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Gen. Botha Satisfied. With Lord Kitchener's Terms—No Amnesty For Steyn or Dewet.

Secretary of War Gives Details of Proposed Re-organization of the Army. London, March 9.—The Pretoria correspondent of the Times, wiring on Wednesday, says the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and General Botha are in abeyance pending an answer from the British government.

The Negotiations. London, March 8.—The Daily Chronicle, referring to the armistice at Pretoria, says: "We learn that the untiring agent in bringing about the negotiations was Mrs. Botha, who was deeply affected by the hopeless plight of the Boers, and did her utmost to induce her husband to accept the British terms."

Unfortunate meeting of February 27th was limited to Gen. Botha's request to know Lord Kitchener's terms. Lord Kitchener replied that a general amnesty would be granted to all who surrendered, as well as to all prisoners except those Cape Dutch who, being British subjects, had actively favored the Boers' resistance.

Armistice Being Arranged. He proceeded to consult his officers, a vast majority of whom accepted the terms. "Dewet and Steyn both remained incommunicable. They declined any terms. Dewet adding that on his part the war had become one of revenge, and he intended to do all the mischief he could."

Army Reorganization. London, March 8.—Mr. Broderick, the secretary to-day prefaced his introduction of the army estimates for 1901-2 by saying that the war in South Africa had brought to light many faults, even in those portions of the army system which were believed to be best.

Mr. Broderick then entered into details concerning the proposed re-organization of the army. He said the object of the government in dividing the country into six districts was to centralize the responsibility and decentralize the administration. The three army corps to be entirely composed of regulars would be stationed at Aldershot, Salisbury and in Ireland. The other three army corps, to include sixty battalions of militia and volunteers, would be stationed at Colchester, York and Edinburgh.

Crisis in Far East. Britain and States Planning to Thwart Russian Schemes in Manchuria.

Success of Movement Depends on Support Afforded by Germany and Japan. London, March 9.—The crisis which has arisen in Far Eastern affairs is, in the opinion of the British government, graver almost than the troubles which originally turned the eyes of the world towards the Orient. In this crisis secret negotiations are going on between the United States and Great Britain with a view to thwarting what both governments appear to consider a determined attempt on the part of the Russian government to plant herself permanently in one of the richest tracts of the Chinese Empire.

The conference held yesterday between United States Ambassador Choate and Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, had nothing to do with the Nicaraguan canal affair. To quote from a British official: "The Nicaraguan controversy is a minor matter compared with the present situation." What Mr. Choate did say, to receive from Lord Lansdowne an important message declaring that England was not satisfied with Russia's Declaration regarding Manchuria, as delivered to Sir Charles Stewart Scott, British ambassador at St. Petersburg, by Count Lambsdorff, and asking the United States if they were prepared to take joint action of such a decisive nature that Russia would have no alternative but to recede from her position.

Most significant, the Associated Press understands, the United States government instructed the various ambassadors to take similar steps. The answer of Secretary Hay has apparently not yet been received in London, although the fact that almost concurrent instructions were issued from Washington is taken here to be a sufficient guarantee that Russia's action in Manchuria will not be tolerated in the United States.

Japan is relied on to take a line in harmony with the United States and Great Britain. Germany, in spite of the Anglo-German compact, is regarded as rather doubtful, owing to Emperor William's friendship for the Czar. France will side with her ally, Russia. The significance of the present phase can only be appreciated by those cognizant of the lethargic attitude of the British government hitherto regarding Russian action in China. Within the last few days All This Has Changed. What a week or two ago was pronounced only in line with Russia's usual policy is now termed "a grave and serious state of affairs."

Lord Lansdowne is using every effort to bring the powers into line in order to prevent to Russia such menacing front that, without any ambiguity regarding temporary or other occupation, she may give up all designs upon Manchuria. What prompts the British foreign office to take an alarmist view of circumstances usually looked upon as fatalistic sequences, is the apprehension that Russia, having held her own in spite of the protest of the general council have not been adjourned. The government has sent a dispatch to the German chancellor, Count von Buelow, regarding the recent attack upon Emperor William at Bremen.

Spanish Situation. Madrid, March 8.—A cabinet council has decided to re-establish the constitutional guarantee throughout Spain. The elections of the general council have not been adjourned. The government has sent a dispatch to the German chancellor, Count von Buelow, regarding the recent attack upon Emperor William at Bremen.

Disorders at San Juan. Mob Dispersed by Several United States Artillerymen.

San Juan de Porto Rico, March 8.—A serious riot occurred here yesterday. At six o'clock in the evening five artillerymen and a corporal of artillery named Hilsbeck left their guard post without orders, and charged across the plaza into a street in which a mob of people had assembled. The soldiers fired a volley into the air, dispersing the mob and rescuing School Superintendent Armstrong, who was besieged by the mob in a house about a block from the city centre. For hours previous to the rescue of Superintendent Armstrong the city had been in a state of confusion. The mob, who were shouting "Down with the Americans," and other similar cries, the excitement originated in a trivial school incident involving Supt. Armstrong.

Shanghai, March 8.—An article in the China Gazette published to-day says that Viceroy Liu Kue Yi has submitted a memorial to the throne in favor of reform on the following basis: The establishment of a permanent constitution; complete change in the educational system; the selection of only qualified men for the civil service; the creation of an army by conscription; the adoption of a systematic scheme of finance; the establishment of an Imperial bank empowered to issue notes that shall be current throughout China; the framing of laws to encourage the establishment of newspapers and the removal of the present distinction between Chinese and Manchus.

Chicago, March 8.—Government officers yesterday arrested Paul P. Knefel, president of the Garfield Manufacturing Company, at 78 Dearborn street, in connection with the robbery of the Internal Revenue office in Peoria, Ill., where the thieves secured \$22,000 worth of stamps on the night of January 15th last. Robert Caladine, a former employee of Knefel, was also taken into custody. The prisoners were not directly charged with the robbery, but the government detectives say that they have evidence to show conclusively that their prisoners handled much of the booty of the Peoria robbery. It is believed by the detectives that there is a regular agency in Chicago where thieves negotiate the disposal of government property.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 8.—Foundation work for the Canadian building at the exposition grounds was started yesterday. The estimated cost of the building will exceed \$12,000 on the structure, which, judging from the plan, promises to be one of striking beauty.

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A MYSTERY. Man Supposed to Be an English Earl Died in Allegheny Hospital.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 8.—The mystery surrounding O. B. Howland or Harrison, the alleged English Earl, who died in the Allegheny general hospital of typhoid fever yesterday, has not yet been solved. The claim that he was the Earl of Wargrave was based on letters found among his effects in which he was addressed as "Earl of Wargrave." One letter from "Beresford, Gray & Seymour, of London, England," notified Howland of the death of his uncle and his succession to the title and estates. Howland was of engaging manners and handsome, and his conversation indicated the cultured and educated gentleman. He rarely referred to his past life, but upon one occasion stated that he had spent three large fortunes.

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Nihilist Plot Failed. Three Men Visited St. Petersburg With the Intention of Killing Ministers.

Official Report Blames Women Students For Disturbances During Celebrations. St. Petersburg, March 8.—It is learned from an excellent source, that the police were warned beforehand, by foreign agents, that three Nihilists were coming to St. Petersburg with a commission to kill M. Bogolipoff, the minister of public instruction. Minister of the Interior Siapiaguine and a very great personage, respectively. The police suspected Karpovitch from the moment he crossed the border and followed him to M. Bogolipoff's. The other Nihilists remained below, however, instead of entering the ministry after Karpovitch as apparent positioners, and prevented the execution of the plan.

An account of Monday's riot from an official source places the affair in a more favorable light for the police. It is stated that the students, after the celebration of mass for Alexander, requested a mass for Nicholas. As M. Bogolipoff declined the request, the police, instead of entering the ministry after Karpovitch as apparent positioners, and prevented the execution of the plan.

