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THE PREMIER OPPOSES THE COWICHAN LINE

He Wants the Railway to Alberni to Run From a Point North of Nanaimo.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, March 7.—Hon. James Dunsmuir assured the delegates from the local board of trade that he will carefully consider the proposed Nanaimo-Alberni railway and will give a conference next week, when he will say what can be done.

He assured the delegation that he will not support the route proposed by Cowichan lake, which Victorians so earnestly desire. He will favor one instead from a point north of Nanaimo.

The delegates expect definite action to be taken almost immediately in the matter. The members on both sides are generally favorable to it.

SERIOUS WRECK OF A TRAIN IN TEXAS

Cars Were Ditched and, Burned and Fireman, Engineer and Thirty Passengers Are Missing.

El Paso, Tex., March 7.—The west-bound Southern Pacific passenger train from San Antonio was wrecked 20 miles west of Sanderson, Tex., this morning. The entire train was ditched and burned. The fireman, engineer and thirty passengers are missing. The wreck was discovered by the telegraph operator at a small station, who wired El Paso for assistance. The wrecking train left immediately for the scene. Only a meagre report has been received here.

MAY TIE-UP SHIPPING.

Lake Tug Trust Alleged to Be Trying to Lengthen Hours of Labor.
(Associated Press.)
Chicago, March 7.—Upon the result of a series of conferences now being held in Chicago apparently depends the inauguration of a lockout which may result in tying up navigation on the Great Lakes. This lockout, if inaugurated, will affect the 2,400 members of the Licensed Tug Men's Protective Association, composed of the captains and engineers of the tugs running out of 28 harbors along the lakes. The difficulty is over an alleged attempt of the Great Lakes Towing Company, known as the "tug trust," to lengthen working hours.

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VERY GRATIFYING STATEMENT MADE

INCREASE OF OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS

The Writ for Beauharnois Election Issued—A B.C. Case Before the Supreme Court.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 7.—The financial statement of the Dominion for eight months ending February 28th last shows revenue to be \$36,506,797, an increase over the same time last year of \$2,948,363. The expenditure for the same time was \$23,057,967, an increase of \$2,402,223 so that there was a betterment of about half a million dollars. The revenue for the month of February was about one-quarter of a million greater than for February 1901. The expenditure on capital account for eight months was \$8,354,872—over two millions greater than for the same time last year—so that there is a surplus of nearly eight millions on ordinary revenue which, when applied to capital expenditure, leaves only a small deficit over all expenditures.

In the Supreme court of Canada today Warrington vs. Palmer was proceeded with. The plaintiff, a miner, recovered \$4,000 on the verdict of a special jury for injuries sustained through falling down a deep shaft in defendant's mine near Van Ande, B. C., called Marble Bay mine, on account of neglect to provide proper buckets and appliances for lowering miners. The majority of the Full court in B. C. set aside the verdict and ordered a new trial on grounds of contributory negligence and excessive damages, and plaintiff appeals. Davis & Macdonald for appellant, Clute, K. C., for respondents.

The writ for the election in Beauharnois has been issued. Nominations in on the 19th and the election on the 26th.

OBJECT OF THE PRINCE'S VISIT

SEEKS ARRANGEMENT WITH UNITED STATES

Whereby Large Fleet of German Warships May Be Maintained in Caribbean Waters.

(Associated Press.)
New York, March 7.—A special cable to the Herald from Berlin says: "I am informed from a trustworthy source that the ultimate object of Prince Henry's visit to Washington is to bring about an agreement by which Germany will be permitted to maintain a large fleet in Caribbean waters to serve for the protection of German settlers and property rights imperilled by the frequent revolutions in South American republics. In official correspondence the fleet of German warships assembled at La Guayra is styled as the 'American station.'"

"Capt. Stieg, of the Vineta, has received the title of commodore and will be in command of the South American fleet, henceforth flying his own ensign. Although the fleet sent to Venezuela for the enforcement of the rights guaranteed to German capital and citizens already consists of five vessels, it is intended to steadily increase this number. The difficult issue is the acquisition of a repair dock and coaling station. Hope is entertained here that no objection will be made to the maintenance of the fleet in the West Indies, because it is intended to be entirely for defensive purposes and not to acquire territory."

"It is claimed that representations made by Prince Henry and his entourage, at Washington, have convinced the officials in Washington that no covert designs are entertained and that protection only is desired, especially because the Berlin government now undertakes the task of directing the German migration movement to South America. Heretofore the work had been performed by the Hansatic League and Colonial Society's bureau, the home office, of which Count Von Buelow is ex-officio presiding officer. It is mainly intended to induce German immigrants to settle in German colonies, or, if they cannot be induced to go there, to settle in South America, where home ties are still preserved. The director of the bureau was for many years consul-general in South America and was specially chosen for this task."

"I am also informed that the German financiers who constructed the Venezuelan railway, which is the subject of pending negotiations between Germany and President Castro's government, are anxious to dispose of their property to American investors. These financiers are represented in New York by Kuhn, Loeb & Co. The claim is made that Germany is not in a position to offer adequate protection to German capital and investments in South America, and that the Great Northern Venezuelan railway might fare better in the hands of United States capitalists."



A CONFIDENCE GAME

STRIKE AT COLLEERY.

Shamokin, Pa., March 4.—One thousand men and boys went on a strike today at the Natalie colliery, operated by the Shamokin Coal Company, because of the bye-monthly payments law not being strictly observed. During the past year the employees went to strike to receive their pay regularly, and now they say they will not return to work unless the company guarantees there will be no trouble in the future regarding the disbursement of funds at a stated time, twice a month. Despite the two-foot snowfall yesterday

twenty-five collieries in this region would have been operated to-day had the railroad company furnished cars. The past two weeks there has been a car famine in this field owing to floods and storms, and the recent storm will prolong the period of scarcity of cars.

BIGHTY KILLED.

Merida, Yucatan, March 6.—An engagement of federal troops and the warlike Mayas, commanded by Chief Leon, is reported in which the rebels lost 80 killed and 150 wounded. The encounter took place on the road to Guatemala, near Santa Cruz.

A Labor Man's Appeal

The following letter was read by E. V. Bodwell at the meeting in the Victoria Theatre last evening. It is from a respectable miner at Ladysmith and is a strong appeal to Victoria workingmen to vote against Mr. Dunsmuir's candidate. The letter follows:

Ladysmith, B. C., March 3, 1902.
To E. V. Bodwell, Esq.

Dear Sir—Seeing you are to contest Victoria against Col. Prior, I and a great many miners at this place, at Extension and at Alexandria, would be delighted to see you overwhelm Dunsmuir's candidate. I am perfectly acquainted with the scandalous treatment Dunsmuir has dealt out to a great many of us, and I believe if you could put it before the workingmen of Victoria they would show their condemnation of Dunsmuir at the polls by returning you with a handsome majority.

Make them acquainted with the fact that he persuaded these men to build houses and buy land, and now they are out of employment and have been notified that there is no more work for them under the company. Their names are on the blacklist and they are penniless and can't move to any other place. I can give you all the information on this matter it is possible to get, if it is of any use to you.

If you use this on the platform please don't mention my name unless it is denied by Dunsmuir or his supporters, and then, if necessary, I can give dates and figures.

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BODWELL'S BUMPER RALLY

able to convince the thinking electorate, that what he was about to say was in their interests.

Enthusiastic Gathering at the Victoria Theatre Last Evening.

Railway Option and Record of Government Severely Scored.

Never in the history of the Victoria theatre has there been such a gathering as that which taxed every seat, and standing space to its utmost capacity at the meeting called in the interests of Mr. Bodwell last night.

If the audience was the largest ever assembled in the Victoria theatre, the discourse on the platform has likewise never been surpassed.

The speech delivered by Mr. Bodwell was a magnificent effort, and as a covering agent absolutely irresistible.

There were present on the platform E. Crow Baker, chairman, Hon. Robert Beaven, Richard McBride, M. P., P. P., leader of the opposition, and Smith Curtis, E. C. Smith, A. W. Neil, Thos. Clifford, C. W. Munro, R. F. Green, A. McPhillips, H. Dallas Holmeken, Capt. Tatlow, W. H. Hayward, J. F. Gorden, F. J. Fulton, Denis Murphy and Thos. Taylor, members of the legislature.

Mr. Baker said it was with mingled feelings of pleasure and regret that he presided at the meeting. It gave him pleasure to fulfill a promise made to his friend, E. V. Bodwell, and to show that he was heartily in accord with the opposition candidate in the struggle.

The chairman then scored the five ministers for their treachery to ex-Lieut. Governor McInnes and said that in joining such a combination the colonel was embarking in a sinking ship.

He gracefully thanked the electorate for the honor conferred upon him when they elected him their representative in the past, and it was in recognition of that honor that he was present to show his colors in support of his friend, Mr. Bodwell.

After a reference to the weakness of the government, which might at any time be destroyed by the foist hand which had caused much disturbance in the country ever since it came here, he pointed out that it was extraordinary that Mr. Greenfields should be clothed with plenary powers in negotiations with Mackenzie & Mann.

As far as known no wire had been dispatched to Mr. Greenfields and none had been received. Perhaps it had, and the government was afraid to produce it.

The speaker then strongly criticized the terms of the option, laying special stress on the enormous subsidies it provided, the pre-emption of vast tracts of land from pre-emption, practically forever, and the shutting out of the farmer and miner from the great belt extending 20 miles on each side of the line, thus impeding the development of the country.

Mr. McPhillips emphasized the fact that the Coast-Kootenay scheme was a bona fide one and that James J. Hill would have built the road if permitted by the provincial government.

The Opposition Candidate's Pungent Criticisms of Bogus Contract.

Mr. Lugrin and Other Speakers Assay Government Gold Brick.

The junior member for Victoria, A. E. McPhillips, was received with applause. After expressing no disposition to make a speech he reminded his hearers of previous large meetings which had been held in the city hall and Victoria theatre, when the people of this city instructed their representatives to support the Coast-Kootenay road.

The contract substantially binds the company never to build a mile of road on Vancouver Island, because it declares its intent and meaning to be that the business for Island points shall be handed over to Mr. Dunsmuir's railway.

Mr. Dunsmuir asked the House last year to give him \$400,000 a mile to build a railway in part over his own lands, and he now asks the people of Victoria to ratify a contract that will secure for that railway for ever all the trade which the Great Northern will bring to or take from his own lands.

He then described the circumstances under which the letter was written, under instructions from Mr. Bateman, one of the promoters. The views expressed were the views of his clients. They didn't relate to the construction of the road on Vancouver Island, but were purely on the mainland that was sponsored by the letter and carried through and the letter had laid in a wagon hole across the Bay until today, when it was trotted out to discredit him in the eyes of the electorate.

Mr. Bodwell then acknowledged the cordial support he had received from the workmen of this city since he had become a candidate. He advocated a mass meeting on the subject of developing the great natural resources of the country, and in that development the man who labored with his hands would receive the justice to which he had a right.

He sincerely regretted that Col. Prior had not accepted the invitation tendered him to attend the meeting and explain why he had joined the administration, and why he should receive the votes of the electors on Monday next.

There could be no more telling reason for the government candidate's reason for coming out in the present contest. It was as if he had said, "I know the government have sinned, I know they are unworthy to administer the affairs of the country, but I will support them because they have a proposition of this city."

The gentlemen who comprised the minority had no complaint to make of this arrangement, but went upon the platform and called the speaker to account for not only his own acts, public and private, but for those of his clients.

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Mr. Eberts signed that contract for the government, and condemned its abrogator in the election of 1899 and 1900. When did what was a good contract then, and on what conditions the Victorian and Southern British Columbia, become such a bad thing as Mr. Eberts now says it is?

Mr. Eberts told the Dominion government that the Canadian Pacific stood ready to build the Coast-Kootenay line, and he did not press the claims of the V. V. & E. He had changed his attitude since the elections of 1900.

Messrs. Dunsmuir and Eberts were in excellent company when in Ottawa the Canadian Northern, if seeking a port in the world than the handsome and genial executive agent of the Canadian Pacific, whom we all know and like so well, and he stuck to them closer than a brother.

Mr. Lugrin closed by calling on the men of Victoria to vote on Monday for their constitutional rights, for the restoration of parliamentary government, in condemnation of a ministry that dared disfranchise this constituency, that ventured to attempt to deceive the people by a sham contract; to vote for E. V. Bodwell, whose policy would secure for Victoria and British Columbia the prosperity for which it had been so long anxiously waiting.



Jack and Jill went up the hill To get a pail of water, Jack fell down and broke his crown And Jill came tumbling after. Col. Prior admits that his defeat on Monday means his political extinction, while it will probably result in the collapse of the government.

