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GERMANS WITHDRAW.

ance Companies Reported to Have Decided to Abandon American Business.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 27.—A special dispatch to the Sun from Berlin says it is reported that, as a result of the recent fires in Balti-more and Toronto, the German insurance companies have decided to abandon their American business.

FIRE AT HARRISBURG.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 27.—The Pennsyl-rania Union station was damaged by fire to the extent of \$75,000 to \$100,000 last

FORMER BANKER DEAD.

New York, April 27.-Carroll Livingston, New York, April 27.—Carroll Livingston, grandson of Gen. Harry Livingston and "Lady Mary" Livingston, and collateral descendant of the chancellor who administered the oath of office to President George Washington, is dead at his home here. He was 71 years old. Mr. Livingston retired from the banking business many years ago and devoted much time to amateur sports. He won many prizes in live bird shooting matches in France and America.

DOUBLE MURDER.

Richiand, Wis., April 27.—Henry Mor-rison killed his wife and daughter yesterday at Woodstock, after a domestic quarrel, Morrison is about 55 years old snd a car-

RUMORS CURRENT OF JAP REVERSE

OFFICIAL STATEMENT NOT YET AVAILABLE

Hopeful Feeling at St. Petersburg-No Change in the Situation at Port Arthur.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, April 27,-3.12 p.m. The crossing of the Yalu river by t

The crossing of the Yalu river by the Japanese forces did not impress the Russians, in view of the reports of the ensuing Japanese reverse.

These reports became more persistent at noon, and caused an all-round rise in prices on the bourse, but so far there has been no confirmation of them officially.

The general staff believes that one of the Japanese columns while attempting to cross the Yalu river at Turencher sustained severe loss, owing to the expected shelling by a Russian bat from the opposite bank which dest from the opposite bank which destroy-ed, the Japanese pontoons. The Japan-ese, the general staff says, tried to cross the river at six or seven different points, and succeeded only at one point. The staff has no further news.

AGAIN ACTIVE.

Several Vessels, Believed to Be Russian, Sighted Off Gensan.

London, April 27.—A special dispatch from Kobe, Japan, says several vessels, believed to be Russian, were again sight-ed off Gensan, Korea, to-day.

CROSSING THE YALU.

The Movement of the Japanese Troops Continues.

Paris, April 27.-A dispatch to the Paris, April 27.—A dispatch to the Temps from St. Petersburg says:
"The Japanese continue to caoss the Yalu river in small squads. The Russian tactics seem to be to not seriously oppose there preliminary movements.
"The staff of the ministry of mafrine gives credit to but does not positively confirm the report that the Vladivostock squadron sank two Japanese transports bound for the island of Sakhalien."

PORT ARTHUR BULLETIN.

All Quiet in Vicinity of City-The Sub-marine Tests.

Port Arthur, April 27.—The situation ere and in this vicinity to-day is un

The successful trials of the sub-marine boats here are regarded by the Novi Kral as opening fresh prospects for active operations on the part of the Russian fleet.

CHINA'S ATTITUDE.

Determined to Remain Neutral, But People Are Favorable to Japan.

Paris, April 27.—Mr. Ou, first secre-tary of the Chinese legation here, in an interview on the danger of China being drawn into the Russo-Japanese war, said that General Ma was not a very important personage, and was never commander-in-chief. The Plekin authoritrality. General Ma had not more than 15,000 troops, which there is no reason to suppose were M-disposed towards

Asked point blank whether he did n Asked point blank whether he did not foresee the danger of complications, the secretary admitted that the Chinese people were favorably disposed towards the Japanese, and in this fact there might be a possible source of trouble. If the Buddhists, priests and the secret societies stirred up a revolt and the rebels attacked the Russians, the latter might consider the Imperial government responsible.

sponsible.

"If we should be treated as belligercents," said the secretary, "we should be
obliged to defend ourselves; that would
be the only event in which we would
make common cause with Japan."

WHEN WAR WILL END.

Russian Says It Will Be When Japs Are Driven From Continent.

St. Petersburg. April 27.—While King Edward's move to restore peace between Russia and Japan has failed, it is nevertheless regarded as highly significant in diplomatic circles. It is the first tangible evidence of a change in the relation between Russia and Great Britain. The King, however, has never approached the Emperor, no matter how indirectly, on the subject of peace. If future attempts at mediation be made it is necessary, say the diplomatic corps, that good relations between Russia and Great Britain be assiduously cultivated, and they believe that no one appreciates this better than King Edward. The attitude of she Emperor is thoroughly approved. St. Petersburg, April 27.-While King better than King Edward. The attitude of the Emperor is, thoroughly approved. A person in authority, voicing the opinion of his colleagues, saying that mediation cannot be accepted, and that Russia alone will determine when it is time to stop fighting, that time, he said, will not arrive until every Japanese soldier has been ejected from the continuent.

battle the former is safer than other vessels."

Admiral Verkovsky has shown the Empress a minaculous image of the Virgin, which the Russians fervently hope is going to turn the tide of battle at Port Arthur. The admiral told the Empress the story of the image, which accurately depicts the Virgin as she appeared in a vision to a sailor, a veteran of the siege of Schastopol. Two months before the outbreak of the present war the Virgin came to the sailor in a dream and said: "Many woes are going to befall Port Arthur until my image is sent there. Then Port Arthur will be victorious." The sailor, when on a pilgrimage to the great monastery of Kieff, told his dream to the 10,000 pilgrims there, each of them gave five kopecks (2½ cents) to have the dream depicted. But the artists who made the image refused to receive payment. The kon was eventually sent to Admiral Versus and also avoided the danger of collision in going out of the narrow entrance and also avoided the danger of collision in going out of the narrow entrance after dark.

"During the cruise to the Mia Tao islands on March 25th we sighted four barries going to Yingkow and a Japanese steamer with some junks. The wireless telegraph electric bell at was a false alarm. In the haste of going into battle order the Peresviet slight rammed the Sevastopol."

ARGENTINE CRUISERS.

Vessels WN Not Be Delivered to Russia Until Money Is Paid.

St. Petersbarg, April 27.—On account of the refusal to deliver the Argentine cruisers before the money. But the artists who made the image re-fused to receive payment. The ikon was eventually sent to Admiral Ver-kovsky, as senior admiral. It represents the Virgin bearing an image of Christ, with archangels on either side, and God the Father above, says: "There can be but one flock, one shepherd."

JAP CRUISER LOST.

Went on Rocks Near Shanghai and is a Total Wreck.

Shanghai, April 27.—The Japanese cruiser Hai Tien, which strück the rocks at Eagle Point, 60 miles southeast of Shanghai, is a total loss. The United States cruiser New Orleans went to the assistance of the Hai Tien, but her efforts were unavailing. The crew of the Hai Tien were rescued. There was no loss of life.

JAPANESE SPY.

Man Shot at Mukden Was Identified as

London, April 27,-The Tokio corre bondon, April 21,—The Tokic corre-pondent of the Times says that one of the Japanese spics shot by the Russian at Mukden was identified as Sonde, Japanese judge, and not a military ma-as has been stated.

WILL REMAIN AT HOME

Survivors of the Variage and Koreitz Will Not Be Returned to Far East.

St. Petersburg. April 27.—Despite the assertion of the sailors of the Varing and Koreitz that they are free to again participate in the war, it is stated anthoritatively that Russia has no intention of sending them to the Far East, but will detain them on duty in Europe in accordance with the understanding entered into with France and Great Britain, whose ships received the sailors after the battle of Chemulpo.

REVIEWED BY CZAR.

Attended Parade of the Grenadiers and Regiment of Cossaeks.

St. Petersburg, April 27.—The Emperor and the Dowager Empress reviewed the Grenadiers and a regiment of tural Cossacks at noon to-day. Wfile looking somewhat careworh, it was noticed that the Emperor was in excellent physical condition. To-night, unaccompanied by a guard, the Emperor and the Empress took a long drive through the streets of St. Petersburg.

TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

Report That Russians Have Decided

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KOREAN MINES.

British and American Properties Wil Be Operated While Japs Are Paramount.

Seoul, April 26.-1 p.m.-The German steamer Amigo has arrived at Chemulpo with bullion from the American mines at Un San. It is reported that the Imperial Japanese mint at Osaka has gnaranteed to supply monthly the specie necessary to insure the running of the British mines at Eun San, contracting to take the total bullion output of the mines. The wage payments of the mines amount to about \$7.500 per month. The mint will pay in the value of gold the difference between the mines bullion output and the amounts advanced. The uninterrupted operation of both the American mines at Un San and the British mines at Eun San is assured while the Japanese are paramount.

Russian Fleet Can Only Leave Port Arthur at High Tide.

St. Petersburg. April 26.—A letter dated March, written by Col. Agapeieff, a member of the staff of Vice-Admiral Makaroff, who was lost at the time of the battleship disaster on April 13th, throws considerable light on the conditions prevailing at Port Arthur. He said:

"Our squadron suffers from the gree A person in authority, voicing the opinion of his colleagues, saying that mediation cannot be accepted, and that Russia alone will determine when it is time to stop fighting, that time, he said, will not arrive until every Japanese soldier has been ejected from the continent.

M. Roubnoff, who has been awarded \$125,000 for improvements in submarine boats, in an interview, says: "There is less danger in navigating a submarine boat than a torpedo boat, and during a

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THE CHEMULPO FIGHT.

Captain of Variag Denies He Asked Other Commanders to Leave Harbor.

Sebastopol. April 26.—Capt. Roudeff, former commander of the cruiser Variag, in an interview, is quoted as saying:
"When I took charge of the guardships at Chemulpo I sent back the Boyarin to Port Arthur asking for instructions. Admiral Alexieff replied: "Pollow your own judgment and conscience." It is not true that I asked the other commanders to accompany me when I went out of the harbor, with the Korietz and Variag. All I wanted was that the Japanese let me out into the open sea. I hoped to break through their lines."

SEEKING LOCATION FOR A TOWNSITE

VICTORIAN'S MISSION TO NORTHERN COAST

News Notes From Port Simpson-- Preparations Are Being Made to Hunt Seals.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) (Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Port Simpson, April 20.—Tbrough the energetic efforts of Miss M. W. O'Neill. satisfactory arrangements have been made with the district superintendent of the Dominion government telegraph service for the transmission of bulletins from the Associated Press, and news of the war and other important events is now received here daily. With mails arriving only once a week, as at preserved. arriving only once a week, as at

preciared.

J. Sharp has taken over the management of this branch of the Hudson's Bay Company's business, succeeding J. H. Richale, who has been transferred to Victoria.

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The enterprising firm of Robertson & Rudge will launch in a few weeks a very handsome steam launch, which is being built here. She is 45 feet long with considerable carrying capacity, and will likely be employed transporting prospecting parties and surveyors when operations commence in connection with the building of the railway.

Jas. Anderson, late manager of the Victoria & Sidney railway, is at present cruising the coast on the steamer Chieftain seeking a location for a townsite. He is very much impressed with Portsimpson, and thinks no other place on the northern coast is so favorably

the northern coast is so favorably situated for a railway terminus.

Adjutant Gosling and Lieut, Halfpenny, of the Salvation Army, are preparing to leave for the Skeena river to inaugurate an army cores them.

remain at Port Bessings.

Ten canoes are now fitting out here for a hunting cruise in the vicinity of Dundas Island, where it is reported fur seals have been seen in large numbers on their way to the rookeries in Behring.

Miss Teresh Carroll has resigned her Miss Teresh Carroll has resigned her position as principal of the mission school, known as the Crossby Girls' Home, but will continue her duties there till the summer vacation. She has administered the affairs of that institution for many years with great success, and is very highly esteemed.

A sawmill plant, which has been already in use, was landed here yesterday, and is offered for sale by the Hudson's Bay Company.

THE MAIL ROBBERY.

Report That Behan Has Turned King's

(Associated Press.) Winnipeg. April 27.—It is believed in Calgary that Behan has turned King's evidence, and has told lis story of the mail robbery case to the crown. Behan robbery case to the crown. Behan been released in Regina on \$5,000

STEAMER ASHORE

Atlantic City, N. J., April 27.-South brigantine life station reports a steamship ashore about three miles off that station. The rig and funnel marks of the grounded steamer are similar to those of the Ward line, which runs to southern ports. The steamship was driven ashore during the sewere northeast storm last night.

DISCUSS TARIFF

FEELING IN FAVOR OF INVESTIGATION

The Whole Question Should Be Considered Before Any Changes Are Made.