Chicago, March 8.—A branch organization to be known as the Shipmasters' Protective Association was formed in Chicago yesterday, and will have as its members engineers and boiler makers, who are now striking in South Chicago, Buffalo and several other lake ports. No engineer will take a vessel out with a captain who does not belong to the Protective Association. The shipmasters also demand that engineers, mates, and all other members of the crew of vessels should be employed by the captain and not by the shipowner, as heretofore. That all lake vessels be classified according to tonnage, and that captains be paid salaries according to tonnage and that grading.

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THE DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF B. C. Will offer for sale at NEW WESTMINSTER ON Friday, 15th March, at 1.30 p.m. The following stock imported from Ontario. There is no reserve price on the stock: CATTLE—Sibthorns, 8 Bulls from 8 to 21 mos. old. 17 2-year-old heifers mostly in calf. 1 yearling, 2 choice cows in calf. SHEEP—Southdowns, Ox-fords and Shropshires, 2 Rams and 3 ewes of each breed. PIGS—Berkshires, 8 young Boars, 4 young (in pig) Sows; Tamworth, 1 Boar (in pig) Sow, or 25 per cent. cash, remainder on endorsed note satisfactory to a bank.

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"MINE HOST" DAKE. Relates His Experience for the Benefit of Others.

St. Thomas, March 8.—(Special.)—Mr. L. Dake, of the Dake House, in this city, is a proud man for he has at last forever disposed of a foe, which has given him a great deal of pain and annoyance during the last five or six years. That foe was Kidney Trouble, and Lane Back, Dodd's Kidney Pills drove it out, never to return, and now Mr. Dake is happy. This is what he says: "I have been troubled with my kidneys and pains in my back for over five years. Nothing could get rid of them in the least. Finally, I was told by a friend who had tried them, that Dodd's Kidney Pills would cure me, and I decided to try. They relieved me from the first and eventually cured me completely. They are a wonderful medicine. There are many people in St. Thomas and vicinity who have very kind things to say of Dodd's Kidney Pills. The local druggists report a very large sale, and this is not to be wondered at, as many very remarkable cures are reported in the city and county."

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The Ottawa Mission

The Government's Report on the Eastern Trip Expected on Monday.

Standing Committee on Agriculture Organized—Numerous Deputations.

The long looked for and eagerly expected official report of the visit of the government delegation to Ottawa will in all probability be submitted to the House on Monday, the Premier having intimated that it will be ready by that time. In fact it has been suggested all along that the only reason for withholding the report was the desire of the government not to give out the results until a reply on certain matters had been received from Ottawa. Whether or not this desired information has been received will be indicated in the return.

The standing committee on agriculture, which rendered such signal service to the farming interests last session, has been re-organized for the present sitting of the House. W. H. Hayward, of Metehosin, at whose suggestion the committee was struck last year, and who made a great deal of time to its deliberations, has again been elected chairman, and C. Munro, of Chilliwack, who is also a zealous champion of the claims of agriculture, is the secretary. The next meeting of the committee will be held on Monday, when the members will take into consideration the Broad Farm bill, which is in the hands of John Oliver. This bill has been laid over day after day pending the organization of the committee on agriculture in order that its provisions might be thoroughly threshed out in committee before coming to the House.

The festive delegate is more in evidence this year than ever. He does not confine his attentions to the ministry, but at almost any hour of the day he may be found pouring into the ear of some member, who has crossed his path, or whom he has hunted to earth, the story of his district's needs. There are several members of the House who are practically deaf, and when the delegate lifts up his voice in the corridors for the benefit of these, the portly sergeant-at-arms flies to a perch of the Riot act, the temptation being strong to enforce its provisions.

At present there are a number of up-country deputations in the city laying before the government the various needs of their districts. One of these is from Kamloops, its mission being one already forecast in the questions submitted to the government by F. J. Fulton, the representative of that district. Mayor Gordon and Dr. Proctor are down to second the efforts of their representative, which are directed toward the establishment at Kamloops of a home or hospital for consumptives. Situated in the dry belt of British Columbia, and possessing a climate excellently adapted for the arrest or cure of pulmonary trouble, Kamloops has become a regular resort for sufferers from this affection, and the hotel accommodation is seriously taxed. The presence of so many of these patients is considered by many a menace to the health of the city, who are constantly exposed to the contagion. It is urged that the erection of a sanitarium would make provision for these people, and at the same time would relieve the citizens from the danger to which they are now exposed. It is not expected that the executive will give a decided answer in regard to the matter until the return of Dr. Fitzpatrick, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, who has been in attendance at the tuberculosis conference at Ottawa, and who is expected to arrive next week. W. J. Gage, the wealthy publisher of Toronto, who has been such a benefactor to the Gravenhurst Consumption Sanitarium, is at present in the city and is expected to join the Kamloops deputation in their representations.

Major Lalonde and W. T. Vanbuskirk, the city engineer, are here to second the petition presented by Smith Curtis, their member, the other day protesting against the granting of certain water-sewers to the B. C. Southern railway. The municipal representatives claim that the granting of these records will impair the water service of the city whose rights, in their opinion, should take precedence of all others.

Mayor Kirkpatrick and A. E. Stevens, G. S. McCarter, H. J. Boone, G. Lindwork and F. McCarter, of Revelstoke, are here also. Among the matters which they will urge upon the government will be the establishment of a hospital in their city, and the improvement of the means of communication with the Big Bend country.

The sponsors for the different railway schemes to occupy the attention of the government are congregating. They do not disclose their intentions as readily as the minor deputations, but the importance of their mission generally varies inversely to the amount of talking they will do to the public regarding it. G. W. McL. Brown has remained on the ground almost continuously since the opening of the legislature, and E. V. Bodwell had the advantage of being "on the spot" by reason of his residence here. He is watching developments for the Great Northern. Robt. Jeffrey, the Crown's Nest Pass Coal Co. manager, arrived last night, and will, with G. G. S. Lindsay, of Toronto, keep a watchful eye, not only on the interests of the coal company, but the treatment accorded his railway charter, which will give Fernie connection with the Great Northern at the international boundary, and facilitate the carrying out of the coal

contract with Jim Hill. Capt. McKenzie also arrived last night.

The chairman of the private bills committee says that the committee will commence their sittings on Monday the 11th inst., at 10 a. m. punctually, and will proceed in the work in which the bills appear on the order paper. Parliamentary agents are requested to make a note of this, as the committee have much work to engage their attention, and are desirous of finishing their labors with as little delay as possible.

Owing to the adjournment of the House until Monday, a number of bills were sent home on Thursday night, and it was feared a quorum would not be present at the meeting of the mining committee. A sufficient number were left, however, to transact business, and considerable progress was made with the Placer Mining Act amendments. The following amendments were proposed: Bar diggings to include sea beaches. Creek diggings shall be 250 feet square without regard to high or low water-marks.

No free mine shall be permitted to act for more than two principals in locating or recording claims as agent. This is intended to prevent abuse by prospectors of staking a large number of claims in the names of alleged principals.

The following was added to section 10: "Provided that every free mine shall be required to make notice of abandonment of any claim upon the four corner posts, and record the abandonment of the same, before recording a new claim on the same creek, ravine or hill, otherwise such new claim shall be invalid." The clause providing a fee of 25 cents for searches in the recorder's books was struck out.

Mr. Stallos, of Atlin, is proving a most valuable member of this committee, his practical knowledge of the subject and his intimate acquaintanceship with the needs of the industry being a distinct benefit to the deliberations of the committee.

The Minister of Mines will also have the advice and assistance of Gold Commissioner Graham, of Atlin, who has been spending a vacation outside, and who immediately upon his return to Victoria last night to confer with the department on the proposed amendments.

Some curiosity is expressed by members and spectators in the gallery to know who it was that called out "no." Thursday, when Mr. Stewart asked if the petition of the Nanaimo miners for an examining board should be received. The expression came from the vicinity of the executive, and was by some erroneously ascribed to Hon. Mr. Turner. On the contrary, Mr. Turner, immediately upon hearing the expression "no," called out "That is wrong; you should always receive such a petition."

It is understood that Mr. Hawthornthwaite's bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act will provide for the appointment of a board such as is provided for by Nanaimo miners, and will also contain provisions expressly framed to shut out Chinese.