Essary amendments. He had condemned himself out of his own mouth. Eberts's statements regarding the offer from the V. V. & E. to build 30 miles from Cascade and 20 miles eastward from Point Roberts, he said that Mr. Eberts intimated that the intention of the 30 miles from Cascade was to build to Republic in order to draw Canadian ores into American territory and thus deplete the country of its natural wealth.

Mr. Dunsmuir cried to Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "Help, help, or we perish financially," while he tells the city of Victoria: "Elect Prior and we have millions to spend on railways." (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Curtis also turned his attention to the railway option and associated it with all the power of his logic and instinctive. He played a convincing game on the man they induced to join their government.

Mr. Bodwell then dealt with the option given to Mackenzie & Mann, clearly showing its loose character and how neither the interests of Victoria nor those of the province were protected by any clause. There was nothing in the contract to make Victoria a terminus. The only point mentioned in the contract was a terminal point was Bute Inlet.

It is about as well to advise people to stick to coffee until they get bit hard enough, so that they will never forget their experience, although it is rather unpleasant to have to look back to a half dozen years of invalidism, money and opportunity thrown away, which is really the terrible price paid for the weakest kind of a "mess of pottage."

after briefly referring to the general issues in the campaign, closed with an appeal to the electors to return Mr. Bodwell.

Richard McBride closed the meeting with a strong speech which was greatly appreciated by the audience. Three rousing cheers were given for the candidate and the large and most successful political meeting was concluded.

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AN OMEN. The meeting held in the theatre last evening in the interests of Mr. Bodwell and of all the people of British Columbia was one of the most remarkable ever convened in this city. The house was crowded from gallery to pit, the boxes were full, the stage was filled to its utmost capacity, eager listeners were seated and standing in the aisles, while a long line stood with straining ears away out into the vestibule.

OUTSIDE OPINION. Some of the readers of the Times may think we are somewhat prejudiced in regard to the alleged contract the government has entered into with Mackenzie & Mann. We admit that it is difficult to examine such a matter dispassionately in the midst of a hot political campaign.

find ourselves in Victoria at this critical juncture, it is well that we should consider outside opinion in connection with this important matter. The Vancouver News-Advertiser always rises above local prejudice in the discussion of public questions. It probably reflects more faithfully provincial opinion than any other newspaper published on the Mainland. Our contemporary says: "It is a misnomer to call the proposed agreement a contract for the construction of a railway. Although upon its execution the province would be bound to the performance of a most onerous engagement, the railway company merely accepts an option to do certain things if further inquiry on its part should cause it to believe it would be to its interest to carry out the conditions embodied in the agreement. The great difference in the positions which the two parties to the agreement will respectively occupy must not be lost sight of, especially in the peculiar circumstances under which the scheme is sprung by the government on the House and the country on the eve of the by-election in Victoria. It is not the first time on which the promoters of this railway have shown their readiness to assist a struggling administration in an electoral campaign, and remembering some incidents of the general elections of 1898, one would scarcely be surprised if Mr. Mann suddenly appeared in the vicinity of Bute Inlet with the old span of mules, the plough and scraper that played so prominent a part nearly four years ago in the neighborhood of Penikese. In that case there were the same sensational stories about important railway construction to be immediately entered upon as in the present instance. But then, as now, the second party to the agreement had a safe line of retreat kept open by reservations operating to cancel the agreement in certain contingencies.

But, assuming that the government is in earnest and would, if the legislature should sanction it, commit the province to the fulfilment of the terms embodied in this agreement, is it one that can be regarded as satisfactory to the public interests? Are the enormous grants from the provincial treasury and the provincial domain only a reasonable and fair consideration for what the railway company undertakes to do if the conditions of the arrangement are carried out? Is it necessary for the country to make such immense contributions of money and land to secure the construction of a railway through the northern part of the province? If so, are the terms and conditions on which these grants are to be made such as will conduce to the public welfare and not create drawbacks in the future to the development of the districts to be traversed by the proposed railway? Is the financial position of the province such at this time as makes it prudent for it to add such large burdens to its existing financial obligations? Is it not possible that the grants which the government must be assumed to hold if we are to believe it is actuated solely by a desire for the general public interests and not merely by the hope that its own political welfare will be promoted by the scheme will be secured to the province, are likely to be attained without a dollar of provincial public money or one acre of the crown lands being granted? Is it wise to create in the northern and at present unsettled part of British Columbia a condition of things in respect to the alienation of public lands and their exemption from taxation for an indefinite period—like that which on Vancouver Island and in other parts of the Mainland has proved to be most prejudicial to settlement, obnoxious to the people, a cause of retardation of development, and a source of great injustice to the general body of the taxpayers? Is it prudent or politic to say nothing about the absurd inconsistency between the proposals in this agreement and the contents of Mr. Dunsmuir's letters to the Dominion government—to assume such gigantic responsibilities on behalf of an enterprise undeniably one of a federal character and that has been already liberally aided by federal grants? Lastly, are the conditions under which the government proposes to get the legislature's approval and confirmation of a most important and far-reaching agreement such as would justify the members of the House in committing the people of the province to such responsibilities?

Upon the most careful consideration, and looking at the matter in all its bearings, we must answer every one of these questions in the negative, and we are convinced that the decision of a vast majority of the electors of British Columbia will be in accord with that view. Even were the terms of the proposed agreement as generally advantageous to the public interests as they are manifestly obnoxious and prejudicial, it would not be proper to make such huge drafts on the public resources without a clear and definite mandate from the electorate to that effect. Five years must elapse before the through connections of the proposed line can be had under the most favorable circumstances. There is, therefore, no justification for the unseemly haste with which the government is attempting to commit the province to this bargain. While the government may think that the scheme will be useful in securing the election of Colonel Prior, the people as a whole will not consider that possibility as any reason for involving them in such huge responsibilities without any reference to them. Nor, as a matter of fact, do we believe that a majority of the electors of Victoria will be led astray by a proposal of this kind.

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THE POLITICAL FAKERS. too often after the same manner by the same men. Mr. W. W. B. McInnes, the friend of the workmen and the friend of that firm friend of the workmen, Mr. James Dunsmuir, will address himself to workmen in A. O. U. W. hall this evening. Incidentally he will indulge in some gentle criticisms of Mr. Smith Curtis, who of course is not such a genuine friend of laboring men as W. W. B. Probably William Wallace Bruce will explain why it is that he has turned such a sharp corner since the days when he had it in for the Col. Baron. Judging from the reports of his speeches, we fully expected ere this to find the rails of the E. & N. scattered in all parts of the Island and the Baron himself condemned to perpetual exile. Now there is a mystery about all this, just as there is mystery about the potent influence exercised by the handsome, genial, good-natured, jovial, George McL. Brown, of the C. P. R., upon a certain clique of legislators. We have never given Mr. Dunsmuir credit for extraordinary powers or gifts in any direction. He does not look like a hypnotist. But there is no doubt that he put Billy to sleep. He quelled and subdued that fiery spirit, and it only breaks loose when he gives it permission. It has been let out of its cage to roar and rend and howl and roar to-night in A. O. U. W. hall. It will hold forth in behalf of the Minister of Mines, and we recommend all genuine workmen to go and behold its frenzy. Do not miss the opportunity.

The Colonist has heard of a Senator who made a tidy little sum out of Crow's Nest shares. An examination of a book in the Times office discloses the fact that about twelve years ago Mr. Templeman bought 50 shares in the, we believe, original Crow's Nest Coal Company. They were sold a few years ago on commission by a man who is under some obligations to the Senator, and who is now a strong supporter of Colonel Prior and once more, apparently, in intimate relationship with the Colonist. The sum involved was insignificant. If there is any political capital to be made out of that transaction the Colonist and the "workers" are welcome to it. But there were transactions in what is known as the Crow's Nest deal which raised some men in British Columbia to comparative affluence and placed others beyond the reach of want. The wealth of the province was exploited for the benefit of private individuals without any advantage to the general public whatever.

Workingmen, be not deceived. "Col." Prior was a director of the company that proposed to build the Bute Inlet road with Chinese labor. Mr. Bodwell was then Mr. Prior's solicitor and acted under his instructions in writing a letter to the government. Creamer's hall, Fairfield road, will be the scene of an interesting meeting this evening. Mr. Bodwell, Mr. McBride, Smith Curtis and other able speakers will tell the electors some wholesome truths about Dunsmuir and his new Minister. We consider it our duty to call the attention of Mr. Attorney-General Eberts to the letter of Mr. C. H. Lugin in this evening's Times. It will afford us much pleasure to publish his explanation. Electors do not forget the meeting at Temple's hall, Victoria West, to-night. Bodwell and others will tell you who are the real grafters. —The favorite route from this city to Nanaimo is now by the Victoria & Sidney railway, and steamer Inroquois. Train leaves every Monday and Thursday at 7:45 a.m. Single fare \$1.50. Return, good for 10 days, \$2.50.

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Personal. W. Morrison, a prominent business man of White Horse well known in the North and Victoria, returned last evening from a trip through Eastern Canada in company with his wife. The tour took three months and a large number of the cities of the province of Ontario were visited. Mr. Morrison took advantage of the occasion to visit his old home and to call on relatives. He states that the farming conditions of the country have greatly improved since he left about nine years ago. The trip, he says, could not have been chosen at a more opportune time. The stay in Ontario was, he states, most enjoyable, the weather being remarkably fine for the time of the year. On their way back Mr. and Mrs. Morrison met their sons, Samuel and Fred, at Winnipeg and Vancouver respectively. They are staying at the Dominion.

Give Your Children a Chance. A Commercial course is not expensive, if it were, the host of young people whom we trained and who are now in the employ of Vancouver business houses could not have taken one, most of them were not too well off (like the rest of us). Come let us talk it over. The Vogel Commercial College. VANCOUVER, B. C.

R. W. Calderhead, who is connected with the B. C. & N. Co., of Dawson, arrived in the city yesterday and is a guest at the Driad hotel. Last year the company operated three vessels between White Horse and Dawson. On the opening of navigation this year, however, two more steamers will be added to the fleet, the new vessels now being in course of construction. Captain T. P. H. Whitelaw, the well known Pacific Coast wrecker, met with an accident in San Francisco last week. While superintending the work of raising two submerged cars at Oakland he was caught between a couple of timbers and sustained a fracture of two ribs.

The Canada Northern or The V. V. & E. For Victoria is agitating the minds of Victorians, but all are agreed that THE SAUNDERS GROCERY CO., LTD. have on hand the best assortment of Fancy and Staple Groceries at popular prices. PURE WHITE CASTLE, 3 lb. bars, 25c. THE BARCLAY'S TOILET, 2 boxes for 25c. ALMOND CREAM, 2 boxes for 25c. CARNATION MILK, 2 boxes for 25c. FISHERY. OOLICHANS, in kits, 25c. MACKEREL, in kits, 25c. For pure and unadulterated Wines, try I. DeWitt's. The Saunders Grocery Co., Ltd. PHONE 28. 39 AND 41 JOHNSON STREET.

Mrs. A. J. Morris returned on the Rosalie this morning from a two months' visit to her parents at White Horse. Mr. Morris is expected to return from the North in a few days. J. H. Richards, who has charge of the Hudson's Bay Company post at Port Simpson, is spending a few days in the city. He will return to his Northern labors shortly. R. G. Cunningham, of Port Edgington, has returned from an extended trip East, and will leave for his home in the North shortly. He has been in the North for some time. F. R. Lebeaux, of the B. C. Condensed Milk Co., of New Westminster, and James R. Payne, secretary of the same company, are guests at the Victoria hotel. A. F. Gwin and N. S. Clarke, the two well known mining men, left to-day for Mount Sicker on business in connection with their interests at that camp. F. M. Hattenbury and E. R. Billingham were passengers from the Sound on the Rosalie this morning. J. T. Nicholson, superintendent of roads in North Victoria district, is among those staying at the Dominion. F. J. Wheeler, Vancouver agent of the Great Northern railway, is at the Driad hotel. W. E. Staneland and Mrs. Staneland returned from the Sound this morning. Miss M. A. E. Stephen is home from Portland on a visit to her parents, with D. G. Macdonald, of Vancouver, is among those at the Driad.

VICTORIA THEATRE. FRIDAY, MARCH 7th. Lieber & Co.'s Immense Production of Hall Caine's Great Play. 'The Christian'. 50 people, including W. S. HART as JOHN STUBBS, and LILLIAN WALKER as GLORY QUAYLE. Entire original production. Prices \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, and 50c. Sale opens Wednesday morning at Victoria Book & Stationery Store. CAUTION. Notice is hereby given that John Mitchell, butcher, is not authorized to sell a screw horse or mare belonging to me, at present in his possession. THOS. POTTER, Lion Brewery Saloon. REMOVAL. VICTORIA UMBRELLA HOSPITAL. HAS REMOVED TO 121 DOUGLAS STREET, OPPOSITE CITY HALL. All repairs best done, and orders by mail receive prompt attention. GUSTAV REINHOLD & CO. OFF FOR VANCOUVER. Victoria Hockey Club Team to Play Terminal City Men To-Morrow.

