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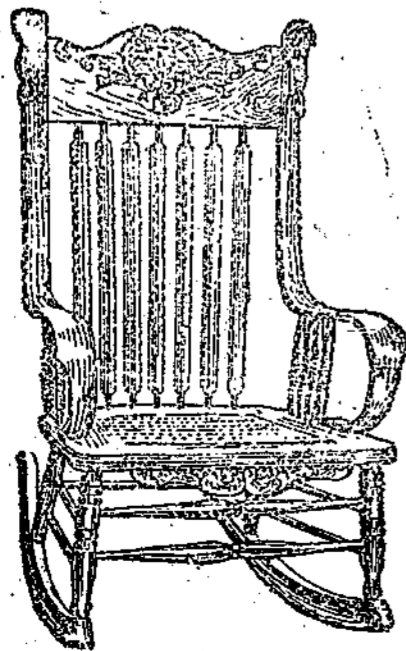
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Off the Wires

Manilla, Aug. 10.—Gen. McCarther's force of 4,000 men advanced five miles beyond San Fernando to-day and encountered and defeated 6,000 Filipinos. The enemy retreated leaving many killed and wounded. The Americans lost 20 killed.

Nanaimo, Aug. 10.—Dr. McKechnie and R. Smith arrived from Victoria, having interviewed the representatives of the Provincial Government in regard to the decision of the Privy Council declaring *ultra vires* the clause of the Coal Mines Regulation Act regarding the exclusion of Chinese from mines. The Privy Council decision is final so far as the province is concerned and any direct Anti-Chinese Legislation will have to come from the Dominion Parliament in future. In the meantime the Provincial Government has decided to make special regulations which will have a strong tendency to exclude, if not to entirely exclude Chinese from mines. The new regulations will be gazetted to-morrow.

The Inspector of Mines has been instructed by Minister of Mines to strictly enforce clause 69 of the Coal Mines Act as well as the new regulation which calls for all employees to be able to understand the Mining Act.

Victoria, Aug. 10.—Capt. St. John commander of H. M. S. Peacock gave a sensational interview here last night on the Empress of Japan condemned Otis' mismanagement of the Philippine campaign. This was telegraphed to New York and has created a sensation in diplomatic circles as the British embassy has taken the matter up.

London, Aug. 10.—The troops that are ordered to South Africa are a battalion of Grenadier Guards and the batteries of guards.

Valpariso, Aug. 10.—A tidal wave burst into the bay yesterday evening tearing down the embankment and sweeping off a number of cars, locomotives and tons of merchandise. Loss estimated at several millions.

London, Aug. 11.—A despatch to-day says the Italian government has received positive confirmation that China and Japan have concluded an alien.

St. Thomas, Aug. 10.—Advices from St. Kitts says that on Monday a severe hurricane with a velocity of 72 miles destroyed 200 houses in the town and did considerable damage to estates. No fatalities occurred.

Victoria, Aug. 10.—Str. Queen arrived last night with 600 passengers from the north and \$250,000 in gold. Among her passengers were Charlie Martin and Jack Black, each with a sack of treasure. Nothing new up north.

Montreal, Aug. 10.—The fast express from Montreal, jumped the

track 20 miles from St. Polycrache this mornin. Seven people were killed and many injured. The identified are Jas. Rocheleau and daughter of Montreal, Ned Stairs and Wilson Connor of Montreal.

Montreal, Aug. 10.—G. F. Bell who stole the famous Carranza letter was this morning acquitted on the charge. He refused to plead either guilty or not guilty.

Victoria, Aug. 10.—To-day's gazette contains the announcement of the issue of the writ for New Westminster returnable before Board of Trade.

"Big Alex" McDonald, King of the Klondyke, has filed papers for an assignment of his property for the benefit of his creditors. Five thousand people are expected here on the 19th to attend the societies re-union.