CATARH AND COLDS RELIEVED IN 10 TO 30 MINUTES.—One short puff of the breath through the blower supplied with each bottle of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder diffuses this powder over the surface of the nasal passages. Painless and de-

SINGERE APPRECIATION.

Boys' Brigade Present Drill Master With Handsome Cane Last Evening.

Last evening at the First Presbyterian church hall, the Boys' Brigade presented Sergeant-Major Tennant with an address and a beautiful silver-headed ebony cane, having the inscription B. R. to Sergeant-Major Tennant, R. E., 1901.

FEED CHILDREN

On Properly Selected Food. It Pays Big Dividends.

If parents will give just a little intelligent thought to the feeding of their children the difference in the health of the little folks will pay, many times over, for the small trouble.

A mother writes saying, "Our children are all so much better and stronger than they have ever been since we made a change in the character of the food. We have quit using potatoes three times a day and vegetable soup, and so much meat. Now we give the little folks some fruit, either fresh, stewed, or canned, some Grape-Nuts with cream, occasionally some soft-boiled eggs, and some Postum Food Coffee for breakfast and supper. Then for dinner they have some meat and vegetables. It would be hard to realize the change in the children, they have grown so sturdy and strong, and we attribute this change to the food elements that I understand, exist in Grape-Nuts and Postum."

"X" writes saying "My baby was teething and had a great deal of stomach and bowel trouble. Nothing seemed to agree with him until I tried Grape-Nuts softened and mixed with rich milk and he improved rapidly and got sturdy and well." Gratefully, Mrs. J. W. Oakes, N. D. Name given upon application to Postum Cereal Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Interesting Report

Of Lawyers and Treasurer of the Law Tennis Club Submitted on Thursday.

Organization in Flourishing Condition—Amendments to Constitution.

At the meeting of the Victoria Law Tennis Club, which was held in the Driand on Thursday night, the following interesting report was submitted by the secretary and treasurer, Alexis Martin, and adopted:

Mr. President and Gentlemen—We beg to present the following report of the affairs of the club at the present time, and a review of the past season for your consideration.

In addition to the statement of receipts and disbursements already in your hands, a full statement of assets and liabilities has been prepared and is annexed hereto.

The annual tournament was held as usual in the first week of August, and was graced by the presence of Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Minto, and His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. There were not many entries from the South, but we had the pleasure of welcoming Messrs. Russell, Gillson and Brown, of Seattle, and of seeing the first named pair get second place in the open men's doubles.

Our lady visitors, Mrs. Lester (Quam), Miss Musgrave and Miss Livingstone (Duncan), and Miss Hulbert (Van-couver), added much to the interest in the ladies' events and to the success of the tournament.

The entries this year in the tournament were very satisfactory in number, being 130 in all events. This is the same total as last year, and is the largest number that has been recorded.

We wish to acknowledge also that the success of the tournament was due largely to the ladies, who so kindly and generously provided tea for the spectators throughout the week.

The club was represented at the tournaments at Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, and Vancouver, and the first prizes in open events were as follows: 1. At Vancouver, Matsudano Championships; 2. At Tacoma, Pacific Northwest Championships; (1) J. F. Foulkes and A. T. Goward, gentlemen's doubles; (2) J. F. Foulkes and Miss Innes, ladies' doubles. It might be mentioned that all the first prizes at our tournament were won by members of the club.

September arrangements were made with Mr. Freeman to come to Victoria and play a series of matches, singles and doubles, with different members of the club on our courts. In singles, Mr. Freeman found himself at the same disadvantage on grass as the members of this club on sand courts. He lost his match with Mr. B. Powell in two straight sets; this was his only match in singles. In doubles, Messrs. Freeman and Powell beat Messrs. Foulkes and Goward 3 sets to 1. Mr. Freeman here seemed much more at home, and his hard hitting and brilliant smashes with both feet off the ground made this play very interesting.

The membership now numbers 98, of whom 60 are ordinary members, 3 naval and military, and 5 honorary. Four new ordinary members were elected during the year, 3 naval and military and 1 honorary. Fifteen ordinary members have resigned or been removed from the list of members on account of not paying their fees, under rule VII. In some instances there were arrears for two or three years due the club, and it has been thought better to strike these names off under this rule than to keep on the roll persons who neither resign nor pay their subscriptions.

At the early part of the season the arrangement of the lockers in the club house was changed, and a set of new upright lockers put in at a cost of \$42.05. A charge of \$1 a year rental was also imposed for their use, which will in a couple of years more pay the initial cost, and afterwards be a source of revenue to the club. It might be mentioned also that the usual dance was held during tournament week at the Dallas hotel, and this year it was a success of profit to the extent of \$20. Instead of a burden to the club to the extent of \$25, which sum appears to have been usually voted in other years.

As the result of their year's experience, your committee beg to make the following recommendations:

1. That rule VI be amended by adding the words "on payment of \$1 each by the member" after the word member in the second line.
2. That rule VIII be amended by changing the word "four" in fifth line to "three."
3. That no person or organization of persons not members of this club be allowed to use the club courts.

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7 per cent. mortgages to Incorpor. \$2,400 00
6 per cent. debentures 625 00
Interest due on debentures for 1899-1900 46 25
\$3,071 25

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MASTERSLY ORGANIST.

Clarence Eddy, the Great Virtuoso, Delighted Large Audience in St. John's Church Last Evening.

An audience thoroughly representative of the music-loving element of Victoria enjoyed the recital in St. John's church last evening by one of the great living musical geniuses, Clarence Eddy. The renown of this great virtuoso is so universal that advertisement was almost wholly unnecessary, for everyone who takes the trouble to turn the leaves of any standard work on famous musicians will find an excellent likeness and a laudatory sketch of his career.

The audience last night was a large one, and only the admonition against applause at the bottom of the programme prevented tumultuous demonstration of appreciation and admiration. Even this recent laudatory notice, for it ever an audience was tempted to display tangible indication of its delight, that audience was present in St. John's church last evening.

Organ music probably approaches nearer the sublime than that of any other instrument. At times it is likened to a thunder, while at others its veiled tones are as airy and surpassingly sweet as those of a cello. Such an instrument in the hands of a master like Mr. Eddy produces melody indescribable, and those fortunate enough to be present last night realized it.

The first number was a sonata, by Mendelssohn, and from the first note until the end of the first strain of Gounod's grand march from the "Queen of Sheba," arranged by Mr. Eddy, the organist held his auditors enraptured.

The beautiful selections by Dubois, "In Paradisum" and "Fiat Lux," followed in all their varied beauty, after which the audience was treated to some of the products of Wagnerian genius. The pathetic melody of the "Vorspiel to Lohengrin" was succeeded by the majesty and glory of the famed Pilgrim's Chorus, as arranged by Mr. Eddy. The volume of sound in this last selection was immense, and thrilled those present. Almost human were the tones in the "Virgins' Prayer," by Massenet, which followed, after which Gounod's "Marche Religieuse" was rendered in such a manner as to display its innermost beauty.

It might here be mentioned that great friendship exists between the composer of the last named selection, Alexander Gounod, and Mr. Eddy. The French musician has bestowed great praise on the American, and there is a parallel between the two, inasmuch as the former won his triumph in America while the latter, an American, won his triumph in Europe.

At the other numbers of the programme it would be difficult to draw distinctions, many preferring Gounod's dignified caprice, "The Funeral March of a Marionette," while others manifested a partiality for Schumann's "Canon" in B minor.

The entire programme was published in these columns a few evenings ago, and was carried out to the letter. Musicians such as Mr. Eddy come to this city few and far between, and the audience last night might well congratulate themselves on taking advantage of the opportunity of attending the recital.

WHY PEOPLE BECOME DEAF.

Evidence Which Goes to Show that the Most Common Cause of Deafness is Catarrh, and that the Hearing Can Be Completely Restored.

