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Publishing Dispatches

Debate in the Imperial House of Commons Regarding Robert's Criticisms.

M. Balfour Denies Charge of Favoritism—"Bobs" Praises Buller's Strategy.

London, May 4.—Mr. Runciman's motion to reduce the war office vote led to a debate in the House of Commons regarding the Spion Kop dispatches.

In reply Mr. Wyndham said he regretted the grave insinuation that the secretary of war was guilty of an act of favoritism in requesting Gen. Buller to rewrite his dispatch.

Continuing Mr. Wyndham said he was prepared to discuss the question of the sentence and the despatch, but not of the honor or rectitude of the Marquis of Lansdowne.

At this point Mr. John Dillon, Irish Nationalist member for East Mayo, interrupted, saying he had never asserted that he wanted the dispatches published.

Stick to What He Had Written. and would have made a great show of candor if he thought no one would know what he had written.

Mr. Wyndham then said he thought Gen. Buller had merely been unlucky and that Gen. Warren's services should not be overlooked, adding that while in publishing the dispatches the government had acted on its own responsibility.

of the government, confidence in which he asserted had been so grievously shaken.

government's action. The government, he continued, was accused of Favoring One General at the expense of another.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, said Mr. Balfour could do as well to appeal to mere party loyalty.

A vote of Mr. Runciman's motion to reduce the war office vote in consequence of the government's action was taken, the motion being lost on a division of 146 to 215.

ADVANCE TO PRETORIA. Mounted Infantry Proceeding to Vet River—Passage of the Vaal.

London, May 4.—The war office this evening posted the following bulletin from Lord Roberts, dated Bradford, Friday, May 4th.

The mounted infantry have gone on to the Vet river; the rest of the force will reach there to-morrow.

"I found your medicine a blessing to me and my family."

There are women who feel something like a grudge against the children, who one after another rob their mother of her beauty and strength.

FEARFUL RAVAGES OF FAMINE. It Has Already Reached Limits Unprecedented in Indian History.

The terrible famine is raging in India and carrying off thousands. The government has great difficulty in furnishing drinking water, which must be hauled for miles by slow modes.

Who can describe the suffering, weeks and months which result in the insupportable death of multiplied millions?

There is no one taking thousands of dollars for India. Money must go by tens and hundreds of thousands.

Such sights hurt me so. A boy about thirteen years old came to-day and asked to stay.

Countless thousands have found a blessing to the body in the King's New Life Pills, which positively cure Constipation.

Sometimes when one is away from home one's troubles, it happens that the blankets on one's bed are not plentiful enough.

YOU WOULDN'T DO IT. YOU WOULDN'T THINK OF BLOWING POWDERS OR SNIFF ON A SORE ON THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR NOSE. WOULD YOU?

A well known lady of Springfield, Ont., writes a few commonplace words regarding her experience in trying Japanese Catarrh Cure.

NELSON NEWS. Live Ontario Village Where Dodd's Kidney Pills Are Valued.

Mrs. R. Fitzsimmons About Again—Thanks Dodd's Kidney Pills for it—Used About Two Boxes and Health Now Perfect.

Nelson, Ont., May 4.—Friends of Mrs. R. Fitzsimmons of this place will be pleased to learn that she is again, as is well known in this district, Mrs. Fitzsimmons has been more or less of an invalid for the greater part of the last twelve months.

She complained of a pain in the side. She grew so weak that she was, as she herself states, unable to walk.

THE RED HERKING. To the Editor:—Oh! Mr. Editor, what do you think of the great petition, emanating from the ranks of the present opposition?

THE BIG FOUR. To the Editor:—The old Turner crowd called a meeting to explain their position to the electors.

Major Drummond has arrived in England seriously ill and is not likely to return to Canada for some time.

THE HONEY BIRD. There are some exquisitely lovely birds in South Africa, others that are remarkable because of their extraordinary voice.

Attention is called to Secs. 23 and 24 of The Waterworks Regulation By-Law, 1898, which read as follows: "No person shall sprinkle or use in any manner whatsoever the water supplied by the city upon lawns, gardens, yards, or grounds of any description, except between the hours of 8 and 9 in the morning and the hours of 3 and 10 o'clock in the evening, unless the water so used shall be supplied by meter.