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

Victoria, March 7.—5 a. m.—The barometer remains abnormally low over the North Pacific Coast, and is rising from California eastward. These conditions will cause a general rain throughout the Pacific slope, and high southerly winds on the coast of Vancouver Island, Washington and Oregon. Snow is falling in Cariboo and portions of the Territories, and rain has extended from this inland to Kamloops.

Forecasts.
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday.
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to high southerly winds, continued unsettled and mild, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Easterly to southerly winds, fresh to strong on the Gulf, continued unsettled and mild, with rain.
Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.57; temperature, 43; minimum, 42; wind, 24 miles S. E.; rain, .18; weather, cloudy.
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.62; temperature, 40; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles E. rain, .74; weather, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, 38; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .04; weather, cloudy.
Markerville—Barometer, 29.56; temperature, 36; minimum, 29; wind, calm; snow, trace; weather, snow.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 12 miles S. E.; rain, .01; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Shrimps, oysters and haddock in tins, two for 25 cents. Mowat & Wallace, grocers.

—We have a few Doron Quilts left over after a very successful season's business, and desire to close them out at reduced prices. Only a few left. Welby Bros.

—All aboard for Crofton, the new sailing cutter. On and after February 1st a daily passenger and freight service will be inaugurated between Victoria and Crofton and way ports, by first-class steamer, connecting with V. & S. railway. Trains will leave the V. & S. station at 7:45 a. m.

—Cheap rates from all points East via Northern Pacific Railway Company; effective "at once." The Northern Pacific Railway Company will sell tickets from all Eastern points at reduced rates on account of "The Home-seekers' Excursions." If you intend sending for anyone to come to Victoria, B. C., call on C. E. Lang, general agent, corner Yates and Government streets.

—The proprietors of the Victoria hotel are retitling the interior of that house thoroughly in anticipation of a large tourist travel this year. The organization of a tourist association has greatly encouraged those in the hotel business in this city and they are looking forward to benefit by the recent move taken by the citizens to advertise and improve the advantages of Victoria as a tourist centre.

—The ping-pong tournament which is to take place in connection with the doll show to be given by the ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphans' Home promises to prove most interesting. There are 500 dolls, representative of the ancient Greeks and Romans, and of China, Japan, Palmyra, Australia, Arabia and South Africa. The ladies will serve refreshments during the afternoon and evening.

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Have purchased the drug business of F. W. Rowett & Co., 49 Government street, and will remove to their new premises, corner Fort and Douglas streets, about March 10th.

—The Christian, the greatest literary and dramatic triumph of the day, will be the extraordinary attraction at the Victoria theatre to-night. The question has been repeatedly asked, what is the moral of the play? To answer that question it is only necessary to refer to Mr. Caine's own explanation: Glory Quayle and John Storm, the two principal characters of the drama, represent types which have been brought into existence by the latter half of the nineteenth century, the educated girl who has to fight the battle of life in professions which are usually controlled by men, and the sincere young clergyman who makes an effort to realize, in a liberal sense, the precepts of the Sermon on the Mount. In the play Glory Quayle is imbued with love of the stage—she desires to become a great actress—she loves John Storm, but refuses to surrender her ambition to her love, but in the end she learns that the love of a good and true man is far better than the honors of the world, and becomes the wife of this earnest and self-sacrificing young clergyman. Otherwise she chooses what to her is "the crown of thorns" when the chaplet of flowers looked fairest. Although Mr. Caine's intention, in the construction of this play, was to teach a moral lesson, he has not forced it on the attention of the audience. It is presented but incidentally to one of the most fascinating dramatic love stories that has ever been related on the stage.

—Keep up with the Times and you'll buy your Teas and Coffees from the Direct Importers, Mr. Douglas and Johnson streets, Phone 803.

—A large number of the pictures from the East by H. Cuthbert & Company were sold yesterday. To-day a number of unframed pictures and picture frames were offered for sale.

—An historic landmark was removed yesterday afternoon when a force of workmen destroyed the small structure on Fort street in the rear of the Board of Trade building. It was one of the original Hudson's Bay Company's offices and among the last of the group of buildings inside the old fort.

—The following team has been chosen to represent Columbia football team in to-morrow's match with the Garrison at the Calsonian park: Goal, B. Hurst; backs, A. R. Richardson and S. Shanks; half-backs, A. Netherby, R. Dalby and H. Garley; forwards, C. Berkeley, G. Wilson, R. Clay, J. Hunter and J. Lawson, captain.

—In the police court this morning a drunk was fined \$2.50 for his first offence. A vagrant remanded from yesterday did not appear and a warrant was issued for his arrest. The case of Alphonse Roy, charged with committing an aggravated assault on George Morphy, was adjourned until the 12th. The case of Neame Chocolat, charged with vagrancy, was likewise adjourned until next Wednesday.

—The Roseland Miner says: "C. A. Gregg brought suit against the Roseland Miner Printing & Publishing Company on Monday for the sum of \$1,000. The plaintiff alleges that a contract was entered into between the defendant company and himself by which he was to serve in the capacity of editor and manager of the Miner for the period of one year, and claims that by reason of his dismissal before the alleged contract had expired he is entitled to five months' wages."

—Charles Dalton, the young English actor, will be seen in a magnificent spectacular production of "The Sign of the Cross" at the Victoria theatre on Monday evening. This is Mr. Dalton's first season as a star, although he has been appearing at the head of the "Sign of the Cross" Company for the last five years. The play is now world renowned. It has been translated into French, German, Italian and Polish. The company that will appear is the only one playing the piece in America and is said to be composed of forty well known actors.

—A favorite idea among the writers of romances of recent times is to lay the scenes of their heroes' adventures in the confines of some mysterious and mythical country, where the costumes and habits of the dwellers therein may be drawn more picturesquely and more unconventionally than would seem natural if portrayed in some well-known country with clearly defined geographical boundaries. The Castles in the Air, "The Pride of Jennico," have their hero, Basil, in those wild, semi-barbaric lands of central Europe, where politics and war have almost daily worked their changes on the map. Basil's domains lay on the marches of Moravia, Bohemia and Silesia. "The Pride of Jennico" will be seen here on Tuesday night at the Victoria theatre.

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DRILL HALL CONCERT.
Signor Salvini the Extra Attraction for To-morrow Evening's Promenade.

An especially interesting programme has been prepared by Bandmaster Finn for to-morrow evening's promenade concert at the Drill hall. The musical numbers to be rendered by the Regimental band are, as usual, of a pleasing variety and include a medley selection, "The Rag Bag," being an arrangement by Bandmaster Finn of some of the latest popular songs. Arthur Salvini will be the extra attraction and will contribute some high class solos, among which may be mentioned the recitative and aria from "Rigoletto" and "I Lombardi" and "La Donna e Mobile" from "Rigoletto." The complete programme follows:

PART I.
Overture—"Raymond" Thomas Caprice—"Innocence" Robinson Fantasia—"Remembrance of Ireland" Fantasia—"The Holy City" Godfrey Vocal Solo—"The Holy City" Adam Signor Salvini.

PART II.
Medley Selection—"The Rag Bag" Finn (Introducing a number of Popular Melodies.)
Vocal Solo—Recit. and Aria fr. "Rigoletto" and "I Lombardi" Signor Salvini.
Waltzes—"Bride Belles" Ruben Cake Walk—"Cotton Blossoms" Lamp God Save the King.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

The Nelson Tribune ceased publication on the 21st ultimo and the Tribune Association, Ltd., who controlled the paper, has gone into liquidation. A winding-up order was granted by Mr. Justice Walkem in the Supreme court this morning on the petition of John Houston as a creditor of the company. Charles H. Luk was appointed provisional liquidator. W. J. Taylor, V. C., appeared on behalf of the petitioner and H. B. Robertson represented other creditors.

The following applications were disposed of in Chambers this morning by Mr. Justice Walkem:
Boyce vs. Victoria-Yukon Trading Company. The application by defendants to strike out statement of claim was stood over. W. M. Griffin for plaintiff, J. H. Lawson, Jr. for defendants.
Wale vs. Thistle. An application to ascertain and dispose of debtor's interest was abandoned and removed from the list. J. H. Bradburn for applicant. Massam et al. vs. Standard Copper Company. Application by defendants for security was stood over until the 11th inst. by consent. J. H. Lawson, Jr. for plaintiffs, G. H. Barnard for defendants.
Atkinson et al. vs. B. C. Electric Railway Company. On application by defendants that plaintiffs should produce agreement for inspection, no order was made save that defendants have costs of summons. L. Bond for plaintiffs, G. H. Barnard for defendants.

VICTORIA LAWN TENNIS CLUB
Held its Annual Meeting Last Evening—The Election of Officers.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club was held at the office of Messrs. Cornwall & Rogers last evening, being well attended and enthusiastic. The reports of the secretary and treasurer were received and adopted, the latter showing a satisfactory balance standing to the club's credit. Various amendments to the club's rules were made, the most important of which was the raising of the annual subscription of playing members from \$5 to \$7.50, the provision being made for the purpose of providing a sinking fund to pay off the balance of an old mortgage on the club's grounds.

Provision was also made in the rules for extending the privileges of the club to visiting members of neighboring clubs without payment of fees.

The following officers of the club were elected for the ensuing season: Hon. president, Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere; president, C. E. Pooley, K. C.; vice-president, Rev. Canon Beaulieu; hon. secretary, B. G. Goward; hon. treasurer, P. S. Lampman; executive committee, A. F. R. Martin, D. M. Rogers, A. T. Goward, B. H. Pooley and F. Levin.

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TRAPS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED THIS YEAR
Some Seine Privileges Will Probably Be the Only Concessions Given by the Government.

One of those interested in the salmon canning business of this province has a private letter from Ottawa indicating that there will be no legislation introduced in parliament this year permitting the use of traps on the Canadian side of the boundary line. No explanation is given, but the letter states that there can be no doubt that if the canner managers would come together and consolidate interests the question of employing new methods for the catching of fish in these waters will be greatly simplified.

This news does not come officially, but the Times informant states that it can be taken as reliable. The only concession likely to be given, according to the letter referred to, is the probability of some seine privileges being permitted. As to the use of the traps, there is but one opinion entertained among cannermen here, and that is that their employment is absolutely necessary if the British Columbia industry hopes to cope successfully with the enormous business which has been built up on the Sound and Bellingham bay. Every year sees the local industry thwarted to a greater degree by the phenomenal growth of the trade to the south of the 49th parallel. The English market, which heretofore has been the one great preserve for the shippers of salmon from this province, has been invaded by the Americans, and cannermen contend that their only alternative for meeting the exigencies of the case will be the use of the traps, which would place them on an equality with cannermen of the Sound. They are at present at infinitely greater expense than the latter, and their pack proportionately is becoming smaller every year.

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THIS WEEK'S GAZETTE.
Little of Importance Published This Week—Companies Incorporated.

The current issue of the Provincial Gazette contains the form of permit required by persons to land in South Africa. It must bear the signature of the Secretary of State.

The Tacoma Steel Company has been registered an extra-provincial company. The capital is \$50,000, and the head office in this province is at Victoria. J. H. Lawson, Jr., is attorney.

The Western Canadian Fish Company, Ltd., has been incorporated with a capital of \$100,000. The objects of the company are the purchase of the Whitman patent for curing fish, and to enter into a fishing and fish-curing business in the province, and to engage in business in northern waters.

The court of revision for the Victoria City and Esquimalt district voters' lists is fixed for May 5th. North and South Victoria revisions in the respective districts are set for the same day.

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An inquest was held by Coroner Hart at Sooke yesterday afternoon in connection with the death of Hong Chuen, the Chinaman who was killed on Wednesday by the falling of a tree. A verdict of death from accidental causes was returned.

At last evening's meeting of the mock parliament in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, the government brought down a measure abolishing capital punishment. A spirited debate ensued, in which the speakers were Messrs. Corbett, Dundas, Grant, Wilson and Scholfield. The government succeeded in carrying their bill by a large majority. On Wednesday evening next Mr. Welby-Solomon will deliver an address on "Imperial Free Trade," which will be followed by a general discussion.

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being held in which a minister of the Crown is a candidate and claims that the proposed contract is his full justification in being a candidate and is sufficient reason why the electorate should elect him, and because there is grave doubt of the draft contract submitted to the House not having been materially modified by or through such correspondence.

The admissibility of this motion was again questioned by Mr. Martin, who held that the proper way was merely to adjourn and that the member should afterwards state his reasons. The Speaker decided to allow the House to decide whether or not the matter was one of such importance as to warrant an adjournment. He ruled that proportionate to the forty members required in the Imperial House, nine would be sufficient in this legislature.