Ottawa, April 27.-There was a gov-

nt caucus this forenoon. In addition to the work of the session and similar matters being discussed, the tariff similar matters being discussed, the tariff same up for consideration. This was no doubt in view of the early deliverance of the financial statement by the finance minister. It would appear that there was nothing definite before the caucus, but merely the question as to whether any changes in the tariff were advisable or not at the present session. The opinion of members is said to be in favor of very little being done at present. There is an idea prevalent that the best thing to do is to first inquire into the whole question by means of a commission or a committee of the commission or a committee of the cabinet, the same as was done in 1897, and then all parties would have an opportunity of being heard. The only real compaint about the tariff comes from the woollen men, who want more protection, and from consumers against the coal oil duty. It would not be difficult to meet the views of both these parties, but even in regard to these there are other interests which may desire to be heard.

The Conservatives also met in caucus Sessional work seemed to occupy the greater part of the time of the sitting.

LOCAL SALVAGE CASE. Judgment Reserved in Appeal Vermon vs. The Abbey Palmer.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa; April 27.—In the Exchequer court this morning Justice Burbidge heard argument in an appeal from the local judge in the British Columbia Admiralty district in the case of Vermont Steamship Company against the ship Abbey Palmer. The steamship Vermont had saved the Abbey Palmer from a very perilous position on the Pacine very perilous position on the Pacific coast while she was in a dismasted and Coast while she was in a dismasted and helpless condition. Salvage was effected at great risk by the Vermont, and she was delayed in prosecution of her voyage to Japan by some 'ten days owing to salvage service. The local judge allowed \$4.200 for salvage service, and the owners of the Vermont are dissatisfied with that amount, hence the appeal. Mr. Lewis appeared for the appellant, and Messrs, Robinson and Eberts for repondents. Judgment was reserved.

SETTLERS FOR WEST. Last of Spring Excursion Left Ontario

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, April 27.—The last of this spring's settlers' excursions for the Northwest left yesterday, about 800 settlers, including wives and families, taking advantage of the cheap rates. Unfavorable weather conditions this year were responsible for the reduced number of settlers going west this spring, compared with last year.

WILL MEET AT CALGARY.

Congress of Boards of Trade to Be Held on May 15th and 16th. (Associated Press.)

Calgary, N. W. T., April 27.—On the 5th and 16th of May the congress of he boards of trade and kindred bodies the Territories and eastern British Columbia will be held in this the invitation of the Calgary Board of

Columbia will be held in this city, on the invitation of the Calgary Board of Trade.

The committee, which was specially appointed to deal with the matter and make the necessary arrangements, has decided that the congress will last two days, and that it will be brought to a close by a banquet, at which it is expected that the Premier of the Territories. Mr. Haultain, and second vice-president of the C. P. R., William Whyte, will be guests.

During the summer time when the supply of farms and ranches up and down the lire is more than the demand, the merchants have some difficulty in disposing of butter, eggs, poultry and other produce of the country, which they have on their hands, while merchants in the mountains and at mining towns and lumber camps are looking about for good dairy and poultry suuplies. In many cases these British Columbia supplies are purchased from across the line. It is hoped by the board that by such meeting of representatives of various points in the Territories and British Columbia, that it may possibly lead to the forming of the connections which will keep the trade, which is at present going to the United States, as well as obtaining better prices and greater satisfaction to all those concerned.

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GERMAN STUDENT'S DEATH.

Passed Away as Result of an Injury Received in a Duel.

(Associated Press.)

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Berlin, April 27.—Christian Busch, the oldest student in Germany, who has been enrolled in the classes in chemistry at the university of Giessen since 1871, is dead at the age of 51. Death was the result of an injury-to 7th brain received in a student duel. Busca, who was a property owner, did not attempt to finish his course, but divided his time between the beer houses and laboratory, where he assisted the professors. He enjoyed great popularity, and the entire membership of the university, headed by the rector, attended his funeral.

FESTIVITIES WILL BE ON TWO DAYS

GENERAL COMMITTEE HAVE SO DECIDED

There Would Be Toe Much Crowding of Attractions if Confined to One Day.

The Victoria Day festivities will in lude two days, the 23rd and 24th of May, instead of only one, as was originally intended. This was decided at a seeting of the general committee held last evening at the city hall. The atendance was somewhat disappointing, there being only about 25 members pres-Business men who are anxious that the celebration should be a success are requested to take a more active interest in the preparations than they

have hitherto evinced. Last night's meeting was called to or-der promptly at 8 o'clock, and, after the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, a general discussion was precipitated by the suggestion that it would be much better to have two days' elebration. In support of this contention it was pointed out that in order to bring off everything in one day the events would have to be crowded, and neither local residents nor visitors would be able to see everything without inconvenience. A motion to the effect that the resolution passed at the last meeting fixing the celebration for one

only be reconsidered was carried. Following this a resolution was introduced providing that the carnival include the two days mentioned. This was passed with only one dissenting vote.

The general programme for the two days was then discussed. For Monday the intention is to bring off the opening locrosse match of the season, and a game between the local basebail nine and a visiting team. The arrangement of details will probably be left in the hands of the management of the two organizations. Tuesday's principal attraction, of course, will be the regatta, which will take place at the Gorge, commencing at 1 p.m. In the evening there will be a grand fireworks display at Beacon Hill, the first rocket being set off at 9.30 o'clock promptly. There will be a general fillumination of the city in the evenings, and the Fifth Regiment band will be engaged to reader impromptu concerts.

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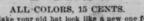
Secretary Moresby submitted communications from E. C. Smith, accepting the honorary treasurership, and from City Clerk Dowler, containing the announcement that the city council had appropriated \$750 for the celebration this year. Both were received and filed.

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stind asking to be booked as an attraction at the forthcoming festivities. Similar communications were read from Kellsey Moore, manager of a novefty show, and Miss Marie Adison, a professional cornetist. Instructions were given the secretary to notify all that their services would not be required. A report was received from the printing and band committees. The former wanted an appropriation of \$225 and the latter \$230. In view of the fact that two days' celebration had been decided upon it was decided to refer this back



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CROSS THE RIVER

OFFICIAL STATEMENT AT ST. PETERSBURG

Russians Intend Making First Determined Stand at Feng Hang Chang -The Baltic Fleet.

St. Petersburg, April 26.-The censo mittee did not give out to-night the dispatches received to-day regarding the movements of the Japanese across the Yalu. It was intimated the Japanese had crossed the river, but this was ac companied by a statement that the success of the enemy should in no sense regarded as an important victory, the Russians having no intention of vigorously contesting the passage, their plan being to annoy the enemy as much

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It is regarded as probable that when the Japanese troops are in sufficient numbers they will march along the Manchurian bank of the Yalu in the direction of Antung, near which lies the road along which the advance can continue to Feng Hang Chang, where the first determined stand of the Russians will be made. No report has been received here, official or otherwise, showing the casualties on either side.

The Emperor has received a dispatch from the commander of the Vladivostock squadron confirming the reports of the sinking of a Japanese transport of six hundred tons at Wousan. The object of the squadron's cruise is to destroy all transports traversing the sea of Japan, show the Russian flag in Korean waters and impress the population advantage-ously, also compelling the Japanese to guard all their transport expeditions. guard all their transport expeditions.

Forced a Passage.

Liao Yang, April 26.—Between last night and this morning the Japanese forced a passage of the Yalu, two companies crossing between Tschangdjiu and Siapoussikhe. Heavy firing was heard near Tatung Kau on which it is believed the Japanese made a feint in order to distract attention from the real point of passage.

So far no bridge has been thrown over the river. It is believed the Russian fire succeeded in destroying the floating parts of the Japanese bridges.

A Rumor.

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Paris, April 27.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin says: "I learn from a sure source that the Vladivostock fleet yesterday sank four Japanese transports, which were conveying 4.000 men. After the Russians.

After the Russians.

Chicago, April '26.—A special cable to the Daily News from Kobe says:

"Inder full steam, a strong squadron of Japanese armored cruisers was observed this morning making its way northward in the Japan Sea. It is believed that the vessels are on their way to try fo cut off the Russian squadron that appeared at Wonsan on the east coast of Korea yesterday. It is feared, however, that the Russian cruisers are superior in speed to those of the Japanese, and they may escape in safety for the shelter of Vladivostock. It is also stated that the Japanese have succeeded in turning the Russians from the protection of the Vladivostock guns, as there is another Japanese squadron between them and their retreat, but these are rumors."

Not Yet Decided.

St. Petersburg, April 26.—The report that the Baltic fleet is to leave Libau on Thursday for the Far East is incorrect. Some of the ships are just going into commission, and those being completed cannot be finished before July.

The admiralty is giving earnest consideration to all questions in connection with the dispatch-of this fleet to the Far East. Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, who will command it, and Rear-Admiral Wirinus have been in consultation. All idea of following the northern route has been abandones. Indeed, it never was seriously considered. Admiral Rojestvensky originally favored the Cape of Good Hope route, but it is more prob-

protected, will go by that route, proceed by the way of the Cape of Good Hope would involve too much time, ex-

at Liverpool even placed a barge at the consul's disposal, Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, recently ap-

Jap Servants Free.

Newchwang, April 26.-After having

Sewenwang, April 20.—After having been detained for two weeks and thoroughly examined by the Russian authorities, the two Japanese servants who came into port with American correspondents, on the press boat Fawah, have been released. They were deported to Chefoo to-day.

Attempt to Destroy Ship.

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Kronstadt, April 26.—A sensational story is afleat here of an attempt to destroy the battleship Alexander III. According to the report, a sailor seeing a stranger wearing the uniform of an officer, going down into the engine room of the battleship, followed him, and saw the stranger attaching something connected with wire to the dynamos. After the stranger left the sailor examined the attachment and found it to be a bomb. The sailor at once cut the wires.

ran up on deck to tell what had happen-

It is very convenient to attribute the disasters which overtake us to fate. But for the most part man is the arbiter of his own fortunes. Business men are struck down suddenly as by lightning. The verdict is generally "His heart was weak."

bomb. The sailor at

penditure of a large quantity of coal and the fouling of the boilers and bottoms of fighting ships, which it is important to avoid on account of the lack of docking facilities at Port Arthur.

London, April 26.-Inquiries here by It is understood that the admiralty now entertains no fears regarding the restrictions imposed by the Suez canal regulations, although Admiral Wirinus complained of the strictness with which the neutrality of the canal was enforced. There is evidence of a more friendly disposition on the part of the British the Associated Press reveal no trace of any effort or intention to interventing the Russo-Japanese war. No step

Those who have discussed the war with the King within the last few days say that such a step is the last thing he contemplates. Such a step, however informally taken, so it is held here, might seriously endanger the vital negotiations now progressing between Russia and Great Britain with a view to the settlement of outstanding differences. His Majesty has expressed symmathy with Majesty has expressed sympathy with his royal relatives over the losses sus-tained by the Russian fleet, but he has been equally thoughtful towards the MEado.

bearing upon the subject of pacific forts, royal or otherwise, are due

forts, royal or otherwise, are due to misapprehension concerning the negotiations looking to a settlement of all matters in dispute between Russia and Great Britain.

These negotiations are progressing satisfactorily, though no immediate completion can be expected.

The view entertained by the foreign office is that British relations with both Russia and Japan remain on a tests of strict neutrality. Officially opinion inclines to the view that it will he a long war, but this does not prehe a long war, but this does not pre vent the hope that an arrangement with Russia, similar to that recently completed with France, may be com-cluded quite independent of the issue of

DOMINION DISPATCHES.

Woman Smuggled Money to Convicts-Five Men Injured By Explosion

leaked out that a woman, disguised as a religionist, found entrance with a sister into the penitentiary and put into the hands of one of the Welland canal dynamiters a package of money which it was hoped would be sufficient which it was hoped would be sumcient to bribe the guards and secure the release of Dullman, Walsh and Nolan. The guard who was on watch saw the transfer of the package from the woman to the convict, and when the woman was gone search was made, but only a little money was found, which was in the liping of one convict's coat.

Amherst, N. S., April 26,—Strong easterly and northeasterly winds, prevailing the last few days have caused great havec among the lobster trawls and huors along the north shore of this county from Northport to Malgass. In some instances the whole outfit of some of the factories has been destroyed. The loss at this season is serious.

Rocket Explodes.

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Collingwood, April 20.—By the explosion of a distress rocket on Saturday night, Thomas McLaughlin was badly cut on the lower part of the body and his recovery is doubtful. Thomas Sanford was struck on the jugular vein and also on the temple, necessitating the removal of a part of his skull, and his recovery is also doubtful. Another man mamed Slemin also was badly injured, and two other men more or less injured. The men were all employed on lake boats doeked here. Some of them procured a focket from one of the boats and placed it on a station gate on Simeoe street. Ilghted it, but returned to it, under the impression that the fuse had not caught, when the explosion occurred.

