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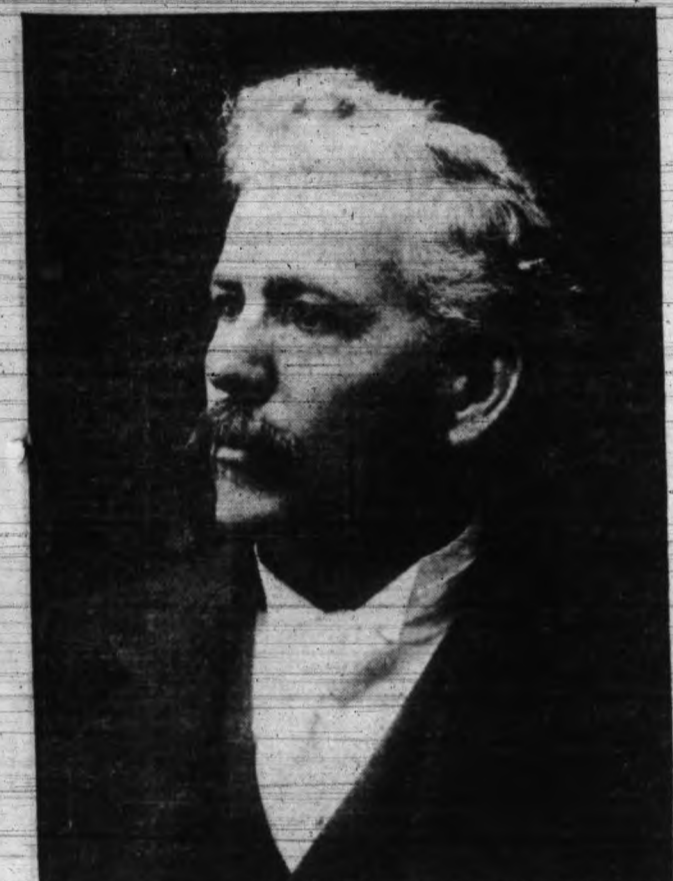
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## HON. W. TEMPLEMAN SWORN IN TO-DAY

### Takes Portfolio as Minister of Inland Revenue--Hon. L. P. Brodeur Succeeds the Late Hon. R. Prefontaine.



HON. W. TEMPLEMAN.

(Special to the Times.)  
Ottawa, Feb. 6.—The cabinet changes took place this forenoon and the new ministers afterwards took their seats on the tariff commission.  
Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Minister of Inland Revenue, was sworn in Minister of Marine and Fisheries in place of the late Hon. Raymond Prefontaine; and Hon. William Templeman was sworn in

Minister of Inland Revenue in the place of Hon. Mr. Brodeur.  
The swearing in ceremony took place in the Governor-General's office at 10 o'clock this forenoon, there being present besides Lord Grey, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. C. Fitzpatrick.  
It is likely that Hon. Mr. Templeman will throw up his senatorship and run for the city of Victoria, G. Riley, M.P., taking his place in the senate.

## RUNAWAY TRAIN CAUSED WRECK

### FOUR MEN KNOWN TO HAVE PERISHED

### Rescuers Were Unable to Release Express Messenger Who Was Burned to Death in Debris.

(Associated Press.)  
Helena, Mont., Feb. 6.—A disastrous railroad wreck occurred last night shortly before midnight two and a half miles west of Helena. A runaway Northern Pacific freight train crashed into a passenger train on the same line, wrecked it completely, set fire to it and up to 3 o'clock this morning four persons whose identity is assured are known to be dead, with a probability that two more, whose names it is impossible to learn, may have been burned in the wreck.  
The known dead are: J. N. Robinson, brakeman; Charles Brickie, conductor of passenger train; Y. J. A. Jessup, express messenger, and Foster Senegal, a merchant of Elliston.  
Brakeman Edward Brown was seriously injured, but not fatally.  
None of the passengers who escaped with their lives was seriously injured.  
The passenger train passed through Austin, about eight miles west of Helena, on time. Following it was a long freight train made up of box and flat cars loaded with lumber and shingles. At Austin the engine was uncoupled from the freight to take water, and the train was left standing on the track. There is a steep grade east of Austin, and by some means the freight train got started down the hill. The passenger train was standing at the Montana Central crossing when the engineer heard a sound behind him that warned him of danger. He started his train, but had gone only a few feet when the runaway crashed into the rear car.  
There were but two cars in the passenger train, and these were smashed and thrown into the ditch. The engine

did not leave the track, and Engineer Pelly managed to keep ahead of the flying freight, which went about 100 feet after the collision before it too went off the track.  
In a few minutes fire started, and for hours the cars and the lumber burned fiercely. The crash of the collision was heard by persons living in the vicinity, who immediately started for the wreck. They found the combination car on fire and pinned under a mass of wreckage was Messenger Jessup. He was conscious, and heroic efforts were made to release him from his situation, but the flames finally compelled the rescuers to withdraw. Jessup was still conscious, and struggled to release himself as the fire took hold of his limbs, but the effort was fruitless, and after a few screams of agony he became unconscious. Exposed to full view with blazing shingles all about him and his bed a mass of red hot coals, was the body of an unknown man. It was slowly consumed until all that was left was the skull and outstretched were two stumps that a few hours before had been arms.  
There are supposed to have been eight passengers on the train, of whom two are still unaccounted for.

## HARRIMAN RAILWAYS.

Plans for Consolidation Reported to Be Complete—Merger Will Include Southern Pacific.  
(Associated Press.)  
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6.—The Tribune today says: "Plans for a consolidation of the Harriman railways have been perfected and a public announcement is expected soon. Nominally the proposed merger includes only the Illinois Central and Union Pacific, but the Southern Pacific, now operated practically as part of the Union Pacific system, will really form part of the combined line. Instead of the Union Pacific Company taking control of the Illinois Central as has been reported, it is the Illinois Central which is to get control of the Union Pacific. This will be done through the purchase of the Union Pacific by means of an issue of collateral trust bonds."  
It was asserted positively yesterday that the plan which E. H. Harriman and the Illinois Central have working out contemplates offering Union Pacific shareholders either \$175 or \$200 a share for Union Pacific stock in four per cent. guaranteed bonds, with the purchased stock of the Union Pacific as collateral security. The financial operation will be similar to that of the purchase of the

Burlington by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific through a collateral trust bond issue. The deal will be handled through the Railroad Securities Company, which was organized in 1905 by E. H. Harriman and Illinois Central interests to purchase Illinois Central stock.

