 0 goals
July 1st, 1905 at Ladysmith.
Ladysmith ..... 15 goals
Nanaimo ..... 0 goals

This latter was a five aside game but it has to be counted if an appeal is made to the past. The total scores for all the meetings of the two teams then run as follows:

Ladysmith, 40 goals.
Nanaimo, 16 goals.

A GRAND CONCERT

Famous Italian Opera Singer Will Appear in the Opera House Tomorrow Night.

There is to be a grand concert in the Opera House tomorrow evening. Signor Guido Ciccotti, the famous dramatic tenor from the Lombardi Grand Opera Company, who has been touring the coast cities, will be here.

The Vancouver World says Signor Ciccotti is the possessor of an exceptionally fine voice of wonderful power and excellent quality. The audience was most enthusiastic in its applause, continued this journal, and indeed so well was Signor Ciccotti received that he was asked to give another performance. Seldom, indeed, concludes the World critique, is it that Vancouver is favored with such a distinguished visitor in the musical world.

Tomorrow night Signor Ciccotti will be assisted by Charlie Balagno, the young pianist. A splendid programme selected from popular and classical composers will be rendered, and if Signor Ciccotti sings up to his great reputation, local music lovers have a great treat in store for them tomorrow night.

The charges for admission are, adults 50 cents, and children 25 cents. The concert will commence at 8 o'clock sharp. The programme ir as follows:

Grand March (King Quality) piano—C. Balagno.
Romance (Opera Aida)—Signor Ciccotti.
Grand Valse de Concert, piano—C. Balagno.
Tenor Solo—Barcarolle, from Verdi Balla in Maschera.
Piano Dolo— Haydn's Sonata.
Tenor Solo — Aria, "From the Fields," from Boito's Mefistofele.
Piano Solo— Selection from Bellini's Norma.
Tenor Solo— "Woman's Unfeeling Heart," from Verdi's Rigoletta.
Piano Solo— Tavered Overture.
Tenor Solo— Ronanza, "Heaven and Ocean," from Ponchiella's Gioconda.
Piano Solo— Blake's Galop de Concert.
Tenor Solo— Air from Leoncavalla's Pagliaci.
Piano Solo— Selections from Verdi's Ernani.
"God Save the King."

SPOKANE, Mar. 15.—A bandit boarded the mail car on the westbound limited of the Great Northern railroad at Bonners Ferry, Ida., before daylight today, bound the two mail clerks, robbed the mail car and delivered way station mail for ten miles then he dropped off the train and escaped.

The robbery was not discovered until the train reached Spokane five hours afterwards. The train carried through mail and much of it was registered. The amount stolen will not be known until the registered mail has been checked up.

Washington, Mar. 17— At Admiral Evans' personal request he will be relieved of the command of the battleship fleet on reaching San Francisco. Rear Admiral Thomas, the next in seniority, will succeed Admiral Evans in command of the squadron.

STANDARD CORRESPONDENCE

Rev. Mr. McMillan States Why He is Not a Member of The Socialist Party.

To the Editor of the Standard:

Your correspondent "J.H.B." wished me to write to your paper and correct what was a misrepresentation of my remarks at a late meeting in the Film Hall. This I declined, fearing it might lead to a controversy into which I was indicted to enter. However, notwithstanding my reluctance, it may be best to give my reasons for not joining the Socialist Party.

I agree with them that the workingman, under our present system, does not receive a fair share of the profits of his own labor. Also that the present system of production for profit, instead of for use, is wrong, and results in much evil. The fact that greedy men become enormously rich by means of the exploitation of public utilities and the labor of employees who are denied not only a fair share of the product of their labor, but are practically prevented from enjoying that degree of leisure and opportunity for self-improvement which ought to be within the reach of every man, is abhorrent to me, as well as to many others who do not belong to the Socialist Party. I look to the ultimate evolution of an economic system which will remedy the great evils involved in the present state of things. What shape it may take I cannot foresee. Perhaps it may end in Collectivism, but, if so, it is a long way off. Perhaps, as I am inclined to think, it will begin by the voluntary adoption of more equitable division of profits and advantages between employers and employees, giving the latter an interest in their own earnings; but the gradual acquisition by Government of the resources of land, water, and public franchises such as railroads, etc., which have been given away to private persons and corporations; and by the education of the general public to a sense of duty to their neighbor which is involved in the Socialist ideal, but which the Socialist himself manifestly does not now possess.

Now, Mr. Editor, this is where I cannot agree with the Socialist Party. They think they see with certainty how the happy state of things—hinted at above, can and must br brought about; viz.: by immediately acquiring public possession of all the material and means of production for public use and not for private profit. But before I could support such a proposition as practically possible, however desirable it may seem to be, I must know how it is to be brought about. How does the Socialist party propose to acquire possession of all the lands, mines, railroads, steamboats, factories, workshops, tools and machinery involved in their proposal? By confiscation or by purchase? Is either practicable? To my mind it is not possible, and until I can see it to be possible I cannot join a party which holds such a visionary project before the working-man as if it could be accomplished by electing to parliament men who say they could bring about this economic millenium in our day.

And then, if these vast interests were acquired by the public, it is likely they would be operated successfully in the public interest by public servants. I have been informed by a prominent Socialist that three attempts have been made to carry on a co-operative store in the interests of the workingmen in Nanaimo, resulting in failure in every instance because of untrustworthiness of the Socialists put in charge of the business. If unfaithful in the lesser can we trust them with an infinctely greater undertaking?

Again, I fear this project of the Socialist is not at present attainable because the average man is not in a position, as to character, habits, and ideals of life, to use his present wages and opportunities to his own advantage. This is patent where we know that the workingmen of Ladysmith spend annually from $150,000 to $250,000 of their wages on intoxicating liquers to their moral degradation and physical ruin. Can it be thought that the average man of our day would fit in with the ideal state of institutions involved in the Socialist program?

From these considerations it is easy to see what I think should be done by every well-wisher of the working-man. He ought to strive to set an example of purity of life and kindness and helpfulness to others. He should advocate and vote for the removal of every debasing institution and practice which degrades men or hinders them from the enjoyment of life. There are institutions and practices which are controlled, regulated or licensed by public authority and which are not only not beneficial, are fearfully injurious to multitudes of persons. Being controlled by law, they can be abolished by law at the will of the people. This is already being done in many places. These reforms are practicable. Yet the Socialist party neglects and even opposes them, spending its energies in pursuit of something which, I fear, cannot be reached in our day. To me the situation is like a man who, going hunting, sees a grouse upon a tree nearby; but before shooting he catches sight of what he deems a deer far out of range, fires at it, scares away the grouse and goes home with an empty bag. The Socalist talks about the larger game in the distance, wastes his ammunition firing at it, and meantime refuses to help himself to that which he can reach and would benefit by it. Others, more wise I think, prefer to shoot at the game within range, believing that, while securing a scant meal at present, we may become sufficiently skilful to bring down the larger game when it is within range.

If these would-be champions of the welfare of the working man would do that which is in their power both as regards personal example and public measures, and so better their own condition and that of the public, we could have more confidence in their wisdom and intentions.

Trusting that I have not trespassed too much upon your space, and tanking you for your courtesy in printing this, I subscribe my name as one who is trying to better the working man and his condition.

JAS. McMILLAN.

RECORDS ON SATURDAY.

The game on Saturday established quite a few records in Provincial football. Without a doubt there was a bigger crowd in the Sports ground than has ever before gathered to see a football match in B. C. The takings at the Mainland—Island game at Vancouver on the 7th, amounted to over $406. But in that game there was not only an extra charge for the grand stand, but ladies also were charged for admission. On Saturday on the Ladysmith grounds, ladies were admitted free, there was no grand stand, and yet the takings totalled over $350. At the very least there must have been over two thousand five hundred spectators, which may be taken as a record in B. C. football.

The game itself also will stand out as the finest and most exciting exhibition of the game ever put up on the Island or in the Province. A shrewd critic of the game came to the writer after the game and declared that the victors did not play such scientific football as the losers. With all due deference the gentleman was talking beside the point. His excitement had run away with his judgment. The teams play almost exactly the same class of football. That is what makes their meetings so supremely interesting to enthusiasts of the game. Because the champions got their goals from two rushes it would be a foolish mistake to imagine that they were playing a rush and scramble game. Nothing of the kind. The ball on every occasion was taken up field by concerted movements by the whole line and the rush was only the culmination of the storming of the citadel. If the Nanaimo man who passed this criticism will think it over now when he has had time to cool off he cannot fail to alter his judgment.

The money up on the match will also stand as a record. The Philistines were certainly spoiled and it is safe to say that between $1,500 and $2,000 changed hands. This, it may be taken is pretty near a record.

NEW ENGLAND THE POLITICAL ARENA.