Until recent years it was not altogether understood what the real cause of deafness was, and why people in some countries are so much more affected than in others. The late Dr. Morrell McKenzie, who was the greatest authority on diseases of the throat, proved that the great causes of deafness were diseases which more or less settled in the throat, such as Diphtheria, Quinsy, Catarrh, etc., by far the greater percentage of deafness comes from Catarrh. The catarrhal tube, which leads from the back of the throat to the ears, becomes inflamed, where the swelling that is produced thereby blocks up these tubes and shuts the air out from the drum, which does not allow it to convey the noises for which nature intended it. First, strange, buzzing, or roaring noises are heard, then gradually increasing deafness. The first evidence that we will bring to show you that deafness can be cured is that of Mrs. Alex Brown, Warren, Ont. She writes: "For years I had been troubled with Catarrh, which affected my hearing. For five years I could not hear a watch tick. I spent much money foolishly in search of a cure, but received no permanent benefit until I used Japanese Catarrh Cure, which I received from Japanese Catarrh Cure, as it has done for me what hundreds of dollars spent with doctors and scores of remedies failed to do."

Mr. J. N. Spencer, "One Coolidge avenue, Toronto, writes: "One month's treatment with Japanese Catarrh Cure has completely cured me of Catarrh of the Nose and Throat, and restored my hearing. Previous to using this remedy I doctored with specialists in Toronto and Winnipeg (while there about three years ago), but I found Japanese Catarrh Cure the only remedy which really improved my hearing. It is now almost as acute as any person's could be, while before I could not converse with any person at any distance, and could not use the telephone. I am pleased to recommend Japanese Catarrh Cure and believe it is permanent, as it is now over a year since I used the remedy."

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Ex-President Benjamin Harrison is a very sick man. Dr. Henry Jamieson, the family physician, who has sole charge of the case, said last night there was no immediate danger.

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Sporting News

HOCKEY.
VISIT VANCOUVER.

The Victoria hockey team are today playing a match with Vancouver at the Terminal City.

THE HUNT CLUB.
TO-DAY'S RUN.

The members of the Victoria Hunt Club met at 2:30 to-day at Major Dupont's for a paper chase.

THE KENNEL.
VANCOUVER CLUB.

Vancouver, March 7.—The Kennel Club held their annual meeting last night. It was decided that it would be impossible to hold a kennel show this year. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Col. Dudley; president, H. W. Keat; secretary-treasurer, G. A. Walkem.

YACHTING.
LAUNCHING OF THE SHAMROCK.

Glasgow, March 8.—The Shamrock II is advancing so rapidly that her launching is fixed for April 20th. The yacht is already being towed to the waterline on both sides, and the fitting of plates on the top sides and deck is proceeding.

It is expected that Lady Roberts will christen the cup challenger.

THE GUN.
IMPORTING GAME BIRDS.

The Cumberland News says: "The Cumberland Game Association have sent to Wichita, Kansas, for six dozen Virginia quail, which they expect to arrive in a short time, and which, should they do well, will prove a great acquisition to our game birds. It is to be hoped that Mrs. Carrie Nation will not take it into her head to smash the crates."

RUGBY FOOTBALL.
JUNIOR MATCH.

A Junior Rugby game is being played this afternoon at the Caledonia park between the "High" and Collegiate schools. The teams follow:

High School—Full back, Corfield; three-quarters, Anderson, Netherly, Coates and Robertson; half backs, Cameron and Pines; forwards, Levy, Hall, Paterson, Marchant, Anderson, Gilson, McInnes and Galloway. Collegiate School—Full back, R. Wilmut; three-quarters, H. Sheehan, E. Hill and S. Patton; half backs, G. Hart, G. Keefe, forwards, F. Harrison, H. Cornwall, G. Campbell, D. Keiford, D. Harrington, A. Janion, W. Todd, W. Newcombe.

THE RING.
SHARKEY AND MAHER TO MEET.

New York, March 8.—Barney Reich and Peter Lowry, representing Tom Sharkey and Peter Maher respectively, met at the office of a New York newspaper to-day and clinched a match for the two pugilists at 20 or 25 rounds. Articles are being prepared that will govern the contest, and it is agreed that they will be signed to-morrow. This fight will take place before the club offering the biggest inducement.

LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

Louisville, Ky., March 7.—A match was made here last night for a 20 round contest between Terry McGovern and Dave Sullivan for the lightweight championship of the world.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
VICTORIA V. GARRISON.

The match at the Caledonia grounds this afternoon, on which the interest of all football enthusiasts is centred, is the game between the Victoria senior team and the Garrison. This is the first match of the Senior League, and the Victoria team are doing their best to win it, thus making one step towards the championship of P.C. On the other hand the ability of the Garrison as a strong football organization is well known, and as they have been practicing regularly for some time the match now going forward is one of the hottest contested of this season.

AT BEACON HILL.

The Intermediate Columbias are holding a general practice this afternoon at Beacon Hill in preparation for next Saturday's game with the Thistles of Nanaimo. The match, if the Nanaimo boys win, will give them the intermediate championship, while if the local team are successful a final game will have to be played.

The members of the Intermediate teams, Columbus and Boys' Brigade are also holding a practice match at Beacon Hill this afternoon.

Two Junior League games are being played at Beacon Hill this afternoon between the Boys' Brigade and South Park teams and the North Ward and Victoria West schools.

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WEATHER BULLETIN. Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 9—5 a. m.—The barometer is falling rapidly and the winds increasing along the Coast in advance of an important storm area now centered off Oregon and Washington.

Forecasts. For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday. Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds or gales from the southwest and the winds increasing along the Coast in advance of an important storm area now centered off Oregon and Washington.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, 8 miles E.; rain, 0.5; weather, cloudy.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

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The fund for the widows and orphans of the men who lost their lives at Union now amounts to \$287.50.

Mayor Hayward has given notice that at the next session of the council he will recommend that Fairfield road be extended from its present terminus to Cadboro bay.

Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Price, per gallon, \$3.00; per quart, 75c. New England Hotel.

Notice to Shippers and Consignees. The Northern Pacific Railway Co. is prepared to absorb all Victoria wharfage on trans-continental and Kootenay shipments. Effective, March 7th, 1901. G. A. Lethbride, general agent.

The set of views for this week's programme at the Searchlight have been unavoidable retained in arriving, and will not be on an exhibition until the first of the week.

Those who desire a pleasant evening's entertainment could not do better than attend the concert in Temperance hall this evening.

SAVE YOUR TEETH. Antiseptic Tooth Powder, Carbolic Tooth Powder, Antiseptic Tooth Wash. These three have no equal for cleaning and beautifying the teeth. 25c each, at FAWCETT'S DRUG STORE, 46 Government Street.

A large audience greeted Rev. W. Sipprell, B.A., B.D., principal of Columbia College, New Westminster, in the Centennial Methodist church last evening.

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Job lot of cross-cut saws to be sold at least than half price. Shore's Hardware.

Steamer Charmer left Vancouver at 1.30, after connecting with the Eastern train.

Telephone to have your wheel called for and repaired. Rumble Cycles, Weiler Bros.

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The board of managers of the British Columbia Agricultural Association will meet in the city hall next Tuesday evening.

Lieut. Col. Gregory will take charge of the parade of No. 3 and 6 companies of the Fifth Regiment, C. A., on Monday evening.

Ladies, come and see the pretty Dunny adjustable God-Cart at W. Jones. They are the perfection baby carrier. New lot just arrived.

Rev. Elliot S. Rowe has sufficiently recovered to occupy the pulpit of the Metropolitan church to-morrow, both morning and evening.

An alarm this afternoon called the fire department to a residence on Superior street, where a chimney blaze was extinguished in short order.

The annual meeting of the Victoria branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society will take place on Thursday, the 21st inst., instead of on the 14th, as previously announced. It will be held in the First Presbyterian church.

On Wednesday afternoon at the residence of N. S. Hayward an "At Home" will be held in aid of the Centennial Methodist church. The hours are from 3 to 5 and from 7 to 10. An excellent programme of music, etc., will be provided.

The following officers were elected at a meeting of the Victoria School at Arms, held last evening: Robin W. Dunsmyth, president; H. J. Austin, secretary; J. W. Leimer, treasurer; A. T. Goward, J. W. York, H. J. Gillespie, P. W. Stevenson, H. Pooley, committee.