## J. TREVARROW DEAD.

(Associated Press.)  
Roseland, Feb. 5.—A telegram from Los Angeles announces the death there of Jas. Trevarrow, late superintendent of the Le Roi. Mr. Trevarrow left here on January 11th for Los Angeles in the hope that the mild climate there would cure him of his pulmonary complaint with which he had been afflicted for three years. Deceased came here from the Dribus Lummon mine, Marysville, Montana, in 1897 and was employed in the Le Roi mine until 1901, when he took the place of superintendent of the Snowshoe mine at Phoenix. In 1904 he returned to Roseland and took the place of mine superintendent of the Le Roi, which place he has held up to the time he left here for Los Angeles. He was 44 years old, and a native of Cornwall, Eng. He leaves a wife and six children, the oldest of whom is about thirteen.

## SAYS LAW HAS BEEN VIOLATED

SECRET SERVICE CHIEF  
MAKES SERIOUS CHARGE

Captain of Every Steamer Wrecked on Pacific Coast in Three Years Was Fraudulently Naturalized.

(Associated Press.)  
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6.—John E. Wilkie, chief of the United States secret service, said last night that the captain of every steamer which had been wrecked on the Pacific coast in the last three years, had been found to have been fraudulently naturalized.  
The secret service bureau is working in San Francisco and Philadelphia, and to some extent in New York.  
"Under the law no man can become captain of an American ship unless he is an American citizen," said Chief Wilkie. "We found in San Francisco a number of Scandinavians who were captains, but not Americans. In Philadelphia the trouble was among the Italians. In New York we prosecuted one court clerk, who had charge of the fraudulent part of the business. A recommendation has been made to congress that the right to naturalize a man be given to a federal court exclusively, and I believe congress at the next session will establish a department of naturalization, and take the power from the state authorities."

## BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Emperor Williams' gift to Miss Alice Roosevelt on the occasion of her wedding will be a beautiful artistically wrought bracelet.  
It is reported that a military convention has been concluded between Italy and Montenegro for the purpose of becoming Austria's predominant influence in the Balkans, but neither confirmation nor denial of it can be obtained in official circles at Vienna.  
Archbishop Keane, of Dubuque, in sermon at St. Patrick's church, Clinton, Ia., on Sunday, said that "The man who slights his work and gives his employer less than he agrees to give is a thief, and any labor union that upholds him in this slightest of work is a school of thievery."  
BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.  
Willie Hoppe and George Slosson Will Play in New York Next Month.  
(Associated Press.)  
New York, Feb. 6.—Willie Hoppe and George Slosson yesterday settled the details for their championship billiard match. They will play a 500-point game for \$500 a side, and the championship emblem, which Hoppe won from Vignau in Paris. The match will be at eighteen-ball, one shot in, and will be played on March 25th in the Madison Square Garden concert hall. This will be the first championship match played in this country since 1901, when Schaefer won the title.  
BARQUE DESTROYED.  
Fire Broke Out While Ship Was Lying in Anping Harbor.  
(Associated Press.)  
Anping, Island of Formosa, Feb. 6.—The British barque *Mobile Bay*, which arrived here on January 16th from New York, was totally destroyed by fire today. Her crew were landed. She had 7,000 cases of kerosene on board.  
BOXER'S DEATH.  
Received Blow Under Heart During Fight and Expired in a Few Minutes.  
(Associated Press.)  
San Francisco, Feb. 6.—During an amateur boxing match at Colma, last night, Thomas Doven was struck under the heart by "Chief" Johnson and so severely injured that he died within a few minutes. Johnson was arrested.  
Playing cards were invented in 1391. No human head was stamped on a coin until after the death of Alexander the Great. Previous to that time the images used were deities.

## STORY OF LAST MOMENTS OF WRECK

### WHAT LOGAN'S PARTY SAW FROM THE CLIFF

### Broken Line From the Valencia Lying Across the Trail—How the Survivors Died.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)  
On Board *Tug-Lorrie*, Feb. 4.—Your correspondent considered it advisable to consult with all parties present on the beach near the scene of the wreck and give a truthful account from those who took part in the last minutes, before the wreck broke up and the men and women floated out on the wreckage where they had been imprisoned for thirty-six hours. The first news the outer world received was when Funkler spoke Cape Beale over the telephone from a hut at Darling river. Cape Beale called up Bamfield, and in a few minutes after Bunker called, the boatswain and five men arrived at the lighthouse. Cape Beale called Clowson over the telephone and at 4 o'clock Logan, Joe Martin and F. Daykin started out with one coil of rope and some provisions.  
They reached Klanna river at night and found it a raging torrent. The river was so high that an Indian would not cross, and the party was compelled to remain at Klanna river the whole night. Next morning Joe Martin and Daykin found a broken canoe on their side of the stream and the three crossed.  
They reached the scene of the wreck about 10 a.m. Wednesday and would have passed on but for a small rope which was across the trail, about one hundred yards from the edge of the cliff. Attached to the end of the small rope was a harpoon buried in the ground. The trail is about four hundred yards from the steamship, and when the men pulled on the cord, which was no thicker than a lead pipe, they found that it was broken, only about a fathom remaining on the land side.  
They then went to the edge of the cliff and noticed about one hundred persons on the house of the doomed ship and clinging to the masts.  
The People Cheered  
when they spied Logan and his party; but their hopes were dispelled when they found that the would-be rescuers were powerless to save them. The wreck was two hundred yards from the foot of the cliff, and was one hundred feet high, shelving from the top and is of sandstone, as smooth as glass. Logan and his party stayed round two hours, watching, without means to render any assistance.  
About noon a large wave struck the bluff, came right back towards the wreck and carried away every living being with the exception of two men who were clinging to the mast.  
Shortly after the two men went with the spar. The tide was running out and the wreckage with those clinging to it went seaward. The party state that no steamer was in sight from the top of the cliff at the time the wreck broke up. Logan and his men then started for the lighthouse, and were on it 1 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.  
A party from the cable station at Bamfield had started out on hearing the news of the wreck, consisting of Messrs. McWha, Mousley and Richmond, reaching a cabin where they found nine survivors of the wreck, which the survivors had crossed during the night. The only means to cross had been  
Washed Away  
and the operators from the cable station made an attempt which almost resulted in another tragedy. A wire was fastened round Mousley and the men lined behind him, each holding the wire and separated. Mousley went into water and was dashed back to the side from which he started. He was pulled ashore by his companions.  
Thursday afternoon the water in the Darling river had fallen, when Mousley, McWha, Richmond and one of the survivors, Campbell, succeeded in crossing higher up. Bunker had crossed Thursday morning by going to the outlet of the river and entering the surf, again risking his life that had been in so much danger before in reaching shore from the wreck. The tide was running in and the darling was washed off his feet and carried out in the breakers. Time and again he was  
Washed Ashore,  
each time closer to his destination, and at last, in an exhausted state he reached the shore. Campbell, who was the only one of the party who had not been washed out in the breakers, crawled out.  
He joined Logan's party and walked along the beach towards the wreck, returning at noon. Bunker shouted out several messages to the operators and they were sent from the hut to the cable station.  
In the afternoon the tide went out and the four men crossed over with difficulty. There are two huts in the locality, one at each side of the Darling river and about one and a half miles apart. Thursday evening a party from the *Salvor* arrived under the guidance of Ilesman McKay, bringing provisions to those at the beach. On Friday the *Salvor's* party returned to Bamfield with the survivors, arriving at the station in the evening in an exhausted condition. The