BOSTON, Mass., Mar. 14— Massachusetts has recently received personal visits from both Taft and Hughes, the result of which has been to make more manifest the probability that the old Bay State will send an uninstructed delegation to the Republican national convention. The state appears to be pretty evenly divided in regard to its preference for the presidential nomination. Between the secretary of war and the New York governor the Republicans find it hard to make a definite choice. This section of the state is inclined towards Taft, while the western half of the state, probably because of its proximity to New York, looks with increasing favor upon the boom for Hughes. The same division exists between the two Massachusetts senators, Lodge favoring Taft, while Crane, who is the most powerful Republican leader of Massachusetts, so far as the western portion of the state is concerned, is an avowed Hughes man. Senator Crane is making a hot fight for an uninstructed delegation. If his advice is followed by Massachusetts the effect in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont may be of consequence.

GREAT MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN PLANNED.

New York, March 16.—Reports received at the headquarters of the National Presbyterian Board of Home Missions in this city tend to show that the board's plan for a one-day whirlwind publicity campaign in the cause of the Church, and its missionary work has met with gratifying success. This was the date fixed for the simultaneous rallies in cities throughout the country. According to the reports received the plan was carried out in Chicago, Cleveland, Albany, Buffalo, Detroit, Peoria, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Columbus and a number of other cities.

The meetings were addressed by eminent Presbyterian leaders, among them being the Rev. William Henry Roberts, D.D., moderator of the General Assembly; Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D.D., secretary of the Board of Home Missions; Rev. Charles Stelzle, superintendent of the department of church and labor, and the Rev. Thomas Clinton Moffet, specialist on United States Indian problems. Similar programmes were carried out at each of the meetings and modern methods of advertising were employed to attract public attention to the missionary work. The discussions and addresses dealt with the social, the economic, the religious and the general national problems confronting the Church in the United States.

CLINTON, Ind., Mar. 17— Four men were killed and from fifteen to twenty were seriously injured today by an explosion at the United States powder mills. All the men killed and injured were employed in the building. The dead are Geo. Grantsby, Wm. E. Yeors, Peter Simmonds and one unidentified.

The powder mills are located at Coalmount. All the windows in Coalmont and many here were shattered by the force of the explosion, which was heard for many miles.

Physicians were sent from the surounding towns.

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AN OBJECT LESSON.

In another column our readers will learn that the cause of alarm which broke so noisily into the peace of the Sabbath evening was an exploded coal oil lamp. Of course the explosion may have been due to some fault in the lamp itself, or to some mistake in the trimming of it. All the same there is nothing commoner than these accidents with coal oil lamps. It is true that carelessness may enter largely into these occurrences, but on the other hand, it has to be remembered that the danger is always there. In England hardly a day passes without the press recording some fatality from an overturned or an exploded lamp, and it is safe to argue that carelessness is not at the bottom of it every time. The sober truth is that these lamps are a constant menace to life and property, especially where there is a young family in the house. Fortunately no one was burned in the fire on Sunday evening, and the damage will not exceed two hundred and fifty dollars. But the house might easily have been burned to the ground and that Mrs. Colloi and the baby escaped being badly or fatally burnt is a miracle. The whole occurrence is an object lesson. A man's property is not only more secure, but his own life and the lives of his family are a hundred fold more safe with electric lights. Convenience, cleanliness, and ease are all three weighty considerations; but greater than each and all together is the safety of human life. The fact is brought out and most prominently and opportunely by the fire on Sunday night, and its influence should certainly not be lost upon those who are considering the question of putting electric lights into the city.

A CITY SEWER.

Mayor Nicholson raised an interesting discussion in the council meeting on Monday evening, when he introduced the question of a city sewerage. Under normal circumstances we would feel inclined to advise one thing at a time. The electric light question is before the people, and certainly it is big enough to occupy all their attention. However the council has not taken the initiative in this matter, and the sanitary condition of the town is by no means in a satisfactory state. There is not the slightest doubt that some sewerage work is urgently needed. In the opinion of a great number of citizens this question of a sewer system should have been taken up even before that of lights. They do not deny the necessity of lights, but they put the consideration of health before all others. For these reasons there is no doubt that Monday evening's discussion will be welcomed as a timely move in the right direction. If Mayor Nicholson is right in his opinion that the cost of the sewerage would be less than what is paid now for the sanitary work there is no reason why the work should not be started right away. Possibly also the schemes may be forwarded in conjunction with each other, for there is the same alternative to each. It remains with the people. It is noticeable that the little flutter of excitement created by the municipal elections is dying out. The Citizen's League is not maintaining its early promise, and the correspondence columns of the Standard are no longer utilized. Are the people going back to their old state of indifference and apathy? We hope not; but meantime a few signs of active life would be viewed with the greatest satisfaction. Both the lighting and sewerage questions require a live popular interest, and unless they receive it the town may be ignored as a back number with stagnation and decay as its only future.

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NORTHFIELD PASSES CRITICISM ON BIG GAME.

News Notes From Northfield—What Northfield Sports Think of the Big Game Last Saturday.

Several of the Northfield sports took in the big game at Ladysmith, and the majority were sorry to see Nanaimo lose, as some consider that Nanaimo was badly treated in the last half, by Jimmy Adam, and Joe Sanderson, who played far too rough, Jimmy is a good player, we all admit, but at times he seems to change to a very demon, stopping at nothing, crippling up opposing players shows poor sportsmanship, and it certainly looked that Ladysmith were determined to win that game by fair means or foul, and win they did, but it was nothing to their credit, although some here contend that Ladysmith put up a fine game, while others again did not like the tricks they adopted in the last half. Poor Alex. Johnny, Northfield's favorite centre forward, received a dirty blow which almost resulted in him having to quit. Harley also was treated very bad, and others of the team. However it surely ought to be a grand lesson for the Nanaimo boys in the future, and it is to be hoped if the Nanaimo boys have got to play off the final with the champions, that if the champions resort to unsportsmanlike tricks again that the Nanaimo boys hand out the same kind of dope, good and strong. It might arouse the feeling that will prove we are human beings and ought to treat one another as good as it possibly lays in our power. We all know accidents will happen in the best of matches, but some of the accidents which happened on the 14th looked as if they were done on purpose. Some were criticizing Bradshaw's playing. Of course Albert did not play in his usual good form, but taking everything in consideration, he did what he thought was the best. He certainly had some little troubles to contend with, that the majority of the spectators did not know anything about, and if all goes well, Braddy will surprise them next time, as without a doubt he is the best goalkeeper in the province today. Some of the Northfield sports think that the Nanaimo boys made a bad move in the last half by changing their line-up, as Alex Johnnie seems to be at sea in any other position than at centre forward, which position he can fill to perfection when he is in good shape. We must not forget the good work he done in the past and which we hope he will do again. However the Northfield boys hope that Nanaimo wins next time. Some lost money on the match, but intend doubling it next time when Nanaimo meets Ladysmith, so it will mean something or nothing to them when the great event comes around again. So Mr. Free Press man, keep the old rooster warm, and when he comes out again to make his bow to the public, why there will be simply something doing in the old-time football camp.

RAN AMUCK AND COMMITTED WHOLESALE MURDER.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Mar. 16.—Graicio Elgueta, a lumber handler, last night probably fatally shot Margerite Manesa, 11 years old, wounded Minnie Shackleford, 7 years old, shot her grandfather, Jas. Shackleford through both shoulders, fired at Mrs. A. Manesa and was himself killed by a policeman.

Mrs. Manesa, her daughter Margerite, and Minnie Shakleford, had been seated in the front room of their own home, the door being open. Suddenly Elgueta appeared in the doorway and opened fire on Mrs. Manesa. He fired one shot and the woman ran to the window and jumped out. The man then turned the weapon on the woman's daughter, firing a shot which hit the girl in the left side and pierced the right lung. He fired two shots at Minnie Shackleford; the first shattering the left hand, and the other going through the right arm. He then went into the next roam where Mr. Shackleford, a cripple was lying on the floor, and fired two shots at the prostrate man, one taking effect in each shoulder.

Elgueta then fled from the house, and was shot by a policeman.

ATE WILD PARSNIP.

VANCOUVER, March 16. — Mike Owens, a workman on the V. V. & E died today from being poisoned by eating wild parsnip root. Two of his companions are recovering.

U. S. FLEET MAY VISIT AUSTRALIA IN JULY.

MELBOURNE, March 16.—The Australian commonwealth officially and generally hails with pleasure the announcement from Washington that the American battleship fleet will visit the Antipodes next July or August. The federal ministers are delighted with the idea of such a visit, the minister of defence, Thos. Ewing declaring that the presence of the American fleet would be most gratifying to all Australia.

"We feel that our future in the Pacific," he said, "is bound up with that of the United States."

Premier Alfred Deakin was not flattering the American people when he invited them through consul General Bray to come to Australia. In the invitation he said: "No other federal government in the world possesses so many features of likeness to that of the United States as does the commonwealth of Australia, and I doubt whether any two people could be found who are in nearer touch with each other and are likely to benefit more by anything that tends to knit their relations more closely."

AUSTRALIANS LIKE U. S.