Toronto, April 26.-The Ontario legis lature prorogued to-day, the Lieut-Governor giving his assent to 107 bils passed during the session. There was a slim attendance of members.

cd, and found the stranger had hanged himself.

The crew of the Alexander III., it is added, were instructed not to speak of the occurrence, and it is said that the stranger was a madman or a member of some revolutionary organization to whose lot it had fallen to blow up the Alexander III.

NO FIGHTING.

The non-union men working on that job, and accordingly asked for protection from the police. The request was granted, and a couple of policemen were stationed at the door to see that no one entered who had no business to transact. The carpenters and granite cutters employed on the building took exception to the presence of the policemen and left work in a body. The police were removed, and it is expected the strikers will return to work in the morning.

Montreal, April 26.—The Star nounces to-night that the Dominion ernment has decided to buy the ada Eastern railway, running from Chatham to Fredericton, N. K., and that Hou. Mr. Emmerson left on Satur-day for St. John to arrange the terms of purchase.

Mining Engineer,

Mining Engineer.

Montreal, April 26.—Among the graduates in applied science the faculty of McGill University announced to-day, appears the name of N. W. Parlee, of Rossland, B. C., who graduates as mining engineer, winning second Carlyle prize and with honors in mining and ore dressing.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED-Man and wife to manage up-country hotel (no children); references. Address Hotel, Times Office, Victoria, B. C.

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WANTED-FEMALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED-An experienced store girl, with references. Apply 164 View street. DINING ROOM GIRL WANTED, Apply Victoria Hotel.

REQUIRED—Competent mother's assist ant, age 25 years to 35 years; charge of children and needlework, 1 Richardson

REQUIRED-Two general maids, two nurs maids, one parlor maid. 1 Richardson. WANTED-Chocolate dipper; also clerk. Palace of Sweets.

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SITUATIONS WANTED-FEMALE. a vord each insertion.

SITUATION WANTED—Governess, highly recommended, English, French, first-class musician. 1 Richardson street.

WANTED-Position as housekeeper for widower or bachelor, by middle-aged widow; experienced; best of references. Address J. N., this office. WANTED-Millinery apprentice or improver. Apply Mrs. M. A. Vigor, 88 Yates street.

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WANTED-MISCELLANEOUS. advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO EXCHANGE-Wicker baby carriage, new condition, for second-hand lady's bicycle. P. O. Drawer 645, Victoria. WANTED-Chimney sweeping, no mess, from 50c.; smoky chimneys cured. Tel. A98, or 4 Broughton street.

TO JOB PRINTERS—Our artists are now making cover designs, electhes, etc., for the best catalogue work produced in the West. Send your ideas, and outline sketches will be furnished without charge. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., Victoria.

WANTED-We have continual inquiries for Vancouver island farm lands. If your property is for sale write us at once, giv-ing full particulars, and we will sell it for you if it can be sold. Heisterman & Co., Victoria. B. C.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, etc., should connoit us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and all kinds of lilustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

BUY AND SELL all kinds of household furniture. I have g 100-egg incubator, almost new, cheap for cash. At the Old Curlosity Shop, cor. Fort and Blanchard streets. P. O'Connor.

WANTED—Photo-Engraving work from all parts of the province; satisfaction guaran-teed; send for samples. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria. WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this aunouncement in the Times.

VANTED-TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED-A small house, in good locality, by a steady tenant. Address C. W. T., Times Office.

LAND FOR SALE.

TO SELL-2 large lots, part of Regent's Park Estate, \$500 cash, and balance \$25 per month. Apply A. Toller, real estate, 35 Yates street.

FOR SALE Good farming lands on Salt Spring Island. Apply to F. J. Bittan-court, auctioneer and commission agent. Office, 53 Blanchard St. Phone B518.

FOR SALE-At a sacrifice, section 24, Goldstream District, 165 acres of land, suitable for stock or chicken raising; must be sold. Write, making an offer, to Box 514, Vancouver, B. C.

FOR SALE—One Gladstone wagon, in first class order, with side lights. Apply to Capital Stables, 100 Johnston street.

FOR SALE—The winning roung St. Bernard "Ch. His Highness," registered A. K. C. S. B. 60390, winner of twenty-four firsts, twelve specials and championship, no reasonable offer refused. Write or call on W. F. Hall, "Glencoe," 304 Richmond Ave., Victoria, B. C.

Prepare Yourself for Business If you want to enter business. We teach bookkeeping, Gregg shorthand and type-writing. Our school is the best school in the province at any price. Write for prospectus.

CARNE'S

ECONOMIC CASH GROCERY

WHEN YOU CAN BUY THEM SO CHEAP AT CARNE'S? SAVE YOUR MONEY ON THE SPOT. WE DON'T WANT YOUR SAVINGS; TAKE THEM HOME WITH YOU AND SPEND THEM WHERE YOU PLEASE.

Economy opportunities' ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT PARALLEL will present themselves to the housekeepers of Victoria every week throughout the year. So come here to buy. Don't be misled. We SELL ONLY the VERY BEST GOODS Victoria Wholesalers have in stock. One order will convince you of the truth of this assertion, and we are not afraid that you won't come back for more. Note our Ad. every week. Read the list carefully. Every item is a BARGAIN. Every item is

LIST NO. 1.

12 lbs. B. C. SUGAR \$.. 50 1 SK. FLOUR (YOUR CHOICE) 1,35 4 fbs. SAGO OR TAPIOCA .. .25 WHITE COOKING FIGS25 11 BARS SOAP50 SODA, OR 1 LAMP GLASS. .10 1 BOT. SAUCE OR TOMATO 1 BOT. EXT. LEMON, VAN-ILLA OR ALMOND 20 1 TIN GINGER, ALLSPICE OR PEPPER 1 TIN CINNAMON, MUSTARD OR CLOVES % GALL. VINEGAR, MALT

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\$5.00

In order to get the benefit of these low prices, THE COM-PLETE LIST OF GOODS MUST BE TAKEN. Though the small articles may be changed for others, to suit the taste of

In ordering by Mail or Telephone state the number of the

All orders will be filled in rotation as they are received. MAIL ORDERS will receive prompt attention and careful packing. CASH to accompany each order.

By taking advantage of these LOW PRICES you patronize the First Store in Victoria to give their customers GENUINE BARGAINS. We buy close and we can afford to sell at a close margin of profit for CASH.

CREDIT is now an unknown quantity, and CASH buys the Best in the Market.

All Goods and Weights Guaranteed or Your Money Refunded.

The above Sale closes on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1904. TWO WEEKS OF GREAT BARGAINS.

Carne's Economic Cash Grocery

All goods will be delivered within a radius of five mi es from

CORNER YATES AND BROAD. P. O. Box 329.

Phone 586

Dallas Hotel ROOM AND BOARD

Rooms En Suite or Single Heated with steam through

Notice On and after the 4th of May The Bon Ton Silk Co.

ouglas street, will move to their new emises, 156 Government street. Ladies' and Children's Underwear

MADE TO ORDER.

Seed Peas And All kinds of field seeds.

McDowell & Rosie 93 JOHNSON ST.

THE FAMOUS TEAS Douglas Hallam, 44 Fort Street

Trucking, Teaming and General Contracting

Black loam, sand, gravel and rock for sale. JOHN HAGGARTY,

Not Yet Decided.

by lightning. The verdict is generally wheart failure." "His heart was weak. It was fate for him to meet this end." But if we went behind the "weak" heart we should find a "weak" stomach, probably, and back of the weak stomach is carcless eating at irregular hours.

When the stomach is diseased the organs depending on the stomach for nutrition are starved. Starvation means weakness of the body and its organs.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. When these organs are cured, diseases of heart, liver, lungs and kidneys, caused by the diseased stomach, are cured also.

"In the fail of itsy I was taken with smothering spells, palpitation of the heart, and a distressed feeling in my stomach," writes Mr. H. W. Kinney, of Knight, Doddridge Co., West Va. "I consulted a doctor and he said I had organic heart trouble. He gave me some medicine, but it did me no good. I then tried different kinds of patent medicines, but the discovery, Before the first bottle was gone I felt a change. When the five bottless were gone I began to work. I had not worked any for a year before.

"I am well and can eat anything now with the exception of pork and greasy food."

Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure billiousness.

Russian Authorities Deny There Have Been Any Important Engage-ments.

Newchwang, April 26.-The Russian uthorities here deny that there has on the Yalu, but they report the de-ruction of a few Japanese junks by the

dussian volunteers.

The Japanese have not arrived at the Yalu in force, according to the Russians in Newchwang, nor have they crossed

in Newchwang, nor have they crossed the river at any point.

The Russian forces are still in posses-sion of all points on the west, or Man-churia side of the river, which they oc-cupted originally, and consequently the execution of the plan of falling back on Feng Huang Chen and Liao Yang, which a attributed to Gen. Kouronatkin, the is attributed to Gen. Kouropatkin, the Russian commander-in-chief, has not

RUSSIAN LOAN.

Negotiations Are Reported to Be About

New York, April 26.—Negotiations for a new loan between Russia and the Paris financial syndicate are as good as completed, according to information (excived by the Times correspondent at Paris. Phe amount of the loan is to be 800,000,000 francs (\$160,000,000).

The explicate it is understood in

The syndicate, it is understood, in-cludes the Russian-Chinese bank and the well protected, will go by that route, and that the battleships and torpedo boats will pass through the Suez canal.

The two divisions will rendezvous in the Indian ocean. For the entire fleet to 100,000 francs and in all probabilities

No Intention to Intervene in War-Re-lations Between Two Countries.

in the Russo-Japanese war. No seep looking to a pacific settlement of the conflict has been taken by the foreign office, nor, so far as known in Down-ing street, by King Edward himself. Those who have uscussed the war

There is evidence of a more friendly disposition on the part of the British
authorities. It is said that they pointed
out that they would have to hold contraband of war arriving at Liverpool
from America if landed. At the same
time it was suggested to the Russian
consul that transhipment could take
place in the harbor, and the authorities
at Liverpool even placed a barge at the Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, recently appointed commander of the Russian naval forces in the Far East, to-day visited the barracks of the Naval Guard. Addressing the latter, he made his first public reference to the going out of the Baltie fleet, saying: "Twenty-eight years ago I went with your predecessors to fight for the Empire against the Turks. It is now the monarch's wish that I would lead you again, as commander-in-chief of the fleet which you are going to join, on board the battle-ship Alexander III."

Jap Servants Free.

Kingston, April 26.-Facts have just

Heavy Losses.

explosion occurred. Prorogation.

Police Were Withdrawn. Montreal, April 26.—The painting con-tractors on the Imperial Bank building had reason to suspect that the Painters* Union would attempt to interfere with

STRAWBERRY PLANTS, \$1 per 100, \$5 per 100; cabbage plants, early hardy, 50c, per 100; cabbage plants, early hardy, 50c, per 100; 80c, for 200, \$1 for 300, \$2.50 per 1,000; a few nice white broom left, 50c, each; also beautiful dahlas, \$2 per doz.

The Vogel Commercial College, Vancouver, B. 6,

GENTS' CLOTHES cleaned, pressed, re-paired or altered, at 136 Yates street, opposite Dominion Hotel. All work guar-anteed. James Dupen. PRACTICAL CLEANING AND PRESSING WORKS-Lave Curtains and Blankets a specialty. Paul's, 165½ Douglas street. Phone 1012. SLATE AND GRAVEL ROOFING, cement sidewalks laid, etc. John Bell, Leave orders at Nicholies & Renouf.

TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion,

TO LET-Furnished, very desirable modern house on Cadboro Bay road; immediate possession. Heisterman & Co.

TO LET-41 Kane street, suitable for board-ing house; low rent. Key at 41 Govern-ment street.

TO LET-Comfortable house, close to town; rent \$14; modern conveniences. Apply at 29 Rae street.

TO LET-Nice sunny rooms to let, 144 Fort street.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS TO LET-Single or en suite; cheapest in city; across from Dominion Hotel. 126, Yates street.

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BOARD AND ROOMS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

ROOM AND BOARD with private family.

73 Blanchard street, between Pandors and Johnson streets. Reasonable terms.

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE-Heuse, corner Head street and Esquimait road, with modern improve-ments. inquire on premises, or 61 First street.

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MEETINGS.