## ANXIETY SHOWN BY THE GOVERNMENT

### Conservative Members of Kaian Island Committee Insist Upon E. V. Bodwell Being Called Before J. Anderson.

The inquiry into the Kaian Island land grant opened this morning in the ministers' room, parliament buildings. The committee was presided over by J. F. Garden, chairman of the select committee of the House appointed on the motion of J. A. Macdonald. Dr. Young, secretary of the committee; J. A. Macdonald, C. Munro and W. Ross, the other members of the committee, were present. Mrs. Blyth is acting as stenographer of the proceedings.  
The action of the Premier and the Conservative members of the committee made it perfectly evident that the government is not too anxious to have the fullest investigation. The Premier requested an adjournment in order that he could attend the sittings. W. R. Ross supplied the additional reasons for the desired adjournment by venturing the suggestion that J. Anderson, who was to be the first witness of importance should stand aside in order to allow of E. V. Bodwell being heard. It was quite evident, therefore, that Mr. Anderson is not desired by the government to state what he knows of the transaction until Mr. Bodwell has outlined the general trend of it. The government's attempt to block the investigation until Mr. Bodwell is ready to give his evidence was very apparent by the member for Fernie.  
J. A. Macdonald wished to hear Mr. Anderson's version of the transaction, but the government members would have nothing of it, and by their votes declared themselves opposed to any other programme than that outlined.  
When the proceedings opened this morning E. R. McKay, of the lands and works department, was the first witness called. Shown a map prepared by J. Fred Ritchie, of Kaian Island, and surrounding country, witness said it appeared to be an accurate map.  
In answer to Mr. Macdonald he said that he could produce the official maps of the Kaian Island grants made to the C. P. R. The first official information he had of the Kaian Island grant was when the crown grants were ordered to be prepared. He had knowledge of it by newspaper report before that. He could not remember any one making search in the office in connection with

## THE INSPECTORS DESCRIBE BOAT

### FOUND VALENCIA TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE

### Messrs. Collister and Thompson Declare Hull, Boilers and Life Boats Were Up to Requirement.

The commission appointed by the Dominion government to investigate the Valencia wreck sat again this morning with Capt. Gaudin, Cox and Newcomb constituting the court.  
C. H. Lugin, for the Dominion government, wished to make a statement in view of the comments of a certain local newspaper as to the scope of the commission. He thereupon recounted an interview between Capt. Gaudin and himself with respect to the scope of the inquiry. He said that the captain had told him that the commission was to be as thorough as possible. It was to inquire into the causes of the casualties in connection with the wreck, as far as the evidence available made practicable.  
J. A. Thompson, inspector of boilers, was first called. He said that the Valencia was last inspected by him on the 27th of April in Seattle. The boats, so far as he knew, had not been particularly carefully examined then. The American inspectors were at that time making a very thorough inspection. In this connection he submitted a communication from the minister of marine and fisheries.  
Answering Capt. Gaudin, witness said that at the date of the Valencia's inspection it was his practice to perform his duties the same as would have been done on a Canadian vessel. The United States official and he worked together examining the boilers internally and externally, and their strength by means of pressure.  
The Valencia was a single bottom ship. He knew this because he had gone beneath the engine. According to the latest instructions it wasn't necessary for him to duplicate the performance of the United States inspectors. The latter's tests were accepted and the certificates issued by the department, now simply stated that such an American vessel was in the condition specified by the officials of the country under whose flag that ship operated.  
Witness submitted a copy of the certificate that had been issued to the steamer Valencia. He explained that it had been given under the old regime.  
J. H. Lawson, Jr., representing the P. C. S. Co., wanted that turned in as an exhibit.  
Capt. Thompson would not permit the document to leave his hands. He said that a copy of it might be obtained.  
Questioned by C. H. Lugin, witness said that the certificate lasted to an American vessel did not go further than accepting the American inspection. He received a letter explaining the reason for this policy. It was a question of reciprocity, it being con-

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the lands. The application came in a regular way to his department, where the draughting was done.  
His attention was called by J. A. Macdonald to lots on the mainland. Kaian Island, numbered 418, was witness said that these were thought taken up under South Act 3076. The surveys in that neighborhood were made by J. F. Ritchie and others.  
A request was at this point brought from Premier McBride that he would like the committee to adjourn until Thursday as he wished to attend the sittings and could not do so today, as he had a deputation waiting upon him. W. R. Ross moved that the committee rise until Thursday morning.  
J. A. Macdonald thought the request was not altogether unreasonable, but as the evidence would be extended the Premier would have an opportunity to go on to-day and take the evidence of J. Anderson, who was present, and then adjourn until Thursday.  
Mr. Ross said that he thought it would be wise to take the evidence in the proper sequence of events. He therefore thought E. V. Bodwell, K.C., whose name has been prominently mentioned in connection with the transaction, should first be called. Mr. Bodwell would not be able to attend until Thursday.  
Mr. Macdonald thought that if the sequence of events was to be followed J. Anderson should be the first witness called. He had noticed by a report that Mr. Anderson was the first to have connection with the transaction. It was reported that he had formed the syndicate which had proceeded towards acquiring the land.  
Mr. Ross moved that the committee rise until Thursday and that Mr. Bodwell then be called.  
Mr. Macdonald in amendment moved that the evidence of Mr. Anderson be taken at once.  
The amendment was lost, Messrs. Garden, Ross and Young voting against it, and Messrs. Macdonald and Munro for it.  
The motion of Mr. Ross was then carried by the same vote, and the committee rose until 10 o'clock Thursday.