Australians of all classes indeed, have a decided liking and admiration for Americans, due to sentimental, commercial reasons, and even politically. In the first place, as Australian newspapers and orators frequently observe, whenever the question of Asiatic immigration to Australia comes up, or that of the Australian national defence, America is the nearest Caucasian neighbor and friend the commonwealth have.

Whereas the commonwealth has always been complaisant of America's possession of Pago, Samoa, which the fleet will visit, it has never been over-pleased over Germany's possession of Apia and the commonwealth manifested so much feeling over territorial rights in the New Hebrides and trading privileges in the Marshal Islands, that the Imperial government was forced to treat with France and Germany respectively regarding these disputes.

In brief the United States is the only foreign power with territory in the Pacific for which United States has a distinct liking aside from the Carribean consideration. This whole scheme of the government is patterned after that of the United States, there are strong commercial and other things between the two countries. Mr. Deakin himself is an enthusiast over the United States. He visited America for the Victorian government in the eighties to inspect its irrigation works, and he has never forgotten the country or its greatness.

AUSTRALIANS HOSPITABLE.

The Australian people are very hospitable and they will outdo themselves in entertaining the American officers and sailors.

While plans are not yet made it can be said that the functions and pleasures in Sydney would be rather more on the naval side than they have ever been. Sydney is fond of Jack Tars, and the American sailor men will not have cause to complain of their stay.

Melbourne's round of enjoyments would be somewhat more circumscribed, but this city is still the federal capital, and Melbourne, in the season is one of the gayest of places It is more than probable that sports of all kinds, for Australians are devoted to outdoor life, will play an important part in the entertainment to be arranged for the Americans. Indeed, the visitors will arrive just when the Australian baseball season (for they play that game in the commonwealth) will be at its height and there are other sports in plenty for those who may wish to vary the round of social entertainment with something in the way of mere robust pastime in the open air.

FEAR GENERAL MASSACRE OF WHITES.

PARIS, Mar. 16.—The situation between the Haytien government and France has become acute and critical. The French population at Port Au Prince is menaced and a general massacre of white residents of the island is feared.

This information was conveyed in an official despatch to the foreign office from M. Carteron, the French minister to Hayti. Last week M. Borne, the Haytien minister of state assured M. Carteron that Hayti would agree to allow the refugees who had taken asylum in the French consulate at Genaives and St. Mark to leave the island. This morning there came news of the execution at Port Au Prince on Sunday of between ten and twelve prominent persons on the charge of conspiracy against the government, together with a cablegram from M. Carteron announcing that Gen. Nord Alexias the president of Hayti, had not only refused to confirm the assurances given by M. Borne, but had flatly declined to permit the refugees in the consulates to depart.

Eleven additional persons have taken asylum at the French legation. The French cruiser D'Estrees is expected soon at Genevao where she will co-operate with the British and German ships of war now on their way to Hayti.

It is understood that France, Germany and Great Britain are acting in accord in this situation.

BIG MONEY FOR BALL PLAYERS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16— President Lawson of the Union Baseball League, stated today that President Hart of the local club of that league had wired Tyrus Cobb, of the Detroits in the American League, an offer of the largest salary ever paid to a ball player to play with the Washington Union League club. Mr. Lawson also said that President Schlicter of the Philadelphia Union League club, has made Hans Wagner of the National League an offer of ten thousand dollars to play with the Philadelphia Union League club this season.

SPORTING NEWS

SPORTING CAUSERIE

You can hear exactly how it happened at any street corner in town Since the match every spectator has been a player, that is to say that every Ladysmith supporter for the nonce has turned a champion player. Wherever you went, whatever group you stumbled up against, the game was in progress, the ball in full flight. The writer has had the match retold to him from every conceivable point of view and the main incidents of the game have already taken on legendary form.

But there is wonderful unanimity as to the reason for the glorious victory. The Herald for once struck a true note. The best team won by playing better football. On the whole this is a correct epitome of the game. But I adhere to my first opinion that stamina just as much as skill and science, perhaps more than these factors pulled off the victory. That force and snap with which the second half commenced, was something which the visitors never expected and which they proved utterly unable to cope with. But the champions have always that burst with them, and and when it comes they are irresistible.

That first adverse goal was the salvation of the game. It kept the boys on their mettle, and generated that vim and momentum which later carried the colors to victory. It prevented them from ever getting indifferent, from easing off in the slightest degree. They had to go to check their opponents in hand, and at the same time conserve their strength for the great and final effort. And surely "supreme" is the word which best describes the effort they put forward on Saturday. For a few minutes it looked as if the Nanaimo boys were going to be overwhelmed. For a time that sterling eleven, veterans and stars of many a fierce encounter, were made to look like second raters.

Had that third goal not been disallowed it is hard to say what might have happened. Certainly the visitors appeared to be verging on collapse, and it is a fact that the sturdy defence never recovered its wonted strength and nerve. "Shorty," after playing magnificently, was all in. A couple of corners he conceded were the fruits of pure physical fatigue. Even Paddy, whom everybody hitherto had supposed to be tireless, showed unmistakeable signs of wear and tear, and was waiting for the whistle. There were others in like shape, and there was not a man in the twenty two who had not had enough, and there were at least half a dozen of the visitors who had had too much.

The tumult and the shouting has by no means died away; not at the time of this writing anyway. The town and everybody in it, except a certain good old sport who shall be nameless, have been naturally elate and jubilant. It must be said that the club supporters have never shown that objectionable of all popular qualities—fickleness. They have stood by their favorites through the darkness and humiliation of three defeats and never surrendered the least bit of their faith in their abilities. They went up to Nanaimo at the beginning of the season, and produced their money to prove their confidence.

On Saturday last the conditions were not encouraging. There was the memory of three defeats, and the fact of a team hailed as the "greatest ever." And so it looked on paper at least, and even now there is no gainsaying its pre-eminent merits. The very confidence of the Nanaimo backers was in some sense disconcerting. There was money calling to be covered all the week, and there came advance agents on Saturday morning with wads as big as bricks. The men with the wads were calling aloud for the Ladysmith sports. They cried their purpose from afar, and flourished their affluence in the faces of all and sundry. They were exultant, not to say insulting in their confidence, and they conferred wealth and happiness upon a score of men whom they aggravated into betting.

These jovial sports played once again the role of the biter being bitten. They had a perfectly lovely cinch. Their team had accounted for Ladysmith by 4 goals to 2 a couple of months ago and had improved ever since. That there should be no mistake they secured other two men and turned out with five of the brightest football stars of the Mainland. The champions simply weren't in it. Yet these men with the money refused to grant odds. They were offered 90 to their 100 dollars; but evens was their limit. The sports were the men who in spite of the shadow of three defeats, and of the formidable array of imported talent, backed their team to the limit.

The limit may not have been all that the agents of the Nanaimo pool could have wished. At any rate they professed to be disappointed at the time, and certainly their disappointment needed no professing an hour or two later. Not that they squealed at all about their losses. They acknowledged their defeat, offered no excuses, and took their beating like good sports. But all the same, though they could ignore their financial losses, they could not conceal their injured pride. It takes a strong man to look happy after a certainty has smashed to pieces. The jeering words the sneers and taunts expressed in the hour of effervescing confidence steal back like ghosts in the shadows of defeat. Our Nanaimo friends will have another wad when next we meet, but it is safe to bet that their methods will be more subdued.

How much Nanaimo money was left in town it is impossible to say exactly. Some of the boys who clamored most for bets in the morning wanted to minimize their losses in the afternoon. They spoke of three or four hundred dollars. This figure is absurdly low. Thirteen or fourteen hundred would be nearer the mark, and it is a long time since any kind of money was so vastly appreciated.

There is one thing that the management of the home team have reason to congratulate themselves for, and that is that they did not seek foreign players for this match, There were men on the Mainland who would have offset Nanaimo's latest captures who were willing to turn out for the champions, and indeed offered their services. However, it was decided to stand by the team as it stood and the result happily justified the management in their action. Your imported stars are not always workers and they do not feel the same interest in the game as your home players. More than that the home player is very often just as much of a star as the man who displaces him, only, being at home, he is without honor.

It is no part of my business to put Nanaimo wise, and I should never presume to offer advice to the management of the club. But they have the nucleus of a good eleven. It could be strengthened by playing two home players and Adam and Graham and Wynne, and a few more from here would also improve it. Certainly there will have to be more changes and alien additions if the champions are to be deprived of their title.

It appears the Free Press rooster had an accident on Saturday. At any rate when the Standard man got a look at him there wasn't a whole feather on his skin and the sight of an axe would not have fetched a squeak from him, let alone a crow. In fact I hardly think that old rooster will ever crow again, even if the opportunity was made for it, and there is a big stalwart bunch of champions in the way of that. Altogether that rooster is in a bad way, and the Free Press might as well make "pie" of him. They'll never want him again anyway.

ROUGH AND FURIOUS FOOTBALL AT ROYAL CITY.