THE VICTORIA NO. 2 BUILDING SO-CLETY—The 3rd drawing for an appropri-ation takes place at 15 Trounce avenue on Saturday, 30th April, 1994, at 8 p. m. "Be sure your shares are in good stand-ing." By order, A. St. G. Flint, secre-tary,

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR,

THOMAS CATTERALL-16 Broad street. Euilding in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings; work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St.

CARRUTHERS, DICKSON & HOWES, 131 to 135 Johnson street, Grimm's Block, manufacturers of show cases and store fixtures in hard and soft wood; de-signs and estimates furnished.

OSTRICH FEATHERS cleaned, dyed and curied at 107 John street.

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EDUCATIONAL. UITAR LESSONS—Lady teacher; special attention given to beginners. Guitarist, Times Office.

KENNEDY-Voice specialist. Lessons in tone production, style, repertoire. Con-suitation at 12 Caledonia avenue.

SHORTHAND SCHOOL-15 Broad street. Special attention given to bookkeeping. Thorough instruction in bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting. E. A. Macmillan, principal. ART SCHOOL—53 Douglas street, cor. of Fort. All subjects, including wood carv-ing and mechanical drawing. Martindale, master. Private lessons given.

ENGRAVERS. TO ADVERTISERS—We make cuts which enhance the effectiveness of your adver-tisements one bundred per cent. Nothing so effective as illustrations. From \$2 up-wards, according to size. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co.

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU. MPLOYMENT BUREAU-J. Devereux, 1

FISHING.

FISHING SEASON IS NOW ON, and fishermen going to Shawaigan will save time by getting off at the 25-Mile Post, where Julius Barron will be found with plenty of boats right on the fishing grounds.

HALF TONES.

OUR HALF-TONE CUTS in copper are unexcelled by the biggest Eastern firms. Send a trial order to the B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street.

ROF. JAMIESON, of Iudia, renowned phrenologist and occult scientist, has removed from Royal Hotel to 111 Pandora street, corner of Quadra street. He can be consulted daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.

MACHINISTS.

POTTERY WARE. SEWER PIPE, FIELD TILE, GROUND FIRE CLAY, FLOWER POTS, ETC. B. C. POTTERY CO., LIMITED, CORNER BROAD AND PANDORA STREETS, VICTORIA.

PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS. a. & W. WILSON, Plumbers and Gas Fit ters, Bell Hangers and Tinsmiths; Deal ers in the best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc.; ship ping supplied at lowest rates. Broad street, Victoria, B.C. Telephone call 126

MRS. LUIS RUSSELL, receives and visit ladies for scalp treatment and face mas sage with electricity, at 11 Rae street. UNDERTAKING. V. J. HANNA, Graduate U. S. College of Embalming, New York, 102 Douglas street. Office telephone, 498, Residence telephone, 611.

ZINC ETCHINGS. SPECIAL DESIGNS for firm names executed by us in zinc. Just the thing to use in your advertisements, maps, plans, etc. B. C. Phote-Engraving Co.

FAR EASTERN SITUATION.

An Arrival at Vancouver Who Left Port Arthur After Outbreak of Hostilities.

Richard Chester, of Tanegashima Island, Japan, will be a passenger leav-ing on R. M. S. Empress of Japan out-ward bound next Monday. He has reached Vancouver on a tour of the

the different centres of mobilization. The Czar's fighting men did not impre-

The Czar's fighting men did not impress Mr. Chester very favorably, although he had plenty of opportunity to see the best of them. With regard to the Trans-Siberian railway, after having travelled over the whole route, Mr. Chester says that the

difficulty. Mr. Chester scoffs at the idea

Gillard's Pickle and Sauce Knox's Gelatine

Retail by all Grocers.

Wholesale by

to World in Conduct of

Affairs.

Roland Machin has received from H.

Donkin, who has just returned from Japan, two very interesting publications

presented by the House of Mitsui to it's

patrons and friends. These little book

A SAVING IN FUEL.

A deal of gas and coal is being saved every day by the use of Clark's Pork & Beans. You cannot improve on the

MILITARY MATTERS

Members of the Fifth Regiment are requested to take note of the following programme for the week, which will be published from day to day with the elimination of the various events as they occur:

Wednesday.

Drill, Nos. 3 and 4 companies; 2. Recruit inspection by the adjustant.

Thursday.

1. Drill, No. 4 company; 2. Buble band

Friday.

1. Band practice. 2. Lecture by Lieut.

Saturday.

Wm. Francis and his baby were kill-ed and Mrs. Francis and two other chil-dren badly hurt by the explosion of dynamite which destroyed the Francis home at Oswego, Mich., on Tuesday. Francis had a quantity of dynamite for using in blowing out stumps, and placed some of the explosive in the oven of the

crult inspection by the adjutant.

Band concert.

stove to dry.

Events of the Present Week in Regin Circles.

Wm. Clark, Mfr., Montreal.

R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 27 -5 a.m.-The baros Victoria, April 27.—5 a.m.—The barometer is comparatively high over Northern British Columbia and low from Kootenay to Utah. These conditions are causing warm weather throughout the province, and particularly between the ranges, where the temperature reached 76 yesterday and will probable ground \$2.5 ft. Color. The weather is probably exceed 80 to-day. The weather is also warm in Alberta and becoming warm-er in Manitoba. Rain is failing in southern Oregon and California.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Thursday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, continued fine and warm. patrons and friends. These little book-lets are printed by the Tokio Printing Company, and contain information as to this celebrated house. They are illus-trated with the best of half tone engravings showing the business which is done by the company. To those who have an idea that Japan is in the rear rank in modern methods of business, a perusal of these little publications will prove an awak-ening. The illustrations of the build-ings, the warehouses, the reception rooms for the convenience of customers in the stores, the mines and the various other things connected with the business Lower Mainland-Light to moderate winds, continued fine and warm.

minimum, 45; wind, 2 miles N. E.;

perature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, caim; weather, clear, Kamloops-Barometer, 29.66; temperature, 46; minimum, 46; wind, caim; weather,

ture, 34; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, clear. San Francisco-Barometer, 29,94;

san Francisco-Darometer, 20-4, temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .08; weather, cloudy, Port Simpson-Barometer, 20.80; temperature, 40; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, 40; minimum, 32; wind, calm;

LIKELY TO PROTEST,

Straits for its Black Sea fleet the European powers are likely to protest. For over sixty years the Dardanelles have been closed to war vessels of all nations except with the consent of Turkey. It is the jealousy of the nations which has proved the protection of the Ottoman Empire, and its independence and territorial integrity has been a clause in various treaties. It is difficult to understand why this should be a cardinal factor in European continental politics, and it is suggested that everyone should enjoy the use of Dardanelles—just as in Canada everyone enjoys the use of Dardanelles Turkish eigarettes. They can be had with cork, silver or plain tips at all dealers.

give instruction to even the leading establishments in what are considered more advanced lands.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Iroquois from Nanalmo-E H Henley, S Leiser & Co, E McPherson, B C Market Co, Valo & Brooks, Brown &

M Co; F R S & Co, Cal Prod Co, A & W



Celluloid Starch Never Sticks. Requires no Cooking

TRYING EXPERIENCE OF AL. G. FIELD'S MEN

They Were Dressing for Performance When Laid Out - Occurrence Affected Entertainment.

There are six members of the Al. G. Field minstrel organization who are unlikely to forget their engag at the Victoria theatre last night. They played a part not on the bill, markedly different from the irresistible comedy OF DOING BUSINESS expected from them by an audience e fortably seated in the playhouse. The esult was that several were unable to take their parts, and the performance was abbreviated, much to the disappoint ment of patrons who had hoped for the mpletion of the programme

The little drama in real life referred to occurred a drama in real fire referred to occurred a short time before the curtain was rung up. The members of the troupe had gone to their dressing rooms under the stage, and were "making up" for the first part. They had been so employed but a few minutes when one of the men gasped, threw up his arms, vainly attempted to get out and fell. A vainly attempted to get out and fell. A number of his fellow minstrels became

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The Mitsui House is a collective body, a joint association consiting of eleven families in their joint name and under the system of unlimited joint liability. It is conducted upon rules framed from the verbal will of Takatoshi in 1722.

At the head of the family at present is Baron Hachiroyemon Mitsui. The business conducted including the following departments: Banking, foreign and domestic trading, mining and dry goods. The banking institution is the largest in Japan, and has branches throughout the whole empire. In the foreign trading department the well known firms all over the world are represented. The company represents the American Bridge Co. of New York, the Carnegie Steel Company of Pittsburg, and Vickers Sons & Maxim, John Musgrave, Belliss & Moreun and other firms of England. In the shipping business is a most extensive one. The Mike collery is a concession held by them. The six mines

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Tommy Donnelly and Harry Snunk. Of the specialties the hoop rolling of the Young brothers was a marvellous exhi-bition of skill and accuracy. The Dark-town Circus, a laughable burlesque, closed the performance. A whole page of features were eliminated, and despite of features were eliminated, and despite the contretemps in the dressing rooms, this was not altogether excusable. If the company were unable to carry out the programme the audience were entitled to know the reason why. As it was quite a number retained their seats for a brief period after the final curtain as they thought more was to follow.

To a Times representative this morning Dr. Robertson explained that the gas which overcame the minstries was carbon monoxide, due to imperfect combustion, particularly of coke. It was very insidious, and could not be detected until one was overcome. One who very insidious, and could not be detected until one was overcome. One who was affected more seriously than the others was an acrobat who had gone down some time previously for a sleep. It is unnecessary to say that his "turn" was not a feature of the evening's performance.

"Harriet's Honeymoon." one of the really genuine hits of the season in New York city, which is being so successfully presented everywhere by Mary Mannering, is generally stated to be a particularly happy blend of merriment and sentiment. It is a comedy in three acts by Leo Ditrichstein and differing widely from most of the recent stage plays. It is clean and wholesome from start to finish. The plot is worked out among the picturesque surroundings and with the quaint types of character which are "Harriet's Honeymoon."

Will You Write a Postal So a Sick Cne May Get Well?

invariably found at German health resorts, and while the situations are most laughable the coming portrays a young American bride in her honeymoon trip, and is said to have a part better suited to all of her capabilities than anything she has ever tried before, for not only does it offer her ample opportunities to display her known skill as a comedienne, but in the stronger scenes she shows conclusively that she is an emotional actress of great power. Frank McKee, under whose management Mary diannering is presenting "Harriet's Honeymoon," is said to have given the comedy a very elaborate stage setting, and to have surrounded the star with a well-balanced company of excellent players. "Harriet's Honeymoon" is to be presented by Miss Mannering at the Victoria on next Friday evening. Send no money—simply a postal card, giving the name of some one who needs help. Tell me the book to send.

Then I will do this.—I will arrange with a drugglist near him so that he may take six bottles Dr. Shoop's Restorative. He may take it a month at my risk. If it succeeds, the cost is \$5.50. If it falls, the drugglist will bill the cost to me.

That month's test will show you what the remedy can do. It is the easiest way to convince you. It is the only way to induce all who need help to accept it.

I make this offer to multiply my cures, and i aim willing to trust the cured ones

and I am willing to trust the cured ones to be fair with me.

In the past 1.2 years I have furnished my Restorative to hundreds of thousands of sick ones on just those terms, and 39 out of 40 have paid gladly, because they got well. I pay just as willingly when one says I have failed.

The remedy is my discovery, the result of a lifetime's work. I have perfected it by watching results in thousands of the mast difficult cases that physicians ever meet. I know what it will do.

My success comes from strengthening weak inside nerves, and my Restorative is the only remedy that does that. When an organ is weak i bring back the nerve power which alone operates every vital organ. It is like giving an engine more steam. I give the weak sgran power to do its duty, argan well, no other way to make a weak.

world, and was on the last through pas-senger train that left Port Arthur to cross Russia after the outbreak of hos-

Mr. Chester is a contractor to the Japanese government, and is largely interested in lumbering in the Mikado'strealm. He has large forest reserves in Tanegashima Island, situated at the extreme southern end of Japan. He is one of the few Europeans who have made a journey through Russia since the present war commenced.

Between Dalny and Harbin Mr. Chester says he' passed over 100,000 Russian soluters in military trains which were then being hurriedly sent out to

idnight.
United Kingdom, via Scattle, daily except Sunday, 7 p. m. United States, daily except Sunday, 7

roadbed and line is in generally fair condition, but that the trains make very slow time.

Mr. Chester was nearly frozen to death in crossing the famous Lake Baikal in Siberia. When he reached the half-way house, which is constructed every year in the centre of the lake, he 29th; 12 miduight. Dawson, White Horse, Alaska (per Co.

tage City), April 28th, 3 p.m.

day, 12 midnight

day, 12 midnigat. Salt Spring Island, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 12 midnight. Australia, via direct steamer, April 20th,

2 midnight.
China and Japan, via direct steamer, May
2nd, 6 p.m.