Nanaimo, Aug. 10.—While driving to Alexandria Mines, Mrs. Alex Galloway accompanied by her two sons, was thrown over an embankment 30 feet deep owing to the cross bar of the buggy breaking. Mrs. Galloway was not badly injured, being able to walk home but died an hour later from the shock. The deceased was in her 57th year. The sons were unhurt. She leaves six sons and three daughters to mourn her sudden death.

Victoria, Aug. 10.—J. H. Todd, a pioneer of 1862 died this morning aged 72 years. He was formerly an Alderman and president of the Board of Trade.

Shipping companies under a charter to the British Admiralty for transport services have been notified to hold their transports in reserve for immediate despatch of troops.

In the Transvaal, many families are taking to the plains with wagons and oxen, and are fleeing towards the frontier. The Transvaal cloud is gathering for conflict. Troops are in readiness and warlike preparations are going on.

Ponce, Aug. 10.—A hurricane struck here this morning and lasted until 3 p. m. The river over flowed flooding the town. Two hundred persons are drowned. Town and port a total wreck. Damage to property is \$500,000. No news from interior since storm broke out.

Manilla, Aug. 10.—General Otis to day issued an order closing the ports in the hands of Insurgents to inter island traffic. Aguinaldo issued a decree on July 24th closing surgent ports to vessels flying the American flag and inviting vessels under other flags to visit them. Vessels under foreign flags cannot traffic with the seaports now without running the blockade.

Vancouver, Aug. 11.—The Fairfield Syndicate have declined to take up their bond on the Alexandra mine near the Dorothy Morton.

C. D. Graham, an inmate of the New Westminster prison, serving a term of 18 months for forgery, has fallen heir to a fortune of several thousand dollars. Graham put on

the heavy swall here in 1898. He claimed to be a lieutenant in the navy and owner of a steam yacht on the Atlantic, for which he engaged one of the engineers of the S. S. Tartar, giving him a forged check as payment for certain indebtedness. When arrested, gave his name as Lord Graham. During his term in prison he has borne a fair class record. His term in prison expires early next month.

Vancouver, Aug. 11.—Joe Martin has objected to an article appearing in Mr. Cotton's paper and has replied to Cotton, besides sending a letter to the Premier. The following is the letter:

Vancouver, B. C.

To Hon. F. C. Cotton.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed, your cutting from the News Advertiser of to-day headed "Opposition Weak" I beg to call your attention to the very improper, false and misleading statements contained in the latter part of same with reference to Government's action in regard to New Westminster. I would not trouble you with this matter were it not for the fact of your well-known connection with the paper. I leave it to you to take whatever action you see fit to contradict the statement made, as you are well aware, everything that has been done with regard to New Westminster has been done by the Government as a whole, and it seems to be the News Advertiser's aim to gain support for the Government's candidate at the coming election by making statements containing inuendoes against me, and praises for Mr. Semlin, and yourself which are absolutely without any foundation. (Signed) JOS. MARTIN.

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SATURDAY, AUG. 12th, 1899.

COAL THE RESULT OF FLOTATION AND DEPOSITION IN LAKES.

The recent important modifications in our ideas of the manner in which coal was produced are summarized by Dr. Philippe Glangeaud in La Nature. It was not long, says the doctor, since we had no exact idea of the manner in which coal was formed. It was once supposed that it was due to the influence of "central fire," we were far from suspecting that it had organic origin. It is chiefly by the discoveries of French scientists that we have been able to solve this problem, which is so important both from the scientific and practical point of view.

In the first place observation showed that coal is made up of vegetable remains, more or less altered, mingled with a brown substance coming also from the decomposition of vegetable matter. This proof led certain scientists to believe that coal had come from the burial of forests in the place where they had grown. A luxuriant vegetation must have covered the soil, and on the remains of the vegetable species that fell and decayed sprang up new plants. This assemblage formed a considerable accumulation of vegetable matter. According to theories then in favor, a cataclysm took place; the forest was covered by waves charged with sands and clays, under which the vegetable mass disappeared. Quiet was restored, another forest grew on the remains of the first, and a new cataclysm covered this also with new sands and clays. Thus was explained the alternation of coal-bearing strata with rock and slate that was observed in coal regions.