Here is the Vancouver side of the B. C. Cup-Tie semi-final, played at New Westminster last Saturday, between the Thistles and Rovers, and it certainly must have been a furious struggle:

By "Pine Cove."

In one of the roughest and dirtiest games of the season, the Thistles defeated New Westminster in the semi-final of the B.C. Cup at Moody Square yesttuay afternoon by a score of one goal to nil. The game was fast and furious from start to finish. The local boys won the toss and attacked immediately. Gunzon cleared well up the field. The Thistle forwards got away and immediately demonstrated the fact that they were not in condition. This seemed to give the boys in red some encouragement, and their half-backs and backs held the opposing line down well. for the first 20 minutes the Thistles kept up a good pressure that was only relieved to be returned again. Barbaree made some good saves and cleared well. Lock missed by a foot soon after. A high shot struck the bar at Barbaree's right, but was cleared again. The visitors did best to score, but Clark, who played a sterling game at back, was there with the goods. He was well supported by Bruce, who also did some good work.

The spectators, who were there in force, began to encroach on the field of play and did their best to put the referee up in the air. The compliments that were handed out to that official did credit to the Royal City enthusiasts. At this stage of the game Barbaree saved at close quarters and tried to get out of a close corner, but Mitchell caught him with the ball as he passed the post, sending him against the upright, causing him to drop the ball, and Mitchell booted it into the net, The whistle blew and the referee pointed amid field. Barbaree fell immediately the whistle blew, somewhat shaken up. Some of the spectators yelled for a foul against Mitchell for charging the goal keeper. When the referee finally blew the whistle and ordered the ball centred the spectators went in the air for good and did not touch ground for the remainder of the game.

Campbell, who has been the only referee that New Westminster has had any use for (and vice versa), smiled and took it good naturedly. The players of both teams were somewhat up the pole too. It was amusing to see them claiming corner kicks against their own side. On resuming play the pace was swifter than ever and some hard checking was given and taken on both sides.

At half time the ball was amidfield and there was no further scoring. The teams reversed ends and recommenced immediately. The Thistles attacked but were checked, and for a few minutes it looked as if the boys in red were going to score. Rodgers, who, throughout this half played a good game, had some work to do and do it quickly. The spectators who persisted in coming into the field of play soon got beyond Tim Mahoney's control and he appealed to the referee to clear the field. His efforts were futile and it was given up as being useless. At this stage of the game things were going fast, and the man who had the unthankful task read the riot act to the 22 players. Did that official not overlook much the game would have been a farce and a series of free kicks and before the ball touched the ground another would have to be given and so on. Which team was most at fault it would be hard to say, as both teams were straining every nerve and muscle and fighting to the last and had their do-or-die blood aroused- It was scarcely to be expected that anything else could be. Campbell was the only party on whom the spectators could vent their spleen, and they certainly let no opportunity escape. Threats were made as to what would happen after the game to that official, and it certainly looked as if there was trouble in the wind. Some small boys on the top of the dressing room had to be checked for throwing chips and stones at the players. The struggle went on and exhausted itself without further scoring. For the last few minutes it looked as if the local boys were going to make a tie, but Rodgers could not be found napping. For the visiting boys there were but few stars. Warburton and Mitchell were all the forward line. The other three were useless. The Spence brothers were away off, as was Hayes. Forrest was the only half-back. Nelson and Main did some good work, but the centre half was there all the time. Gunzon was safe. Strange was off color. Rodgers played safe.... Watson and Lumsden, the outside wing men of the home team, played a fine game. Fleming was safe and played well. In fact the whole team played well to a man. It was a good and desperate struggle, and one that will be long remembered. The excitement ran high when the whistle blew- The winning team formed a ring round the referee, and escorted that official through a sea of abuse and a rainstorm of flying missiles. In the dressing room they howled and hooted, climbed the roof and dropped sticks through the holes and windows. The reappearance of that official was the signal for more cat-calls and missiles. The scene was a disgraceful one and went a long way to give the Royal City soccer enthusiasts a black eye. It was the roughest game so far on the Mainland, and it is certainly up to the Vancouver District League to make an example of such spectators, and in some measures protect the man whom they employ to officiate at their games. They have been altogether too lenient with Westminster in the past in this respect, and it is time they were taught a lesson.

The Thistles and Shamrocks will meet next Saturday at Recreation Park in the B.C. Cup final.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

The following is the standing of the teams in the Scottish League up to February 22nd:

Team	W.	D.	L.	Pts
Falkirk	19	4	3	42
Dundee	18	5	4	41
Celtic	18	4	2	40
Airdrieonians	14	4	10	32
Hibernians	12	5	5	31
Rangers	12	7	4	31
St. Mirren	11	7	7	29
Motherwell	10	6	10	26
Aberdeen	10	6	10	26
Hearts	9	6	10	24
Kilmarnock	5	10	12	20
Morton	7	6	14	20
Third Lanark	7	5	14	19
Partick Thistle	6	5	12	17
Hamilton Academ	6	5	14	17
Queen's Park	3	8	12	14
Port Glasgow A	5	4	18	14
Clyde	4	5	16	13

PAPKE-KELLY BOUT TONIGHT

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 16. — The Milwaukee Boxing club is figuring on an attendance of over 5,000 spectators and receipts amounting to fully $16,000 when the gong calls Bill Papke and Hugo Kelly into the arena at the Hippodrome tonight. No pugilistic event ever pulled off in Milwaukee has attracted more attention than the Papke-Kelly go. It has been the staple of conversation for days past wherever sporting men congregate and the demand for tickets is unprecedented.

The lively interest displayed in the match arises fron the confident expectation that the spectators will be given their money's worth when the Spring Valley miner and the Italian fighter come together. Tonight's bout is expected to be a repetition of their first meeting here, which was a fast and furious fight from start to finish. Both fighters realise that the contest will either make or mar their championship aspirations. Furthermore, there is a strong personal rivalry between the two, which may be counted on to give added zest to their encounter.

Both fighters have been training faithfully since the articles were signed, and the reports today from their respective quarters give assurance that each is in the best of trim The men will weigh in at 158 pounds ringside. Al Bright of this city has been chosen to referee. Among the spectators will be a large delegation that is coming by special train from Chicago.

RUSSIAN LION ON EXHIBITION.

NEW YORK, March 16. — George Hackenschmidt, the world's champion wrestler, is to be seen in an exhibition bout here tonight, the first of a series in which he will appear before proceeding to Chicago to contest with Frank Gotch for the championship title. During the remainder of this week he will appear in exhibition bouts in Boston, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore, in the order named. He will then proceed west to fill several other dates before meeting Gotch in the Coliseum in Chicago on April 3.

DR. ROLLER WINS WRESTLING MATCH.

SEATTLE, Mar. 17— Dr. Roller of Seattle, last night defeated Jesse Westergourd of Iowa in two straight falls in a match for $500 a side, at Seattle. Much had been said about Westergourd's chances, but Roller was never in danger and obtained the first fall in 24 minutes. The second fall gave him much more trouble and it was an hour and two minutes before he again pinned the Iowa man to the mat. Oscar Marbet was the referee.

DECISION AGAINST BIG COMPANIES UPHELD.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16.—The proceeding by the government against the Armour Packing Co., Swift & Co., and the Cudahy Packing Co., all of them operating in Kansas city, Kas., under which the companies were fined each fifteen thousand dollars by the Circuit Court for the western district, on the charge of receiving rebates contrary to the provisions of the Elkins Act, was decided by the supreme court today adversely to those companies. The court's opinion was announced by Justice Day who held that the Elkin's Act is applicable to transportation anywhere, and that an offense is not confined to the initial point. He also held it applicable alike to shipper and carrier.

DEPORTED MINERS MAY ARRIVE ON JOAN.

VANCOUVER, Mar. 14.— Five men were ordered back to Seattle on the Iroquois today. They failed to comply with the requirements of the Dominion order in council and Inspector Elliott ordered the skipper to put them in the guard room until the vessel was out of port.

Seven were sent back on Thursday but the Iroquois landed them at Bellingham. It is beyond doubt that they had a contract to go to work in Island coal mines and if they get past the Dominion officials at the boundary points, they will be seeking passage on the stamer Joan.

Few of the men ordered back by steamer, return to Seattle and those who refuse to pay return fare are permitted to land at Bellingham "of their own accord."

These deportations give the captain of the Iroquois no little worry, as there is a penalty of $100 if one of them gets away before the boat sails.

HEAVY LIBEL SUIT AGAINST LOCAL MAN.

Nanaimo, March 17.—

A libel suit for $10,000 has been instituted against Mr. David Hoggan of Newcastle Townsite. Mr. Hirch, provincial land surveyor, has instituted the suit.

It is alleged that Mr. Hoggan published certain statements about Mr. Hirch re the dispute in the resurvey of the "Squatters' Rights" land on the Townsite in which Mr. Hoggan is interested, and hence the suit.

BURNS MAY HAVE HARD FIGHT.