Water Commissioner, City Hall, April 20th, 1900.

COMMUNICATIONS. SANDON FILE.

To the Editor: I hear that the Fifth Regiment band are again to the front with an offer to give a sacred concert after church tomorrow evening in aid of the Sandon fire sufferers.

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RAW, FLAMING, ITCHING ECZEMA

Tortured These Children in Spite of All That Parents and Doctors Could Do.

They Were Miraculously Cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment, the World's Greatest Cure for Itching Skin Diseases.

These two cases illustrate what is being done in thousands of homes where Dr. Chase's Ointment is used for Eczema, Salt Rheum, Scald Head and other Itching Skin Diseases.



TOM SCOFF.

Mrs. H. E. Probyn, of Georgetown, Que., writes as follows: "Eczema came out on my little boy's face when he was about two months old, and lasted for about one year, when it was finally cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment.



BABY PROBYN.

Dr. Chase's Ointment stops the itching almost immediately and thoroughly heals and cures the most obstinate cases of skin disease.

TALKATIVE BIRDS. Feathered Songsters of the Volk With English Vocabularies.

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LIQUID FERTILIZER FOR PLANTS. CLEAN AND ODORESS. A 50c. Bottle Makes 50 Gallons.

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The National Cycle Automobile Co. Limited

The Tribune—the only mile a minute wheel. A "National" of course. That means Tribunes are locally guaranteed.

The National Cycle and Automobile Co., Limited, 34 King Street West, Toronto.

The Premier at Rossland

Says Platform Goes Further Than Semlin Government in Maintaining People's Rights.

Redistribution Bill to Be Delayed Until After Census Next Year.

Miners' Union hall, Rossland, was thronged to the doors on Monday evening by a throng which gathered to listen to the speeches delivered by Hon. Jos. Martin and his supporters on the political issues of the day. On the platform were the Hon. Joseph Martin, Hon. Smith Curtis, Mr. James M. Martin, ex-member of the provincial parliament, Mr. Thomas Forster, ex-Speaker of the Provincial House, and Mr. Christopher Foley, who presided over the meeting.

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eight-hour day; but they say don't legislate upon it, and don't have any penalty clause. In theory, but not in practice, they favor an eight-hour law. They believe, too, in the government ownership of railways in theory but not in practice.

Next the Premier alluded to the statements that have been made to the effect that he had joined Turner and made an alliance with Dunsmuir. In regard to the Turner combination he said that an endeavor had been made to have an alliance with him in the matter of bringing about the downfall of the Semlin government. He believed in party lines, but certain of his supporters were against them, and in deference to their judgment he had agreed with them for the time being.

Referring to the redistribution bill, Mr. Martin said he had been informed by Mr. Dunsmuir that there was a coalition about to be made and that the redistribution bill was to be entirely dropped. Mr. Martin, therefore, voted against the bill and threw out the government, so that it had no chance to pass.

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Going Up Stairs.

If you are suffering from anæmia (poverty of the blood) or from a weak heart the fact will be made painfully apparent every time you have occasion to walk up stairs.

On such occasions does your heart beat violently? Do you feel out of breath? Do your limbs ache, and are you easily exhausted?

These are signs of anæmia and heart weakness. Pale, sunken eyes, thin cheeks, loss of appetite, and general languor are other signs. Organic disease of the Heart or Consumption may easily follow if your condition is neglected.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

FOR PALE PEOPLE, cure anæmia and heart weakness, and banish all these symptoms. They make men and women strong and energetic, and are equally valuable for young and old. These pills make new, rich blood with every dose, and strengthen weak or exhausted nerves.

Mr. John Barley, Lachute Mills, says: "Up to about seven years ago I had always been a healthy man. At that time my health began to grow weak, and at last I was left almost a physical wreck. The least exertion would leave me breathless and exhausted for the last five years I am feeling better, able to do steady work for the best part of the time, and as the many medicines I tried failed to help me, I had begun to look upon my case as almost hopeless. Finally a friend urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and to my surprise after the use of only five boxes I am feeling better than I have done for years, and I shall always recommend them to my friends."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have also cured paralysis, locomotor ataxy, rheumatism, and sciatica; also all diseases arising from impoverishment of the blood, scrofula, chronic erysipelas, consumption of the bowels and lungs, general muscular weakness, loss of appetite, palpitations, pains in the back, nervous headache, and neuralgia, early decay, all ladies' weaknesses and hysteria. These pills are a tonic, not a purgative. Sold by all druggists or by mail post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

FAMINE SUFFERERS.