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sidered that the United States steamers should be accorded the same consideration as the Americans extended the Canadian vessels. But if he found anything in the vessel's equipment inconsistent with the American certificate he certainly wouldn't endorse it.  
His examination was sufficiently thorough to make it plain whether the United States official's signature was worth its face value. His inspection of the Valencia, however, was complete, as he had no knowledge then of the order in council which altered the regulations.  
To A. E. McPhillips, counsel for the provincial government, witness reiterated that his  
Inspection of the Valencia  
had been complete irrespective of the United States officials. He had nothing to do with inspecting the equipment of vessels, his duties being confined to the engine room. The latter was placed amidships. He didn't know where the water had come in when the Valencia struck. She had the usual bulkheads, but he had never tested them.  
Mr. McPhillips asked whether witness considered that the Valencia had held together well. He replied in the affirmative stating that three days in the face of rough seas was a considerable time.  
Witness then instanced the case of the *San Pedro*, which had remained on Broke ledge for many months. He wanted to know whether the two vessels could be fairly compared.  
Witness smiled, and remarked that the *San Pedro* was, comparatively speaking, in dock. He added that he considered that the Valencia, though small, was as sound a steamer.  
Questioned along the line of what the Dominion government intended by adopting a policy of reciprocity in connection with the issuance of inspection certificates witness said that Canada was not taking a place secondary to the United States. At the time of the Valencia inspection the order in council had been issued. It had come into force the day before. But he didn't hear of it until after having examined the lost vessel. Therefore, the inspection had been conducted in the same manner as previously. It had been as thorough as that of the American officials.  
Capt. Richard Collister, inspector of hulls, was the next witness. He had inspected the Valencia at the same time as the American inspectors. He  
Had Examined the Hull.  
boats, pumps, life-preservers and, in fact, all the equipment. She carried sixty life boats. They were filled with tanks at the fore and aft ends. They were metallic. He had examined the tanks, but did not test them. The latter were made of galvanized metal, and in size were one-tenth of the boat. Oars, row-locks, boat-hooks, sea anchor, rudder, water breaker, bread box, compass, lantern and all other equipment required by the regulations,

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was on board. The boats had been put in the water. They had been attached to the davits by hooks. There had been no difficulty in detaching them. He wouldn't trust any patented arrangements of detaching hooks, and they were not used on ordinary passenger boats.  
With regard to life-preservers Capt. Collister said he would prefer tulle preservers. They were more buoyant, and would not become soaked while a person would live in the water. He had had them tested for 48 hours. The tulle preservers were allowed by all inspectors.  
Reverting again to the boats he said they had been long enough in the water to assure him that they were tight.  
As far as he could get at them he had examined the bulkheads. The vessel, in his opinion, was in good condition. He couldn't say, off-hand, the age of the ship. He had inspected the stowage. Complying to a request he showed how these had operated in the Valencia. They were worked from the main deck. They had been tested.  
It was not compulsory under the Dominion regulations to carry life rafts. There were three aboard the Valencia, and in the progress of his inspection he had examined them. They, however, had not been placed in the water.  
Capt. Newcomb drew attention to the current reports that row locks, plugs, etc., wouldn't fit, and asked Capt. Collister of their condition at the time of his inspection.  
Replying, witness stated that they had been in good order.  
Referring to witness' remark to the effect that the regulations did not require the use of life rafts, Mr. Lugin drew attention to a section providing for the inspection of rafts. The witness interpreted this as meaning that carrying rafts was purely discretionary. If they were included in the equipment, however, it was necessary for him to inspect them. He was not familiar with the American regulations on this point.  
Questioned as to the relative qualities of cork and tulle preservers, witness repeated that the latter were more buoyant. There were a great many of these reeds in the belt, and everyone broken.  
Lessened Its Efficiency.  
He would not pass a preserver of granulated cork.  
With regard to the bulkheads, witness said that if the hull had been punctured well forward the ship might have kept afloat in deep water providing the stowage had been closed. The carpenter was the man generally entrusted with the closing of the stowage, he refused to answer the question as to whether he considered that the vessel had been as thoroughly equipped with safeguards as necessary.  
To Capt. Gaudin, witness said that the Valencia had 88 masts bulkheads

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SQUEEZING OUT THE TRUTH.

The Colonist now explains that it did not mean to mislead anyone when it stated that the cost of maintaining the marine service on the Canadian Pacific Coast was \$39,000 as compared with \$473,000 on the Atlantic.

And after our contemporary has made proper amends respecting the cost of the maintenance of the marine service on the Pacific Coast, we shall call its attention to other matters in which it has been far from explicit.

Let us consider for a moment the published comparative list of the aids to navigation which appeared in the columns of the Colonist on Saturday last, and which it will be said was not issued for partisan, but for purely public purposes.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

Nearly all the technical journals in the United States devoted to mercantile affairs are expressing concern at the stagnation of the American shipbuilding industry and speculating as to the causes of the same.

been for years aware that they labored under a severe handicap to shipbuilding as a consequence of the operations of their customs tariff. But there is no statesman in their midst with courage enough to assail the tariff and come forward with a proposition to make individual interests subservient to the greater interests of the whole of the people.

ANOTHER COMMUNISTIC CRISIS.

John Alexander Dowie's great theoretic-socialistic Zion has proved a failure. This confession has been made by the Overseer's successor in office.

WHAT OTHER PEOPLE THINK

WHAT DOES IT MEAN? To the Editor:—In the vote on woman's franchise I notice that the professional element on both sides of the House united to defeat the measure.

A PROTEST.

To the Editor:—Do not most of your readers think that we citizens of Victoria are very childish in getting up a subscription for H. M. S. Egeria's crew, who launched a boat from the Lorne in absolutely calm weather?

ANTI-HYSTERIA.

LIGHT AHEAD.