The "March of Venice" recited to the literary department of the James Bay Epworth League, promises to be a most brilliant and interesting affair. The final rehearsal took place last night. Miss Smith will give one of her inimitable solos, and several songs will enliven the entertainment.

The last issue of Collier's Weekly contains several excellent reproductions of the scenes enacted in Victoria on the day of the Queen's funeral. The city hall and parliament buildings during the memorial services are reproduced, and an explanatory paragraph accompanies the illustrations.

According to information received from Spokane, Arnie Stevens, drill master in Richard & Pugh's minstrel, was shot in Victoria a month or so ago, was shot in Victoria a month or so ago, was shot in Victoria a month or so ago.

Miss Meagan was detailed two weeks in the east waiting for the latest novelties from Paris, which only arrived the day previous to her leaving. This lady has brought with her an assistant whose record in the east is one of brilliant successes. The West-side promises to show the most stylish goods in the millinery world ever imported into Victoria.

The question of confirming or not confirming the water records granted to the B. C. Southern Railway, which is the cause of Mayor Lalonde's visit to the Capital, is a very interesting one. These water records the city of Rossland has been anxious to retain so that it might confer water privileges on any company wishing to establish a smelter or similar industry at Rossland. The C. P. R., however, has long secured these records, although their title to them is not confirmed. The city is apprehensive that this might give the big corporation a monopoly which, if its powers were exercised, would shut out any railway industry whose advent it did not favor. Hence the deputation.

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Canadians Have Control

Mr. Jaffray Says That Hill Has Not Acquired Cur Coal Lands

Recent Contract With the Great Northern Will Insure Big Revenue to B. C.

Robert Jaffray, of Toronto, accompanied by George G. S. Lindsay, K. C., of the same city, reached Victoria last evening, having come West over the Great Northern lines.

Mr. Hill, he continued, "purchased this interest just as anyone else might purchase it, because he believes that the coal deposits will be of great value. He says that if a charter is granted by the legislature he will build the railway from Michel to the international boundary.

"We have nothing in this province," continued Mr. Jaffray, "are working openly and above board in the matter."

Coming to the dispute between his company and the C. P. R., he said: "It should be remembered that the members of our syndicate, or many of them, are by no means confined to this province. British Columbia interests, say more than I am myself. This applies to Senator Cox, Mr. Flavelle, and to Elias Rogers. The latter is looking up iron deposits, for instance, with a view to the establishment of a smelter, and already we have found iron deposits near our coal interests, which, on examination, may warrant us in taking this step. This will show you that we are deeply interested in the development of the province."

Mr. Lindsay also referred to the revenue which the development of the industry would mean to this province.

"At present," he said, "we pay ten cents a ton to the province on all the coal mined. We expect shortly to reach an output of 6,000, or possibly 10,000, tons a day. You will see that from such an output the revenue to the province would be from \$200 to \$1,000 a day, and the increase which I fancy would be acceptable to any government," he added.

The whole dispute, in the opinion of Mr. Jaffray, resolves itself into this question: "Are you to have but one railway system in the province of British Columbia, and is the C. P. R. to control the situation so far as the Mainland is concerned?"

As indicating the interest which is being taken in the contest in the East, and their attitude toward the disputants, the following telegram received last evening by the gentlemen referred to will be of interest:

"Toronto, March 7th. "Railway and transportation committee of Toronto board of trade passed a resolution today with only one dissenting voice, favoring construction of the Kootenay & Southern railway to connect with the Great Northern."

Mr. Jaffray was asked how his contract with Hill would affect the local supply.

"The fear," he replied, "that the coal company may intentionally create a shortage to benefit American smelting interests is absolutely groundless. The Dominion government has 50,000 acres of land, and its successors will make careful selection before any selections will be made. This, on the basis of the following telegram, will furnish 10,000 tons per day for 1,000 years. If the coal company or the railway company should act antagonistic to the interests of the province or the Dominion, the Federal government should open coal mines and establish coke ovens. The government will also have the power to impose an export tax that would speedily bring those companies to time. It would be suicidal to the coal company or the railway company to pursue any policy calculated to awaken local antagonism."

"The experience of the past," he added, "is ample assurance that railway connections will not result in draining away or depleting the wealth of the province. There is now the Great Northern crossing at Blaine, near the Coast. The Canadian Pacific crosses from Mis-

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TEACHERS' INSTITUTE. Interesting Session of That Body Yesterday Afternoon.

A meeting of the Victoria Teachers' Institute was held yesterday afternoon in the assembly room of the South Park school. There was a fair attendance of teachers.

After the usual reading of the minutes of last meeting, the president stated that W. H. Birms would read the paper about the manual schools, read the report of the manual schools, read the introduction and progress of these schools in other countries and expressed the hope that Canada would seize the opportunity that was afforded her by the beneficence of Sir William McDonald, in making the manual training schools an established part of its educational system.

At the close a vote of thanks was tendered the reader and the writer of the paper, and a request made that it should be published. The paper was discussed by A. B. McNeil and Justice Mrs. Grant, who welcomed the project of having the schools of manual training firmly established in Victoria.

RECRUITING FOR R. C. R. "A" Company Expect to Leave for Halifax About the First of April.

Eastern papers contain the information that recruiting for the 5th Battalion R. C. R., with headquarters at Halifax, is being carried on very successfully. The semi-official announcement that was made some time ago that the battalion, after being recruited up to full strength, would be employed in garrison duty in some other part of the Empire, is having a marked effect in filling the ranks.

Permission has been given to take twenty married sergeants and eighty married men on the strength of the regiment. This is also helping materially in the recruiting.

"A" Company, stationed at Hospital Point, expect to join the regiment at Halifax early next month. As yet Col. McKay is uncertain as to how many men will accompany him to Halifax. Orders were received some time ago to grant discharges to all men requesting such and to proceed to headquarters with the officers and such non-commissioned officers as were recommended by the commanding officer. A later order received by Col. McKay authorizes him to continue on the strength of "A" Company all men whose time does not expire before six months, and to bring them to Halifax.

Col. McKay states that he has absolutely no official intimation that the regiment will go on foreign service.

Steamer Willapa arrived from the North about noon today. She made a quick trip, only calling at a few places, and had fine weather throughout. On the North, near Lowe Inlet, W. Williams was picked up. He is likely to build a sawmill near Chin Hat. On the way down, Mr. McAdam, of Chicago, owner of the mine on Prince of Wales, with a number of others, were picked up also. Mr. Clarke, boiler-maker, and Master Menzies, from Rivers Inlet, Dr. Newcombe and others from Alert Bay, and two men from Quatsino Sound.

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Provincial News

NELSON.

The consideration of tenders for the supply of timber was the most important business that came before the members of the city council at their meeting on Monday evening. There were four tenders submitted. The tender of the Sawyer Company was \$8.75 at the city wharf and \$9.50 delivered. The tender at \$9.50 delivered was accepted on motion of Alderman Paterson, seconded by Alderman Gillett.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The first monthly meeting of the recently organized local Horticultural Society was held on Tuesday night. Mayor Scott, as president, occupied the chair. The following were duly elected honorary members: Lieutenant Governor Joly, Premier Dismuir, Messrs. Richard McBride, M. P., J. C. Brown, M. P., P. Aulay Morrison, M. P., and J. D. Taylor. Considerable discussion took place on the subject of gardening generally, and more particularly the pruning of fruit trees. The scarcity of competent pruners was brought out and fully discussed. It was finally decided to ask all who are qualified to prune fruit trees to register their names with the secretary, together with such recommendations as they may have. In this way a list of orchards may be secured for services when required.

GREENWOOD.

At a well attended public meeting called by Mayor Jakes last night, a resolution was unanimously passed endorsing the construction of the Coast-Kootenay road by a company independent of the C. P. R. The discussion culminated in the unanimous passage of the following resolution, moved by Ald. Sutherland and seconded by D. Bannerman: "Whereas the provincial government has declared its intention of introducing a measure providing a subsidy to aid in the construction of the Coast-Kootenay railway; and whereas it is reported that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company are making every effort to secure a subsidy to assist them in building the road; and whereas cheap freight rates are essential in the development of the mining and allied industries of the province, and in the absence of government ownership of railways the best safeguard against excessive freight charges is competition; therefore be it resolved that the citizens of Greenwood, in public meeting assembled, urge upon the provincial government that any subsidy to aid in the construction of the Coast-Kootenay railway should be in such a form as to be granted to a company who are not likely to fall under the control of the Canadian Pacific railway, and should be made conditional upon the immediate commencement of bona fide and continuous construction; and be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the government and members of the provincial legislature."