Berlin Contributes Over Half a Million Marks—Kaiser's Message.

Sima, May 4.—Emperor William has telegraphed to Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, as follows: "Full of the deepest sympathy for the terrible distress in India. Berlin has, with my approval, realized the sum of over half a million marks, which I have ordered to be forwarded for your disposal. May India feel that this action on the part of the capital of the German empire is from a deep sense of the sympathetic love for India which has prompted my people, and which emanates from the fact that blood is richer than water."

EMPLOYERS LOOK OUT.

A Change in Food Doubled the Wages.

The manager of a certain large pulpulation, who deprecates the use of his name in public, has experienced a curious change in his general character by reason of a change in the cells of his brain, brought about by a change in food and his experience is interesting, as given in his own words: "Up to a short time ago, I was always kind, both to myself and friends, as a very mild individual, obeying generally the Scripture injunction to 'turn the other cheek,' and let people run me generally, with a spirit of thankfulness that I was permitted to be alive."

Esquimaux & Nanaimo

error. It never deviated from its course or changed its position, except to drop its legs slightly when about ten yards off, and in line with my head. These it quickly drew up again, flying directly at my face, which so took me by surprise as to leave me hardly time to throw up my rifle as a guard, and to wave my left hand. This caused the eagle to pass above me with the rush of half a dozen rockets. Up to this time the thought of harming the bird never occurred to me. But I then faced about and fired at my retreating foe. Then with a rapid wheel it turned to see the attack, this time making an undoubted and intentional stoop at my head, in which it would have been successful had I not suddenly ducked. It was not a common bald eagle, but, as I afterward learned, a mountain or golden eagle.—The Cornhill.

HOW ONE GETS BILIOUS.

A sluggish liver fails to filter the bile from the blood, and when the poisonous matter goes through the body in the circulation, the whole system is tainted and deranged. This is called biliousness, and can be completely cured by Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, which act directly on the liver, making it healthy and active. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

A Mat and Rug Maker Speaks of DIAMOND DYES

The best and most successful makers of homemade carpets, mats and floor-rugs use the Diamond Dyes to color their rugs, yarns and wares. Every home dyer knows well that the Diamond Dyes give the fastest and brightest colors, and are the simplest dyes to use. Mrs. A. Y. Field, Bathurst St., Toronto, says: "During the last ten years I have made many mats and rugs from wool and cotton yarns and coarse yarns. The dyeing of the rugs and yarns I have always done with Diamond Dyes, as they give the richest and strongest colors. I am fully convinced that the Diamond Dyes are the safest and cheapest for all who make carpets, mats and rugs. I would not use any other kind of dyes."

THROUGH TICKETS TO ALBERNI VIA NANAIMO. Single Fare - \$5.20 Return - \$8.05

STAGE LEAVES NANAIMO EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY. RETURNING LEAVES ALBERNI EVERY MONDAY AND THURSDAY.

Eye Strain.

Why suffer headache and constant misery from eye-strain, when you can be absolutely cured by the use of glasses? I have given special study to this form of eye defect, and many in Victoria testify to the relief afforded by the use of glasses. I have given special study to this form of eye defect, and many in Victoria testify to the relief afforded by the use of glasses.



VIN MARIANI HAS FRIENDS EVERYWHERE. Immediate, efficacious, lasting, agreeable. Try this Tonic with friends everywhere—praised by one and all. Write for booklet with Portraits and Endorsements from celebrities. At all Druggists. Refuse substitutes. Canadian Agents, Lawrence A. Wilson & Co. MONTREAL.







Walter Baker & Co.'s Breakfast Cocoa. The firm of Walter Baker & Co. Ltd. of Dorchester, Mass. put up one of the few really pure cocoas, and physicians are quite safe in specifying their brand.

The National Cycle & Automobile Co. Limited. Columbia—Standard of the World. Now they're Nationals—locally guaranteed.

Provincial News. The opening services of the new Methodist church will be held to-morrow, and the concert and supper on Monday.