Mr. Chester snakes the astonishing statement that prior to last December Japan and landed 120,000 men in the vicinity of Ping Yang, Korea, from which point they were quietly distributed through that country. The men were all fully armed, and prepared to keep the field for an indefinite period. By this time, Mr. Chester is confident, his brigade will have joined the other 100,000 men who have been landed at some point on the Liao Tung peninsula.

"When the history of this war is written," said Mr. Chester, "it will be found that at least 10 per cent, of the Japanese soldiers in the field were women in the disguise of men. Should the Mikado find it necessary to issue, another call for troops, every remaining man, woman and child in Japan would As the ferryboat America was nearing Broadway. Williamsburg, with 500 passengers on board, Charles Kelly, the engineer, fell dead of apoplexy, and shere was no one in the engine room to answer the pilot's signals. The boat crashed into the bulkhead. The boat then careened to the other side of the slip and the rail and cablin of the men's side were wreeked. The steam was not sharp of men's

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years ago of pursuing a well-defined plan of municipal renovation and improvement beginning to be justified in the appearance of the streets of Victoria. one will deny now that the plan of laying down permanent pavements was a He would be accounted worse than a mossback who would dare to suggest that the money invested was illent, or that having gone so far it The permanent sidewalk idea has also becarried out fast enough to satisfy the aspirations of the majority of our city dwellers. All of which proves that once Victorians are started in the right directhey may be trusted to press forward towards the ultimate point.

And what about the larger works of a civic character? Has the money sunk wasted? Compare even the shadow of payers is the resignation of the chief which has been, and say whether we have been hasty in pressing for improve ment there? The noisome place will soon be one of the choice parts of the have they become renowned as adminiscity, pleasant to look upon, agreeable to trators during the recess. all the senses. That work of absolute ssity, the Point Ellice bridge, having been completed, Victorians may be excused if they pause for a time in con-

templation of completed undertakings. But for cities, as for individuals and for nations, there is little time for comvarious kinds increase in vitality or This appears to us to be a very commendable movement. If a blight were again to fall upon this important instihad befallen us individually. For that \$2.540,000,000, reason we should do all in our power as ladividuals to lessen the probability course, to natural causes; but Liberals that the fair is too remote an event to bother our heads with at present. Let use the 24th of May celebration over first, and then we shall be able to devote undivided attention to the later event. There are a few successful exhibitions held in Canada every year. For those few the preparations are probably being. made from one year's end to the other. Meanwhile a very considerable move-A successful show of any magnitude ment of Americans into Canada has set cannot be given on a month's or two in. Down to June 30th last, the Amerition is an event which should on no ac- west numbered 129,000. All that councount be permitted to lapse. All citizens try is being rapidly settled up, and a should join heartily in the demonstra- its population grows the demand for tions which mark the birthday of one of factory goods and general merchandise the noblest characters of the nineteenth from the older provinces increases. century and the best beloved monarch | It has been decided to proceed with of all times. But it must not be forgot- the construction of a second transcontiten that the status of the 24th of May nental road, which will cost the taxpay celebration and of the Industrial Exhi- er little, ensure competition and lower bition is entirely different. We should rates, and open the back country of the not forget the distinction between a older provinces as well as a new counstated period given over to rejoicing and try in the West. From being on a side an exhibition designed to serve purposes street when the Liberals came in, Canof utility. The one may be quite as es- ada has leaped to a front street; and sential as the other in the life of a nor- under the same wise and progressive mally healthy community, but the condi- rule is bound to grow apace in the futions which make for success in each ture. may, be entirely different. The one certainly the wonderful tide cannot be feature in common is the essential of a turned back. If the Tories were by some large attendance. Continuous work, in- mischance to be placed in power this and the confidence of exhibitors are fac- years of misrule the effects of the tors in the success of an exhibition. The efforts of the Laurier government. The management of the Victoria show has talents of Canadians have been directed

in hand. This will be the critical period. t the people remember it.

PARTIZAN BLUNDERING.

If Premier McBride hopes to meet the derstood that the government, with the sistance of altruistic promoters, has all but completed its railway policy. If that be the case, we expect a summons e people almost any day. Time is fleeting, summers are short. We pre-sume they seem especially short to such a busy man as McBride, who spends the greater part of his time dodging back purpose of keeping out of the way of to whom he has given pledges and who are growing more determined to pin down to a straight yes or no. If the Legislature should be called to-

policy that has been receiving the most serious consideration of the Premier and of his able coadjutor, Hon. R. F. Green (Hon, Charles Wilson, K. C., Attorney General, etc., administers his departnent from and draws his salary in the Terminal City) we submit it would be a matter of serious embarrassment to the government if one of the opposition. members were to get up and inquire whether all the troubles that had arisen through the appointment of straight Tory · Police Commissioners (without prospect of salary or emoluments) have been settled. Because we find in the last issue of the Phoenix Pioneer a statement in reference to the situation there, and it appears to be increasing in gravity. As the government seems determined to have its way and to force upon the municipality officials in whom its representatives have no confidence. city council has resigned. It is understood that the resignations are now in the hands of the Attorney-General, or that they would be in his hands if he were in his office attending to the business for which it is presumed he draws his salary. It is expected that a new election will be ordered. The Pioneer-says it is doubtful whether it will be possible to persuade six men to take up the burden imposed by McBride in the name of Conservatism. It seems the only thing that will satisfy the rate-payers is the resignation of the chief

of police and the police magisfrate.

McBride and his colleagues did not add lustre to their reputations as parliamentarians during the late session; no

REASONS WHY.

Sir Hibbert Tupper has been telling the people of Great Britain that "even under Liberal government there was no placent contemplation of the things left tide of prosperity." The Tuppers were behind. The watchword for a growing powerful factors in the government town in a growing country must always which preceded the rule which has progressive. We in Victoria have still wonderful tide of prosperity. It would sewerage system to complete. We be unreasonable to expect a member of must also establish our fall fair upon that bumptious family to confess that firm and permanent foundations. The fair any work in which it had a part was a is one of our most important institutions. failure. But it is true, demonstrably As the surrounding country fills up with true, that the tide of prosperity did not commence to run until the Tuppers and Island are developed and industries of those associated with them were turned spring into life, the importance of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier was installed. The exhibition will become more manifest. We observe that the management is en-deavoring to enlist the co-operation and of Tory rule, to \$407,000,000. It is support of the entire community by now four times greater than it was in offering for sale membership tickets. 1868. To put it in another way, the gross foreign trade during the last seven years of Tory rule, 1890-96, was \$1,-630,000,000, whilst for the seven years, tution, we should all feel that a calamity 1897-1903, of Liberal rule, it has been

The abounding prosperity is due, of

the preparations are probably being and the exodus has practically ceased. teeks' work. The Empire Day celebra- can immigrants to the Canadian North

ent direction, numerous exhibits year they could not entirely mullify by not begun preparations too soon, and into the most profitable channels, and if it is reasonably claiming the support of left alone the results will be more than the entire community in the task it has satisfactory.

Chicago police ordinary bobby times. They are to be medical training, as was ancounced in our dispatches a day or se ago. The idea is to teach them to retain their wits in cases of emergency. They are to be given medical ped to act in emergency injury and all will receive instruction. It is the intention to go through the entire fractures, drowning and poison cases. In near the wound and pressing, he may be carry a fainting person from a theatre to treat a person suffering from a frac tured leg will be shown. In cases of poisoning physicians say the policeman can save life easily be using remedies if he only knows of them ether to pronounce upon the railway Vinegar is a remedy the policemen will to secure a more potent one in the this for our Police Commissioners. The government will sustain them in anyalways be depended on to take the easiest path to peace and rest. These glorious spring days, so alluring in their tranquillity, should not be wasted in po litical wranglings.

There is some credit_in being connec ed with a continent on which all things Louis world's fair, judging from the col-lection of curios that is flocking in from all portions of the uncivilized world, will will be a huge concern, and it will be held on the "continent to which we be long." It will be so much bigger than anything of the kind that has preceded it, that comparisons are absolutely ous. In point of mere bigness is simply not in the comparison. Paris exhibitions to find something in grounds will embrace 1,240 acres. Chiengo's world's fair grounds contained 633 acres, those of Paris 336 acres. The roofed area of the exhibition buildings Exposition buildings covered only 125

Why cannot those medical fellows eave poor innocent mortals to work out their earthly destiny in peace? They say. now that kissing is far too prevalent that kisses all contain microbes in greater or lesser quantities. We sup-pose they will be issuing ukases next making the sterlization of ripe lips con

DIAMONDS OR PASTE How the Radium Test May Be Applied.

A comparatively new application of comparatively new discovery bids fair to be of practical use in the detection of the false from the true diamond. The expert dealer in those precious stones needs, it is true, no adventitious aid to detect at once the difference between the real and the spurious; but for the ordinary user, the buyer, or seller, the employing of a mere speck of radium enclosed in aluminium may be of esseutial service. One would be reluctant, indeed, to suggest that when "my lady," under stress of circumstances, pledges the family diamonds and wears paste instead, "my lord" would be able to find out the deception by a very simple and inexpensive process. pensive process.

Yet such is the fact. All that is ne-

Yet such is the fact. All that is necessary is togobtain, at a cost of between £3 and £5, % speck of radium, encased in a small plate of aluminium, indented at the top to hold the diamond. Place the diamond on the indentation over the radium, and take the whole into a dark room. Should the diamond be pure and true, luminosity similar to that of a clow worm will appeleim the reassuring clow worm will appeleim the reassuring

mation, "We have no details on which to go," said a leading representative, "So title is known about radium that one can say nothing as to its effect upon stones. It is not necessary as a test for us. We should know at once the difference between diamonds and paste."

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was a cut diamond. No effect was produced on sapphire or any other stones. Oh, no, we did not need the use of radium to show a true diamond! It was simply an experiment. The eyesight is quite enough for us."

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Weiler Bros., Government and Broughton streets.

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—Mr. Alfred Tripp, for many years with J. W. Mellor, and foreman for that firm since Mr. Mellor retired from business, has formed a partnership with Frank and George Mellor under the name of Mellor Bros., Ltd., at 83 Johnson street, and will carry a full line of wall papers, painfs, glass, picture frame mounts, artists' materials, etc., and are prepared to estimate on all classes of painting and decorating. On account of the general popularity of Mr. Tripp his business career cannot but be a success. See the advertisement in another column of this issue.

—To-night at the Edison will be the The remains of the late Mrs, G. Mowat were interred yesterday afterneon. The funeral took place from the residence, Blanchard street, and later at the First Presbyterian church. Religious services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell, assisted by Rev. Dr. Reid. There was a large attendance, and many beautiful floral tributes were presented.

See the advertisement in another column of this issue.

—Assembly hall was crowded last evening, the occasion being the closing dance of Mrs. Dickinson's and Mrs. Simpson's classes. All attending spent a pleasant time, those in charge of the arrangements having provided everything necessary to a thoroughly enjoys able evening. The J. B. A. A. decorations had kindly been left in place, and the floor was in splendid condition. Besides this, the musical programme, which was rendered by the Fifth Regiment orchestra, was both varied and lengthy. Dancing was continued, A general dispersal did not take place until the early hours.

This is the last day but four for the special reduced rate offer at the Skene Lowe studio, Be sure you do not miss it.

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As to Hosiery and Underwear



men, you know from your ex-ence that every once in a while find yourself "short" on this, or the other article. Look over that or the other article. Look over your supply and get "long" on everything you need in the line of men's fourishings, so your wardrobe won't be scant at the moment of your greatest need. Just now we have a splendid line of Socks, plain and fancy.

Plain Cashmere, from 25c to \$1 Fancy Cashmere, from 40c to \$1 Plain and Fancy Lisle, 50c to \$1 Plain and Fancy Silk, \$1,25 to \$3

Finch & Finch.

Successor to Geo. R. Jackson

-We have several odd typewriters at prices from \$30. These are snaps. Hin-ton Electric Co. IMPERIAL BANK -Court Columbia, Canadian Order of Foresters, No. 834, have postponed their regular meeting until May 26th.

-The Victoria Orchestral Society will

-A Saanich Indian named Harry was

charged with drunkenness in the police court this morning. He was fined \$5 and \$1 costs or fen days' imprisonment.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Mount Sieker and Brenton Mines, Ltd., will be held at Pioneer hall on Monday, May 9th, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when officers will be elected and general business transacted.