To the Editor:—Your article in last evening's issue entitled "Democracy Burg-

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The Doctor, it will probably occur to all but the most fanatical, or loyal, of Zionites, that it is just as well, while the spirit of mankind remains as it is, for individuals to retain control of their own hard-earned dollars.

The marriage of the American woman with the continental nobleman has been a failure. This confession has been made by the Overseer's successor in office.

If the Victoria Colonist were a Liberal newspaper it would hardly be so unjust as to hold R. Macpherson, M. P., responsible for the utterances of the Vancouver Province. The Province calls itself an "independent journal."

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A CALL TO ACTION.

To the Editor:—The report from Ottawa concerning the proposed construction of branches in British Columbia by the Grand Trunk railway revives once more the question of a railway spanning the full length of Vancouver Island.

While there is nothing impossible about connecting up a Vancouver Island line with continental systems, the problem being merely a question of money, and while our national policy of transportation is for the railways to push out on the headlands and meet the giant carriers of the sea (vide the extension of Grand Trunk to the peninsula of Nova Scotia and to New Brunswick), it is not in this direction that we would find the first use of a through Vancouver Island line.

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will be in British Columbia. There will be great development also in Southeastern Alaska.

Comment is conspicuous by its absence. We are not told that the bad faith of both political parties in not considering the larger interest of industrialism has forced the worker to seek for himself.

The truth is, Mr. Editor, that the worker realizes that capital and labor are not partners in the productive processes of the day.

In Chambers this morning before the Chief Justice an order was made to have parties cross-examined on affidavits in the case of Corbin vs. Cullow.

The annual general meeting of the Nanaimo Creamery Association was held at the Coal City yesterday, when J. P. Haidle was elected president and Rev. G. W. Taylor secretary.

—A veritable feast of melody is the entertainment given by the Hawaiian quintette that constitute the feature act of this week's bill at the Grand.

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The usual social dance will be held in Semple's hall next Friday.

The quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Anglican Synod, is summoned for to-day at 3 o'clock at the synod office, Fort street.

At the home of Mrs. Williscroft, Mary street, Victoria, West, Baxter Hill, No. 8, Ladies of the Macabees, will hold a review this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Spectacle Club held a banquet and concert at St. George's Hotel yesterday evening which proved a very enjoyable affair. There was a large attendance.

Christ Church, Cathedral branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of Missions will hold its annual meeting tomorrow evening in the schoolroom, when officers for the ensuing year will be elected and reports submitted.

Saloon licenses will be discussed at a public meeting to be held at the Institute hall. A motion will be put to abolish the saloons in Victoria, but considerable opposition is being worked up, so that a lively time may be expected.

Due to the great increase of travel over the Northern Pacific road, an extra transcontinental train will be added February 15th, which will run between Seattle and St. Louis, Mo. This will make four transcontinental trains a day over this road. Two to St. Paul and two to St. Louis.

DR. H. B. F. CRISTON, who lectured here recently on beauty culture, has appointed "MRS. WINCH, of 124 CHATHAM STREET, above Quadra, his representative for his French toilet articles, including soap trade mark DR. CRISTON. Ladies are invited to call at her home. MADAME L. M. MAYE.

Information wanted of Mrs. Ann Doelen, formerly of the neighborhood of Chatham, Wicklow, Ireland. When last heard of was at Brookville, Ontario. Any information about her will be thankfully received by her son, Edward Carter, 59 Collinson street, Victoria, B. C. Worcester, Mass., papers please copy.

A meeting of the executive of the B. C. Agricultural Association will be held at the secretary's office (Swernston & Oddy) to-night at 8 o'clock. The committee consists of His Worship the Mayor and Dr. Tolmie, and Messrs. Yates, Norris and Martindale. General business preparatory to the annual exhibition will be discussed.

Two passengers, at least, on the Princess Beatrice, which left last night, have a long journey before them, being bound for Patagonia. These were two Klondike miners, well known in Victoria, J. S. Cameron and R. A. Currah. A number of friends were on the dock to bid the travellers God-speed.

An emergency parade of the Fifth Regiment was held last evening at the call of Lt. Col. Hall, who was anxious to demonstrate what a good turnout could be mustered at short notice. After some movements had been gone through at the drill hall, the regiment, headed by the band, marched to Beacon Hill, where some further drill was gone through. On their return the men were complimented by the commanding officer, and duly dismissed.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has arranged for a series of magic lantern entertainments for the Sunday schools. The first entertainment will be given in the Christ church schoolroom to be followed by others at St. Andrew's Presbyterian, St. Barnabas, Reformed Episcopal, St. John's Roman Catholic, Baptist church, Victoria West combined churches and St. Mark's, Boleskin road.

Good Investments

Table listing property investments: Queen's avenue, lot for \$100; Stanley avenue, lot for \$200; Ida street, lot for \$100; Carey road, lot for \$50; Kingston street, 1 1/2 story dwelling, 6 rooms \$1,800; Caledonia avenue, 5 roomed cottage, stable, electric light and sewer connections \$1,000.

Money to Loan at Current Rates Fire and Life Insurance.

LEE & FRASER VICTORIA B.C. 11 TROUCE AVENUE

A very enjoyable card party was held at the house of Mrs. McDowell, 122 Chatham street, last night.

Auction sale of clothing and general furniture, 122 Government street, still in progress.

The government hatchery at Harrison lake is reported to be doing very well, and it is estimated that this season about 30,000,000 young salmon will be liberated.

Police Magistrate Hall was again called upon to Vancouver yesterday, so that several cases on the police court docket this morning were adjourned.

A special car service will be provided on Wednesday night at 1 o'clock in the morning, as stated in yesterday's issue, and also at the close of the naval ball.

Special sale by public auction, for the ladies, Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 p. m. when boys and children's clothing, underwear, etc. will be offered at 122 Government street.

The Royal Templars of Temperance will hold a special meeting at the residence of Mrs. Luscombe, 117 Cook street, this evening at 8 o'clock, to meet Mrs. W. Mulholland, the Dominion organizer.

Rev. S. J. Thompson will deliver his popular lecture on the "Life of Abraham Lincoln" in the Centennial Methodist church on Monday evening next, commencing at 8 o'clock. Solos and quartets will also be given. Solos chair will be taken by the Hon. A. Smith, U. S. consul.

A telegram received by Supt. Husey, provincial police, from Bamfield this morning, announces the recovery of another body, which will be brought down on the Lorne. It also states that the search for bodies of victims of the wrecked Valencia will be discontinued from to-day.