VANCOUVER.

The annual meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association was held on Thursday evening. The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. president, Charles Wilson, K. C.; president, W. J. Bowers; vice-president, H. E. Ross; vice-president for Ward I, J. J. Baanfield; vice-president for Ward II, J. W. Hackett; vice-president for Ward III, W. T. Boyd; vice-president for Ward IV, Thomas Duke; vice-president for Ward V, R. Mills; treasurer, J. H. Seymour; secretary, C. J. South.

The board of works met on Thursday afternoon, with Ald. Grant in the chair. A report was presented by the department from the Good Roads Association interviewed the board. Colonel Warren, as spokesman for the deputation, stated that it came prepared to meet the board and discuss the question of the location for the proposed road. The committee from the association submitted the suggestion that a path be constructed first on Pender street, E. B. Deane making a special plea for its early construction. The next one suggested was on Westminster avenue, from the bridge south to the bridge at the junction of Westminster road. This was, however, amended to make it run from the end of the block pavement on the north side of the bridge. The third track is proposed to be placed on Granville street, from the end of the pavement to the bridge. The fourth is to be laid on Beach avenue, where it is not macadamised. This arrangement did not suit Ald. McPhaiden, who contended that with the exception of the proposed path on Westminster avenue the East End way being left out entirely. He insisted that a path should be laid on Powell street to accommodate the large number of people who ride their bicycles on Powell street to the various mills. While he did not oppose the proposed location of the paths in the West End, he would not favor any path position to leave out the eastern section of the city entirely. Ald. Wood supported Ald. McPhaiden, and suggested that the proposition should be adopted with the addition that cinders be laid on the street railway track on Powell street, and that it be rolled. The matter, being asked the cost of rolling the cinders, stated that it would not amount to over \$50, as the Street Railway Company would, no doubt, supply the cinders. Ald. Cook moved a resolution to the effect that the suggestion of the Good Roads Association be adopted, and that a path be laid on Powell street, as soon as funds are available, after the above programme has been carried out. The motion carried.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS.

The education department of the Orange River Colony is drawing up an educational scheme based on the Canadian school system.

The total population of Alaska in 1900 was 63,962, against 62,052 in 1890. This is an increase in ten years of 31,840, or 58.4 per cent.

Judge Meza, of the Nicaragua Supreme court, was killed on Tuesday at Granada by Senor Lacaytes, whose father has been well known in Nicaraguan affairs.

Rev. William Bright, D. D., professor of ecclesiastical history in Christ's church, Oxford, Eng., since 1896, and sub-dean since 1885, is dead. He was born in 1824.

President McKinley yesterday sent the following nomination to the United States senate: Charles S. Wilson, of Maine, secretary of the legation to Roumania and Servia.

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United States Secretary Hay and Ambassador Cambon, acting for the respective governments, have signed an arrangement extending until March 24th, 1902, the period allowed for the ratifications of the French reciprocity treaty.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

COAST-KOOTENAY RAILWAY.

To the Editor:—In a letter communicated to the Colonist under the title of "Desideratum" the question of the Coast-Kootenay railway is discussed. The writer's object is to throw cold water on the proposal of a Coast-Kootenay railway and to advocate the substitution thereof of a southern feeder of the C.P.R., main line joining that system at Spence's Bridge. He urges the people of the Coast to abandon the idea of ever securing closer railway connection with the mining districts of the interior, and to devote their attention to developing their local resources. He says:

"The cry that the Coast should be placed in closer and more speedy communication with the Boundary country should have been raised long ago; then, instead of assistance being given to encourage the rapid connection between the East and our Kootenay country, we might have secured what we are clamoring for now; in the meantime the East and South have the market, and no matter what roads are built they must mainly be for the opening up of our numerous local resources, and will be a great benefit to the province in that respect."

I think this is the gist of the whole letter. Because if what he says is true, namely, that it is impossible to establish trade relations with the mining districts of the interior, then certainly the Coast-Kootenay railway has lost its attraction to the people of the Coast. But they are not likely to take a newspaper correspondent's word for it, while the apparent features of the project show every encouragement to the establishment of profitable intercourse. It is very satisfactory, however, to note that the scheme of a connection via Spence's Bridge holds out even fields for its advocates. No hopes of such a stimulation of trade as the Coast has a right to hope for from a Coast-Kootenay railway, because the people of the Coast will immediately put, not the Coast-Kootenay railway but the alternative C. P. R. scheme to the test of this admission. Here is "Desideratum's" position made clear: A Coast-Kootenay railway will not benefit the Coast because the opportunity has been lost which might have been secured by a closer railway connection it will give. The connection with the C. P. R. at Spence's Bridge, he admits, will not give that closer connection, but he defends it as a substitute for the Coast-Kootenay railway because it will open up a promising country and benefit about six families who have been in the province for forty years. No one, I presume, would have hardihood to deny that this line would open up a promising mineral country, and it might benefit several people, than half a dozen families. But he admits that it would not benefit the people in the Coast cities except in a slight and indirect way. "Desideratum" is doubtless quite correct in speaking of the riches of the Nicola valley, but it is unfair if he wishes to insinuate that that valley possesses greater or richer local resources than would be tapped by the line of the Coast-Kootenay railway. That railway would, in fact, develop the resources of which he speaks quite as rapidly as the roads which he speaks of. He reminds me of the burglar, besides, who armed with thirty-two good and sufficient reasons for not delivering the keys of his town to the burglar. The first was that it had no Summit presents no insurmountable engineering difficulties whatever.

Surely the men who are willing to build it and have the money to build it can look after that part of it. For the Coast-Kootenay railway, they don't want the Kootenay markets; they want the Coast markets. Truly this is a more excellent song than the other. What he does not stop to explain is how the building of a line from Spence's Bridge through the Nicola valley is going to help the rancher on the south shore of the Fraser river to get either the Coast market or the Kootenay market, and if another market for his produce. And I cannot help thinking the matter needs some explanation.

Having shown that the Coast people need expect no benefit from the development of the interior, having further shown that a railway from Spence's Bridge down the Nicola valley would open a good country, having further shown that the construction of a trunk line through the Hope mountains is an impossibility, and having finally shown that the Fraser river valley ranchers don't know what is good for them, "Desideratum" goes on to insinuate that the construction of this Nicola valley trunk line, and points out that when this road was completed the merchants of the Coast would have a direct connection with the Kootenay market, which he has

previously said would be of no advantage to them when he was arguing against the Coast-Kootenay railway. The merchants of the Coast would then have a connection with the mining districts of the interior not one whit better than they at present have by way of Revelstoke, and how much use is that to them? Anyone going from, say, Vancouver to Midway, by this route, would first drift north to Spence's Bridge, 133 miles, then south to Princeton, 117 miles, south again and east to Revelstoke, 45 miles, then north to Pentteton, 25 miles. After that the route under both systems would be practically the same. But he would travel something in the neighborhood of 500 miles as compared with under 300 by the Coast-Kootenay railway. The Coast-Kootenay railway would give us a trunk line east and west, connecting the boundary of British Columbia with the Pacific ocean, practically straight from point to point. It would unify the development of the richest mineral country on the North American continent, and stimulate industry and commerce in the Pacific Coast ports to a hitherto undreamt of degree. It would revivify and encourage the farming industry in the Fraser river valley and knit and bind the widely scattered communities of British Columbia into one harmonious unit. For this great ideal "Desideratum" would have us turn our backs, for this magnificent achievement he would have us substitute a policy which would open up one valley and benefit half a dozen aged families. What element of insufferable littleness does he resort to? VICTORIAN.

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Sealed tenders, properly indorsed, will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Wednesday, the 13th March next, for the erection and completion of a bridge across the Somas River, near Alberni, Alberni District, B. C.