This theory, which was current for some time, could not be sustained by a close examination of the facts. In fact it was noticed that the layers of coal were very regular, and that the trunks of trees had often been found with their roots in the air; finally it was impossible to admit that vegetation could be preserved in the open air. It was necessary that it should be removed from the action of the air in order to be altered into a combustible mineral.

After having made a large number of observations of this kind, M. Fayol, a French engineer in charge of the coal mines at Commentry, was led to propose a new theory of the formation of coal—a theory based on facts and experiments, a rational theory, which has now gained the adherence of all scientific men. The mines of Commentry are in part worked in the open air, so that it is easy to observe the relations of the different strata that make up the region. M. Fayol noticed at first that the pebbles con-

stituting the pudding stones were formed of rocks whose place of origin was sometimes quite distant. As to the coal, it was the result of vegetable debris laid down in horizontal layers; one above the other. He concluded from these data that a liquid must have been necessary to transport and arrange in this way these different elements. Coal then, was not formed in the places where it grew; it is a product of transportation.

The climate of the coal epoch being very moist, abundant floods carried away trees and whole forests and swept them into lake basins. The trees thus formed great rafts of logs like those on certain American rivers. * * * The heaviest materials, gravel, sand, clays were deposited in the order of their destiny. The lighter vegetable matter floated longer and was deposited last. Thus is explained why the layers of earth and coal are not parallel, and why all these layers, as been observed in deltas, are inclined in the same direction and at different angles.

M. Fayol tested his hypothesis by experiments on rapid sedimentation. He produced, artificially, with the aid of small torrents, all the circumstances observed in the coal basins of the central plateau. The facts observed to-day at the mouth of the Mississippi make M. Fayol's hypothesis even more probable.

But the results reached do not stop here, from a scientific point of view. While the old theory required thousands of centuries for the formation of a coal basin, the theory of flotation enables us to understand that a relatively short period would have been sufficient to form the depression in which the coal was deposited. The discovery of boulders of coal, found in several basins, even justifies the conclusion that the coal was formed before its transportation by the water. So coal was the result of flotation of vegetable matter and its deposition in lakes.

Mr. Glangeaud notes that not all coals are formed from trees and large plants. Some were the product of very small, almost microscopic, algae that covered the surface of still water. Such were the coalbeds called "bogheads"

To sum up, attentive and careful examination of the constitution of coal enables us to understand the different ways in which it could have been formed, concludes the writer. Science has probably not said its last word, and perhaps new discoveries are at hand that will throw new light on the question of the origin of the most important combustible mineral, without which the activities of the nations would be quickly brought to a standstill.

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SPOKANE INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION.

The Spokane Industrial Exposition in October will not only have a splendid mineral exhibit, but one of the most interesting features of the big show will be the mining machinery department. This machinery will be in actual motion, and will be grinding out the ores, pounding rock, drilling, etc., day

after day at the fair. All the latest mining machinery, appliances and mining devices, will be on exhibition. The big mining machinery houses will put in extensive extensive exhibits. Mining men will find this department very instructive and interesting. The motion of the machinery will also be interesting to every other man, woman and child, who visits the exposition. Baker City has promised to send a large quantity of ores, which will be worked up in machinery hall during the fair.

In the mineral department at the Spokane Industrial Exposition this year gold, silver and bronze medals and diplomas will be awarded. These to miners and mining camps will be more valuable than any cash prizes would have been.

For the state or province making the best collective exhibit there will be a gold medal given; for the second best, a silver medal, and for the third best, a bronze medal. British Columbia, Idaho, Washington and Montana will be competitors for this gold medal.