Mystery still surrounds the disappearance of Maud Newberry, the particulars of whose case were fully reported in the Times yesterday. No clue whatever has been found to the girl, and her friends are now fearing that she has committed suicide.

In the list of bodies published in yesterday's Times as taken from the wreck of the Valencia wreck, No. 15 has been identified as that of John N. Bell, a waiter on board the ill-fated steamer. The body will be forwarded to San Francisco for interment in compliance with instructions from relatives of the deceased.

CELEBRATED WINES. Few people realize the difficulty of pleasing all tastes, and at the same time handling no wines or liquors except those of proved excellence.

CHANGES IN REGULATIONS. Some New Instructions Issued for Guidance in the Postal Service.

The following changes in the postal regulations are reported by Postmaster No. 1, 122 Government street. As intimated in departmental circular of the 6th November, 1905, all mail matter enclosed in transparent envelopes having the address on the envelope is to be treated as non-transmissible by mail in Canada, and the same regulation applies to matter in envelopes having a transparent front portion covering the address.

The reason for prohibiting the circulation in the mails of the matter in question is that the difficulty found in deciphering addresses under transparent cover seriously interferes with the rapid and accurate sorting of mails in post offices and mail cars.

Attention is drawn to the fact that the Postal Union regulations, governing correspondence interchanged between Canada and other countries, require the stamps used for prepaying postage on post cards or unenclosed cards mailed as printed matter to be placed on the front or address side; and, as cards having the stamp on the back are being returned to this country as non-transmissible by mail, British exchange offices, postmasters are directed to caution the public to be careful to place stamps on the front of their cards in future.

The postal administration of the Commonwealth of Australia has given notice that the rates of postage on post cards sent from Australia to Canada have been reduced from 1 1/2 pence to one penny each for single post cards and from 2 pence to 1 1/2 pence for reply post cards, dating from 1st January, 1906.

Special attention is drawn to the fact that no parcel mailed in Canada for transmission to another country by parcel post may contain written correspondence of any kind.

PROTESTANT ORPHAN'S HOME.

Want of Fire Protection at the Institution—Outbreak of Mumps.

The monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphan's Home was held yesterday afternoon in the city hall, Mrs. McTavish, presiding. The others present were: Mesdames Van Tassel, McCulloch, Fell, Shakespeare, Hurrell, Toller, Todd, Higgins, Gillespie, Milne, Minnie, Andrews, Pickard, Sprague, Berridge, and Miss Austin.

Mrs. Noah Shakespeare and Miss Austin were appointed visitors for the month, and bills totalling \$116.50 were approved and ordered paid.

Mesdames Todd and Munie reported having visited the home during the past month, and reported with regret the prevalence of mumps among the children. They also recommended that a system of fire protection be installed, and that the gentlemen's committee be requested to take this matter in hand.

The following donations were acknowledged with thanks: Mr. James Dunsmuir, 5 tons coal; E. G. Prior & Co., 1 large meat chopper; Mrs. Gordon, Outer Point, 3 sacks potatoes; Vancouver & Quadra lodge, A. F. & A. M., per J. W. Robinson, sandwiches, cold meats, cakes, jellies, rolls, apples and oranges; Mrs. Wood, clothing; A. Friend, clothing; The Yorkshire Society, sandwiches and cake; Mrs. A. M. Lemon, Beaver Point, per Mrs. Rae, 1 large quilt; I. O. O. F., per Mr. Govard, cake, sandwiches, apples and oranges; Mrs. Wm. Munie, clothing and making six night gowns; St. Barnabas' church, large basket of cake; Mrs. Astle, Burnside road, per Porter & Sons, clothing; Mrs. Ohlson, mitre three times a year; Mrs. Young, White House, box ribbons, and lace; Miss Pope, new coat for one of the girls; Mrs. Van Tassel, apples and pling pome; Mrs. Smith, Sunnyside, shoes and clothing; Mrs. Blackwell, books, papers and 'Colonial' groceries; Mrs. Keiso, jam and groceries; A. Friend, per Pofter & Sons, clothing; White House, Henry Young & Co., hats; from the Craigflower Mission, per Mr. J. J. Wilson, \$12; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lovell, \$5.

NAVY MEN ON SHINANO.

Officers for Two New Jap Ships En Route to Victoria.

Coming on the N. Y. K. steamer Shinano Maru, which is due from the Orient to-day, are the officers of the two new Japanese warships which have just been completed in England for the Mikado government. These vessels are to be known as the Koshima and Kotori, and, according to those assigned to their command who are en route to Victoria on the Shinano Maru, they will be officered as follows:

Koshima—Capt. Ijichi, Fleet Surgeon Yamauchi, Chief Engineer Fujio, Fleet Paymaster Tomita, Lieut.-Commander Oaki, Sub. Lieut. Imamura, and Warrant Officers Goto, Nakagawa and Wakamatsu.

Kotori—Capt. Sakamoto, Fleet Engineer Otsube, Fleet Paymaster Kawaguchi, Chief Engineer Kurita, Lieut.-Commander Kawanishi, Sub. Lieut. Hyakutani, and Warrant Officers Saki, Toguchi and Yamahawa.

E. R. Stephens, local agent of the N. Y. K., has been notified of the naval officers aboard, and has been asked to extend to them every courtesy on their arrival in Victoria. The Shinano Maru has many other passengers, including those mentioned, and for Victoria amounts to over 100.

The local agency of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company has been advised that the steamship Queen, scheduled to leave Victoria for San Francisco, to-morrow night, will not sail until the following evening. The steamer City of Opeka will be due from the Golden Gate this evening.

The German ship Wandabek arrived in the vessel from San Pedro yesterday after a voyage of 19 days. She belongs to the same company owning the Steinbeck, another vessel in the Roads, will, it is expected, enter dry dock for repairs.

The collier Tellos called off the outer wharf yesterday for an inspection to be made of some mines she had aboard for Comox.

The sugar ship Cambrian King from Japan passed up to Vancouver yesterday.

The French ship Admiral Courbet was the vessel seen at Carmanah to be drifting dangerously near the Vancouver island coast, and which the steamer Salvo had hurried down the Strait to rescue some days ago. The vessel drifted until she reached Nootka Sound. She was within a hundred feet from the rocks when a favorable wind carried her off shore again. So close was the ship to disaster that every hand was ordered out ready for the crew to make their escape.