DUBLIN, Mar. 16.—Richard Croker, who is one of the syndicate who put up the money for the fight and who travelled to Dublin on the same boat as Burns to witness the contest, believes that victory will not be so easy as Burns expects.

Burns turns the scale at 168 while Roche's weight is 196. The latter is in excellent condition with the exception of a slight cold.

JAP MURDERS.

NEW YORK, March 16. — Frank Kito, Japanese cook, today fired five bullets into the body of Mrs. Lizzie Hulz, aged 25, who had spurned his love, and then drank carbolic acid. Kito was dead before a physician reached him. Mrs. Hulz will recover. Kito was 25 years of age. They met while both were employed in a restaurant in upper Broadway. The tragedy occurred at Mrs. Hulz's home in East 19th St.

COUNTESS LOST.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16. The claim of the Countess of Buena Vista, against Major General Brooke for $250,000 damages on account of his revocation while military governor of Cuba, of her license to slaughter all the cattle for Savanna, was decided by the supreme court of the United States against the countess.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The fistic world has its interests centred on the fight between Tommy Burns and Jem Roche, of Dublin, at Dublin on Tuesday. The bout is limited to 20 rounds for $2,500 a side and a purse of $7,500. Billy Papke and Hugo Kelly will meet tonight at Milwaukee, Wis.

No Honing—
No Grinding

You know from daily experience, at home or in the barber shop, that the question is—"Why doesn't a razor hold its edge uniformly from heel to head without honing and grinding?" Whether it is a safety, with the certain tax of new blades, or the ordinary open-bladed razor does not alter the question. You want the comfort and satisfaction of a clean, smooth shave every morning with the confident knowledge that your razor will be ready for instant use the next time needed.

The Carbo Magnetic razor is the only razor *unconditionally guaranteed* to do this. Thirty years of study on the razor situation has perfected a new secret process of *ELECTRIC TEMPERING* that positively merges every particle of carbon (the life of steel) into the metal—giving a diamond-like hardness uniformly throughout the blade—something absolutely impossible with fire tempered steel—used in making all other razors.

But test this razor in your own home—or if you prefer, have your barber use it on you. Give us your name,——— or call and see the "Carbo Magnetic" razor, and we will state our proposition for testing these razors *without obligation on your part to purchase,* together with our free booklet "Hints on Shaving." This book illustrates the correct razor position for shaving every part of the face.

SOLE AGENTS:

Ladysmith Hardware Co.

HOW FIVE GIRLS COMMITTED SUICIDE.

NEW YORK, Mar. 14— A startling story of how five girls who came to New York from St. Paul took their own lives, was told today by Miss Baxter, after she had made a vain effort to commit suicide. She said she was one of a party of six girls who came to New York to make their fortunes, after receiving a course of training in a business college in the Minnesota city.

She turned on the gas in her furnished room on 43rd street last night, but was rescued this morning.

When asked why she had tried to end her life the girl replied:

"Why should I not be allowed to die? My five girl friends who left St. Paul with me a year ago, have all suicided. I want to die as they did and join them."

"Was it a suicide pact?" she was asked.

"My friends are all dead, and they died as they chose," was her reply.

The girl said she and her five acquaintances decided while in the business school in St. Paul to come to New York together thinking that there was more of a future in the metropolis. She refused to give the names of any of her girl friends. A short time after their arrival in New York she said one of the girls married. She did not live happily with her husband however, and killed herself a few months after she became a bride. In the meantime another girl had been seeking employment without success. She sought death and found it by the same means her friend had used.

The next to go in the same way, according to her story, was one of the girls who had fallen a victim to man's false friendship.

With three of the companions dead, the three that remained worried constantly, and when hard times came, and employment was hard to find, two others followed their friends to the grave. That left Helen alone. Then a man came into her life. The man was represented to her as immensely wealthy, she said, and for a time she was happy. Then he suddenly sailed for Europe. She had nothing more to live for after that, she said, and she decided to join her five friends in death. Helen said her father is dead but that her mother still lives in St. Paul. She refused to give her mother's address.

When it was found that the girl would recover she was taken to the police station and locked up charged with attempted suicide. In the girl's room were several picture post cards from South Bend and from Rivere, Mass.

G. S. "GREAT WAR THAT IS COMING."

NEW YORK, Mar. 14.—Declaring it is only from the forest rangers in the service of the United States that scouts can be recruited for service in the "great war that is coming," G. Pinchet, chief forester of the department of agriculture startled his hearers at a dinner of the Camp Fire Clubs of America at the cafe Des Beaux-arts last night by discussing the war as if the conflict were undeclarable.

"The great war which this country will fight, but which I hope with all my heart it will not have to fight soon," Mr. Pinchet said, "the only quarter to which the government need look for scouts whose service would be essential is to the foresters. These, and there only, are men being trained in such a fashion that they would be of service. It is of importance that we preserve the forests and the game, but it is more important that we be in condition to furnish for service in that war the material out of which good scouts can be made. The forest rangers make up this material."

MORE "VIOLENT SCENES" AT OTTAWA.

Members of Parliament Indulge in Personalities, the Fashion in Ottawa These Days.

OTTAWA, Mar. 14— There was a violent scene in the Commons late last night. Col. Talbot, member for Lachasse, made a violent attack on Mr. Sproute, reading from a speech the doctor is reported to have made at the Orange Grand Lodge meeting at Mt. Forest, concerning the province of Quebec. Talbot bitterly assailed Sproute and declared that he had no words available in which to express his contempt.

Sproute retorted that if Talbot had no words available he might suggest some that Talbot had used in private life.

Talbot, (excitedly) — I challenge him. I defy you, to probe into my private life.

He then left the chamber.

TRIED TO SUICIDE.

Toronto, Mar. 14 — Discharged from employment for abstracting $5 from the purse of a lady, Louis Bell, a finisher, tried to commit suicide by taking anti-septic tablets. Prompt measures at the hospital saved Fried's life. He has a wife and three children.

BULLETINS.

Bogoto, Mar. 14.—Gen. Marceliene Vargas has been given the portfolio of minister of government and F. J. Urruatia that of foreign affairs in the cabinet of President Reyes.

ROYALTY DINES.

Berlin, Mar. 14.—Emperor William and Empress Alberta Victoria dined last night with Charlemme, the American ambassador, and Mrs. Tower.

REGISTERED MAIL FOUND.

London, Mar. 14.— A cable inquiry to Japan has elicited the fact that 15 registered mail packets, which disappeared in January, supposedly while in transit on the steamer Celtic between Liverpool and New York have turned up at Yokohama, and have been forwarded.

WOULD BAR WOMEN.

Ottawa, Mar. 14.—The executive of the Ottawa Liberal Association that has much to do with patronage and local appointment to government positions, has passed a resolution recommending the curtailment of appointment of women to civil service.

JAPANESE SQUADRON SAILS.

HONGKONG, Mar. 14.—Information has been received here from Formosa that the first Japanese naval squadron will sail today on a secret service. The cruisers Yakoma, Akitsusquima, Asama, and a flotilla of smaller vessels have been coaled ready to sail at a moment's notice since Mar. 7.

The Tatsu Maru affair has caused a sensation in the navy and some action in this department is surmised.

A despatch from Tokio under date of March 9th announced that a part of the first Japanese naval squadron was to leave port March 14th. Other preparations are proceeding rapidly. At the office of the Admiralty Tokio it was declared that the squadron was about to begin a series of manouvres. It was pointed out further that this fact was announced two months ago and that therefore the activity of Sasabosh would not necessarily be considered in connection with the difficulty with China touching from the Tatsu incident.

CHINESE DIPLOMAT MEETS JAPANESE AGENT.

PEKIN, Mar. 13.—There was a further conference in this city today between Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to China, and Na Tung and Yuan Sih Kai, representing the Pekin government, over the Tatsa-Maru incident. No final understanding was reached, however, and the discussion of the matter is to be continued.

Baron Hayashi proposed that China pay the purchase price, something over ten thousand dollars, for the arms on board the Tatsa Maru, is she insisted upon their retention, as well as demurrage for the time the vessel had been in the hands of the Chinese authorities. He insisted however, that China release the steamer and that the Chinese warships fire a salute to her flag in the presence of the Japanese consul.

In consideration of this Japan would relinquish her claim for payment for the arms and leave the matter of the punishment of the officials who were responsible for the lowering of the Japanese flag on the Tatsamaru to the discretion of China.

To these proposals China replied she was willing to restore the vessel and incorporate an apology for the flag incident in the final settlement. China has presented her side of the case to the diplomatic representatives in Pekin of the several powers.

DAWSON PIONEER SOON COMING SOUTH.

DAWSON, Mar. 13.—Joe Levy, one of the oldest pioneers of Dawson, will leave on the next stage for Victoria, where he is an extensive property holder. He plans to get back to Dawson in April.

This is Joe's first trip outside of the Yukon since he came here in '97. He made the trip northward on the first voyage of the ill-fated Islander to Skagway, and mushed over the White Pass trail close after Joe Boyle and Frank Slavin, and thus was among the first to come over the route.