YELSON. Rev. Mr. Langbert, late of Prince Rupert, preached in the English church last Sunday, and will probably remain as permanent pastor of this congregation.

NEW WESTMINSTER. The funeral of the late Thomas Wilson, who died suddenly at Stoverson, took place on Thursday at New Westminster.

ROSSLAND. The by-law passed by the city council for raising \$25,000 for a fire hall and library was submitted to the ratepayers on Tuesday and was ratified by a majority of over 90 per cent.

NELSON. The C.P.R. will shortly place a freight and passenger office staff at Phoenix. The appointment of agent will probably go to one of the members of the Nelson staff.

ROBSON. A man named Maglio, residing on Robson street, captured a large and ferocious bald-headed eagle west of the city the other day. Maglio cut down a tree in which the eagle was nesting, on which the bird attacked him and lacerated with its talons.

MEN OF ALL AGES suffering from the effects of cold, influenza, and other ailments, are invited to try the famous 'Little Liver Pills'.

Mining News. The Lade brothers will leave shortly for their property, the Lade group, to continue the crosscut tunnel, and hope to catch the big lead, from which some big amount of ore has been obtained.

GREENWOOD. Work on the system of electric tramways to gridiron this district and make possible cheap transportation of ores and passengers, will begin as soon as the contracts can be signed.

YANCOVER. Many morning friends attended the funeral of Ernest E. Wartels, late city ticket agent of the Great Northern railway, which took place on Thursday morning at St. James' church.

THE OLD PROVERB. "A Stitch in Time Saves Nine" Applied Anew. Take Dyspepsia in Its Initial Stages—Use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets at the First Sign of the Disease.

GRIPPE'S LEGACY. Shattered Nerves AND Weakened System. A Montreal Gentleman Tells About It.

ATLIN MINES. Reliable information can be had by applying to RANT & JONES, Notaries, Mining Valuers and General Agents.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE. STORE STREET, VICTORIA, B.C. OPEN FROM 8 P.M. TO 10 P.M. The Institute is free for the use of Sailors and shipping generally.

STODDART'S JEWELRY STORE. Removed to 63 Yates st. door to Nicholites and Renauff. Everything Gets at Lowest Prices.

NEW WELLINGTON GOAL. Washed Nuts, \$4.25 Sack and Lump, \$5.50 Delivered. Also Anthracite Coal for Furnaces.

WEAK, NERVOUS MEN. Here is the source of health. If you feel nervous, despondent, weak in stomach, sleepless, easily depressed, with pains in back and shoulders, weak kidneys and generally wanting in energy, a steady, glowing current of electricity pouring into your system for six or eight hours every night will produce results that will astound you.

FREE TEST! FREE BOOK! I invite a personal call and will give a free test of my belt as well as advice as to whether it would be helpful in your case. If you cannot call I will send my beautifully illustrated 8-page book free by mail.

NORTH AMERICAN LIFE. THE OLD SAYING, "NEVER TOO LATE TO MEND," IS NOT TRUE IN REGARD TO MAKING PROVISION FOR THE FUTURE OF YOUR LOVED ONES; AS YOU MAY BE IN GOOD HEALTH TO-DAY, BUT BEFORE TO-MORROW DAWNS YOU MAY BE COLD IN DEATH.

LEE & FRASER, 11 Trowce Ave., Victoria, B.C. S. G. FAULKNER, PROVINCIAL MANAGER, VANCOUVER, B.C.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that I shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their meeting to be held on the 13th day of June, 1900.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned, Evesley, Wall & Company, of the corner of Port and Government streets, Victoria, British Columbia, have applied for a license to sell wine and liquors.

Tenders for Debentures. Sealed tenders endorsed "Tenders for Debentures" will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900, for the purchase of debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B.C.

Notice of Assignment. PURSUANT TO THE "CREDITORS' TRUST DEBTS ACT." Notice is hereby given that James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes, trading under the firm name and style of J. and C. A. Haynes, Grocers and Provision Merchants, of 82 Douglas street, in the City of Victoria, and Citizens of that City, in the Province of British Columbia, have by deed bearing date the sixth day of April, 1900, assigned all their real and personal property, except as therein mentioned, to Arthur Branchley, of 120 Belleville street, in the City of Victoria, in the said Province, Clerk in trust for the purpose of paying and satisfying ratably or proportionately and without preference or priority the creditors of the said James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes their just debts.