Sixteen members rose, and amid loud applause the Speaker instructed the leader of the opposition to proceed. Mr. McBride said the bedding of the government over the matter fully warranted the House in demanding the full data. The opposition had practically forced the government to bring down the agreement. What were they attempting to hide?

The Premier—Nothing. It should not have been brought down until the proper time. Annual opposition applause, the leader of the opposition said the scheme evidently was that the seventh minister, Mr. Greenshields, would not arrive until Friday or Saturday. The scheme would be disclosed and before the elections could master the details a cabinet minister would be railroaded into his seat. There must have been considerable telegraphic correspondence. He was informed that the Chief Commissioner had been doing nothing but writing telegrams for several days. If the Premier would promise to bring these papers down by 3 o'clock to-morrow he would withdraw the resolution.

Mr. Helmecken moved "That an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to cause to be laid before this House copies of all correspondence between the Government of the province of British Columbia, or any member thereof, and the Federal Government, or any member thereof, re the Songhees Indian reserve."

Mr. Helmecken said the mayor of Victoria had stated that the question was really settled and he wanted the full correspondence. The motion carried. He also moved "That an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor requesting him to be laid before this House at correspondence between the provincial government, or any member thereof, and the Federal Government, or any member thereof, with reference to the Provincial Statutes of 1901, together with any report on the same."

The government also accepted, the Attorney-General stating that there was one report he would not include in the returns. AMOUREUX TILL TUESDAY. The Premier moved that when the House adjourned it stand adjourned until 2 o'clock on Tuesday.

At this time there were surprised cries of "Oh, oh!" "Exploit." The Premier said the reason was that the time of the country was being taken up with politics.

Mr. McPhillips severely assailed the proposal. The government was not prepared to go on with business. He supposed it did not suit the fragment on the opposition side, who were supporting the business, as if they did not the government couldn't move. The government hoped to hoodwink the public by declining to bring down the railway returns and thus get a member into the House to bolster up their cause.

The Finance Minister objected to the term "hoodwink." Mr. McPhillips said he would use a synonym, the word "withhold." The government would be tried and found wanting.

Mr. Curtis suggested that the House meet on Friday, and on Saturday arrive, and then allow the House to see the actual contract. If the government refused then the electorate would know what construction to place upon it.

Mr. McBride moved in amendment that the House meet on Friday at 2 o'clock. Mr. Martin said that it was impossible to do business with "this crowd" here.

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Cries of "withhold, withhold!" The public business, said Mr. McBride, had been hung up by the senior member for Vancouver, assisted by the ministry. He agreed with the member for Roseland that there should be a session after the sixth of March, the ministry, Mr. Greenshields, arrived.

The amendment was then put to a vote and defeated on the same division as before. The bell not being rung, Mr. Garden returned to late to vote. The division was therefore 19-17.

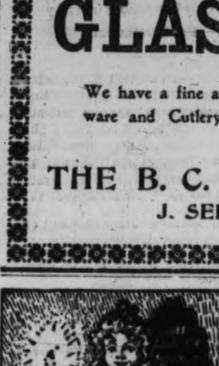
The Attorney-General drew attention to a misprint in the railway "contract." One was an evident error in date and the other was the substitution of the name of "Coast" for Westminister district, as one of the districts from which lands would be selected.

Pledges Made to United States by Russia and Germany. (Associated Press.) Washington, March 6.—The United States has received fresh pledges from Russia and also from Germany as to the conservation of the commercial rights of other nations in China within the zone of influence of the above named powers.

ETRURIA'S PASSENGERS. Steamer Will Be Sent to Take Them to England. New York, March 6.—Vernon H. Brown & Co., New York agents of the Cunard Steamship Company, received a dispatch from Liverpool to-day saying the Cunard Company is dispatching the Royal Mail Steamship Company's steamer Etruria to the Azores to take on board there, for transportation to England, the passengers of the Etruria, of the Cunard line, which is being towed to the Islands, disabled, by the steamer William Cliff.

BOUNDARY WATERS. United States in Favor of Appointment of Committee of Investigation. (Associated Press.) Washington, March 6.—A favorable report was authorized by the senate commerce committee on the bill authorizing the President to appoint a committee to co-operate with Canada in an examination of the diversion of the boundary waters between the two countries.

PERFUME COMBINES. (Associated Press.) Detroit, March 6.—The News this afternoon said: "The American Perfume Company, with a capital of \$5,000,000, is a combination which will be effected in a few days of about 15 of the largest perfume manufacturers and handlers of the United States. Headquarters will be established in New York and there will be distributing centres in Detroit and Chicago."



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WEST COAST ROUTE. Steamer "Green City." Leave Victoria 1st, 10th and 20th day of month, for Pt. Barrow, Garmansh, Glasgow, Dodge, Cove, Eoak, Alberni, Sechart, Uclulet, Clayoquot and Ahouet. For Cape Scaev and intermediate ports on 20th day of each month.

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Grave Accusation Levelled Against Premier By Capt. Tatlow.

Said to Have Sold Railway Charter to Canada Northern.

Press Gallery, March 6th.

The bulk of this afternoon's session was taken up with Mr. McPhillips' contribution to the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. His speech was punctuated with frequent interruptions from the government side, which he generally succeeded in turning on his interrupters. The close of the afternoon session was remarkable for the insistent fight put up by the opposition for the full details of the government's railway negotiations and the refusal of the government to disclose the same. There was a murmur of dissent when the Speaker intimated that the House would sit again in the evening.

The night session developed the absolute inefficiency of the administration. The opposition assailed the treasury benches for failing to produce telegrams regarding the Canada Northern, and Capt. Tatlow accused the Premier of vendng the Comox & Cape Scott railway charter to Mackenzie & Mann. The damaging accusation elicited no reply, but caused manifest discomfiture on the government benches. Finally to avoid further trouble the Premier moved an adjournment till Tuesday, and this finally carried.

NORTH VICTORIA VACANCY.

Speaking to the motion regarding the issuance of the North Victoria writ, Mr. Murphy marvelled that the constitution had to be invoked to justify the opposition's position when for months the government had been breaking that constitution. He pointed out that a redistribution bill was promised for next week, yet North Victoria would be declared from a voice in favour of that. The House was asked to accept the assurance of the government, but the speaker thought in view of the assurances of the government in the case of Victoria and their conduct in that respect that this assurance was scarcely worthy of acceptance.

The Provincial Secretary again rose and said the Speaker's warrant was issued only on the 4th, and on the 6th, to-day, steps had already been taken to fill that vacancy, and an order-in-council drawn up for the signature of the President of the Council.

Mr. McPhillips—it doesn't need an order-in-council.

The Provincial Secretary ridiculed the opinion of the "junior member, and by-and-by the ex-member for Victoria."

Mr. McPhillips—There may be an examination of mines on Monday.

Smith Curtis commented the delay of the government with the celebrity manifested in the case of New Westminster. An assurance of an election in two weeks would be satisfactory, but if this were not forthcoming the motion would be brought up day after day and the government be forced to renege their vote against it day after day. Not only was the redistribution bill coming up, but this immense railway proposal was also before the House, and it was most important that the seat be filled at once. He asked the House to resent the high tone the Finance Minister had adopted in refusing to accept a suggestion from the opposition.

The Finance Minister said he had no real objection to the resolution (opposition applause)—but to the manner of it, and he again asked the House to vote against it.

The Attorney-General characterized the conduct of the opposition as unbecomingly considering how recently the member for North Victoria had been interrupted. The members were actually fighting over his political remains. Besides a returning officer could not be got in a day.

The leader of the opposition—How long did it require to get a returning officer for New Westminster?

The Attorney-General, continuing, said it was necessary to affix the seal fixed without an order-in-council.

Mr. McPhillips—It takes you six months to do that.

Continuing, the Attorney-General said that they need not be so anxious for an election in North Victoria, as it was a solid government.

seemly conduct it was on the government side. They had paid their respects to the late Speaker. Was it a mark of respect to him to deny representation to the district for which he sat?

The government had withheld the writ in Victoria until six months after the Speaker had issued his warrant.

Mr. Martin recalled instances when the leader of the opposition, then a member of the government, had withheld a writ for nearly four months.

Hon. members—But the House wasn't sitting.

Mr. McPhillips—You needn't complain, you have the patronage.

Mr. Martin—That is a sore point. The opposition, he said, opposed this government as a bad government, yet there was scarcely a sin with which the government was charged for which the leader of the opposition was not responsible. That was his practice.

Mr. Curtis—You'd act on his practice if it is bad.

Continuing, he said the member for Rossland was supporting the leader of the opposition.

Mr. Curtis—No, I stand where I always did in this House.

Mr. Oliver said he would vote against the motion, because he believed it was all claptrap for election purposes.

The motion was then negatived on the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. E. C. Smith, Hawthorthwaite, Neill, Gifford, Hayward, Garden, Fulton, Curtis, Munro, Tatlow, Green, McBride, Murphy, McPhillips, Taylor, Helmecken—16.

Nays—Messrs. McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Oliver, Martin, Prentice, Dunsmuir, Elberts, A. W. Smith, Ellison, Clifford, Kidd, Houston, Wells, Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—19.

The result was received with government applause.

MORE DATA WANTED.

The leader of the opposition then moved that the House adjourn until all papers, telegrams and data relating to the Canada Northern deal be brought down.

The Speaker asked where the urgency for this order came in.

The leader of the opposition reminded the Speaker that a draft contract had been submitted and was being used in connection with the Victoria bye-election.

If this agreement were submitted surely it was necessary to have all the data and to know exactly the terms of the contract. He couldn't think they were keeping back the details although they had manifested no particular anxiety to bring them down. There was about an hour and a half's stenographic work in the document yet it took an hour and a half for the Attorney-General to bring it down, which was in line with the government's great haste in the matter of the Victoria bye-election.

Mr. Martin thought the motion was out of order, and a discussion ensued on that point.

Mr. McBride finally amended his motion as follows: That the House adjourn, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of the production of all telegrams or other communications between the government, or any member thereof, and any person or persons, relating to any alterations in the draft agreement laid on the table yesterday with the Canada Northern Railway Company.

The Speaker ruled the motion out of order as not appearing to be one of urgent public importance.

THE ADDRESS.

Mr. McPhillips resumed the debate on the address. First, on privilege, he expressed an admiration for the press, unlike the second member for Vancouver, but he complained of the unfair report of his remarks in the Colonist, although that paper's representative and all the newspaper reporters, with the exception of that of the Times, had been absent from the gallery when he was speaking.

It might be said he was necessary to have official reports.

Mr. Martin—No, no. You would never get through them.

Administration in Despair Forced to Adjourn Till Tuesday.

Ministry Refuse to Submit Telegrams—Hot Shot From Opposition.

ment made by the government with the Canada Northern railway.

The Attorney-General—You'll vote for it, won't you?

Mr. McPhillips—I will not, I will vote for a railway to Victoria from the north with Victoria as its terminus, but I will not support an agreement which is such a palpable attempt to deceive the public. I will support a government strong enough to develop the province north, south, east and west. (Applause.)

The act of last year exposed the company to the control of rates. It forbade the employment of aliens. Where was that clause in the present act?

The Attorney-General—It was unconstitutional.

Mr. McPhillips asked, why then was it inserted in last year's bill? They would see whether or not the people of Vic-



HISTORY REPEATED POLITICALLY.

Jack and Jill went up the hill To get a pail of water. Jack fell down and broke his crown And Jill came tumbling after.

Col. Prior admits that his defeat on Monday means his political extinction, while it will probably result in the collapse of the government.

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ried by the government candidate to defeat on Monday.

If the audience was the largest ever assembled in the Victoria theatre, the concourse on the platform has likewise never been surpassed. Not only was it unprecedented in numbers, but it was remarkably representative and an imposing array of gentlemen of all pursuits in life.

The speech delivered by Mr. Bodwell was a magnificent effort, and as a convincing argument, absolutely irresistible. The shallow pretensions of the Attorney-General and government orators were dissected, analyzed, refuted and scattered to the four winds, and the sympathy of the audience with the cause championed by Mr. Bodwell was manifested in the enthusiastic reception tendered him and the hearty applause which punctuated his address.