Joe's journey was made in company with several who had banded together and brought their outfits and agreed to travel into the entrenched land together. In the party was Johnny Zaccarelli, then but 16 years old, and noted on the trail as the youngest man on the pike.

Johnny and Joe made a great travelling team. Joe was cook on the Islander on the trip up the coast, and Johnny was dishwasher. When they hit the trail they retained their respective ranks obtained on the Islander. It was the story of the man of weight and the shadow-like youngster. Johnny grew in stature and muscular development every day. He was jobbed several times on the trail, but his trading instinct kept him even with the world and he landed in Dawson right side up. All that any member of the party had on reaching Dawson was an outfit of grub for the winter. Since then almost every member has done well.

KISSING RECORD OF GOTHAM IS BROKEN.

French Maid and Lover, Prior to Ship Sailing, Break Record With 10-Minute Kiss.

NEW YORK, Mar. 14.—There has been so much notriety of late given to several incidents of prolonged kissing that some Gothamites are out to break the record for a single kiss. Up to a week ago Harlem held the record. The Harlem couple stood in a brilliantly lighted room, but forgot to pull down the shade. A big crowd gathered, and from the most accurate accounts, the kiss lasted seven minutes before the lovers were notified that they were being gazed upon. This record held for some days until a pretty French maid took leave of her lover on the gangplank of an ocean liner a few days ago. It was time for the boat to sail. but the couple embraced and their lips met. The minutes passed, and the crowd on the pier cheered lustily. Cries of "break," "Take your corner." "Time." "Take the count," were hurled at the loving couple, but they heeded not. Someone then announced that Harlem's record had been broken, and the crowd renewed their cheering with redoubled energy. The boat could not be detained longer, so, acting on the order of the captain, a longshoreman, who it was afterwards ascertained had been married seventeen years, interrupted the young couple's bliss. Even at that it was a ten-minute kiss, which the majority of Gothamites believe will remain unbroken for some time to come.

In striking contrast to the record breaking kiss was an incident that happened the same day, when an ocean liner was held up for some minutes because a lady was not allowed to take her dog on board. She was escorted to the ship by her husband to whom she gave the tips of her fingers and an icy smile as they parted. Picking up her pet dog she started up the gang plank as it was being raised. In spite of her protests she was told that she must leave the dog or stay behind herself. Before all the crowd she held up the black and tan terrier and kissed him time and again. Then she threw another kiss to her husband, who walked away in evident embarrassment.

PEEPING TOM GETS WELL MERITED THRASHING.

Actors Thrash Man Caught Peeping Through Window of Green Room At New Westminster.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Mar. 13.—Swift and well merited punishment was meted out to a despicable individual by one of the actors of the "Old Arkansaw" company yesterday evening in the property room at the opera house. It appears that for some time past certain shameless males have been in the habit of peeping through the window of the actresses' dressing room which given on the narrow alley between the opera playhouse and Fader's garden. The windows are painted on the inside, but a few scratches here and there permit of a blurred view of the interior of the room.

While engaged in changing costumes between acts last night, one of the ladies noticed the shadow of a man outside the window. She immediately informed one of the male members of the company that a latter day Peeping Tom was ogling Lady Godiva. This happened immediately after the production of the great train robbery scene.

The actor appealed to immediately went outside, clad in his bandit costume and carrying two 42 caliber revolvers, loaded with blank cartridges. He surpsised two men at the window, and with stern voice he threw out the peremptory command "Hands up."

One of the men turned and ran. The other caught sight of the revolvers and wilted. He was marched into the property room at the rear of the stage, where, in the presence of the ladies who had afforded him so much amusement, he was made to humbly apologize and given a thouncing by the heavy villain of the company, who, before he went on the stage, was a boxer of some repute. The mean skunk who found pleasure in peeping into a ladies' dressing room was knocked down, pulled up by the hair, thrown down again, used as a door mat, kicked and thumped to a fare you well. When the prompter announced that the certain was up the members of the company were preparing to brand the wretch, Instead of this, he was thrown bodily out of the room and given a parting kick as a reminder that insults to actresses are resented by their athletic friends.

Manager MacGowan announces that the windows will be repainted on the inside before the next show strikes town.

RUSSIANS WILL SUPPORT THE BRITISH POSITION.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 14.—The British note sent the powers by Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, proposing virtually the appointment of a permanent governor of Macedonia has been received here and is being carefully considered.

While the foreign office is not willing to state in advance what its response would be, it is understood that Russia will announce her willingness to support the proposal of Great Britain. Grave doubts are entertained, however, of the possibility of inducing the porte to accept the proposal.

THE NATAL ACT.

Vancouver, March 14.—Attorney-General Bowser announced today that pending the appeal no further effort will be made to enforce any feature of the Natal Act. Attorney-General expects appeal will be on in Vancouver by April 7th.

"HACK" NOT IN BEST OF CONDITION.

Which Takes Place in Chicago, on April 3, Attracting Much Attention.

NEW YORK, Mar. 14.—Expressing himself as not to be misunderstood by the American public, George Hackenschmidt, the champion wrestler of the world, who arrived here yesterday from Europe, proclaimed confidence in his ability to defeat Frank Gotch, the American champion, whom he will meet in Chicago on April 3.

"I would like to have it understood, however," he said, "that whatever may be the outcome of the match between Gotch and myself, it will be an absolutely square contest in which the best man will win."

While Hackenschmidt feels confident, he is not quite in the best condition for wrestling.

"I have been working for the past year and have had little time in which to train, but I know that with two weeks' training, I will be in perfect shape."

When he was told that Gotch was a great wrestler, he said:

"I am glad to hear it. If he is as good as reported our boutshould prove a good one."

CHICAGO, Mar. 14.—The wrestling bout between George Hackenschmidt and Frank Gotch for the championship of the world, which takes place here on April 3, is attracting attention on both sides of the Atlantic, and should prove one of the choicest tid-bits that has been offered American followers of the game in years. The men will wrestle to a finish, the one gaining two falls out of three carrying off the lion's share of the gate receipts besides a large side bet and the championship title.

Hackenschmidt is not a stranger in America. He visited this country some years ago, meeting all comers and returning home with the scalp af Tom Jenkins, the American champion at that time, dangling at his belt. Since that time, however, he has added to his reputation by his continuous success on the padded mat until today he is regarded in Europe as invincible.

Hackenschmidt was born in Russia and received a liberal education and at college he became a great Graco-Roman wrestler and defeated all the amateurs he met. Afterwards he went to Paris and won all the tournaments there, including the international of Europe, and later turned professional. On his first visit to England he defeated Tom Cannon, then the champion Graeco-Roman wrestler of the world. In turn he defeated Anton Pierre, the "Terrible Greek," and Madrali, the celebrated Turkish wrestler.

Tom Jenkins, who then held the American title, went to England and challenged Hackenschmidt to a match. The Russian defeated him in the Albert Hall in nineteen and twenty-one minutes respectively, in two straight falls. Hackenschmidt then toured America and Australia and defeated all-comers.

Contrary to the popular conception, Hackenschmidt is not a giant in stature. He is only 5 feet 8½ inches tall and weighs 210 pounds. He has a chest measurement of 52 inches and wears a 22½ inch collar. His waist measurement is only 32 inches. His thighs are very heavy, and the calves of his legs also, but for all this he is remarkably light on his feet.

Frank Gotch, who is picked on as the most likely man to wrest the world's championship from the Russian, is still comparatively young at the game. Not so many years ag he was working on a farm in Iowa. "Farmer" Burns owned the farm and it was he who introduced Gotch to the wrestling game. It did not take long to discover that Gotch was a born wrestler and he proceeded to teach him the fine points. The young man was raw at first butbefore long he learned the science of the game and began to attract attention. In the course of time he succeeded in getting on matches with various wrestlers of prominence. Among the men he met were "Gripman" Rooney of Chicago, Leo Pardello the Italian, Jim Parr the Englishman, "Lank" Rogers and Fred Beel, the Wisconsin wrestler. Gotch shot through the bunch until he met Tom Jenkins, and then he stopped—temporarily. Later he met and defeated the American champion, and then he made overtures for a match with Hackenschmidt.

But Hackenschmidt at that time was sticking to the Graeco-Roman style of wrestling, while Gotch was familiar only with the catch-as-catch can game. Since then Hackenschmidt has become an adept at catch-as-catch-can wrestling and this is the style in which the two will contest in their coming match. In the opinion of all who are competent to judge the meeting of these two warriors of the mat will furnish the most sensational and scientific contest of the kind that has ever taken place in America.

Toronto, Ont., Mar. 17— Five new cases of smallpox have been discovered in a house on Kippendale avenue.

MR. MANSON MUCH IMPRESSED WITH ISLANDS.

Has Recently Returned From Queen Charlotte Islands and is Struck With Their Resources.

Mr. Wm. Manson, who is in the city at present investigating the unemployed situation, has recently returned from a trip to Queen Charlotte Islands, where he was sitting on a perjury case.