-Invitations to a social to be held at the Fives' Court, Work Point barracks, on Monday evening next have been issued by the warrant officers, staff sergeants' and sergants' club. This is the last of a very pleasant series of social gatherings under the auspices of the how pitable organization giving them.

—In the field of sport, as in target practice, the crew of H. M. S. Flora displays considerable skill. In a mile and a half race yesterday afternoon between two whalers, the Flora's men won from the Bonaventure by a boat's length. Another race for galleys will be pulled off, it is expected, on Monday.

The Lifeboat Association yesterday afternoon held its regular weekly meeting at the office of the secretary, Joseph Peirson, when the deed of trust was read and accepted. The secretary reported having urged the British Columbia members of the Senate and House of Commons to jase their good offices to secure assistance from the Dominion government.

There was a large attendance, and many beautiful floral tributes were presented. The following acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. J. T. Evans, John Cochrane, J. E. Church, W. K. Hueston, A. McEwen and W. J. Dowler.

-The police yesterday systematically dragged the waters of the Arm in the vicinity of Point Ellice bridge in consequence of the amounteement of Joseph I. Call on Saturday morning that he in-

repeat the successful concert recently given by them, on Thursday, April 5th, as a complimentary to F. T. Watkis.

NEW QUARTERS ARE ALMOST COMPLETED

Ficancial Institution on Old Pritchard House Corner.

in a few days. A big staff of workmen bank interiors in the province

a splendid scale:
The two Younger institutions, the
Royal and the Imperial, have lost little
time in following the lead of their older
competitors, and when the transfer of
the labor takes place in compeniors, and the latter takes place, in a few days, the Royal and Imperial will have pre-empted two of the busiest corners of the whole

stitutes an effective advertisement for this hustling young firm.

—An interesting suggestion was made by Superintendent Eaton at the last meeting of the board of school trustees. While discussing the question of providing accommodation for the overflow of pupils, he told of a visit to Seattle schools, where he had found portable rooms being used for the primary grades. These were lightly constructed, small buildings, and were placed on the grounds of the regular school. They were put together in such a way as to be easily taken apart and removed to another part of the city at short notice. Such a system, Mr. Eaton thought, would be of use here owing to the present conditions. They could be transported to different districts as required. He did not know what such a structure would cost, but was of the opinion that there would be comparatively little expense involved in its construction.

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-Last evening a meeting of the sec -Last evening a meeting of the secretaries of the associations of the Fifth Regiment was held at the drill hall-for the purpose of discussing the proposed excusion to Seattle or Tacoma. Ways and means for raising necessary funds was the principal business considered. Besides this, the question of transportation came up, but nothing was definitely decided upon. It was finally agreed that preliminary arrangements would be left until official permission for the outing was received from Ottawa. Another meeting of the secretaries will be held in the near fu-

from Ottawa. Another meeting of the secretaries will be held in the near future,

-Notice to patrons of barber shops.
On and after May 2nd, 1904, all barber shops will open at 8 a.m. and close at 7.30 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 p.m. Shops close all-holidays, 24th May excepted, when shaving will be 25 cents.

**Hall is an ideal accompanist, as every singer is willing to testify.

-R. L. Drury, M. P. P., opened the annual bazaar of the Epworth League of the Victoria West Methodist church, which was held in Semple's hall, yesterday afternoon and evening. The sale was most successful, and a considerable sum was realized. Miesses Firth, Staneil and the Misses Shakespeare presided over the candy table, Mrs. Okell and Gidley had charge of the Ladies' Aid stall. Another attractive stall was the one for which the Epworth League were responsible. Those in charge of this department were Miss A. Pamphlet, Miss Monteith, Miss A. Smith and Miss A. Walton, Mrs. Gladding, Mrs. Shink, Mrs. Dresser and Mrs. Monteith looked after the refreshment tables. In the evening there was a concert, which was well attended. Features were the dialogues and tableaux, a recitation by Mr. Bannister, and a vocal solo by Miss Lena Fenton. Addresses were delivered by Rev. George Dean and Rev. Dr. Osterhout.

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PEDEN'S

SEARCH WILL BE MADE

Elegant Apartments to Be Occupied by Indians Building Houses Out of Cargo-

The Imperial Bank of Canada expect The Imperial Bank of Canada expect to move into their new quarters at the sorner of Yates and Government streets in a few days. A big staff of workmen is a few days. A big staff of workmen the control of the Island early this month and reported not is a few days. in a few days. A big staff of workmen have been employed on the building for some time, and when Manager Gibb and his corps of clerks take possession it will be with the proud consciousness that they have one of the most attractive bank interiors in the province.

bank interiors in the province.

In this connection it is noteworthy that the banking institutions of the city are now all established in commodous and elegant quarters specially fitted up for their use. The banks of Mentreal, of B. N. A., and the Cahadian Bank of Commerce have long had these advantages, while last year the second named rebuilt and equipped their property on a splendid scale.

The two younger institutions, the

where she now lies, as the hold, full of cliry.

The new Imperial quarters, which occupy the site of the old Pritchard house, are finished throughout in quarter oak, the floors being tiled and the other fix fures being of oxidized copper. The entrance will be through a door in the front corner, while the manager has a cosy private office at the front end facing Government street. Back of his office are the offices of the teller and of the remainder of the staff, their respective departments being equipped with the most modern labor-saving devices. Everything has been arranged with a view to economy of time. The lower part of exch partition below the open work is of plate glass, so that there is an almost mimpeded view by the customer. A commodious vault with an upper story for filing old documents has its place at the rear of the room.

One of the most gratifying features in connection with the whele work is that the fixtures throughout were installed by a local firm, Carruthers, Dixon & Howes, who are deservedly capturing a large trade which hitherto was obtained out of the room are deservedly capturing a large trade which hitherto was obtained out of the room of the most gratifying the most interesting matter which can be determined now is waterlar all the crew made.

connection with the whole work is that the fixtures throughout were installed by a local firm, Carruthers, Dixon & Howes, who are deservedly capturing a large trade which hitherto was obtained out of town. The high class character of the job which is now being completed con-stitutes an effective advertisement for this hustling young firm.

writes: "I have been a sufferer from Throat and Nasal Catarrh for over 20 years, during which time my head has been stopped up and my condition truly miserable. Within 15 minutes after using Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder I obtained relief. Three bottles have almost, if not entirely, cured me." 50c. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—73.

Look at Your Suit

In which Miss Underhill simply convuised in which Miss Underhill simply convuised the suddence.

"Fool Youngens," by James Whiteomb Riley, was given as an encore, and proved to be one of the eleverest little hits heard for some time.

The church was beautifully decorated by Miss Bishop, and four young ladies took up the collection. They were Miss Galbraith, Miss Bishop, Miss Strachan and Miss Freeman. It was a splendid entertainment from beginning to edd, and proves that Victoria has an elecutionist of whom it may be proud.

Tweed Suitings

Merchant Tailor.

FOR HER LOG-BOOK

Queen City Brings Ore and Lumber.

"Everything from the water line up is demolished, with bows and stern stove in, but the keel and bottom of the bull is in as good condition as it was when

where she now lies, as the hold, full of lumber, was intact, and there are the broken remains of the cabins, hatches and ladders amongst the wreckage.

"I have been trying to locate the log book, etc., to throw some light on the matter, but have not succeeded as yet.

"The Indians have removed nearly all the lumber, and streked it up back in

entertainer was never more in evidence than it was last night, when Calvary Baptist church was crowded with an enthusiastic and appreciative audience to hear the talented young lady in a recital

ALMOST EVERY WOMAN

Is inclined to habitual constitution and should use Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Man-drake and Butternut, which cleanse the system and regulate the stomach and bowels. For mild and sure relief use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Price 25c.

-Scamer Charmer left Vancouver at 1.45 o'clock, and connected with the Eastern train.

Mrs. Brown-You don't seem to like Mrs. White? 'Mrs. Black-Oh, I like her well enough, but then she's so eccentric. She actually thinks one should dress for comfort and not for looks.

Aerated Mineral Waters

IMPORTED AND LOCAL. Wilhelm's Quelle Katural Mineral Water, bottled in Germany, in fine con

dition, per dozen quarts.

Schwepp's Seltzer Water, per dozen

Apollinaris Water.

Ross's Belfast Ginger Ale.

The Saunders' Grocery Co., Ltd.

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Our Tackle catches fish and holds customers. We have everything except the fish. Extra tips and joints made to order. At

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For Sale by All First-Class Grocers.

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Johnson Street Assessed Value \$1,600.

Our Price, \$900 Dwellings erected on this would let

P.R.Brown, Ltd.,

FOR SALE Good Land Close to the City.

Suitable for Fruit.

SWINERTON & ODDY.

102 GOVERNMENT ST.

garrison at Work Point berracks, de-serted last, Tuesday and has not been close all holidays, 24th May excepted, when shaving will be 25 cents.

* Hall is an ideal accompanist, as every singer is willing to testify.

A new twenty-foot gasoline launch has just been finished by T. C. Jones for Bradley Dyne, of Saturna Island.

20 YEARS OF VILE CATARRH.—Chas.

O. Brown, journalist, of Duluth, Minn., writes: "I have been a sufferer from Throat and Nasal Catarrh for over 20 years, during which time my head has been stopped up"

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Herbert Cuthbert, secretary of the Victoria Tourist Association, returned this afternoon from a trip made through Southern California, Mr. Cuthbert reports that while the travel to the coast this year does not promise to be as large as that of last year there was every indication that British Columbia, and Victoria in marticular, wand see more of

dication that British Columbia, and Victoria in particular, would see more of
it. According to estimates 100,000 people will visit the coast this year. The
C. P. R. was doing all in its power to
encourage travel in this direction, and
their influence in this connection, the
tourist representative says, is equal
almost to an agent in every city. Mr.
Cuthbert went about as far south as the
Mexican boundary, and his experience,
he stated, only serves to make him the
more appreciative of his own city.

Always Remember the Pall Name Cures a Cold in One Day, Orip in 2 Days

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All the BASEBALL **CLUBS**

In the City Give us a share of your trade and we will appreciate it.
Louisville Slugger Bats.
League Balls, etc., etc.

M. W. Waitt & Co., LIMITED, 44 GOVERNMENT ST.

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39 FORT ST. CLAY'S

Songs and Selections

-FROM THE-Silver Slipper

"Champagne Dance."
"The Girl You Love."
"Tessie." Now in Stock at

IMPORTANT WANTING A Summer Suit?

You should call and inspect the fine assortment of light weight Tweeds, Worsteds, Serges and Finnnels carried by

Thomas & Grant, 76 Douglas Street, Brunswick Block.

Heintz Pickles

Sweet and Sour--In Bulk. Fresh Goods.

20G-- PER QUART--20G MOWAT & WALLACE,

YATES STREET GROCERY.



ATHLETICS.

DIFFICULTY OVERCOME.

The difficulty experienced by the management of this from the public schools, and it is probable that the junior teams wish to have their league come under the management of this from the public schools, and it is probable that the junior teams wish to have their league come under the management of the same as in past seasons. Should the junior teams wish to have their league come under the management of the amateur association all that has to be done is to express such a desire. There was some discussion after the entries had been announced. It was agreed that all the teams likely to compete in the senior series had entered, but the general opinion was that if the time for receiving the problem of obtaining suitable grounds its exceedingly gratifying to members of the V. W. A. A.

BASEBALL.

CHAPTER OF MISFORTUNES.

The game looked for on Saturday be-tween the Lopez team, of Seattle, and Vic-toria has been cancelled by the management Emerson has not yet left San Jose for

Emerson has not yet left San Jose for Victoria, and it seems as though he was lost to Victoria. In a telegram received from him yesterday he was undecided as to whether he would come or not. Kent has backed out and will not come. Eric, although here, cannot play for another week on account of his injured finger.

This condition of affairs leaves the team anything but complete, and rather than

anything but complete, and rather than it was decided not to play this week, but open with Everett on the 7th of May.

Several players are being communicated with, and in the event of Emerson not coming his position, as well as that of eatcher, will be filled with first-class play-

A MAINLAND LEAGUE.

"Amateur baseball gives promise of booming in Vancouver this season, and, judging by the enthusiasm displayed, at a meeting of the amateur clubs in the city, the National League will look like 30 cents beside the local league," says the Vancou-ver News Advantage.

"The meeting was largely attended, there eling over 20 delegates present, representing the following clubs: Nationals, Ironorkers, Little Potatoes, Athletics and law Westingster.