Notice of Assignment. PURSUANT TO THE "CREDITORS' TRUST DEBTS ACT." Notice is hereby given that David Reid Pottinger, of No. 72 Yates street, in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, Provision Merchant, having by deed, bearing date the 2nd day of April, 1900, assigned all his real and personal property, except as therein mentioned, to Arthur Branchley, of 120 Belleville street, in the City of Victoria, in the said Province, Clerk in trust for the purpose of paying and satisfying ratably or proportionately and without preference or priority the creditors of the said David Reid Pottinger their just debts.

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Cook's Cotton Root Compound. It is successfully used monthly by over 2,000 Ladies. Safe, effective, and adds to your beauty for Cook's Cotton Root Compound. It is no other, as all mixtures, pills and ointments are dangerous. Price, No. 1, 1 per box; No. 2, 10 degrees stronger, 25 per box. No. 1 or 2, mailed on receipt of prior order to two sent stamps. The Cook Company Windsor, Ont. For No. 1 and 2 sold and recommended by all responsible Druggists in Canada.

APIOL & STEEL PILLS. A REMEDY FOR IRREGULARITIES. Suppression, Suffering, Piles, Colic, Constipation, etc. Order of all chemists, or post free for \$1.00 from FRANK & SONS, LTD., Victoria.

# B. WILLIAMS & CO.

NEW ADDRESS 68 and 70 YATES STREET.

# GRAND OPENING DAY

## ON TUESDAY, MAY 8th.

### All goods half price for cash for this day only.

STORE CLOSED MONDAY.

SPRING STOCK COMPLETE.

### Political Situation

#### Mr. C. S. Ryder Says He Resigned Because of Private Reasons.

#### Sale of Columbian Announced—Westminster, Alberni and Nanaimo Politics.

The announcement in the Times an evening or two ago that the Columbian is about to change hands is borne out by the following announcement in the issue of yesterday: "The Columbian yesterday changed hands, but owing to the illness of the editor, Mr. George Kennedy, a proper announcement and satisfactory has been unavoidably deferred. The new management will assume control in a day or two."

It is said that Finance Minister Brown will be opposed in New Westminster by D. J. Mann, who is being asked to accept the nomination of the Independents there.

Frank Fletcher, C.P.R. land agent at Nelson, will run as the Conservative candidate in that district.

The Liberal Association of Nelson have decided against party lines in the contest. A minority of the convention were in favor of selecting a candidate and of making Dr. G. A. B. Hall the standard bearer. The argument of the majority, however, was that the Liberal would be to create a split in the Liberal ranks, and would result in the election of the Conservative, which would have had effect on the federal elections, prevailed.

A special to the Times last evening from Greenwood says: "Premier Martin and Hon. Smith Curtis were the speakers at a mass meeting held to-night at the Alhambra theatre. It was the largest audience ever gathered in Boundary district and surrounding camps contributed their quota to those present. If the government candidates thought to have the meeting their own way they must have been rudely surprised.

"Duncan Ross, a staunch Liberal, and editor of the Times, and who has, since the campaign opened, opposed the Premier, was present on the platform and backed up articles written in his paper against Mr. Martin. His arraignment of the Premier was strong and forcible, and though Mr. Martin denied in toto the charges against him, it was apparent that his opponent had only too well substantiated the same. Mr. Martin spoke for one hour and a half replying to the criticisms against him. He neglected, in a great measure, to tell the audience what his platform was, except in the matter of the government construction

of a railway from the Coast to Midway, construction of roads, bridges and trails, and the passage of a bill against Chinese labor, which the Dominion government had already declared ultra-vires. He was followed by Mr. Ross, who also spoke at length. Mr. Martin denied Mr. Ross's charges. Hon. Smith Curtis then took up a part of the government platform, and in turn was followed by R. B. Kerr, barrister, of Phoenix, who spoke on behalf of the government and the Liberal nominee for Rossland riding, the present Minister of Mines."