For the best district exhibit there will be gold, silver and bronze medals for the first, second and third prizes. Rossland, Slocan, Republic, the Coeur d'Alenes, Buffalo Hump, Baker City, Boundary and other big districts near and far must fight out this contest.

Then there are a number of individual exhibits for which prizes are offered. For each of these individual exhibits a silver medal will be given for the first prize, and a bronze medal will be given for the bronze medal for the second prize. These different individual prizes will be as follows:

For the best exhibit of gold nuggets; for the best exhibit of free gold ore; for the best exhibit of silver ore; for the best exhibit of silver lead ore; for the best display of copper ore; for the best display of copper-gold ore; for the best display of ornamental stone and for the best arranged exhibit. In each of these classes there will be silver and bronze medals awarded.

In another department a bronze medal for the first prize, and a diploma for the second prize will be given for the best exhibit in each of the following 15 classes:

Iron, coke, clays, manufactured products of clay, building stone, mica, limestone, asbestos, zinc ore, antimony ore, molybdenite, platinum, rare minerals and precious stones.

In all the above competitions on ly minerals from Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana and British Columbia will be eligible for entry for awards. But there are prizes which will be open to competition for exhibits from all parts of the world. These are as follows: For the best cabinet exhibit, a silver medal will be given; for the second best cabinet exhibit, a bronze medal will be given. Silver and bronze medals will also be given for the first and second prizes for the best technical exhibit.

The mineral department has gone at its work in ample season and intends to have all exhibits in place by the opening day. In order to do this it has been decided that exhibits not in place on October 3, which is the opening day of

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In order to decide these awards a jury of three will be chosen. Great care will be exercised to secure the best possible judges for these departments. The judges will make their awards soon after the opening of the exhibition, so that the medals can be shown at the exposition by the winners.

SUNDAY SERVICES

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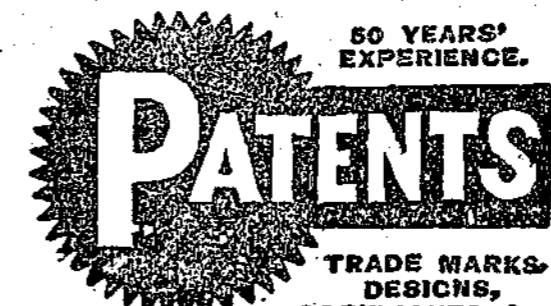
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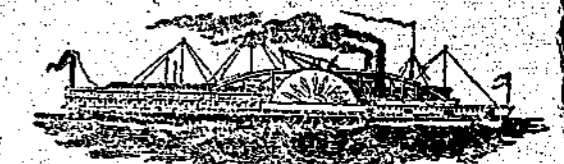
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A TRIP TO TEXADA ISLAND.

CONTINUED.

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LOCALS.

Mr. G. F. Drabble surveyed Courtenay River Monday. From this survey plans and specifications will be made for the new bridge. It is greatly needed.

A lady in Courtenay hired a Chinaman the other day and sent him off to make a bed. A short time after she went up to inspect the result of his labors and was a little surprised to find the spread next to the mattress, a sheet next to that, then most of her wardrobe covered with a sheet in the place of a spread. The pillows had no cases but were decorated with towels.

Mr. Losie, of Comox, who had his hand badly cut last week, has had the good fortune to have that useful member saved to him through the skillful treatment of Dr. Millard.

Mrs. Giddings and her sister were up visiting friends in town Monday.

Mrs. Turnbull and Mrs. Anley are down on Mr. Turnbull's ranch in the valley.

P. O. Inspector Fletcher came up last Saturday to have a look over the Nanaimo road. The semi-weekly service is a great convenience to this district. Comox is important enough to have a daily mail, but "for small favors make us truly thankful, O Lord."

Mrs. McQuilian of Courtenay is seriously ill.