There were present on the platform E. Crow Baker, chairman, Hon. Robert Beaven, Richard McBride, M. P., P. P., leader of the opposition, and Smith Curtis, E. C. Smith, A. W. Neill, Thos. Gifford, C. W. Munro, R. F. Green, A. E. McPhillips, H. Dallas Holmecken, Capt. Tatlow, W. H. Hayward, J. P. Gordon, F. J. Fulton, Denis Murphy and Thos. Taylor, members of the legislature, Forbes G. Vernon, Major Dupont, John A. Mara, E. C. Baker, P. Higgins, James Baker, Capt. Thompson, C. E. Redfern, Ald. Grahame, T. W. Patterson, Jas. Bosworth, T. B. Hall, Ald. Cameron, A. J. W. Bridgman, Wm. Dully, Russ Humber, Jas. York, L. Quagliotti, A. L. Helyea, Jas. Patterson, Geo. Powell, D. W. Higgins, W. A. J. Bechtel, A. Stalke, Wm. Langley, John A. Macdowell, R. E. Elliott, H. A. Munro, W. E. Oliver, G. H. Barnard, Wm. Humphrey, A. Maxwell Muir, Chas. Spratt, Ald. J. S. Yates, W. Moresby, A. Vandergrucht, W. A. Dier, E. Dier, A. B. Fraser, Sr., R. E. Brett, P. C. MacGregor, C. D. Mason, Geo. T. A. J. Kirtz, C. Patterson, W. A. Ward, J. T. McIlroy, Geo. C. Shaw, A. Currie, W. Holmes, D. Carmody, A. B. Fraser, Jr., A. Stewart, Robertson, Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley, L. Tait, J. L. Beekwith, J. Green, J. Brydon, J. D. McInnes, Wm. Ball, A. W. Taylor, Jno. Bell, A. Anderson, G. Creed, Dr. Duncan, Capt. W. Cox, Gus Porter, Alf. Whittaker, A. E. Whittaker, S. Whittaker, Major Wilson, Thos. Lawrence, Dr. J. D. Holmecken, J. B. Lovell, Dr. Chalmers, Jas. Bell, M. Meiss, Dan Campbell, J. Brethour, S. F. Mackenzie, Beaumont Boggs, J. E. Churell, W. Glover, W. H. Salt and D. Whites. There were a large number of ladies on the platform, in the boxes and throughout the house.

The meeting was opened with a few introductory remarks by D. W. Higgins, who retired upon the arrival of E. Crow Baker, the chairman of the evening.

The Chairman.

Mr. Baker said it was with mingled feelings of regret that he presided at the meeting. It gave him pleasure to fulfill a promise made to his friend E. V. Bodwell, and to show that he was heartily in accord with the opposition candidate in the struggle, and regret that his old colleague was not on the same platform. He found it difficult to reconcile the position taken by the speaker, who had placed himself in the invidious position of supporting an administration wholly unworthy of support.

The chairman then scored the five minutes for their treachery to ex-Lieutenant Governor Melnes, and said that in joining such a combination the colonel was embarking in a sinking ship.

He gratefully thanked the selectorate for the honor conferred upon him when they elected him their representative in the past, and it was in recognition of that honor that he was present to show his colors in support of his friend, Mr. Bodwell. He had no axe to grind, except that axe which all right thinking citizens should wield to secure good government. (Applause.) He then called upon Mr. McPhillips.

Mr. McPhillips.

The junior member for Victoria, A. E. McPhillips, was received with applause. After expressing no disposition to make a speech he reminded his hearers of previous large meetings which had been held in the city hall and Victoria theatre, when the people of this city instructed their representatives to support the Coast-Kootenay road.

He referred to the fight that had been made to secure a competitive bus to the Kootenay, the government's action in turning it down, and hoped that the people would show their disapproval by casting their ballots on Monday next for the opposition candidate.

While supporting the Canada Northern railway he could not commend the document produced by the government. The question was brought into the contest for the purpose of electing Col. Prior, because he could not be elected on the past misdeeds of the government. (Applause.)

After a reference to the weakness of the government, which might at any time be destroyed by the fell hand which had created such disturbance in the country ever since it came here, he pointed out that it was extraordinary that Mr. Green should be clothed with Mackenzie & Mann. The province had absolutely no independent advice in the drafting of an agreement with these men. It knew nothing at all about the contract in the possession of Mr. Green, who was now en route West.

The Opposition Candidate's Pungent Criticisms of Bogus Contract.

Mr. Lugrin and Other Speakers Assay Government Gold Brick.

It did not know what amendments had been made.

As far as known, no wire had been dispatched to Mr. Green's office and more had been received. Perhaps it had, and the government was afraid to produce it.

The speaker then strongly criticized the terms of the option, laying especial stress on the enormous subsidies it provided, the pre-emption of vast tracts of land from pre-emption, practically forever, and the shutting out of the farmer and miner from the great belt extending 20 miles on each side of the line, and thus impeding the development of the country.

As regards the gentleman in whose name the confidence of the government had been reposed, the speaker read from the Colonist report of a speech delivered by Col. Prior during the recent Federal bye-election campaign, in which the latter vigorously asserted, while criticizing the Drummond county deal as a nefarious transaction, that Mr. Green's hands had made hundreds of thousands of dollars profit out of it.

Mr. McPhillips emphasized the fact that the Coast-Kootenay scheme was a bona fide one, and James J. Hill would have built the road if permitted by the provincial government. (Applause.) The speaker then recalled the vigorous fight made in behalf of the proposition, and alluded to the proposal made by Mr. Bodwell to the government. After drawing a comparison between the terms of the two railway proposals—Canada Northern and the Coast-Kootenay—showing the preposterous character of the former, he concluded his remarks by urging the return of Mr. Bodwell next Monday. (Applause.)

Mr. Lugrin.

Mr. Lugrin, who was received with a round of applause, said the issue of the campaign, which was the maintenance of constitutional government, had not been altered by the presentation of a make-believe contract for the Canada Northern railway; but as the assembly had been called for the purpose of deciding upon the issue of the contract, it was necessary to discuss its provisions. Col. Prior had said that this contract would make Victoria the terminus of the Canadian Northern. He was either stating what he knew was not correct or he was unable to understand the plain meaning of the language of the contract. The contract provided for a railway with its terminus at the head of Butte Inlet, which is 200 miles from Victoria, and there is not a line or a vein in it which says that the company shall build, lease, purchase or operate a mile of railway on Vancouver Island or shall even run as much as a single railway car to the city of Victoria. He the speaker said he proposed to show that the contract if carried into effect would place Vancouver Island forever in the hands of Mr. Dunsmuir and the E. & N. railway; that under the contract Vancouver had an admission over Victoria in regard to the handling of business coming to the terminus of the railway at the head of Butte Inlet, and that the Canadian Northern is not at all likely to come south to Victoria for an ocean terminus for Oriental trade, when its whole effort is to go north in order to secure the shortest route across the Pacific ocean to Japan. He said:

The contract substantially binds the company never to build a mile of road on Vancouver Island, because it declares its intent and meaning to be that the business for Island points shall be handled over to Mr. Dunsmuir's railway.

Mr. Dunsmuir asked the House last year to give him \$4,000 a mile to build a railway in part over his own lands, and he now asks the people of Victoria to ratify a contract that will secure for that railway for ever all the trade which the Great Northern will bring to or take from Vancouver Island.

Vancouver Island is nearly as large as Nova Scotia and richer in resources, and can support as great a population. The contract, if carried out, will hand the destinies of this Island over to the E. & N. Railway Company.

What Victoria needs is a railway that will develop its great wealth, and this the E. & N. and its northern prolongation will not do.

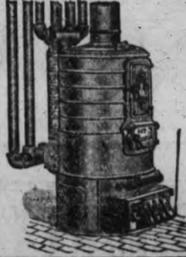
Vancouver is nearer the proposed terminal of the Canadian Northern than Victoria is, and will have an advantage over this city in point of distance and in the transferring of freight and passengers to and from the head of Butte Inlet.

There is nothing in the contract to oblige the company to make Victoria a terminal, and it is therefore free to choose whatever terminal point it may prefer.

The Comox & Cape Scott railway will (Continued on page 5).



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WILL RECOVER HIS GOLD IN SIBERIA

ISLAND PROSPECTOR HAS REQUIRED PERMIT Found a Rich Crayfish Four Years Ago But Was Forced to Abandon It.

When the steamer Queen City arrived from the West Coast a few days ago she brought news from Winter Harbor, Quatsino Sound, of a little mining excitement among the miners in that part of the country over an expedition soon to leave this city for Siberia.

Samuel Price, a prospector of Winter Harbor, was one of these, although owing to the vigilance of the Cosacks along the frontier he did not get away with all the gold he had mined.

Since going down the coast of Vancouver Island Mr. Price has been engaged prospecting for coal and has found some very promising indications in the cretaceous area running through Winter Harbor.

He will, it is expected, reach Victoria on the next steamer leaving Winter Harbor. While in Victoria arrangements will be made for his northern expedition, and it is probable that when spring opens and the waters of the Behring sea permit of navigation to Noma, Mr. Price will be a passenger on the first steamer bound in that direction.

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THE PROHIBITION REFERENDUM BILL

SECOND READING IN ONTARIO LEGISLATURE

Dominion Board of Trade—Vice-President for Western Provinces Elected—Want Outsiders Barred.

Toronto, March 5.—The second reading of the prohibition referendum took place in the legislature to-day. In moving the reading, Premier Ross said the bill had been well received by the three parties interested.

John B. Bull, J. P., 80 years old, is dead. It was Mr. Bull who first introduced the late Hon. Clark Wallace to public life.

Local contractors are much worked up over the fact that Chicago firms get 19 out of 21 paving contracts recently given out.

Montreal, March 5.—The synd of Montreal this morning elected Rev. Dean Carmichael as coadjutor bishop of Montreal.

The city was sued to-day for \$10,000 damages. Madame P. P. Bourque, widow of a late civil employee, claims her husband's death was due to the unsanitary condition of the city hall, in which he was employed.

It was learned to-day on good authority that the new issue of \$10,000,000 common stock of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company will be made to holders of common, on the basis of two shares to every three held on the date of allotment.

Copper Cliff, Ont., March 5.—George Legault, an employee of the Ontario Smelting Works, was fatally burned by hot nickel dust. He succumbed shortly after the accident.

Ottawa, March 5.—Francis Labelle has taken action against the city for 50 cents damages for the loss of a clay pipe which was broken by the snow falling from the roof of Byward market and striking it.

The Dominion Board of Trade has been reconstituted and officers were elected this morning. John Coats, Ottawa, is president, and Thomas F. Earle, M. P., Victoria, is vice-president for the western provinces.

The international sugar convention was signed at Brussels on Wednesday. The full count in the Seattle election gives Thos. J. Humes a majority over Edwin of 613. The republican ticket carried the civic sections.

NOTICE—Had asthma so bad. Clark's Kola Compound cured her. Mrs. J. Wise, Vancouver, B. C. I could not lie down. My doctor said I could not get better.

IN PRUSSIA the price of medicine is regulated by the state, and a new price list is issued annually.

INDIA AND PERSIAN DEPOT. GEORGE CARTER, 85 BROAD ST., NEXT BRIARD HOTEL.

WANTED NINE-HOUR DAY

The Strike in San Francisco Iron Works Came to Formal End Yesterday.

San Francisco, March 5.—The strike of the iron workers of this city, which began on May 1st of last year to enforce a demand for a nine-hour day, came to a formal end to-day.

EXCLUSION OF CHINESE

Washington, March 5.—Representative Kahn, who introduced the Chinese exclusion bill in the House, has received a dispatch from Canada saying the special committee of the Dominion has just submitted its report and that it takes a position against Chinese immigration similar to that taken by those favored to regard exclusion from the United States.

State secrets rarely leak out in Russia. Any person who divulges one, if discovered, is at once sent to Siberia.

THE SCHEME FOR IMPERIAL DEFENCE

EIGHTEEN ARMY CORPS WILL BE PROVIDED

Mr. Brodrick Hopes Colonial Forces Will Be Available—Roosevelt and Boer Delegates.

London, March 5.—The war office scheme, mentioned by the war secretary, Mr. Brodrick, in the House of Commons yesterday evening, by which he hoped the colonial forces would become available in the event of a war involving the general interest of the Empire, is said to-day to contemplate India providing three army corps, South Africa two army corps, Australia two army corps, and New Zealand one army corps, and Canada four militia corps.

citizens, and Mr. Hay talked to them freely with this understanding. The principal object of the delegates was to do something to terminate the present struggle in South Africa, although they were not very specific as to what they wanted.

A matter of complaint by the delegates was the shipment of horses and mules and provisions from the States for the British forces in South Africa. Secretary Hay went over this subject very carefully with them, citing authorities and precedent which he pointed out, conclusively established the lack of authority on the part of the general government to ship the provisions and the stock raiser from selling his product anywhere in the world, where he could get the best price.