The Times Vancouver correspondent says: "Present indications go to show that when Finance Minister J. C. Brown enters the field as the government candidate for New Westminster, he will have a much-divided opposition. In an interview with your correspondent D. J. Mann said: 'I have not refused to run in Westminster, and will be a candidate as an independent against Mr. J. C. Brown, if the Conservatives will abandon the idea of running a candidate on straight party lines. If they insist upon running Reid on this ticket I will not stand, and they will go on in their own undoing, for in that event the Liberals will rally around Mr. Brown and he will be elected. Only on one other condition will I stand with Reid in the field, and that is as a straight Conservative candidate backed by the Conserv-

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ative party.' R. L. Reid, the party lines Conservative candidate, was here yesterday and had a conversation with Mr. Mann, and subsequently said: "Mr. Mann has spoken to me and actually asked me to reconsider my determination to run in Westminster. I informed him that I should do nothing of the kind, that I had been nominated by a regularly-called-convention of the party at New Westminster, and will fight it out on these lines to a finish. I told him that I did not choose to commit political suicide to gratify him. Mr. Mann will not run. The only two candidates in Westminster will be J. C. Brown and myself."

Writing from Nanaimo the Times correspondent says: "Cory S. Ryder, late Finance Minister, was seen by your correspondent last evening and said: 'I sent my resignation to Premier Martin a few days ago. I had private reasons for resigning. Mr. Martin sent me a telegram regretting that I had seen fit to take the step I did and congratulating me on my determination to remain loyal to the party. I am going to Cumberland in the morning and will doubtless run in the Comox district. If the government can find a stronger candidate than I, why then I will willingly give way to him and do all in my power to help elect him.'

"In referring to Mr. Brown and Mr. Macpherson joining the government party Mr. Ryder said that he was in a position to know that there were great surprises than that in store for the people, but at the present time he was not at liberty to give any hint as to their nature.

"There will be a convention at South Cedar to-night to finally settle on a candidate for that district, to oppose James Dunsmuir. At the present time there are two candidates in the field there—Rev. E. G. Taylor and John Riddell. Rev. Mr. Taylor is an English church clergyman, but has taken an active part in the politics of the district, and is a pronounced anti-Martin man, as is also Mr. Riddell, the labor candidate. Dr. Wakem is not being urged to run to any great extent, and it is not probable that he will be heard from as a candidate in any constituency.

"It is almost a certainty now that Mr. Dixon will be withdrawn from the North Nanaimo fight."

Mr. Macmillan, of Alberni, held a meeting in Hunt's hall, Alberni, on Wednesday, when he explained Mr. Martin's platform at some length, and also referred to the late Mr. Martin had won when in the government of Manitoba. Mr. Neill was present at the meeting, and occasionally parenthesized Mr. Macmillan's address with "hear, hear." Mr. Neill holds a meeting to-night, when he will explain his position. It is now said that Mr. Neill will not run as a Martinite, but as an independent. Should he fail to endorse the government policy at to-night's meeting, the supporters of the Premier will call a convention, when either Jax Redford, president of the Liberal Association of Alberni and a butcher there, or Wm. Lunson, rancher, will be nominated.

### METHODIST CHURCH.

District Meeting at Nanaimo—Annual Reports Submitted and Committees Appointed.

(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, May 5.—The annual meeting of the Victoria district of the Methodist church was concluded last evening. At the morning session the reports of membership and finances from the various circuits and missions were received. Total membership, 1,195; increase, 45. Total raised for missions, \$985; total raised for extensional funds, \$1,969. Total raised during the year, \$33,904, being an increase of \$8,000.

At the afternoon session reports were presented of improvement to churches and parsonages in the different fields.

The spiritual reports of Saanich, Cowichan, Salt Spring Island and Cumberland missions were received and filed. The following were elected to the various conference committees:

Stationing committee—W. H. Barralough, B. A.

Sunday school committee—Rev. W. W. Baer, Mr. Thomas Bryant.

Epworth League committee—Rev. W. H. Barralough, B. A., Mr. William Manson, Jr.

Missionary committee—Mr. C. Spencer, with Mr. S. Gough as alternative.

The following laymen were elected as delegates to the annual conference: H. Easton, N. Shakespeare, D. Spencer, S. M. O'Keil, A. E. Lewis, Victoria; S. Gough, T. Bryant, T. J. Shenton and William Manson, Jr., of Nanaimo; James Haggart, Wellington; B. A. Nangle, Cowichan; G. A. Horel, Salt Spring Island.