Drawings, specifications, and form of contract may be seen at the Lands and Works Department Victoria, B. C., at the office of the Government Agent, Nanaimo, B. C., and at the Government Office, Alberni, B. C., on and after the 23rd instant. Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit made payable to the undersigned for the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars, as security for the due fulfillment of the contract, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. The cheque of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied and signed with the actual signature of the tenderer. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 10th February, 1901.

Notice to Contractors.

Tenders will be received till Tuesday, the 12th inst., at 12 noon, for the erection of a frame residence near Beacon Hill. Plans and specifications may be seen at my office. A. MAXWELL, M.I.E.E., Architect, 83 1/2 Douglas street.

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NOTICE.

The Railway Committee will meet in the Maple Committee Room on Monday, the 11th March, at 10 a. m., to consider Railway Bills.

The Private Bills Committee will meet in the Cedar Committee Room at the same time to consider Bills referred to that Committee.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1901.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 1901, at the City Hall, at 10 a. m., to consider Bills referred to that Committee.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., February 8th, A. D. 1901.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Licensing Court of the City of Victoria, B. C., I intend making application for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell wines, spirits and other liquors at the premises known as the Callaghan Hotel, 10 Johnson street, in the City of Victoria, B. C., to J. T. Pearce.

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NOTICE.

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THE MEDICAL ACT.

Lodges Decide to Have the Above Amended if Possible.

A meeting of the legislative committee of the Federated Board was held last evening at the Brunswick hotel. Several more petitions were received. In talking with a member of the committee a Times man elicited the information that it had been practically decided that the lodges would push forward the amendment to the Medical Act. He stated that the majority of the lodges were in favor of going on with the matter now that it had gone so far.

Another meeting of the committee will be held on Monday or Tuesday evening. After this a general meeting of the Federated Board will be called, when future movements in regard to the Medical Act will be decided. A meeting of the Lodges was held last evening, when a motion was passed requesting the secretary to write to the delegates of the lodges on the Federated Board advising them to do all in their power to have the petitions and the request for an amendment to the Medical Act put before the legislature.

BACK FROM THE SOUTH.

Ald. Cameron Has Returned From California—Visits Sacramento and San Francisco.

Ald. W. G. Cameron returned yesterday from a month's visit to California, where he visited Sacramento, San Francisco and other points. His trip was very pleasant, being made both ways on the overland route. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Agnes Deane Cameron, principal of South Park school, who is now at Santa Clara.

They left Victoria on February 4th, and, arriving at Sacramento, remained a few days there transacting private business. Sacramento impressed Ald. Cameron as being a steady city, without any of the sensationalism so apparent in San Francisco. The presence of the Southern Pacific's large sheds and workshops gives the city a considerable impetus along the line of progress. Thousands of workmen are employed there, and when pay day comes an immense amount of money leaves the coffers of the company. Sacramento has also the advantage of being situated in the centre of an agricultural country, which in itself is a factor redounding to its prosperity. From California's capital Ald. Cameron went to California's metropolis, San Francisco. His last visit to the Bay City was seventeen years ago, and naturally there has been in that time quite a metamorphosis, internally and externally. The vast trans-Pacific trade the Victorian characterized as enormous, the docks being lined with immense consignments ready for shipment. The various points of interest in "Frisco" and vicinity were visited, including San Quentin, the famous "pen," where the list of convicts registers 1,500.

Ald. Cameron encountered a very unique personality in this institution. This was one of the prisoners, who is serving a sentence of life imprisonment for murder. His conduct has evidently been so exemplary that the authorities have invested him with an office which amounts virtually to that of "keeper of the execution paraphernalia." He has a chest in which the various ropes, straps, caps and other details are guarded by him with care. When some unfortunate is about to expiate some capital offence on the gallows, this individual produces all the incidentals, and when the execution is over he resumes charge of his gruesome collection. He evidently takes great pleasure in exhibiting his relics of "terrors" associations, and will explain accurately and with much regard to details of the most insignificant character the method of execution.

After having observed the system of municipal government in the California cities, Ald. Cameron affirms that in comparison Victoria has nothing to be ashamed of. The streets of this city and its goodly appearance compare very favorably with those of the larger municipalities. The efficiency of the Victoria police force also commends itself in a striking manner when a comparison of the law and order of Victoria is made with that of the cities visited by Ald. Cameron.

Now that Ald. Cameron is home, it is probably the inquiry into the fire department question will be held shortly.

The great Duke of Marlborough, perhaps the greatest military commander Britain has ever had, said on one occasion "No soldier can fight unless he is properly fed on beef and beer."

SCHOOL BILL UNPOPULAR.

John Houston Will Oppose It—Suggests Amendments to Placer Act.

The mining committee met this morning and decided to recommend to the Minister of Mines that the Placer Mining Act be amended so that Crown grants may be issued subject to certain restrictions, instead of leases as at present. A sub-committee, consisting of A. W. Smith, Price Ellison, J. Stables, H. Green and D. Rogers, was appointed to lay the recommendations before Mr. McBride.

It is the impression in the corridors that the government will be forced to modify its school bill, both the increased poll tax and the increased powers given school boards being unpopular even among cabinet supporters. John Houston, who leaves for Nelson to-night, is entirely opposed to the measure, and only regrets that he will not be here next week to cast his vote against it. Opposition is looked for from a number of other members to the right of the Speaker.

VESSELS WRECKED.

Storm on the English Channel Causes Numerous Casualties.

Paris, March 9.—The storm on the English channel continues, and numerous casualties are reported. A fishing smack has been wrecked at "Presteville" near Brest and the crew of four men was drowned. The three-masted schooner Saint Mars, of Bordeaux, has been wrecked near Morlaix. Life boats rescued five of her crew and the remaining seven perished.

The gale is sweeping over the Bay of Biscay.

As reported yesterday the Norwegian bark Liska Curry, Capt. Kildisen, from Savannah with a cargo of wood, is on the rocks of Gijon bar, at total wreck. Her captain and crew were saved.

Without Food for Days.

Oran, Algeria, March 9.—The Italian bark Sicilian, which was reported on March 4th, wrecked in the vicinity of Oran and that six of her crew had been drowned, has been towed here by a steamer. The Sicilian was dismasted and thrown on her beam ends during a gale off Cape Gatte, on February 6th. The vessel drifted for days, those on board being without food or water, and some of them jumped overboard and were drowned. The captain was washed away. A fishing boat saved seven of the survivors.

THE KEMPVILLE TRAGEDY.

Coroner's Jury Return a Verdict Charging John Garrett With Murder.

(Associated Press.)

Kempville, Ont., March 9.—The coroner's jury in Larned J. Baker's case, who died from a blow on the head on Thursday morning, has rendered a verdict charging John Garrett, who struck the fatal blow, with murder, and Jas. Cannon and Wm. Bell as accessories. Newman, the fourth young man who was arrested on the charge of being an accessory, has been discharged, there being no evidence to prove his guilt.

OPPOSED TO AGREEMENT.

Chinese Emperor Instructs Earl Li to Refuse Russia to Other Powers.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 9.—Emperor Kwang Hsi opposes Russo-Chinese agreement proposed on the Amur by the Chinese government of the Daily Express, and has instructed Li Hung Chang to refer Russia to the other powers. The Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard asserts that pamphlets are widely and secretly circulated vilifying foreigners and inciting the Boxers to make renewed efforts.

YOUNG TURKEY PARTY.

Threaten to Meet Violence on Part of Turkish Government With Violence.

(Associated Press.)

Constantinople, March 9.—Piacards posted on the Amur by the Young Turkey Party threaten to meet violence on the part of the government with violence. One passage, directed against Russia and Germany, asserts that Turkey is in the hands of those powers.

TWO MINISTERS DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

Prince Albert, N. W. T., March 9.—Rev. J. D. Madden, pioneer Methodist minister, is dead, aged 80 years. Lockport, N. Y., March 9.—Rev. Ashbel Staples died of apoplexy at his home at Warren's corner this morning, aged 74 years. He was one of the most widely known Methodist clergymen in the state.