Mr. C. C. Segrave has a fine phonograph recently purchased from Mr. W. Waitt & Co. There is an attachment for making new records so any one who would like to hear his or her melodious voice reproduced has only to stand in front of the phonograph. The instrument is particularly recommended to choirs afflicted with the proprietors of discordant voices who will sing. Let them hear themselves once and a speedy reform is guaranteed.

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The Jews Take Care of Themselves.

The scattering of the Jews among all the nations of the earth has brought them in close contact with the ruling races. The prejudice which was once held against them has died out with the fuller knowledge of their many excellent qualities. Familiarity has bred respect and respect has grown into admiration. They are a wonderful people and the history of their achievements contains many glorious deeds. Art, literature, science, statecraft have all been adorned by them and they have risen as high and in many instances higher than their Christian brothers. But in all their doings there is none which is so peculiarly their own as the building and maintaining of charitable institutions. The doctrine of love for mankind preached by John the Divine was not wholly new. Centuries before him Moses had told his people to care for the poor because they were of their own household. There has never appeared another race which has looked upon itself in this light. There has been talk of kinship and that sort of thing, but the multitudes of Jews for more than 2,000 years have acted in accordance with the lofty idea of human solidarity, while the Gentiles have been theorizing about it. The orphan asylum on Ocean Hill is but an expression in brick and stone of the prevailing notion in the Jewish mind. Every Jew is a father or a mother to the fatherless and the motherless, and the child left without parents is adopted as the well-beloved of the race.—Brooklyn Eagle.

CHINESE ECONOMY.

The Panning Artists Resort to Many Methods in Order to Fill Their Purses. Nothing is wasted in China. The stones of various fruits and the shells of nuts are dried and carved into ornaments of the most graceful kind. Among the stones used are olive, plum, peach, laichu and cherry, and of shells the walnut and cocconut. The stones are selected with care; each must exceed a certain standard of size, proportion, hardness and weight. They are dried slowly and at such a heat as not to crack or sprout, and are then ready for the carver. The designer marks a rough outline of the future group or picture and hands it over to his apprentices. These work with great rapidity and soon block out the design, cutting through the hard ligneous tissue, and then extract the kernel. A second treatment now takes place to dry the interior of the stone, as well as to prevent the fine lining of the interior from undergoing decomposition. This completed, the designer sketches a second outline, and also indicates by his pencil or brush where the surface is to be lowered, made into leaf work or arabesque, or be cut altogether away. The work is performed by the subordinates as at first. The designer then does the finishing touches, after which the assistants clean, polish, and oil or wax the perfected carving. The stones are sold in this shape to quite a large extent, but more largely in other forms. Among these may be mentioned buttons, watch charms, sleeve links, earrings, and brooches, and, when strung together, bracelets, anklets, necklaces, watch chains, rosaries, and official ornaments. The price of a stone varies greatly with the workmanship and the fame of the carver. Some may be bought as low as ten cents a piece, while others command as high as \$2 and \$3 each. The average price is thirty cents a stone. The carvings display great variety and beauty. One class is composed of birds, reptiles and higher animals. The dragon, griffin, stork, snake, horse, lion, tiger, camel, elephant and bull are favorite figures. A canon in Chinese carving is to reproduce only these animals which have been tested, and the ten mentioned are about the only ones which have enjoyed divine honors. A third class, and by far the most interesting, comprises groups of human figures representing scenes in history, poetry, mythology and the drama. The workmanship is often so fine as to be microscopic in its delicacy. In fact, the finishing touches are made by the artist while using a magnifying glass of at least fifty diameters. On stones not over an inch in length it is not uncommon to find eight, nine and ten characters in different attitudes and costumes.—Washington or Boston Transcript.