CASHIER'S SUICIDE

Springfield, Ill., March 5.—Another scene in the drama of the closing of the State Bank of Elkhart was enacted this afternoon when Frank W. Cottle, cashier, whose alleged shortage of \$32,000 caused the closing of the bank, blew out his brains at his home.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

KAMLOOOPS. The residence of F. Dyson was the scene of a happy gathering on Saturday night last, at 9 o'clock, when Charles Armstrong and Miss Alice McCaugherty, both of this city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

TRAIL

A large tower and belfry is being built to the Methodist church for the reception of their magnificent 750 pound bell, which has been standing in the church all winter awaiting the arrival of spring, when a good foundation could be made to support the tower.

VANCOUVER

The chief business before the annual meeting of the board of trade was the reception of the president's and secretary's reports for 1901, the consideration of the questions involved in the prohibition of the export of logs, and the election of officers for the ensuing term.

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OUR POLITICAL JANUS.

Mr. Martin's support was explained in this way: Before submitting the Loan Bill the Premier showed it to Mr. Martin, who approved it, and said it looked like one of his own.

An English manufacturer, while examining the texture and quality of some handbags found on a mummy, was astonished to find that the arrangement of the threads was exactly like that which he had patented a few months before, and which he had supposed to be an independent invention of his own.

PIMPLES

And other eruptions which mar the skin are more than a disfigurement and annoyance; they are a positive detriment to the business interests and social success of the man they mark.



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LAST MONTH WAS RECORD BREAKER

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LARGEST IN HISTORY

Daily Average More Than Two Hundred Greater Than February of Last Year.

The attendance in the city schools during February was the largest in their history. The total number present for the month was 2,726, the same as last October. The average daily attendance, however, was 2,431, as against 2,403 in October. The attendance percentage was 80.18. Thirty-one out of 56 divisions reached 80 per cent. and over. The figures for the corresponding month last year were: Number present for the month, 2,555; daily average, 2,208. This month therefore shows a gain of more than 200 in the daily average over February of last year.

Table with columns: On Roll, Attend., P.C. Rows include High School, Boys, Girls, North Ward, South Park, Victoria West, Spring Ridge, Hillside, Rock Bay, Kingston Street.

The following divisions had an attendance of 90 per cent. or more:

Table listing school divisions and their attendance percentages, such as High School - Div. 1, 96; Div. 2, 91; Div. 3, 91.75.

NOMINATION PAPERS PUT IN YESTERDAY

Mr. Bodwell and Col. Prior Officially Nominated to Contest Victoria Bye-Election.

The contest officially commenced at noon yesterday, when Deputy-Sheriff Siddall, acting for Returning Officer McMillan, declared nominations closed. That E. V. Bodwell and Col. Prior were nominated and that an election being necessary, such would be held at the market building on Monday next from 9 o'clock in the morning to 7:30 in the evening.

Mr. Bodwell's nomination was proposed by T. B. Hall and seconded by Dr. T. J. Jones, with the following assentors: Messrs. E. Crowe Baker, A. B. Fraser, Sr., and J. D. McEwen.

Col. Prior's nomination was proposed by Lawrence Goodacre, and the assentors E. B. Marvin, Dr. L. Hall and Frank G. Richards.

Under the act five are the number of names allowed on the nomination papers, but attached to Col. Prior's paper was a list of all those who presumably are supporting him in the campaign.

This evening a meeting in Mr. Bodwell's interests will be held in Semple's hall, Victoria West. The residents of that thriving portion of the city take a keen and intelligent interest in all public questions and are likely to turn out in large numbers to hear Mr. Bodwell and his supporters.

The same evening a meeting will be held at Craner's hall, Fairfield road, to give the electors in that district an opportunity of meeting the opposition candidate.

On Wednesday Premier Dunsmuir made an important announcement to the House in reference to a redistribution measure. In reply to a question he stated that such a measure would be brought down early next week.

It is said that the people of Tokio, Japan, recover quickly from surgical operations because they consume but little alcohol and eat but little meat.

NEGOTIATING FOR VICTORIA TUGBOAT

PUGET SOUND COMPANY MAY PURCHASE LORNE

How Roanoke Contract Was Saved to Victoria—Salvage Awarded the Cottage City.

Negotiations are said to be pending for the purchase of the powerful tug Lorne, belonging to R. Dunsmuir & Sons, of this city. The steamer at present is under the management of the Puget Sound Tugboat Co., and although operated from this port, receives her instructions from the offices in Seattle and Port Townsend. The company, however, are now endeavoring to arrange for her purchase in order to better monopolize the tugboat interests of British Columbia, which at present they succeed in doing pretty well in so far as the deep sea business is concerned. The effect of this was explained by W. A. Ward at a public meeting last night. Mr. Ward at one time was agent for the steamer.

The Puget Sound tugboat fleet, he pointed out, towed all inbound ships possible to Port Townsend, where they received orders. The result is that any repairs which have to be made or any supplies required are all brought on the other side instead of at Victoria. High towing rates are then charged for any vessels which might cross to this port and in every way the tugboat company work for the interests of the cities of the Sound. An illustration quoted by Mr. Ward was that in the case of the Hanokah. The Esquimat Marine Company had secured the contract for the repairs to be made on this large vessel, but when it came to towing her across to Esquimat an enormous figure was demanded of them for the work. For a time the tugboat company was in a quandary. Finally the engineer of the steamer came to the rescue. He got to work in the engine room of the steamer and managed to get up sufficient steam to bring the steamer up here with her own power, thus saving to Victoria a \$25,000 contract.

The Lorne, if acquired, will, it is said, continue to be operated from this port, and might remain a British bottom in order that the conduct of the company's business would be strictly in compliance with Canadian regulations. The steamer is one of the finest of her kind on the Coast, and when run in opposition to the fleet on the Sound was a most formidable competitor. In a race for an inbound ship off the Cape nothing could beat her.

AWARD GIVEN.

The owners, operators and crew of the steamer Cottage City have been awarded \$2,545 salvage for rescuing the steamer City of Seattle from destruction in Lynn canal January 14th, 1900. The decision was rendered at Juneau February 25th by United States Judge Melville C. Brown for the district of Alaska.

The case has been in court more than two years. By the terms of the decision the Cottage City's owners, the Pacific Coast Company, receive \$24,200.50 and the crew all the way from \$50 for the mate's boy to \$802 for Capt. A. C. Janzen, the commander of the vessel. The three pilots each receive \$902.

LOSS OF CHARTERS.

Many ships arriving on the Sound of late have lost their charters which had been arranged for prior to their departure for this part of the coast. Freight rates have declined materially during the past few months, and while formerly a ship carrying cargo could obtain, say 37 shillings, now only 25 is to be procured. The latest to lose her charter is the British ship Agnes Oswald, which arrived 24 hours too late at Astoria.

THE COTESWORTH SPOKEN.

On January 14th last the British bark City of Cotesworth was spoken in latitude 52.17 S., longitude 127.45 W., by the British bark Pitcairn Island, which arrived at San Francisco on Saturday last from Newcastle, New South Wales. The

Chas. Cotesworth loaded salmon from the Fraser and Skeena rivers at Victoria and sailed from here on December 1st. When sighted she had made a good run to the south, but was about 2,000 miles off the South American coast. The salmon carrying ship Red Rock is still on the reimbursement list, and is now standing at 15 per cent. It is likely that she will remain at that for another six weeks, when it is possible that the rate may advance, unless she is spoken meanwhile.

MARINE NOTES.

The captain of the steamer Knight Companion, which ran aground off the coast of Kadzusa, Japan, on February 2nd, has had his certificate returned to him by the naval court of inquiry which sat upon the case at Yokohama. The blame for the accident was laid on defective charts. The Knight Companion left Portland on December 27th. She was a total loss.

President S. H. Graves, of the White Pass & Yukon route, arrived in Seattle on Tuesday from Chicago to confer with A. B. Newell, vice-president and general manager, regarding the rates of the company's lines in Alaska. Several conferences have been held recently by General Manager Newell and Traffic Manager Lee with the representatives of the steamship lines operating between the Sound, British Columbian and Alaskan ports, relative to freight rates. It is likely that a meeting to settle this matter will be held some time during the week.

The British ship Scottish Hills, bound from Montevideo to Seattle, has put in at San Francisco in a disabled condition.

NORTH VICTORIA VACANCY.

Government Has Not Yet Given Instructions That Writ Should Issue.

On the House resuming yesterday Mr. McBride asked if the writ had yet been issued for North Victoria.

The Provincial Secretary said a warrant had been received by the Deputy Provincial Secretary, but that official had not been instructed as yet to do so. The government was not going to be moved in this matter by the leader of the opposition.

Hon. Mr. McBride—"What does the member for Vancouver say about it?" "He then moved that the House adjourn in order to move that the writ issue forthwith for the election in North Victoria. (Applause.)

Mr. McBride, continuing, said that he was glad the efforts of the opposition had already borne fruit, and that the senior member for Victoria had succeeded in forcing on the bye-election in this issue, thus permitting Mr. Bodwell to take his seat on Tuesday next.

He wished to impress on the House the importance of bringing on the bye-election, more especially as that constituency did not comprise within its limits municipal government, and hence the machinery of local government was not available, as it was in other constituencies. He noticed when in the constituency, a few days ago, that some of the roads needed attention very badly.

His motion was seconded by Mr. McPhillips.

The Provincial Secretary said it was not the intention of the government to delay the election a minute longer than was necessary. He read an order-in-council providing for the submission of the writ to the Lieutenant-Governor. The House should accept this assurance, and he asked the House to accept it. The date for that bye-election would not be selected by the leader of the opposition.

Mr. McPhillips cited British authorities for the opposition's course. A private member might bring the matter to the Speaker's attention and a writ issued forthwith. That was but the logical deduction even if the law were not specific. Why should the Speaker issue the warrant forthwith if the Deputy Provincial Secretary might proceed in as leisurely a manner as he chose. The Deputy Provincial Secretary was the servant of the House, not of the government.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

"The Christian" to Be Presented To-Night—"Sign of the Cross."

Leeber & Co.'s great production of Hall Cain's powerful play, "The Christian," is the attraction announced for this evening at the Victoria. The company that is to be seen here is fitted with all the elaboration that characterized the production of the play last year. Conspicuous among the principals is Miss Lilla Vane, one of the best emotional actresses on the stage. Miss Vane will of course be seen as "Glory Quyen" in the cast are: W. S. Hart, Charles Rowan, Herbert Fortier, Jefferson Lloyd, Frank A. Lyon, Stanton Elliott, J. R. Furlong, Frederic Maynard, Carrie Lee Stoyke, Helen Weatherly and Ida Parks.

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COL. PRIOR AND BRITISH PACIFIC. In the Colonist this morning there is printed the copy of a letter from Mr. Bodwell to the government, written in 1896, on behalf of the British Pacific railway, informing the government of the intention of the syndicate to employ Chinese labor in the work of construction.

LAWYERS AS MINISTERS. The government organ is crying out because it says the opposition is composed largely of lawyers. The Colonist went so far as to say that lawyers were become statesmen. This is rather hard upon those distinguished Conservative leaders, Sir John Macdonald, Sir John Thompson and Sir John Abbott.

PRIOR AS A COAL MINER. At the labor meeting Tuesday night Mr. Prior told the workmen that he was a coal miner until he was 23 years of age, having gone down into the pit at the tender age of 13.

INTERESTS OF THE ISLAND. Do the people of Victoria wish to place the development of Vancouver Island in the hands of the E. & N. Railway company? This question arises directly from the contract which the president and half owner of that railway company has made with the Canadian Northern.

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CATECHISM NO. 4. Where is the terminus of the Canadian Northern if built under the existing contract to be? At the head of Bute Inlet. Can you prove this? Yes. See section No. 1 in the contract. What does that say? It says that the company will construct "a line of railway with all proper terminal facilities from a point at or near Bute Inlet to the eastern boundary of British Columbia in the vicinity of Yal-lowhead Pass."

What does this section provide? That the company "agrees to enter into an agreement" to operate "a steam ferry to join the Comox and Cape Scott railway."

And now it is alleged that the Canadian Northern will buy out Mr. Duns-muir's railway. This is worse and more of it. The province is to borrow mil-lions and turn it over to the Canadian Northern to enable that company to buy out Mr. Duns-muir's unprofitable railway.

How far is it from the head of Bute Inlet to the nearest available point on the proposed Comox & Cape Scott rail-way? It is further than from Victoria to Vancouver, that is upwards of 80 miles. How far is it from this point to Vic-toria? One hundred and sixty miles.

How will this distance be covered if the contract goes into effect? In part by a steam ferry boat and in part by Mr. Duns-muir's railway. Will passengers and freight coming by such a route have to be transferred? Yes, twice, unless the government in power when the road is built insists upon a car ferry being put on.

Look out for bogus telegrams. They will be flashed from all points of the compass by the government canvassers during the next few days. "Down with lawyers," shrieks the government organ, and the government selects a Montreal lawyer to frame its policy.