THE INSPECTORS DESCRIBE BOAT

(Continued from page 1.)

As the general run of vessels of her class.

Answering Mr. McPhillips, witness said that his inspection had been complete and entirely distinct from that conducted by the United States officials. He had issued a twelve months' certificate. The crew had been able to get the small boats out in 13 minutes, as he had timed them. The Valencia was licensed to carry 12 saloons, 12 second saloons and 146 steerage passengers. There were six life buoys. The requirements specified that they carry 40 pounds, and the test had shown that they were capable of doing more than that. The boats were provided with masts and sails. These had been taken out before the small craft had been launched during his inspection.

A can of coal oil had been in the boats. He had looked to see whether there was vegetable or animal oil aboard.

Counsel then quoted from section 30, sub-section (e) of the regulations, which reads as follows: "With one gallon of vegetable or animal oil and a vessel of an approved pattern for distributing it in the water in rough water." He asked why witness had not complied with that section. The latter thought he had done all in his power. He had taken note of the can among the boat's equipment.

Mr. McPhillips then proceeded to question witness as to life preservers. The life belts had been submitted to the board of steamboat inspectors. This had not been done in 1905, but some 15 or 20 years ago. The body mentioned, as far as Victoria was concerned, consisted of Edward Adams, a resident of Ottawa, and Capt. Thompson and himself.

An account of a test to which the tube preserver had been subjected was submitted to witness. It stated that a test of that material, weighing 4 lbs. 3 oz., had been placed in the water with 33 lbs. of lead attached. An additional weight up to 50 lbs. had sunk the boat a distance of 6 feet under water, remained there 24 hours, at the expiration of which time it was found to weigh 33 lbs. 4 oz., and to be capable of upholding 28 lbs. without sinking. As the average weight of the human body in the water is 5 lbs., the contention was that the tube preserver was equal, if not superior, to the cork.

Capt. Collier agreed with this, remarking that the test only bore out his experience.

Upon Mr. Lawson's request it was agreed to place the statement in evidence. The commission then adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

FOUND NO BODIES.

Search Parties at Wreck Accomplished Nothing Yesterday.

There is little to report in connection with the work being done at the wreck of the Valencia for the recovery of bodies. A message from Capt. Smith to the agents, R. P. Bithet & Co., received last night, stated that nothing could be accomplished yesterday, and he was leaving for Victoria by the first steamer. Capt. Smith has had ten men under his charge at the scene of the wreck for eight days. He went down to the coast on the second trip of the Lorne, and since that time has done splendid work. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company have still the Lorne and other steamers engaged in the work, and in addition there are the United States cutters Perry and Grant, but it is now thought that this fleet cannot render much more service in the way of recovering bodies. The last found were so badly decomposed that their removal was almost impossible.

There are at present 13 unidentified bodies in Victoria undertaking establishments. The remains of four victims of the wreck were shipped to Seattle last evening. These included the body of H. N. Peter, which was identified by the presence of one finger and other marks, and a second was that of a young man named Finlayson, whose parents live in Seattle. Of the ten at the B. C. undertaking parlors several should be readily identified, especially the remains of two women, by the presence of peculiar dental work in their mouths.

Arrangements for the burial in Victoria of bodies not identified are being made. Descriptions of all have been carefully noted by the provincial police. Each body will be numbered so that if claimed at some subsequent time it can be easily obtained.

CLARK'S PORK AND BEANS.

Its tastiness is the result of the proper proportions property cooked and carefully seasoned. Good after an outing.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

Instructive Paper on Earthquakes Given By F. Napier Denison Last Night.

The meeting of the Natural History Society last evening was very largely attended. Several ladies were among the visitors.

E. A. Wallace presented for examination blooms of two varieties of Iris grown in the open air, and which he thought broke all records for earliness. In evidence of the earliness of this season, he named several other spring flowers and the dates on which they flowered. Ashdown Green agreed with Mr. Wallace, and said he had seen a Camperwell Beauty (butterfly) which had come out on Sunday.

Two new members were elected, and another one proposed for membership. F. Napier Denison gave the paper of the evening on "Earthquakes," which was illustrated by lantern slides with diagrams and maps.

Among the interesting points referred to by Mr. Denison are the following: Through the influence of the British association 38 seismographs have been installed throughout the world, Victoria and Toronto representing Canada. The records from these instruments are forwarded to Prof. Milne at Shide, I. W., and from these Prof. Milne is able to locate where large that the deepest portion of the ocean which lie parallel to the continental ranges and are caused by rock folding

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Special Excursion Rates For 1906. The Northern Pacific Railway Company announces that it will make special excursion rates between the coast and the East for this season. These rates will be effective in both directions. The success of the cheap rates made last year, brought about this decision for this year. These cheap rates will commence on June 1st, next, and will be in force until July 31st. In addition to the regular excursion rates, special rates for the following meetings will be made. Knights of Columbus at New Haven, Conn., June 3rd. The Elks meeting at Denver, Colo., July 15th. Odd Fellows' Excursion, September 12th. Knights of Pythias, New Orleans, October 15th.

Before deciding upon the purchase of a gasoline motor you should investigate the product of the Truscott Boat Manufacturing Co. This firm produces the very best gasoline motor manufactured to-day. At the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, where all makers of gasoline engines competed, the Truscott Co. secured the very highest honors. Again at Portland, they carried away the gold medal. Should not these proofs of their superiority warrant your calling on us. We can also show you letters from our customers testifying to the excellent results obtained with Truscott motors. We have been selling motors for years, and thoroughly understand gasoline machinery. We are not experimenters, and you will get the benefit of our experience. Look us up if you want anything in our line. Hutchison Bros., Broughton street.







The Emerson Blind

By FRED M. WHITE

CHAPTER XXI.—(Continued.)
"The case must have been changed," he said. "It is very difficult to say how, but there is no other logical solution of the matter. At about half-past twelve on that eventful night you placed on my doorstep a gun metal cigar case mounted in diamonds, that you had purchased from Lockhart's?"

ly. He came at length to a brilliantly-lighted room, where a dark man with an exceedingly high forehead and wonderfully piercing eyes was sitting up in bed. The dark eyes lighted with pleasure as they fell upon Bell's queer, shambling figure and white hair.
"The labor we delight in physics pain," he greeted with a laugh and a grin. "It's worth a badly twisted shoulder to have the pleasure of seeing Hatherly Bell again. My dear fellow, how are you?"