Mr. Manson is much impressed with the richness of the resources of the Queen Charlotte Islands and their future.

On Moresby Island there are a large number of prospectors at work and many mineral claims are being staked. The whole island is mineralized, copper predominating, with iron and gold secondary. At Jedway there are some very good claims.

A. Ikeda and Company, the Japanese who operate in the fisheries in Nanaimo, and who went north to fish off the islands, have gone into the copper mining, having a very good proposition. Recently they shipped 150 tons of copper ore on the Amur which averaged $40 a ton. A large number of the propositions on Moresby island will be developed shortly and considerable ore is expected to be shipped from there.

Graham Island, the most northerly island, Mr. Manson says, contains much good farming land, is well timbered and has a saw mill in operation. Quite a number of settlers are taking up their abode there. With their fisheries, timber, mining lands and farming lands, Mr. Manson looks to see this group of islands become an important part of the province in the next few years.

ANOTHER STEAMER TO CALL AT NANAIMO.

C.P.R. Will Place Queen City on the Run to Nanaimo, Union and Comox and Rivers Inlet.

The Vancouver Province of Thursday says:

The Canadian Pacific railway, recognizing the merit of the representations of Vancouver merchants that steamer connection should be made between this port and Comox and Union, on Vancouver Island, will next week inaugurate a weekly service on this route with the steamer Queen City.

Besides making this trip once a week, the Queen City will find time to make a weekly run to Rivers Inlet and way points, serving the logging camps along the route as she did last summer. The service to Rivers Inlet will be started on Mar. 18, and the Queen City will subsequently sail from Vancouver on that run every Wednesday at 10 a.m., being scheduled to reach port on her return at noon the following Sunday.

On the run to Vancouver Island ports the Queen City will sail from Vancouver at 7 o'clock every Sunday night for Nanaimo, arriving there at 11 and sailing at 3 o'clock on Monday morning for Union, arriving there at 11 a.m. She will reach Comox at 1 p.m. Monday and remain there till 7 p.m.

On the return trip the steamer will reach Union at 8 p.m. Monday, leave there at 5 o'clock Tuesday morning, reach Nanaimo at 11.30 o'clock and leaving there at 1 p.m., she will arrive in Vancouver at 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the same day.

The first sailing on this run will be from Vancouver on Mar. 22.

UNEMPLOYED SITUATION BEING INVESTIGATED.

Nanaimo, March 14.—

The latest development in the unemployed situation in this city is that the government, as announced yesterday, has sent a competent man to investigate the whole situation, in the person of Mr. Wm. Manson, government agent at Port Simpson, formerly of this city.

Mr. Manson will enquire very fully into the circumstances of each man applying for government work to see if he is really entitled to the relief work. Mr. Manson met a large number of the unemployed yesterday afternoon, and as a result of conversations with them, gave out the following notice last night:

FOR LOCAL WORK.

All men who are on the pay list of the Cemetery work and Brechin road are requested to report themselves to Mr. Wm. Manson, at the office of the government agent, Nanaimo, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., on Saturday, Mar. 14, when their cases will be examined upon their merit.

DISTRICT WORK.

The cases of those on the pay list of Oyster District road work will be enquired into by Mr. Manson next Monday at the camps.

Mr. Manson has been meeting the men all day. Those who want work make affidavit as follows:

Dominion of Canada, Province of British Columbia, to wit:

In the matter of the unemployed men in the city of Nanaimo, and in the matter of application for their employment on public works undertaken by the Provincial Government.

I, ... of the ..... of ..... in the Province of British Columbia, formerly of .....

Do solemnly declare that:

1. I have been residing in ..... for the past .....

2. During the past ..... I have been employed ..... days inclusive of ..... days on government work and have earned $.....

3. I have cash on hand and in the bank $..... I have property at .... to the value of $.....

4. I am ..... man, aged ..... and have a wife and children depending on me, and my said family are residing at .....

5. That I came here .....

And I make solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made underoath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act, 1893.

Declared before me at the ..... of ..... in the province of British Columbia, this ..... day of ....

March, A.D., 1908.

UNITED MINE WORKERS WANT TO AVOID STRIKE.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Mar. 14— The United Mine Workers of America are realizing the gravity of a suspension of work on April 1, throwing thousands of men out of work, and have decided to give the operators another opportunity to discuss the question of wage scale in the hope of averting a strike.

The operators of the central competetive district have been invited to meet the miners of this district in another conference on Mar. 24.

Late yesterday telegrams were sent to all the leading operators in the central districts by the scale committee of the miners' organization.

GAS EXPLOSION.

Brantford, Mar. 17— Mrs. Joseph Smith is dead from burns received in a gas explosion at her house some time ago.

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LOCAL NEWS

Steve Pujanic was fined $10 and costs by Magistrates Matheson and Nicholson for being drunk on the streets on Saturday.

The infant child of Mr, and Mrs. D. McLean died yesterday morning and was buried in the local cemetery this afternoon.

Mrs. Judgess, of Tacoma, is staying with her parents on the Esplanade, Mr. and Mrs. Murdock Matheson. She was joined by Miss Judgess on Friday evtning. Both mother and daughter are doing well.

Arrangements are completed for bringing up the J.B. A.A. on Sunday to play the seniors a game of football.

There was more frost than usual up the hill on Saturday evening. Indeed such a Frost has never been seen before, and that in spite of the wet and humid conditions prevailing down town. The frost was of an entirely new variety, and made Mrs. Frost a happy mother, and Dr. Frost a proud father. No wonder Ladysmith won with such a mascot forwarded express for the occasion. Congratulations are in order.

Constables Cassidy and Callander made a raid on Chinatown on Monday night and arrested a man and woman on the charge of running a house for immoral purposes. A Chinaman was also gathered in and the case was tried before Magistrate Matheson and Nicholson. The two white prisoners, G. Harris and Annie Lawrence, both of Vancouver, were fined $15 and costs. The case against the Chinaman was dismissed.

NOTICE.

The regular meeting of the Citizen's Ltague will be held in the City Hall tomorrow night, Thursday, 19th, at 7:30 o'clock.

G. WILSON, Sec.

The concert given in the Presbyterian church Monday night was a decided success. Seats had to be placed in the aisles to accommodate those present, and a splendid programme, consisting of vocal and instrumental pieces was given.

There will be a meeting of the Gun Club tomorrow night in the Grand hotel at 7.30 o'clock. The business before the meeting will be the election of officers and all members are requested to be present.

The concert and dance given by the city band on Saturday night for the benefit of Mr. J. McMillan was a great success. The concert was fairly well attended and for the dance which followed, the floor was taxed to its utmost capacity.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pickard, who are leaving town this week for Nanaimo, were "surprised" on Monday night by a party of friends. The surprise party took the Robertson orchestra with them and the night went merrily with dancing and music. There were at times some low echoes of the great game on Saturday, but they rather added to the enjoyment of the evening. A thoroughly enjoyable night was spent.

LOCAL INTERMEDIATES.

The local Intermediate eleven go to Victoria on Saturday to play a return league fixture with the Y.M.C.A. boys. The latter were beaten by Victoria West on Saturday by 9 to 1, and went down up here by 7 to 1 earlier in the season. The boys should therefore not have much trouble in obtaining other two points on Saturday. The team will play as follows:

Goal— Delcourt.

Back— O'Connell and Kerr.

Halves—O'Connell, Saunders, and Jackson.

Forwards— Cloke, Mechie, Callandar, Hughes, Simpson.

Reserves— Orde and Michek.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. John Masters went down to Crofton this morning.

Mr. Wm. Beveridge was in town this morning.

Mr. Wm. Manson went down to Victoria this morning.

Mr. Russell Simpson returned to town this morning.

Father Meolago went down the line this morning.

Miss L. Morgan left town yesterday for Nanaimo en route for Bellingham where in future she will reside.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 17— A special despatch from Sandiego, Cal., contains news of the announcement today by Rear Admiral Evans, commanding the Atlantic squadron, that upon its arrival at San Francisco, he will retire from commander because of ill health. This announcement officially confirms the report from Washington that Admiral Evans would haul down his flag upon arrival at San Francisco.

WILL MARKET OWN OUTPUT.

LONDON, Mar. 17— Under pressure excited by the Transvaal government which is entitled to sixty per cent. of the companies' output, the Premier Diamond Mining Company has definitely refused to renew its agreement with the diamond syndicate. The premier company announces that it will market its own output on the expiration of this month, of the present contract with the syndicate.

Vancouver, B.C., March 17. — A letter to the secretary of the American Club here from the Secretary of the Navy at Washington, said, part, at least of Admiral Evans' fleet will come to Vancouver, but cannot fix date.

PAY ROLL OF $5,000 DAILY AT ALBERNI.

As the pioneer trail blazer of journalism, R. J. Burde of the Alberni Pioneer News is known from the end of the Yukon to the southern end of the province of British Columbia. As an optimist he fills the ideal of all true pioneers.

Listen to his latest prospect for Alberni:

What will the lumber manufacturing industry mean to Alberni?