Fine Tableware. We have just put in stock a large assortment of the following articles: Best quality English Table and Dessert Knives, Forks and Spoons, quadruple plate, Al quality. Fish and Dessert Knives and Forks, with Pearl, Ivory or Celluloid handles, in polished oak boxes. Carving Sets, three and five pieces, in silk lined cases. Fish Carvers, with Ivory or Celluloid handles, in elegant cases. The above goods are all imported direct from the manufac-turers and are guaranteed to be the very best quality.

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PHILIPPINE SITUATION. Official Account of Recent Operations in Laguna. (Associated Press.) Washington, March 6.—Governor Taft has received the following cable dispatch from Acting Governor Wright, of the Philippines, in response to an inquiry as to the recent reported military reverses: "The facts are: Self's operations in Laguna drove a band of insurgents in the morning, about twenty-five miles from Manila, in a line. Small bands of ladrones, driven from Cavite by the constabulary, joined them. Twenty-five of the constabulary, under a native ser-geant, attacked them, but on account of having only fifteen rounds of ammuni-tion each, soon exhausted it and were forced to retire without loss.

PRIOR'S EULOGY ON GREENSHIELDS. The Drummond County Railway STEAL would go down in history as one of the most disgraceful political jobs on record. GREENSHIELDS, who man-aged the deal, made hun-dreds of thousands of dollars profit." Vide Colonist, Octo-ber 30th, 1900.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE. Mr. Justice Walker presided in Cham-bers yesterday, and disposed of the fol-lowing applications: Re estate of Louis Vigelin, deceased.—An application on behalf of Maria Inez calling upon Anton, Andrew and Philip Vigelin to show cause why con-temptuous proceedings should not be stop-ped and probate issue to the applicant was adjourned until the 11th inst., costs of attendance to defendants. H. B. W. Aikman for applicant; F. Bennett for de-fendants.

THE POPE'S JUBILEE. His Holiness Receives Envoys Sent to Congratulate Him. (Associated Press.) Rome, March 6.—The Pope to-day re-ceived a number of extraordinary mis-sions sent to congratulate him on his jubilee. They all brought costly gifts and autograph letters from the heads of the states they represented. Emperor William sent a porcelain clock. His Holiness, in thanking the German en-voys, referred to the friendship existing between Germany and the Vatican, and said he congratulated himself on the good relations existing between Emper-or William and his Catholic subjects.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The small size is the best.

PHILIPPINE SITUATION. Assistant Chief Atkinson, of the constabulary, with reinforcements, im-mediately took charge and drove the band, with loss to the latter, into La-guna. The inhabitants of Rizal prov-ince have been giving information and assisting as much as possible. Florio, governor of the province, with munic-ipal police, joining in the pursuit. There are not 300 arms in the hands of insurgents and ladrones in the entire Luzon island to-day. This number is reduced daily by surrenders, captures or casualties. The constabulary, with the aid of Trias, governor of Cavite, and native police, during the last two weeks, have routed ladrone bands existing in Cavite for many years, capturing and receiving by surrender over 100 arms. The situation was never so good since American occupation, and is very en-couraging, notwithstanding the persist-ent attempts to create a contrary im-pression."

Governor Taft presented the dispatch to the house insular committee to-day when a question on the reverses came up.

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Mr. Duns-muir has agreed that the province shall pay a vast sum of money and give away millions of acres of land in order to secure an agreement with a transcontinental railway to turn all its Island business over to him.

Supreme Court. The case of Robinson vs. Okell & Morris Fruit Preserving Co., set for trial yesterday, was called before Mr. Justice Drake in the Assize court room. The claim is in the neighborhood of \$800, for goods sold and delivered. No

SPENCER'S

NEW BLACK DRESS GOODS. The choicest Novelty Fabrics of Europe. Many beautiful Veiling and Mohair Effects. COLORED DRESS GOODS. Hundreds of pieces have been put into stock this week. You can buy the best Dress Goods here at 25c yard, as well as the Paris Novelties at from \$25.00 to \$50.00 a dress.

Spring Laces, Nets and Robes. Dame Fashion has decreed that laces and anything in the shape of lace will be the eminently proper trimming for Spring Gowns, Hats, Cloaks, etc. Never were there more uses for laces than now and never were styles more beautiful! Real Wash Crochet Laces, Medallion Wash Crochet Allovers, Edgings, and insertions of all kinds, Black Chantilly Laces, Cotton Point de Paris Laces, Valenciennes Laces of all descriptions, and many other styles.

LACE COLLARS. A large stock of just the kind that are being worn so much in England. White and Black Net, Lace, and Spangled Robes, in all the popular styles and prices. We are showing some very pretty Blouse lengths of Silk Embroidered Chiffon \$12.50 each.

Bargains for Friday. Carpets and Brass Goods. Axminster Carpet, 1 1/2 yard ends, 25 pieces, Friday 75c each. 25 pieces Brussels Ends, 1 1/4 yards each, at 50c. A few odd lengths of Brussels at 50c per yard to take the piece, about 12 or 15 yards in each. Two dozen Brussels Carpet Sweepers, dam-aged in the fire, ranging from \$2.50 to \$5.00 each, all to go at \$1.75 each. 150 Brass Extension Rods to extend 4 feet 6 inches, regular 40c and 60c a piece, sale price 10c each. Also a large assortment of Brass Linoleum Binding, at 10c per bunch. Brackets, bas, joints, ends and sockets, 10c each. Wood Trimmings and five foot pieces in oak, complete 25c per set. We have still a few good patterns left in our regular \$1.50 and \$1.35 Brussels Carpet to sell, Friday 85c per yard.

Men's Furnishings. Another Great Sale. Widespread curiosity as to how such prices can be made will follow this announcement. \$4.50 Silk Underwear for Mostly all sizes, Shirts and Drawers. \$2.50. A Hat Bargain. \$2.50 Black Stiff Hats for \$1.50. More Heather Scotch Wool Socks 25c pair. New Shirts For Men. To-day we show the first lot of our New Stock of Colored Skirts for the Spring, and they are beauties. \$1.00 and \$1.25 each. Ladies' Underwear. Are good bargains for Friday. Silk and Thread Corset Covers, were \$1.25 each, Friday 50c each. HANDKERCHIEFS. A lot of Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, Friday 5c each. Gents' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 8c each. Soiled Lace and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 2c and 5c each. BLANKET BARGAINS. 10-4 Cotton Blankets, White and Grey 85c. 11-4 Cotton Blankets, White and Grey \$1.00. 65 pair White All-Wool Blankets, 60x80, go on sale Friday \$2.75 pair.

The Canada Northern or The V. V. & E. For Victoria is agitating the minds of Victorians, but all are agreed that THE SAUNDERS GROCERY CO., LTD. have on hand the best assortment of Fancy and Staple Groceries at popular prices.

New Spring Goods ARRIVING AT FIT-REFORM. Seven cases of High Class Fit-Reform Garments to be opened to-day, consisting of SPRING OVERCOATS, BUSINESS SUITS, DRESS SUITS, FIT-REFORM CLOTHING. And novelties in Gentlemen's Furnishings. Fit-Reform Wardrobe. 73 GOVERNMENT STREET. VICTORIA.

A TORONTO MAN. The Mr. Jardine Referred to Lives in the Queen City. Well-known Throughout Canada as one of Canada's Commissioners to the Paris Exposition—His Statement is a Very Valuable One and Has Been Read With Much Interest. Toronto, March 5.—(Special)—Mr. J. G. Jardine, whose statement as to the wonderful curative and tonic properties of Dodd's Kidney Pills has been published in many of the papers, is a resident of this city. His home is at 305 Crawford Street. Mr. Jardine was chosen as one of the Canadian Commissioners to the Paris Exposition two years ago, and performed the onerous duties of that office with honor to himself and credit to his country. It is to his experience in the French capital at this time that Mr. Jardine makes particular reference in the published statement in which he says: "During my stay in Paris I felt many times quite run-down owing to the complete change and to the worries and work of our business there. I suffered not a little with backache, with general feeling of depression and found Dodd's Kidney Pills invaluable. "I had learned the value of this medicine before going to Europe, as I had it very successfully for backache, which I found it relieved almost instantly. So when I went to Paris I was careful to take with me some of this, my favorite remedy. "Every time I was threatened with a return of the trouble I used a few Dodd's Kidney Pills and can say they did not disappoint me. They are the best medicine I know of to tone up the system generally, and they do certainly relieve backache instantly. "What Mr. Jardine has said is amply borne out by many others in this city whose experiences have been and are being published from day to day. Dodd's Kidney Pills are certainly without an equal as a medicine for those who are "tired out," "run down" or "used up." Dodd's Kidney Pills have been endorsed most heartily by all classes.



The Workshop and Home Should Be Supplied With a Few Surgical Bandages, etc. CYRUS H. BOWES, CHEMIST.

BODWELL'S BUMPER RALLY

(Continued from page 1). run north as well as south, and over it the Canadian Northern, if seeking a port on Vancouver Island, could reach Quatsino Sound, the best harbor on the coast, with less railway mileage than to Victoria, and be at least a day's sail nearer the Orient.

WEATHER BULLETIN. Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, March 6-5 a. m.—Since yesterday an important ocean low area, with a centre of 29.20 inches extending from Oregon to northern British Columbia, has spread inland over the entire Pacific slope.

House Cleaning BRUSHES, BROOMS, SOAP John's Bros. 237 DOUGLAS ST.

TRY A BOTTLE OF PULMONIC COUGH CURE It will stop that cough. Made only by HALL & CO., DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

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FOR SALE 10-Roomed House Bath, hot and cold water, electric light throughout; good locality, and on car line; rents for \$25.00 a month. Price \$2,000.00. Apply to SWINERTON & ODDY.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Shrimps, oysters and haddock in tins, two for 25 cents. Mowat & Wallace, grocers. —Keep up with the Times and you'll buy your Tea and Coffees from the Direct Importers, Cor. Douglas and Johnson streets. Phone 803.

We have a few Doron Quilts left over after a very successful season's business, and desire to close them out at reduced prices. Only a few left. Weller Bros. —Frank H. Hasbfield, of Oak Lodge, Oak Bay avenue, disposed of his residence yesterday to Mrs. R. Hand. The sale was effected by Messrs. F. C. MacGregor & Co.

TERRY & MARETT Chemists Have purchased the drug business of F. W. Fassett & Co.

—Owing to the decision of His Holiness the Pope to divide the archdiocese of Athabasca and Mackenzie, a bishopric will be established at Dawson City. This will be the first bishopric to be established in the North.

A HEARTY SOLDIER Worked On New Editions. One of Uncle Sam's Army boys got a lift with Grape-Nuts.

REMOVAL. VICTORIA UMBRELLA HOSPITAL Has Removed to 121 DOUGLAS STREET, OPPOSITE CITY HALL. All repairs put by done, and orders by mail receive prompt attention. GUSTAV WEINRICH & CO.

Mr. Bodwell then devoted a few minutes to the letter which was reproduced in the Colonist yesterday—the letter written by him under instructions from his clients. It was written ten years ago and for the company in which Col. Prior was a member.

MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS FOR WEAK PEOPLE. These pills are a specific for all diseases arising from disordered nerves, cure heart or watery blood.

The Westside. SPECIAL!! FRIDAY BARGAINS

The money-saving opportunities offered by these Friday offerings are appreciated by thousands of careful housekeepers.

A Surprise in Wrappers Ladies' Cashmere Wrappers, Regular value \$1.50. FRIDAY 90c

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DUNSMUIR, THE FRIEND OF WORKINGMEN.

Appeal to Miners and Mine Laborers.

To Whom It May Concern—Gentlemen: We, the miners of South Wellington, desire to let you know that the mine here has been closed down since the 7th of December last, BECAUSE WE WERE SUPPORTING THE PRINCIPLE OF AMALGAMATION WITH OUR BROTHER MINERS OF NANAIMO AND OTHER MINERS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND, BELIEVING THAT ONE FLAG AND BANNER OUGHT TO COVER THE WHOLE.

Money orders may be sent to James Bateman, treasurer, South Wellington, B. C.

FRANK RICHARDSON, President.

F. WILSON, L. RICHARDSON, Committee, South Wellington, B. C.

Endorsed on behalf of Nanaimo Miners' Union:

J. McCOURT, President.

T. J. SHENTON, Assistant Secretary.

RICHARD BOOTH, JOS. McCOURT, ROBERT BLAKELY, HARRY BELL, Executive Committee.

give the quartette a long, long rest. Some day they may get back, but it will be when, as is written in the Book of Jubilees, "the skin and bristles of a swine change to wool and horns spring from its head; when wolves make peace with lambs that they shall not devour or spoil them; and when the lion is the friend of the ox, and goes in the yoke and ploughs with him."

A CONTEMPTIBLE ORGAN.