SEALING STEAMERS SAIL.

(Associated Press.)

St. Johns, N. F., March 9.—The sealing steamers sailed this morning for the annual seal hunt. They started with most favorable weather prospects.

MARATSBURG REOCCUPIED.

Boers Evacuated the Place When the British Advanced.

(Associated Press.)

Craddock, March 8.—Maratshurg has been reoccupied by the British, the Boers evacuating. Only a few horses were secured. Broderick's Speech.

FIGHT IN DUTCH INDIES.

(Associated Press.)

Amsterdam, March 9.—A dispatch from Batavia, capital of Dutch Indies, announces that the Dutch troops have captured the Achinese fortresses at Pajarubane, on the west bank of the Pandir river. Seventy-seven rebels were killed and many wounded. The Dutch had two men killed, and seven wounded.

DESTRUCTIVE BLAZE.

(Associated Press.)

Detroit, Mich., March 9.—The Old Motor Works at 1,348 Jefferson avenue were completely destroyed by fire this afternoon. One man was burned to death and several were seriously injured. The Detroit Stove Works is now burning fiercely. The loss will be heavy.

TROUBLE FEARED.

(Associated Press.)

Sofia, March 9.—The Macedonian committee has summoned an extraordinary congress for March 13th to consider the complications in Macedonia. Great excitement prevails in Macedonian circles, and the expectation is that there will be lively developments in Macedonia.

GREENWOOD DELEGATION.

(Special to the Times.)

Greenwood, March 9.—A large and enthusiastic public meeting last night endorsed a railway from Vernon to Rock Creek, and urged a bonus for the same. A delegation of the Associated Boards of Trade leave for Victoria to-day to interview the government.

UNKNOWN WOMAN'S SLICED.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 9.—An unknown woman, who registered at Lubben's hotel, Jersey City, yesterday morning as Mrs. Moore, of Newark, was found dead in her room to-day. She had committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas.

SLIGHTLY BETTER.

(Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, March 9.—Former President Benjamin Harrison passed a fairly comfortable night, and at 10 o'clock this morning was reported slightly better.

EMPEROR'S CONDITION.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, March 9.—There is no change this morning in Emperor William's condition.

—Cake Walk at Drill Hall to-night.

SUBMERGED RAILWAYS.

(Associated Press.)

There are two projects in existence at the present moment for a submerged railway across the English Channel. On December 17, 1884, there was registered a "Channel Bridge and Railway Company," its offices are at No. 69 Rue de la Victoria, Paris.

It was formed to acquire the business of the International Railway Company, du Detroit de la Manche, Limited, and to make further investigations, etc., with a view to the construction of a bridge or viaduct across the English Channel, the project of communication between England and France.

It was decided to construct a submerged bridge 50 feet below the lowest tide, and to run thereon an electric cable capable of transporting four railway trains, which would be secured very much in the same way as the trains are fastened to the ferry boats between New York and New Jersey. The directors' report, recently submitted, stated that the work could be completed in five years at a cost not exceeding \$20,000,000.

The train platform was to be 200 feet long and 50 feet wide, and was to be carried on five steel columns on each side, these being braced to and resting upon a submerged platform mounted on piles, which would be secured very much in the same way as the trains are fastened to the ferry boats between New York and New Jersey.

The other submarine railroad scheme has been favored by an enthusiastic Frenchman, M. A. Mottier, by name, and it differs in some details from the one just mentioned. The permanent way (let us hope it would be "permanent") is to be 15 feet in width and some 20 feet above the bottom of the Channel.

This would not interfere with navigation, and would afford a secure bed for the rails, being built of solid masonry and anchored to withstand the currents. The elevated platform is to be 320 feet long, 125 feet wide, and 425 feet above the rails. It will be capable of taking several railroad cars at once to say nothing of animals, baggage and freight.

On it there will be saloons, heated and lighted by electricity, smoking rooms; in fact, all the comforts that are to be found to-day on the finest ocean greynolds. M. Mottier is confident that the cross-Channel trip can be made in less than an hour. The passengers will enter the sleeping car at London, and will go to sleep in the assurance that they will not wake until the gay capital of France is reached. The trains will be run straight on to the platform, and the huge structure will then start on its journey across the Channel without the snoring passengers being aware whether they are on land or on sea.

The sea-gear car imagined by M. Mottier will be propelled by an engine located on the platform, and will be worked either by steam or electricity. The engine will operate a drum, over which a chain will wind, and the car-platform and submerged carriage will be thus drawn from one side of the Channel to the other.

M. Mottier estimates the total cost of this unique undertaking at the small sum of \$3,750,000 and promises a return of \$500 to \$2,000 a day, making calculations for twenty trips every twenty-four hours.—Pearson's.

—To-night at the drill hall the Fifth Regiment band will give another of their popular promenade concerts. An excellent programme, already published in these columns, has been prepared, and includes many "pleasant" surprises. A cake walk is to be the extra attraction.

—Cake Walk at Drill Hall to-night.

—Three-tenths of the earnings of a Belgian convict are given to him on the expiration of his term of imprisonment. Some of these saved more money in jail than they ever saved before.

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BIRTHS.

ROBERT—At 222 Church street, on the 6th inst., the wife of A. Russell, of a son. CARSON—At Nelson, on March 4th, the wife of J. Carson, of a son. WOODS—At Victoria, on March 1st, the wife of George Woods, of a son.

MARRIED.

WALLACE—WARRER—At Armstrong, B. C., Feb. 28th, by Rev. E. Gos. MacLeod, J. G. Wallace, of Phoenix, and Miss Catherine J. Warner, of Armstrong. WILSON—ROPER—At Trail, on March 4th, William Wilson and Miss Alice Maudie Roper, daughter of Dr. Roper, Vancouver.

ALEXANDER—CREECH—At Vancouver, on March 6th, by Rev. L. Norman, of a son, John Alexander Creech, and Miss Alice Maudie Roper.

HAPPY HOPPERS.

With the factory girls and the "casual hands" of London, the grand time of all the year is the hopping. In the county of Kent, southeast of London, the hop is mainly cultivated. "Hopping"—picking the hops—goes on during the months of August and September. Sir Walter Besant writes about it in "The Century."

It requires a great many hands and has to be carried through quickly. As soon as the time arrives, the Kentish farmers by the thousand give up their work and take the train to the hopping. Then they have the finest time imaginable. They are quite free from any interference; no one watches over them; all day long they are out in the fields, they are paid, and paid well, by the basket; therefore they work hard. In the evening they have games entirely of their own devising. There is no lady to watch the girls, no young university man good with fists let loose upon the lads; money is plentiful, suppers are copious, beer flows in streams, they dance and sing at their own sweet will. The farmers, so long as they do no mischief to the crops and orchards, do not interfere. At night the girls sleep in one barn, and the lads and men in another. When hopping is over they come back to town. Like Bottom, they are transformed; their cheeks, which were pasty-colored, are now rosy and sunburnt; they are no longer the children of the curb; they have been adopted for the time by the field.

How they get back to work I do not know, but I believe that in many villages the employers look forward to the hopping desertions and make arrangements accordingly.

WALL STREET.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 9.—There was active trading in several stocks at the opening, but the general market was quiet and irregular, with narrow changes both ways. On a report of a consolidation with the Pennsylvania, Amalgamated Copper made a violent recovery from last night's depression, selling at 9 1/4 and 10 1/4 at the opening, compared with 9 1/4 last night. The stock market opened irregular.

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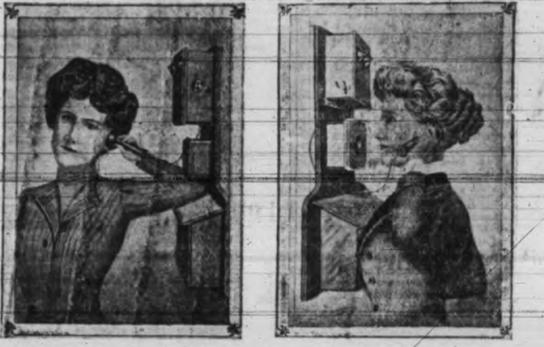
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