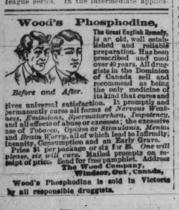
There was much enthusiasm among ose present when Mr. Malcolmson, of New Westminster, announced that W. O.

that the clubs have organized a

ror dimmy intended in the first place to play for Tacoma, and now he is signed on. If anybody has changed minds it is some of the players intended to fill the ranks of the Victoria team.

FIELDER.

SCHEDULE DRAFTED. An important meeting of the Victoria amateur league was held last evening at the office of Chief Watson, central fire hall. There was a good attendance, delegates being present from the Victoria West, Fernwood, Hillside, North Ward and A TRIP PROPOSED. West, Fernwood, Hillside, North Ward and the Independents. The chair was occupied by Geo. Coldwell, in the absence of the don, writing to H. D. Helmeken, K. C.,



unior league. In regard to the latter it might be stated

receive any applications addressed to him at the Y. M. C. A.

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The business of drafting a schedule of games for the senior series was next proceeded with and resulted as follows:

May 14th-Victoria West vs. Hillside.

May 28th-Hillside vs. Fernwood.

June 11th-Victoria West vs. Fernwood.

June 25th-Hillside vs. Victoria West.

July 9th-Fernwood vs. Hillside.

July 23rd-Fernwood vs. Victoria West.

August 2rh-Hillside vs. Fernwood.

September. 3rd-Fernwood vs. Victoria West.

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BASKETBALL.

PRACTICE YESTERDAY. Last evening a practice of the "business men's" class of the Y. M. C. A, was held dn preparation for the match announced to be played with the J. B. A. A. Intermediates on Friday evening anthe Y. M. C. A good game. The J. B. A. A. team, it is reported, is in the best of trim and confident of victory.

A PROMISING SEASON.

Members of the Victoria club are looking forward to what promises to be a most successful season. All the old experts will ing the following clubs: Nationals, Ironworkers. Little Potatoes, Athletics and
New Westminster.

"It was unanimously decided to organize
an inter-city Amateur Basebail League,
comprised of four clubs from this city and
one from New Westminster. The election
of officers for the ensuing year resulted as
follows: President, A. J. Mayo, Vancouver; vice-president, S. Malcolmson, New
Westminster; secretary-treasurer, J. D.
Fewler, Nationals. The executive committee will consist of two members from each
of the clubs represented in the league.

"There was much enthusiasm among be seen on the courts again, and, if indica

The Vancouver club is preparing for th coming senson, and has elected the following officers: President, C. M. Beecher; first New Westminster, announced that W. C. Chamberlin, the well known Jeweller of the Royal City, had decided to offer a cup for competition among the clubs. The offer was accepted with thanks.

"A letter was read from the Nanaimo Baseball Club, asking for a game with a local nine to be played on May 24th. It was decided to accept the challenge, and a combined team will journey from here on that, day to cross bats with the Coal City nine.

"A league Proposed.

"It has recently been proposed to form a league for the North Pacific Coast, and as league for the North Pacific Coast, and as league for the North Pacific Coast, and as league for the North Pacific Coast, and as

"Now that the clubs have organized a league, the local fans will have an opportunity of witnessing the peopular game. here this season. Last season the teams put up a splendid article of bail, and the game were always largely attended. It was an excellent move when the New Westminster club was admitted into the league. The Royal City club has a strong gine this season, and the rivalry between the two cities promises to be keen."

"CHANGING MINDS."

To the Sporting Editor:—In regard to changing of minds, I think the person who said Jimmy Holness changed bis mind seventeen dozen times is entirely wrong, for Jimmy intended in the first place to play for Tacoma, and now he is signed on.

MEETING TO-NIGHT.

Hon. J. H. Turner, agent-general in Longresident, T. Watson.

After the transaction of the usual routine busines, the first matter taken up was the entries for the senior, intermediate and junior leagues. Teams from Wietoria West, the Fernwood Athletic Association and the Hillside club announced their intentiar-to-compete in the senior league series. In the intermediate application and the Hillside club announced their intentiar-to-compete in the senior league series. In the intermediate application and the proper and all effects of a British Columbia Visit, I shall be happy to assist here, and make arrangements for matches. You, no doubt, know that they play lacrosse here by winter. I think on account of nearly very day in summer being sist in the Dominion the only medicine prescribed and realistic proparation. Has been prescribed and used over 40 years, All druggists in the Dominion the only medicine of the winter play, but next year, 1905, the series of the commend as being the only medicine of the commend of the commend of the commend of the commend of the com

Scottish red deer have permanently established themselves in several parts of the south island of New Zealand.

BOY KING'S PALACE.

Where Alfonso Lives and How They Guard Him in His Sleep.

The Infanta Isabella, aunt of the King, a widow of 60 years of age, and the most popular person in Spain, formerly had a large suite of apartments on the main floor of the palace, but with her usual delicacy and thoughtfulness she vacated them after the coronation in order that they might be ready for the queen mother in case the King should marry. Isabella now lives in a private palace within a few blocks of the royal residence, and is a daily visitor there.

The young King and his mother have large suites on the front of the palace, facing the city, and the location of their bedrooms is indicated by the invariable palm leaves attached to the balcony, according to the Spanish custom. You will see similar palm leaves hanging to the balconies of nearly all the residences in town, those of the poor as well as the rich. The Infanta Isabella, aunt of the King,

town, those of the poor as well as the rich.

A sheet of white paper tied to the iron railing means that the room is for rent, a-pain leaf means that it is the sleeping chamber of a pious Catholic, who brought it home from church on the last Palm Sunday, and placed it there to keep hway evil spirits, diseases and misfortunes. It remains there the entire year until the next anniversary, when a new pain, fresh from the blessing of the priest, is substituted.

The King has very comfortable quarters, much more homelike than are usually found in royal palaces. He has a series of drawing rooms, a dining-room larger than that at the White House at Washington, a library with about 6,000

larger than that at the White House at Washington, a library with about 6,000 volumes upon the shelves, mostly modern publications and current literature in all the European languages; a music room, a smoking room, billiard room, gymnasium and study, which is also used as an office. His sleeping chamber is large and airy, and contains two beds, one of which is occupied by his private secretary, or one of his tutors or aides, as they are termed since the coronation—Major Lorija, Major Casteljon or Count Andino. He is never allowed to sleep alone, and in an adjoining room sleeps Prudencio, his venerable valet, while two of his body guards are always in the anteroom.

guards are always in the antercom which must be passed before his chambe

Some of these rooms are occupied in common with the Queen mother, but she



The letter of Miss Merkley, whose picture is printed above, proves beyond question that thousands of cases of inflammation of the ovaries and womb are annually cured by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAE MES. PINEHAM:—Gradual loss of strength and nerve force told me something was radically wrong with me. I had severe shooting pains through the pelvic organs, eramps and extreme irritation compelled me to seek medical advice. The doctor said that I had ovarian trouble and ulceration, and advised an operation. I strongtly objected to this and decided tion, and advised an operation. I strongly objected to this and decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I seen found that my judgment was correct, and that all the good things said about this medicine were true, and day by day I felt less pain and increased appetite. The ulceration soon healed, and the other complications disappeared, and in eleven weeks I was once more strong and vigorous and perfectly well.

"My heartiest thanks are sent to you for the great good you have done me."—Sincerely yours, Miss Margaher Merkley, 275 Third St., Milwaukee, Wis.—\$5000 perfect if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

For Strenuous Life

it is necessary to have your system in good working order—to have an energy born of periect health and strength—it is imperative that each organ be kept in free action, and BEECHAM'S PILLS are foremost of the few things that will do it.

For Active Brains

your liver must be right, your stomach in a healthy condition and your kidneys properly performing their peculiar functions, or your body won't stand the strain and your brain won't be active. If you would have a clear head and keen perception, get a box of BEECHAM'S PILL'S, use them and see how much more alive you will be.

For Perfect Health

there is no greater promoter than these famous Pills. You will find it so all over the world, and, mark you, the most perfect specimens of manhood, womanhood and childhood are the

BEECHAM'S

has her own suite of five or six rooms adjoining, with access to the flat roof or a long wing which is occupied by the guards and the intendente, or superintendent of the palace. This is arranged so that awnings may be dropped in hot weather, and is decorated with palms and other plants and flowers. It also gives the King and Queen and opportunity for exercise, the roof being about 400 feet long and 40 feet wide.—Chicago Record Herald.

The Pine Brook breaker of the Scran "The Fine Brook breaker of the Scranton Coal Company was almost completely destroyed by fire on Tuesday. The loss is estimated at \$60,000, with insurance at half this amount. All of the 600 men at work in the mine when the fire broke out, together with the mules, were gotten out in safety. The Scranton Coal Company is subsidiary to the New York,

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We rent tents cheaper than ever; new and second-hand. We have a large assort-ment of tents, bags and covers, all grades, sizes and prices. At the largest and best equipped sail loft and tent factory in the city. Established 22 years. 125 GOVERNMENT ST., UP-STAIRS.

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NOTICE.

I. Evan Baker, beg to give notice to the sublic that I will not be responsible for any lebts contracted by my wife, Mary Baker, from this date. EVAN BAKER.

NOTICE. All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimatt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comoa District, on the East by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY, Land Commissioner.

Notice to Creditors

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CHAPTER XIII.

Dick Gives His Word.

Never had Dick Knight been in such a al-de-sac of difficulty. He took the aper which the man Brown had rought to him, and sat with his style-

"I will then send word to those who await a message from me that I am safe, and the girl of your love will also be safe—for to-day."

"You talk no more now of 'magic. mirrors.' You admit that Miss Markham has been kidnapped by your friends. "With that I have nothing to do. As I said of her, monsieur, I am but an investment of the send of her, monsieur, I am but an investment of the send of her word and the send of his sight or to touch anything. If she suddenly develops a faculty for speaking his own language and asks questions, he is not to answer them."

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

"You say, if I let you go, she will be safe for to-day." What do you mean by that?" I mean that no harm shall befall her "I mean that no harm shall befall her for the present. But unless monsieur leaves Gibraltar and the yacht Xenia, she will not be returned to her father, nor can I answer for her safety beyond to-morrow."

"What if I leave the Xenia and go to Tancier?"

(To be continued.)

On Friday afternoon away up on the

with the right of purchase two years ago, and lie to the north of the railway line. Breckenridge and Lund's coal lands are on the other side of the track. lands are on the other side of the track, An English company has been floated to develop the coal lands, with a capital of f150,000, of which f200,000 has already been underwritten. An English engineer will come out in June and development work will be at once started and vigorously proceeded with."

PROENIX.

Rev. T. Green, when interviewed by a Phoneer scribe regarding the Methodist church building prospects, stated that he expected to be able to call for tenders in a couple of weeks. It is thought that the plans will arrive in a few days, and then the work will be rushed. Many of Mr. Green's friends in Toronto have contributed; over \$300 already having been donated, on condition that it goes toward the first church built by Mr. Green. To make this money available for the Phoenix Methodist people, it will be necessary to raise a belance of about \$600. The prospects for scening it are bright. With this money in hand, together with what will come from outsiders, the church can be built with a very small debt? which can be secured from the church aid and parsonage fund at a low rate of interest. Mr. Green said further that the Methodist people are tired holding services in halls and stores when, by a special effort, they can secure a small church building which can be run at less expense than it now costs for rent.

from Michel. The victim of this affair was an Italian named Floreani Cappellani, who had worked in the Michel mines for the past nine months. He was run over by an express, and his body was cut in two pieces about the middle. It appears that the deceased, his brother and two companions went down to the Loop hotel, and in the evening Cappellani started for home ahead of the others. He was under the influence of liquor at the time. He walked along the railway track to a point near the tank where a sharp turn hides the track from the west. Here he evidently lay down on the track. The express came along at about 8 o'clock when the shadows of dusk mide distant objects hard to distinguish. The driver did not snadows of clusk made distant objects hard to distinguish. The driver did not see the man until he was within two car lengths of him, and he could not stop the train. Coroner Trites gathered what information he could as to the manner in which the man met his death and he decided that an inquest was unnecest. in which the man met his death and he decided that an inquest was unnecessary. The deceased was a member of the Miners' Union, and that order took charge of the burial. He was 26 years old and unmarried.

A serious accident happened on Mon-day to Every Clayton, a well known Burnaby rancher. He was attacked by a thoroughbred Jersey bull, owned by Claude Hill, and before assistance could be rendered the unfortunate man, he was badly gored. His condition is seri

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The second resolution was that the union should work with the Chinese Contractors' sown and connecting lines a circular calling attention to the necessity for properly and carefully marking and address.

should work with the Chinese Contractors'

Association.