It was decided to hold the next annual district meeting at the Centennial Methodist church, Victoria, in May, 1901.

A special resolution was passed regretting the departure from the district and province of the Rev. J. C. Speer, and ascribing blame to the cause thereof, to be held by all.

The meeting then adjourned.

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All who see Mr. C. E. Collier, of Cherokee, Iowa, as he is now, cheerful, erect, vigorous, without an ache, could hardly believe he is the same man who, a short time ago, had to sit in a chair, propped up by cushions, suffering intensely from an aching back, in agony if he tried to stoop—all caused by chronic kidney trouble; that no medicine helped till he used Electric Bitters and was wholly cured by three bottles. Positively cures Backache, Nervousness, Loss of Appetite, all Kidney troubles. Only 50c. at F. W. Parrott & Co.'s drug store.

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### THE STOCK MARKET.

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New York, May 5.—The following are the closing quotations on the Stock Exchange: American Sugar, 114 1/4; C. B. & Q., 127 1/4; C. M. & St. P., 118 1/4; Manhattan, 94; People's Gas, 104; C. R. I. & P., 108; American Tobacco, 109; Atchafalpa, 70; Union Pacific, 74 1/4; T. C. & L., 81 1/2; Atchafalpa, 26 1/2; Louisville & Nashville, 81 1/2; B. R. T., 73 1/2; Northern Pacific, 75 1/2; Union Pacific com., 39 1/2; American Steel & Wire com., 39 1/2; money, loaning at 1 1/2 to 2 per cent.

Chicago Markets.

Chicago, May 5.—The following are the closing quotations on the Board of Trade: Wheat, 67 1/2; Corn, 40; Pork, \$11.90; Liverpool Wheat, 58 1/2d.

### PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Willapa from West Coast ports—Dr. Holston, Capt. McLean, J. C. Anderson, G. W. Maynard, W. M. Brewer, H. Burnett, C. N. Tubman, C. J. Sim, J. J. McKaye, Rev. G. Ellison, S. H. Toy, J. O. H. Linley, Hunters and Crew of schooner Annie E. Palmer.

Per steamer Victorian from the Sound—Raymond Whitcomb party of 12 people, F. Conrad, Mrs. McKenna, H. Deslover, A. McDonald, J. C. Jenkins, M. P. Randolph, Mrs. H. Deslover, J. T. Hickling, J. A. Sutcliffe, Epke Corbett, Mrs. McLaghton, S. A. Moody, Capt. Gatter, Mrs. Burke Corbett, Mrs. J. A. Rogers, N. Bonerett, H. A. Fischer, Mrs. Goecker, F. S. Bonnell, J. M. Hine, R. M. Smith, J. Claw, Mrs. F. S. Bonnell, F. Jewell, Mrs. Davis, J. J. Palmer, Miss Loren, M. Macaulay, W. S. Fletcher, J. A. Williams, F. J. Wheeler, F. S. Clark, W. H. Parks, S. F. Sommers.

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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### NOTICE.

To Fraternal Societies and Organizations

At a meeting of the procession committee of the celebration of Her Majesty's Birthday, it was resolved that an invitation should be extended, through the Victoria lodges, to the various societies on the Mainland and other parts of the Island to attend and participate in the celebration.

BEAUMONT BOGGS, General Secretary. (Colonist copy.)

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### COMMITTEE MEETING

24th of May Celebration.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Will Meet at the City Hall on Tuesday Evening, May 8, 8 o'clock.

The following gentlemen are members and will accept notice: Major Williams, chairman; City Aldermen, Chief Deans, Chief Langley, H. E. Horton, Henry Sheppard, Wm. Dalby, R. L. Drury, A. V. Dallas, Chas. Jenkins, M. H. Swinerton, H. D. Heimken, Senator Templeman, Capt. Warren, Fred Brown, J. H. Lawson, Jr., W. H. Price, Capt. Gaudin, Capt. Boyd, Thos. Burck, W. H. Langley, S. W. Bodley, Stephen Jones, H. J. Ross, F. C. MacGregor, H. M. Graham, H. S. Holsternson, J. G. Brown, Sergt-Major Mulcahy, R. J. Russell.

### The General Committee

WILL MEET WEDNESDAY EVENING NEXT

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