An intelligent and conservative answer to this question would contain such startling figures than many of the most sanguine residents of the town would hesitate to believe that they could possibly be true.

The Pioneer News has gathered some facts about a small section of the timber lands tributary to Alberni, and has secured an expert estimate of what it would mean in population and money if active logging and milling operations were undertaken.

Plans for such operations have already been considered, and preliminary work is now being done on a small scale.

There is a strong probability that before another year has passed there will be more men employed in the lumber industry in and around Alberni than will be employed on the construction of the E. & N. railway from Wellington to the head of the canal.

The timber in question stands today on Sproat and Great Central lakes the adjoining country draining into these waters, and on the tributary rivers.

There is not less than four billion feet of it.

It is as fine timber as has been found in the vast forests of Vancouver Island, where the best on earth grows.

It has all been staked and final surveys of a large part of it are now under way.

This supply would keep sawmills running every working day in the year for thirteen years.

And on this basis of figuring the cut would be one million feet per day.

There is a market in sight for treble that output.

Estimating the cost in labor alone of logging, milling and handling this supply at the low average of $5 per thousand, the amount of money to be distributed in Alberni would be $1,500,000 per year.

A pay roll of $5,000 per day.

Such a pay roll would contain the names of nearly two thousand wage earners.

Two thousand wage earners would stand of a population of ten thousand.

All this is only a part of what a development of timber resodrces alone would mean to Alberni.

It is outside of the enormous schemes of the Red Cliff and other companies that have secured sites for building, and that hold many thousands of acres of timber land hereabout.

Think of it.

Think also of the promises of agricultural development, and of the possibilities of mining.

It is truly a lot to think about.

BURNS WINS IN FIRST ROUND.

First Time in Years That an Irishman has Fought in His Own Land for Championship.

Burns, the Canadian heavyweight champion of the world, is maintaining his reputation. In his big match today with Roche, at Dublin, he won in the first round.

DUBLIN, Mar. 17.—Ireland has never taken greater interest in any sporting event than it is manifesting in the fight today between Tommy Burns and Jem Roche for the heavyweight championship of the world. It has practically overshadowed the other St. Patrick's Day celebrations in Dublin at least.

This intense interest arises mainly because this is the first time in many years that an Irishman has fought in his own country for the championship. There is also a deep-seated feeling that Roche will be able to wrench the honors from his Canadian opponent. The odds of three to one are being offered by the Burns supporters, but they are not a good sign of the Irish feeling, for most of the betting is in small amounts at two to one which the book makers are relaying at the larger figures.

Both fighters are in Dublin. Roche mostly declines to discuss his prospects of winning but great confidence is felt in his own camp. On the other hand Burns says he can see no chance of being defeated.

Burns will enter the ring at 168 pounds and Roche will be fifteen pounds heavier. Otherwise there is little difference between them. Burns' advantage in reach amounts to only one inch, while Roche's chest and leg measurements are slightly in excess of Burns.

E. P. Watson will referee the bout. Burns will be seconded by Billy Neil, Pat O'Kief and Ben Jordan, while Roche's seconds are Bill Squires, J. Clark and J. Kelly. The ring will be 16 feet square and this Roche's backers claim will be to his advantage. This is taken to indicate that the Irishman's battle will be a defensive one.

Burns, since his arrival here, has developed a most useful short left which he will use considerably if there is any close in fighting.

After the fight the Canadian will return to London from where he goes to Paris to referee the fight between W. Stanton, of California and Jack Costello of England, on Mar. 21.

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TRANSFER OF LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that at the next meeting of the Licensing Commissioners of the City of Ladysmith, application will be made for a transfer of the interests of Edward Mulholland, now deceased, in the retail liquor license issued in respect to the premises known as the Ladysmith Hotel, to Robert Barclay.

JANE MULHOLLAND.
Executrix of the estate of E. Mulholland, deceased.

Ladysmith, B.C., Feb. 25, 1908.

CLARA NEVADA WRECK HAS BEEN LOCATED.

Eleven years after the steamer Clara Nevada was lost in Lynn Canal when bound from Skagway to Seattle, with 65 passengers and crew, all of whom were drowned, the wreck has been located, and parties are being organized at Juneau to go in search of the gold believed to have gone down with the vessel. The Clara Nevade was a steam schooner, formerly a United States government vessel, which was in the passenger carrying trade during the Klondike rush. When she went down, presumably as a result of the bursting of her boilers, her passengers were returning miners bound out from the Klondike's creeks, each of whom had various amounts of gold dust, and it is believed that quite a number of pokes are held in the safe of the wreck. It is to endeavor to recover this gold-filled safe that the treasure seeking parties are being organized at the Alaskan capital.

James Currie, lighthouse keeper at Eldridge rock lighthouse, brought news of the location of the wreck, which remained a mystery from the time of the disaster in 1897, to Juneau. He said terrific winds which had raged this winter were probably responsible for having drifted the broken hull into a position where it was seen. He stated that since the wreck human bones had been picked up on the beach in the vicinity.

The wreck of the Clara Nevada was one of the worst of the disasters to shipping during the rush to the northland. The vessel was lost the first day out from Skagway, then a small tented town, which vied with Dyea as a gateway to the Yukon before the railway was built over the White Pass. Reports were brought to Juneau which were taken to indicate that she had blown up, and Douglas White, a well known newspaper correspondent, who was travelling north on the Islander, investigated the circumstances on landing at Juneau. He hurried south and telegraphed the first news of the wreck and loss of life from Nanaimo

As an odd coincidence this was the third wreck he had returned to report. White was sent north by the Hirst newspapers, and travelled by the steamer Mexico, which struck a rock and was wrecked. He hurried south with details of the occurrence, which was not marked by loss of life, and went north soon afterward in the steamer Corona, which was also wrecked. He came south to telegraph the news and returned on the steamer Island, arriving at Juneau in time to learn of the loss of the Clara Nevada.

The vessel was owned by a Portland company organized in the early days of the Klondike rush and while the concern had offices at Seattle, and the different points at which the steamer called there was little of the system that at present characterizes the steamboat business. For that reason there was no list of the passengers and no one has ever found out definitely who the passengers were on the fateful viyage. Their number has been placed at from thirty to sixty five.

CRUISER RECEIVES ORDERS

BERLIN, March 16.— The German admiralty, upon the request of the foreign office, has ordered the cruiser Bremen which is at present at Curacoa, to go to Port au Prince, Hayti, where she is to be at the disposal of the German Minister for the protection of German subjects and other foreigners.

CALGARY MILITIA.

Calgary, Mar. 17— Lt.-Col. Jas. Walker has applied for permission by consent of the D.O.C. to take a squadron of the 15th Light Horse to the tercentenary exhibition at Quebec.

CALGARY POSTAL BUSINESS.

Calgary, Mar. 17— Postmaster G. C. King has received instructions from Ottawa to add three more mail carriers to the local staff bringing the force of mail carriers up to 12 men.

CONSERVATIVE NOMINEE.

Watford, Ont., Mar. 17— The East Lambton Conservatives renominated Mr. Montgomery, M.P.P., for the legislature next elections.

RELEASED ON BAIL.

New York, Mar. 17— Flora Whiston, the young woman who was arrested after she had testified in the trial of Raymond Hitchcock was released on $5000 bail yesterday.

STILL IN DARK.

London, Mar. 17— The British government is still very much in the dark as to what is transpiring in Hayti. It has received a brief message confirming the newspaper despatches on the disorders there, but beyond this it is practically without advices.

MOTHER PLEADS IN VAIN.

Albany, N.Y., Mar. 17.— Chester Gillette's mother saw Gov. Hughes this morning and went away evidently heart broken with the conviction that her pilgrimage had been in vain. Asked if she cared to make any statement, she replied, "Not at this critical time; it will do no good. I am sorry but do not wish to say anything for publication."

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PERSONALS

Chief Crossan, of Nanaimo, was in town on Monday night.

Mr. A. E. Hilbert was on the Victoria train yesterday morning.

Miss Bagattin who has been spending some weeks with her mother and sisters, left for the other side yesterday morning.

Mr. Chas. Mains returned to business on Monday morning.

Mr. Russell Simpson came back to town from Nanaimo on Monday evening.

Mr. F. Ingham left town on the morning train on Monday for Victoria, en route for Washington. Mr. Ingham, senior, bought some land in the Yakima Valley last fall, and Fred has left to begin work on the farm. He was one of the boys, and he has the best wishes of a host of friends.

Miss L. Morgan is leaving town this week for the other side. On Friday evening a social dance was given in Gould's Hall by her many friends to speed her parting. There was quite a crowd present, refreshments were handed out during the evening, and a most enjoyable time was spent. Miss Morgan was agreeably surprised at the unexpected tribute to her popularity.

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

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

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar General.

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

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C. E. CARTWRIGHT,
Chief Engineer.

Vancouver, B. C., February 19th, 1908. f22-to m16

NOTICE.

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

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