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"During the last election Mr. James Dunsmuir, campaigning at Union, made great efforts to pose as a friend to the workingmen. Among other pleasant things he gave them to understand that he would not employ Chinamen in the mines. No doubt it may be denied that a specific promise was given—there are always loopholes to wiggle out of election promises; but upon the promise, stated or implied, Mr. Dunsmuir's election largely turned. It appears it was only empty wind for immediately on receipt of a cablegram from England four Chinamen were sent to work underground in the mines at Union, and (we have it on good authority) the Union Colliery Company's superintendent was instructed to hire 400 hundred Chinese, who will be sent up to that ill-fated town shortly."—Nanaimo Herald.

It gives one that "tired feeling," the patent medicine ads tell about to read stuff like that. What Mr. Dunsmuir said was that the miners should take a vote among themselves on the question. If they decide against having the Chinese in the mines he would put them out. No such vote was ever taken for the reason that Mr. McAllan, the opposing candidate, did all in his power to prevent the men from expressing an opinion in the matter. He must of been afraid of the result. These are the facts and we have yet to learn when and where James Dunsmuir went back on his word in the matter. It is no use making incorrect statements in the public press. You are always sure to get caught.

As to that 400 Chinaman yarn, there is not a word of truth in it. The Superintendent of the Union Colliery Co. received no such instructions. Will the Herald name its 'good authority'? Either Ralph Smith et al. were misinformed by their spies, or the Herald's 'information' rests on the same ground as did the Islander's celebrated 'information' about what Collis Huntington and James Dunsmuir were going to do with the Union Mines that time Mr. Huntington's ghost appeared in this town.

Most people thought when the plant was removed to Nanaimo that this town would be no longer troubled with the silly vaporings and wanton interference with the affairs of its citizens which characterized the columns of the Islander. But the last issue of the Herald proves that it remains 'unchanged except in name.'

In article 'headed Lawbreakers' it calls upon the Inspector of Mines to take steps to bring the Union Colliery Co. to justice, because after the exclusion act had been disallowed by the highest tribunal in the Empire, the Company engaged Chinese (possibly without consulting the Editor of the Herald) to work in their mines. We submit this is not a question of the merits of Chinese labor at all. The Company have a right to employ whosoever they please to do their work, just as have any other private individuals provided they do not violate the laws of the country in so doing.

What private quarrel the Herald may have with the U. C. Co. we know not and care not, but that paper certainly does not add to its dignity by devoting the whole of its editorial columns to venting spleen against those who may have incurred the personal wrath of its editor.

One thing is well known to all and that is that the U. C. Co. and the Dunsmuirs' mind their own

business, and if the proprietors of the Herald would only do the same a greater measure of success might attend their efforts.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Miss Nickerson, and Mrs. Nickerson came up last boat.

Mr. Ryder, returned from Vancouver, this week.

Mr. L. P. Eckstein has gone down to Vancouver.

Mr. Alex Urquhart came up from Victoria last boat.

Mrs. J. R. McLeod is back from Wellington.

For Sale.—A new type-writer, never been used. Price \$40. Apply this office.

Another shift has been put on at the Lake.

Dr. Dalby will leave Cumberland Oct. 1.

The output of coal from the mines is to be increased by 400 tons a day.

Mr. G. L. Courtney, Traffic Manager of the E. & N., was up on the City of Nanaimo this week.

The show window of the Big Store is a credit to the artistic taste of Mr. Riggs.

Miss Milligan returned from Harrison Hot Springs Wednesday. She spent some time visiting friends at Nanaimo.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—The house lately occupied by Mr. Chas. Lowe. For terms, apply to J. L. Roe, Cumberland.

FOR SALE.—A set of Dickens' works—cost \$28—will take \$10. Apply this office.

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.—My entire stock of dry-goods, groceries, boots and shoes, hardware, etc., going at cost price.

A. W. Rennison, Comox.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders, properly indorsed, will be received up to Thursday 24th inst. at 6 p.m. for the construction of a frameschool house at Union Bay.

Plans and Specifications, Blank forms of Tender, and Bond of Execution of the work can be had on applications to the undersigned.