To the Editor: The Colonist's report of what I said at Mr. Bodwell's meeting at George Road last evening was entirely incorrect, and I would ask you to contradict it. I have never been the agent of Mr. Dunsmuir's tug, as stated, and therefore the agency could not have been taken away from me.

PROTECT MOUNTAIN SHEEP. To the Editor:—I regret to inform you that the mountain sheep are being exterminated very rapidly in this vicinity. A few years ago we thought nothing of seeing twenty or thirty big rams in one band on their winter range.

ASHNOLA

A CITY OF WONDER, PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY

The development of the Coal Mines, the installation of water, electric light and power plants are already arranged for. The development by the Ashnola Coal Company of their property, owned by the Toronto Syndicate, and the equipment of their mines has already been arranged for, which is a guarantee of two large payrolls for Ashnola.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION APPLY TO Similkameen Valley Coal Co., Ltd. NELSON, B. C. or J. E. Church, Official Broker, Victoria, B. C.

To Contractors. DOMINION OF CANADA

Erection of Steel and Iron Building. TENDERS Will be received until noon on Monday, the 17th day of March, 1902.

FOR SALE A number of New Buggies, Phaetons and Carts, direct from the factory in the East. All are made in the latest up-to-date styles and fitted with rubber tired wheels.

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NOTICE. Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada for an Act extending the time fixed by Section 4 of the Act of said Parliament, 61 Victoria, Chapter 28, for the completion and putting in operation of the Railway of the Company.

NOTICE. From this date the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company will not be responsible for any accounts for material or supplies, except such as are furnished on written order of the undersigned.

NOTICE. All mineral rights are reserved by the Equilmont & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the north by the south boundary of Comox District, on the East by the Strath of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the B. C. & N. Railway Land Grant.

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SANTAL MIDY Standard remedy for Gleet, Gonorrhoea and Runnings in 48 HOURS. Cures Kidney and Stomach Troubles.

COMMUNICATIONS.

THE END APPROACHES.

To the Editor:—Colonel Prior has been and, under other circumstances, would still be a popular man. He occupies the unique position of having been in politics since 1880 without having once sustained defeat. Left to follow his own instincts and select a line of policy, it is safe to say that he would not now be found arrayed against public sentiment and trembling on the brink of a political abyss.

SPORTING

HANDBALL. J. B. A. A. TOURNAMENT. W. H. Jesse, over 5, beat K. P. Wollan, rec. 5-16-21, 21-14, 21-16, in the J. B. A. A. handball tournament.

ORGANIZED CLUB. The employees of the Colonist office have organized a baseball club. They have some excellent material, and hope to do well during the coming season.

ATHLETICS. V. A. C. EXECUTIVE. The executive of the V. A. C. held a meeting Wednesday when twenty-six new members were elected. A general meeting of the members will take place on the 12th at 8 p. m. An athletic entertainment has been arranged for the first week in April.

THE RING. MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP. Kansas City, March 5.—Tommy Ryan today received a proposition from Mr. Gray, matchmaker of the Southern Athletic Club, at Louisville, to box 20 rounds with Jack O'Brien, the middleweight champion of England, for the middleweight championship of the world, the contest to take place before the Southern Athletic Club, Derby night, the first week in May.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS. The ping pong tournament now in progress at the J. B. A. A. gymnasium has aroused considerable interest. The following are the complete results to date: A. McLean, over 30, beat P. Thomas, rec. 15-4, 6-3, N. Harley, over 35, beat E. F. Powkes, rec. 15-4, 6-3, A. J. Dallin, scratch, beat W. J. Little, scratch-61, 6-3, J. B. Braggins, rec. 15, beat J. H. Just, scratch-64, 6-3, R. Trimen, over 15, beat W. York, scratch-61, 6-3, J. C. Briggman, rec. 15, beat H. Lawson, scratch-63, 3-6, 6-1, F. S. Bone, scratch, beat Garret Smith, rec. 15-6, 6-1, 6-4, D. Leaming, over 15, beat N. G. Grosley, over 15, rec. 2-6, 6-2, J. H. Brown, over 15, beat A. Riddle, scratch-6-6, 6-3, R. Fell, scratch, beat T. P. Patton-6-0, 6-4.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. VICTORIA CHAMPIONS. Association football is about over for this season. Victoria's record has been most creditable. With one exception, the Victoria soccer aggregation won every game they played.

BASKETBALL. INTERMEDIATE SCHEDULE. A meeting was held Wednesday afternoon in the office of Drake, Jackson & Helmecke for the purpose of completing the organization of an intermediate basketball league. The following schedule was adopted: Tuesday, March 11.—Boys' Brigade v. Fernwoods. Tuesday, March 11.—Victoria West v. J. B. A. A. Friday, March 14.—J. B. A. A. v. Boys' Brigade.

TEA Direct from Grower to the Consumer. C. R. King & Son, Wholesale Agents, Victoria.

Notice of Dissolution. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between us, the undersigned, as Vickers & Bickle, in the city of Victoria, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE. SHIP Macdiarmid GILLET, Master. FROM LIVERPOOL. This vessel will commence discharging cargo at the outer wharf Wednesday, March 5th, and following days.

NOT RESPONSIBLE. SHIP Macdiarmid GILLET, Master. FROM LIVERPOOL. Neither the master nor the undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the above vessel without their written authority.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that one month after date application will be made to the Governor in Council for approval of the plans and specifications for the erection of a new range of section one, range eleven, in Chemunus District, Province of British Columbia, which plans, together with a description of said site, have been deposited with the Department of Public Works at Ottawa and in the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B. C.

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MARCONI TO VISIT PACIFIC COAST

RUSH OF IMMIGRANTS INTO CANADIAN WEST

The Forestry Association—Paper By Sir Henri Joly—Army Veteran Killed on Railway.

(Associated Press.) Winnipeg, March 6.—The rush of immigrants into the Canadian west for the season of 1902 has commenced. The Dominion immigration officers are already the scene of great bustle and activity, and the officials are preparing for the greatest season of settlements since its establishment. Nearly 500 Ontario settlers arrived today.

It is likely that Marconi, the inventor of wireless telegraphy, will be in Winnipeg before very long. In a private letter received in Winnipeg 6 days from some people in Ottawa, who entertained Marconi on his last visit to Canada it is stated that the inventor remarked that on his return to Canada he intended to visit the Canadian west and the Pacific coast.

Presentation. Judge Prendergast, of St. Boniface, a member of the Winnipeg County court judiciary, has been elected to the Supreme court of the Northwest Territories to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Rouleau. Last night the new judge was presented with an illuminated address and a gold watch by St. Boniface citizens. He will take up residence at Prince Albert.

Aged 102 Years. Berlin, March 6.—Jacob Shoemaker, a pioneer of Waterloo county, is dead, aged 102 years, 3 months and 9 days. Killed on Railway.

Barrie Ont., March 6.—Robert Colborne, 55 years of age, a British army veteran, was killed while walking on the railway track near here yesterday.

Ottawa, March 6.—The annual meeting of the Canadian Forestry association opened in the parliament buildings this morning. The report of the directors showed gratifying interest in the work of tree culture and the preservation of forest wealth. A paper was read from Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere on forest trees grown at Victoria from seed imported from the East.

A Protest. Montreal, March 6.—Rev. Edmund Wood, of the Church of St. John, Evangelist, the most prominent high churchman of the diocese, has resigned as canon of Christ Church Cathedral, as a protest against the religion co-adjutor. Bishop Wood does not enter the objection personally against Dean Carmichael, but solely against the method of his election.

NATIVE TORTURED. Officers Will Be Tried for Executing Filipino Without Trial.

(Associated Press.) Manila, March 6.—A court-martial has been ordered to try Major Littleton W. T. Affer and Lieut. John H. A. Day, of the marine corps, on March 7th next, on the charge of executing natives of the island of Samar without trial. Some of the circumstances were peculiarly atrocious. One native was tied to a tree. The next day he was shot in the body and the fourth day the native was killed. Friends of the two officers attribute their actions to loss of mind due to their privations which they suffered in the island of Samar.

AGAINST CLAIMANTS. Spanish Treaty Claims Commission Gives Decision in Maine Case.

(Associated Press.) Washington, March 6.—The Spanish treaty claims commission has handed down a decision adverse to the claimants on account of death and injuries received on the battleship blown up in Havana harbor.

The commission holds that individuals of citizens of one nation may arise against the government of another nation for redress of injuries to persons or property which such citizens may have sustained from such government or any of its agents, but such individual claims do not arise in favor of the officers or seamen of a ship of war who receive in the line of duty injuries to their persons for which a foreign government is responsible. The claim against the foreign government is wholly national and all injuries to such officers and seamen are merged in the national injury, and they can look only to their own government for such remuneration as it may choose to give them.

The claims so far filed with the commission which will be affected by this decision amount to about \$2,500,000, which would probably be increased to \$5,000,000 had the decision been favorable to the claimants.

PUGILIST DYING. Received Knockout Blow in a Fight on Saturday Night.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Ill., March 6.—Samuel Uphowes, known in pugilistic circles as the "Brighton Slasher," is dying at his home as the result of a knockout blow he received in a fight at Bricklayers' hall on Saturday night. The police are searching for his opponent in the battle, but can only learn that he is known as "Young Chopinski," and no one knows where he can be found. It was in the fourth round of the fight that Uphowes received injuries likely to prove fatal. He had received terrific punishment in the second and third rounds, and in the fourth round was sent to the floor. His head struck the floor sharply and he was carried from the ring unconscious and taken to his home. Since that time his condition has been serious and this morning he was reported dying.

CABIN DEMOLISHED. Miners Buried by Snowslide in Colorado—Disaster at the Liberty Bell.

(Associated Press.) Telluride, Colo., March 6.—The bodies of Reddin, Boughen and John Nixon were found yesterday in the ruins of their cabin, which had been crushed in by a snowslide. The men were working a mine in Bear Creek basin, about five miles from Telluride. The basin is full of snow and it is feared that other miners have been killed there. The body of James Kral, who was killed by the first snowslide at the Liberty Bell mine, was found yesterday by a party which was preparing the boarding house for the use of the rescue parties. Fourteen bodies are known to be still in the snow.

MORMONS BUSY. Urging Young Danish Girls to Attend Their Meetings.

(Associated Press.) Copenhagen, March 6.—The Mormon missionaries' propaganda here has become so active that they are distributing literature within the Danish churches urging young girls to attend Mormon meetings. Statistics show that one out of every twenty-two Danish immigrants to the United States becomes a Mormon. The clergy, in connection with the government, are continuing their plans to put an end to the proselytizing.

VISIT TO BOSTON. Prince Henry of Prussia and Party Received a Hearty Welcome.

(Associated Press.) Boston, Mass., March 6.—Prince Henry and party arrived here today. Mayor Collins, with Secretary Curran and President Doyle, of the board of aldermen, and President Doheny, of the common council, received the distinguished guests and party. There was a delay of several minutes during which the visitors were escorted to their carriages. The visitors were cheered at every part of their short walk and Prince Henry acknowledged the greetings by saluting. As the line of carriages moved out of the driveway at the end of the station the immense crowd outside began to cheer and the procession made its way through the throngs of persons making most hearty demonstrations of welcome.

GAMPBELL'S SPECIAL DISPLAY THIS WEEK. New Spring Costumes, New Spring Walking Skirts, New Spring Dress Skirts, New Spring Silk Waists. (Includes image of a skirt)

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MACHINERY TRUST. British Combine Will Co-operate with the American Company.

(Associated Press.) London, March 6.—Presiding at the annual meeting of the machinery trust today, Joseph Lawrence, M. P., chairman of the trust, said he was not in favor of the suggested amalgamation with the American printing machinery trust, but the directors were not opposed to cordial co-operation with the American company, in which event both concerns would be able not only to dominate both British and American trade, but they would also dominate in the continental trade of Europe.

DENSE FOGS. (Associated Press.) London, March 6.—Dense fogs in the channels are causing numerous mishaps to shipping. At Holyhead a steamer grounded today and her passengers were landed in the vessel's boats. Railroad and street traffic is impeded.

STOCK QUOTATIONS. (Furnished by the B. C. Stock Exchange, Limited.)

Table with columns for Stock Name, Open, High, Low, Close. Includes items like New York, Chicago, Liverpool, and various commodities like Sugar, Gas, and Copper.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next session for a transfer to M. H. McCabe of the license now held by us for the sale of wines and spirituous liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Wilson Hotel, situate at No. 34 Yates street, Victoria, B. C. Dated this 12th day of February, 1902. S. WHITE, M. H. McCABE.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Court for a transfer to S. White of the license now held by us to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Commercial hotel, situate at the corner of Douglas and Commercial streets, in the City of Victoria. Dated this 12th day of February, 1902. S. WHITE, H. H. McCABE.

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