An executive was formed, consisting of ten members from Vancouver, ten from Victoria, and ten from New Westminster.

Another meeting was held at the Royal City, when the resolutions passed at the Vancouver gathering were unanimously adopted. The Mainland delegates are upon this city and a meeting will likely be

adopted. The Mainland delegates are now in this city and a meeting will likely be held to-night, when the matter will be thoroughly discussed. The project, it is said, originated here.

One prominent Chinaman this morning informed a Times representative that no Chinaman would work in the canneries this year without an order from the union, and if a contractor did not adhere to the coned upon he would be unable

The collapse of a cake in the Robinson mine precipitated 43 natives two thousand feet to the bottom, says a Johannesburg dispatch. All were killed. The bottom of the shaft is a quagmire

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Telegrams received at White Horse from lower river points indicate that the Yukon is open practically all the way from Five Fingers to the mouth of the

Stewart.

It is also reported from White Horse that Capt. Wallace Langley will ship is master of the Casca this season. He was on the Prospector, which plied between Dawson and the head of navigation on the Stewart river, last season. Private W. A. Gallahan, of Company M. J'nited States artillery, stationed at

Private W. A. Gallahan, of Company M. United States artillery, stationed at Skagway, has been arrested on 4he charge of passing a forged cheque for \$225 on the Board of Trade saloon, Skagway.

Attracted by the mining country asound White Horse, Wilson Foster and his partner, James E. Moody, were tempted on arrival from Dawson to do a little prospecting for themselves. They found both placer gold and copper in every pan of dirt taken from the ground, as well as boulders of copper and gold quartz in every pan. Mr. Foster will undertake to secure an approach and economical plant to work this ground by concentrating methods after the World's Fair is over, and hopes to be able to ship a plant to White Horse during this year, including a Keystone drilling machine, with which to prospect for placer and mineral. A drilling outfit capable of sinking all sinch hole 1500 feet deep can be our Acystone driming machine, with which to prospect for place? and mineral. A drilling outfit capable of sinking a 6-inch hole 1.500 feet deep can be purchased new at St. Louis for the sum of \$1.000. A hole to bedrock can be put down in most cases on a creek claim in one working day of 10 hours to a depth of 20 to 50 feet. Pannings run from 1 own in most cases on a creek claim in one working day of 10 hours to a depth of 20 to 50 feet. Pannings run from 1 to 2 cents from the rimrock above the contractors. It is called the Chinese Cannery Employees' Union.

Several hundred Mongolian laborers met on Saturday night in the large hall of the Chinese Empire Reform Association, Vancouver. Various speakers declared that year after year men had signed to work at the canneries at certain rates of wages. Whither the contractors took the work too cheaply or the pack was smaller than expected, with the result at the end of the season that the contractors would not have very few miles of copper as well as sulphates and after a season's hard work in the canneries at the cond of the season that the contractor would not have very few miles of copper as well as sulphates and very few miles of copper as well as sulphates and after a season's hard work in the canneries without a string a small sized stampede to McIntyre creek, 13 claims having been taked on the creek is reached McIntyre creeks in the Yukon territory.

The following resolution was passed:

in the Yukon territory.

Mr. Foster has been instrumental in starting a small sized stampede to McIntyre creek, 13 claims having been staked on that creek and recorded on the 20th

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71. Each package or piece must be plainly marked with the name and address of the consignee, so as to ensure prompt delivery, even if separated from the waybill.

22. Marks on packages should be compared with the bill of lading, and correction, if necessary, made by the shipper or his representative. Old marks must be removed or effaced.

23. Tags should not be used when the nature of the goods will permit of the address being stencilled on packages. If

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will greatly facilitate their correct landing if shippers will also show on packages their name or trade mark. Consignments can then be delivered complete and errors avoided.

"6. Freight consigned to a place of which there are two or more of the

which there are two or more of the same name, must not be forwarded un-less the name of the county and prov-

"7. When freight is consigned to a place not on the line of a railway, the shipper must be requested to state the name of the railway station at which the consignee will accept delivery; or if destined to a place reached by a water line, the name of the railway station at which delivery is to be made to such mater line.

water line.
"The proper marking and addressing
of freight is as much in the interest of the shipper as of the carrier. Neglect
in the proper addressing of packages
may result in the loss or miscarriage of

SPRING SALMON RUNNING.

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Spring salmon are running on the Naas, and the Pacific Northern cannery was last week securing a good number of fish, reports the steamer Boscowitz, which arrived from the north last evening. The cannery, it is stated, is now managed by Mr. Wallace, of the firm of Wallace Bros. who ship a large quantity of fish in frozen condition. The steamer also brings news from the Skeenae of ice running freely in the river, and of the early approach of navigation. The steamer Hazelton, it was expected, would be able to get away for the head waters of the river with a heavy load of passengers and freight on the 28th of this month. The stern wheel steamer Mount Royal, another of the Skeena river craft, was met the 28th of this mouth, 'The sfernwheel steamer Mount Royal, another of
the Skeena river chaft, was met
this side of Queen Charlotte Sound,
bound north. The Boscowitz brought
south a small number of passengers, including a party of miners from Gribble
Island, Mr. Robinson from Kitimaat and
Mr. Pidcock.

GRAFTON ARRIVES.

H. M. S. Grafton, the flagship of the Pacific squadron, flying the broad pennant of Commodore James E. C. Goodrich, M. V. O., arrived this afternoon from an extended cruise along the southern coast of this continent. She southern coast of this continent. She was at Payta, February 15th; at Gruxillo, February 17th, Callao, February 19th; Milenda, February 25th; Anca, February 28th, Iquique, March 2nd; Antofogasta, March 6th; Coquimbo, March 9th; and Valparaiso, March. 21st. The latter was aer turning point, and, heading north, she came up the coast in easy stages. easy stages.

MARINE NOTES.

Five hundred tons of American pre-served beef is to be shipped to Japan on the steamship Empress of China, which is scheduled to depart for Yokohama and Hongkong on Monday afternoon

Charity Society here express the belief that Alexander Mackenxie, a professional beggar, who was once an electrical engineer, has invented a device for which he will win a prize of \$100,000 from the Inter-Borough Railway Company. So sanguine are the members of the society of the success of the patent that the device will be placed in the heads of a nature solicity, and a prace the hands of a patent solicitor, and a prasoon as the patent is perfected in Washing

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MINING STUDENTS COMING.

McGill University Men Will Put in Summer Work in This Province

Information has been received by the provincial mineralogist, W. T. Robertson, from Dr. J. B. Porter, professor of mineralogy, of McGill University, Montreal, to the effect that a party of students were leaving for field work in British Columbia. The party composed of third and fourth year students in mineralogy were supposed to leave Montreal on Monday of this week. They will make stops at Sudbury, Ont., Lethbridge and Frank in the Northwest, and at the Crow's Nest Pass, St. Eugene, Nelson, Ymir, Rossiand and Boundary in this province.

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It is hardly expected that the party will be able to visit the coast on this trip. They will reach Nelson probably about the 10th or 14th of May. It is three years since the McGill students paid one of these summer visits to British Columbia. Last year they took their summer course in Nova Scotia.

measures. An increased railway assessment was provided for, but the assessment was not to have been so high as that for which the present bill provides. The Mc-Bride government did not take advantage of the opportunities afforded them, and in consequence have introduced legislation which is oppressive in its character.

UNFAVORABLE TO PROJECT.

The Provincial Government Does Not Approve of Island Rahway Scheme,

The provincial government is not pre-pared to take, up the Vancouver Island railway project proposed by John Cain, of Port Angeles. Premier McBride is said to have considered that he gave a definite anpared to take up the Vancouver Island railway project proposed by John Cain, of Port Angeles. Premier McRitche is said to have considered that he gave a definite answer to that effect about ten days ago. The government's attitude on the question is that at the present time it would be impossible to underefake the proposition. While the members of the government express themselves as very anxions to see something done in the matter of constructing a railway on Vancouver Island, yet they are not prepared to accept the liabilities incurred in this project. The finances of the province are not such, in their opinion, as to warrant them in assuming the further liabilities involved, which would amount to \$100,000 annually.

A committee from the Victoria Board of Trade waited upon the government this morning in connection with the project. The committee sought to ascertain the government's attitude, which was not favorable to the undertaking.

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ed about it, the ex-minister said that he had not seriously considered the matter. He was aware that his name was mentioned, but nothing has been decided ujon. He has not been offered the nomination, and at present does not know whether he would accept of it.

Mr. Prentice, it is generally conceded, would have little difficulty in sweeping the constituency, if nominated. It is even said that if he were to allow his name to go in nomination that he would be elected by Leonard Frank, a business man of Althat if he were to allow his name to go in nomination that he would be elected by acclamation.

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The old government had made provision for increasing the revenues and had the bills in some instances prepared. It was not proposed, however, to press so severely upon the country's industrice as the present administration has seen fit to do in their measures. As increased validay asseesment was provided for, but the assessment was provided for, but the nonth. Altogether, Mr. Frank says, indications are that Alberni will boom this summer.

Bishop Perrin on his way from a visit to Alert Bay had the misfortune to sprain his anale at Vancouver. He will be incapacitated for some time. The trip of the purpose of inspecting the Indian mission situated there. He administered confirmation to five candidates on Sunday, April 17th, and attended to other duties. The Bishop was well, satisfied with the work of the Industrial Boys' school, the Girls' Home and the Day school, and says not proposed, however, to press so severely upon the country's industries as the present administration has seen fit to do in their measures. As increased validay asseesment was provided for, but the assessment was provided for, but the month. Altogether, Mr. Frank says, indications are that Alberni will be month. Allogether, Mr. Frank says, indications are that Alberni will be month. Allogether, Mr. Frank says, indications are that Alberni will be month. Allogether, Mr. Frank says, indications are that Alberni will be month. Allogether, Mr. Frank says, indications are that Albe

E. Gough, city clerk, of Nanaimo, is in the city. He will return to-morrow morning. Mr. Gough speaks very hopefully of the outlook at the Coal City. As a very good Indication of this he says that the pay roll has been increased considerably during the past month.

Hon. R. F. Green, chief commissioner of

lands and works, has rented the residence of the late Henry Brackman in Victoria West, and has taken up his residence there. He intends bringing his family to Victoria

in a few weeks.

W. N. Draper and wife, of New Westminster; W. E. Knight, of San Francisco; and Mrs. J. B. Robinson and daughter, of Bothgate, N. D., are among the guests at the Victoria.

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SEEKING A ROAD.

Deputation From Lillooet Dredging Con pany Is Here Interviewing Gov

ernment. There arrived in the city last evening a party headed by Robert Hamilton, of Vancouver. It is made up of representatives of the big dredging company operating in Lillooet. These are largely residents of Iowa, and include Samuel Cabin, of Iowa City; L. W. Lensing, B. B. Bliss, J. H. Skoksberry and E. E. Teeple, of Iowa Falis; C. L. Kinney, of Gundy Centre; W. J. Williams, of Ade; and G. L. Dobson, of Des Moines. J. Mulholland, of Lillooet,

Des Moines, J. Mulholland, of Lillo also forms one of the deputation.

This afterneon the party are interviewing the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works with reference to the building of a part of the country in which their company

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Seattle this afternoon—Mrw Jas Anderson, Miss O'Brien, W Singer, Mrs F C Boyd, Mr Spray, G M Lewis, Mr Cram, R D Merrill, Mrs Merrill, J L Moore, Mr Sullivan, Mrs Sullivan, E Groves, J C Schnurr, H 8 S Holden, M Montagnier, Sam Sea, Mrs Richardson, Mr Mitchell, Mrs Huntley, H M Westerveldt, Mr Wright, M Conroy, T Merrill, Mrs Merrill, Jas Breen, Mr Sullivan, Mrs McRay, R Ward, Mrs Morrison, Melliey, J D Hailey, Herbert Cuthbert, C C McKay, R Ward, Mrs Morrison, Henry Milher, J A Maynard, W G Sullivan, Mrs C M Munro, L P Munro, Mrs Munro, Mr Machette, Mrs Machette, C E Eastman, J W Kelly, W G Morris.

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The funeral will take place on Thursday at 2.30 p. m. from above residence, Friends please accept this intimation.

FIREMEN MISSING. ,

Three Men Believed to Be Burled in Ruins

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 27.—Three probationary firemen are supposed to be buried in the ruins of the John Stanley Soap Works in West Thirtieth street, which was destroyed by fire early to-day. The damage to the soap works is estimated at \$130,000. The lumber yards of the Dunbar Box & Lumber Co. also were healty demanded.