The lowest of any tender not necessarily accepted.

M. Manson.

Secretary Trustee Board.
Union Bay, August 11, '99.

DEATH OF MRS. ROE.

It is with sincere regret that we chronicle the death of Mrs. John L. Roe which occurred last Tuesday night at 9 o'clock. The deceased lady had been suffering for some years, but her illness took an acute form only a few months ago. Since then, notwithstanding the constant care and kindness of skilled attendants. She gradually sank till the end came while she lay unconscious. Though almost always enduring extreme pain. Mrs. Roe was ever gentle and cheerful. In this town, where she was a prominent figure in social circles, she will be much missed.

The funeral took place Friday to the English Church cemetery, Sanpwick. Rev. J. X. Willemar assisted by Rev. W. Hicks, conducted the service according to the beautiful and impressive rite of the Church of England. Messrs. Baird, Riggs, Nunus, Mounce and Dalby acted as pall-bearers. Mr. Roe and Mrs. Willemar were chief mourners.

The coffin was covered with lovely flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Little sent a wreath; Mrs. Dunbar, a cross; Mr. and Mrs. Clinton, cut flowers; Master Clinton, a cross; Mr. and Mrs. Tarbell, cut flowers; Mr. and Mrs. Mounce, a cross; Mr. and Mrs. Grant, a cross; Mr. Riggs, a cross; Mr. and Mrs. Dalby, a cross; Mrs. Staples, a cross; Mrs. Bailey, cut flowers.

In this hour of affliction, when the spirit of a loved one has fled and the folded hands lie still and cold, we too, beg to offer a tribute of esteem to the memory of the dead and sympathy to the sorrowing family.

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Ladies' Summer Gloves, worth 35, 40 and 50 cents, now 25 cents. Gent's Negligee Shirts, worth 75 cents, \$1.00 and \$1.25 go at 50 cents. Gent's four-in-hand ties 25 cents. Gent's Caps 25 cents. Oretone of beautiful design and perfect imitation of rich upholstering tapistry at 16½ cents per yard.

These are startling statements, but are true and you should not fail to take advantage of this opportunity, for it will not last for ever. These lines must be cleared out at once.

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GRAND EXCURSION

—TO—

Texada Island!

Thursday, Aug. 17

S. S. City Of Nanaimo

will leave Union Wharf at seven o'clock a. m. and Comox at 7:30 o'clock a. m. Arrive at Texada at 9:45 a. m. Leave Texada at four o'clock p. m.

Train Will Leave Union 6:30 a.m.

Here is a chance to see Grant & Mounce start their mill and see the smelter work. Plenty of time to see all that's interesting around the mines.

Fare from Union and Return, \$1.00
Fare from Comox and Return, \$1.00

Tickets to be had of J. B. McLean, Union and on board the boat.

WHARF NOTES.

Quite a gang of men are employed on the Government road making much needed improvements.

A schoolhouse is to be built at the Bay. Tenders are invited up to the 24th inst.

Mr. J. Miller owner of the extensive logging camp at Garvin's Point returned from Victoria by the City Wednesday.

Transfer, No. 1 has started carrying loaded cars to Vancouver; it is making things look as of yore a

round the Bay. C. P. R. freight cars are quite in evidence this last few days—long may it continue so.

Shipping generally is looking better. So far, 8680 tons of coal and 350 tons of coke have been shipped.

Rev. Mr. Nixon, of Denman Id. from a trip to England by the City on Wednesday. He had a very enjoyable time.

Miss M. C. Manson went down on the City this morning for a two weeks holiday.

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Notice.

CHANGE OF CORPORATE NAME.

Notice is hereby given that the Union Colliery Company of British Columbia, Limited Liability intends to apply to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor for permission to change its name to that of the "Wellington Colliery Company Limited Liability."

Dated Victoria, 18th July, 1899.

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