CHAPTER XXII.
"The Light That Failed."
Bell followed Dr. Cross into the hospital with a sense of familiar pleasure. The cool, sweet smell of the place, the decorous silence, the order of it all appealed to him strongly. It was as if the old war horse who sniffs the battle with death was ever a joy to Bell.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

RATES for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. TIME RATES ON APPLICATION.

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Messrs. L. Eaton & Co. Auctioneers and Commission Agents. Will hold a sale of Household Furniture on Wednesday, Feb. 7th, at 2 p.m.

Hardaker, Auctioneer. I am instructed to sell without reserve at Sale Rooms, 7-9 Douglas Street.

Friday, 9th 2 p.m. VALUABLE AND ALMOST NEW OAK FURNITURE Heintzman Piano

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Gregg & Sons' Merchant Tailoring Establishment. FINE ENGLISH SUITINGS, PANTING, TRIMMING, LININGS ETC.

Hardaker Auctioneer. CORONER'S INQUEST. Further Evidence Regarding the Wreck of the Valencia.

Coroner Hart resumed the inquest touching the cause of death of Wm. Stibley, one of the victims of the wrecked Valencia, at the police court this morning.

Exhibitors should not forget the Victoria City Kennel Club's parlor dog show, which will be held in Sir William Wallace hall, Broad Street Friday evening next.

Diverters McHardy and McNeil, of the B. C. Salvage Company, Esquimalt, arrived from the north on Sunday.

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A PROTEST AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY BILL. Committee Representing Three Universities Waited Upon the Government to Record their Objections.

On short notice a meeting of the alumni of the Toronto Trinity and Victoria universities met this morning to consider the university bill now before the Provincial House.

For the week ending to-day the total clearings at the Victoria clearing house totalled \$285,463.

A meeting of the executive of the Tourist Association was held yesterday afternoon, when the work of the year was briefly outlined and discussed.

The initial step in the raising of a fund for the construction of a new B. C. A. building has been taken by the Ladies' Auxiliary of that organization.

The grand organ and sacred recital at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church this evening should prove very entertaining.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. ILLUSTRATED POST CARDS—Illustrated catalogue free. Dominion Publishing Co., Montreal.

INFORMATION WANTED OF Miss Marit Newberry, 18 years of age, who has been missing since Saturday, 2nd Feb.

THOROUGHBORED EGGS FOR HATCHING. Ruff Ledge, \$1.50 for 12; S. C. Black Minorca, \$1.50 for 12; R. C. Silver-Laced Wyandottes, \$2.50 for 12.

WANTED—An organized laborer to know that Messrs. Watson, Grand and Savor, employ only union musicians in their orchestras.

SOCIAL DANCE—in Semple's Hall, Friday, Feb. 9th, 8 p.m. Gentlemen, 9c.; Ladies, refreshments.

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LOST—Red cocker dog; answers to name "Bobby". 18 years of age, who was missing since Saturday, 2nd Feb.

The Ward Room Officers H. M. S. Egeria will not be responsible for any debts incurred in their name after this date.

PERSONAL. A. B. W. Hodges, superintendent of the Grandby smelter, is staying at the Driad.

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SIXTEEN PERSONS LOST THEIR LIVES. TWELVE PERISHED IN BURNING OF HOUSES.

Number of Children Among Victims—Railway Collision in Oregon—Four Men Killed.

(Associated Press.) Baltimore, Feb. 5.—An isolated small frame house, near the village of Curtis Bay, in Annapolis county, early to-day was consumed by a fire in which were

Three Children Perished. Helena, Mont., Feb. 5.—Three young children of J. R. Piper, all girls, aged one, three and five years, were burned to death in their home six miles south of Big Timber yesterday, according to a special to the Record.

It appears their father and mother were both absent, leaving a little boy alone. Almost immediately after they found the house in ruins. It was supposed that the children were playing with matches.

Railway Wreck. Portland, Ore., Feb. 5.—One of the most serious disasters that has occurred on the O. R. & N. railway, took place this morning, in the town of Brignell, Oregon, when the Pacific express from Chicago crashed into the rear of the Spokane-Portland special.

Four persons were killed as follows: Edward E. Simon, an employee of the American Foundry Association of the city, who was just returning from a business trip to Idaho; A. E. Edwards, a checkman in the employ of the Oregon Transfer Company, who was a cripple, having lost a leg in a wreck several years ago; a man named Henry, whose antecedents are unknown, and an unknown man.

The more seriously injured are Mrs. W. Riley, of Walla Walla; James K. Russell, East Oakland, Cal.; Engineer Swayne, of No. 5, and several others were more or less shaken up and bruised.

The engine of the Spokane-Portland special had met with an accident, and was standing on the main track when the Pacific express, behind time and making up speed, came into sight. An effort was made to stop her, but the bursting of a steam pipe at a critical moment drove the engineer and firemen from their posts, and the train crashed into the rear Pullman of the Spokane train, almost demolishing it.

As soon as news of the wreck reached this city a special train was sent out from Hood River and the Dalles bearing physicians, and another train followed from this city with three physicians.

The injured were brought here, and are being cared for at St. Vincent's hospital.

DOMINION DISPATCHES. MARY FARMER Coming to West—Laborer Killed by Collapse of a Derrick.

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—An Owen Sound (Ont.) land syndicate have disposed of a large section of Saskatchewan and Alberta lands to New York and Ohio farmers, who will locate on it this spring.

There are about 15,000 settlers assured for the West through this source.

Seeding in Progress. Calgary, Feb. 5.—Seeding commenced to-day at several points in Southern Alberta, principally in the vicinity of Raymond.

Instantly Killed. Kewatin, Ont., Feb. 5.—John Laute, employed as a laborer on the construction of the Kewatin flour mills here, was instantly killed this afternoon, by the collapse of a derrick following the breaking of a power neck. He leaves a wife and five little children.

New Record. Wlarton, Ont., Feb. 5.—The steamer Hodgson made a new record for navigation in Georgian Bay by taking a lead course on Friday to Lion's Head, 35 miles north, returning on Sunday, this being the first time the bay was ever navigated in February.

Brooded Over Trouble. Kingston, Feb. 5.—Nothing definite can be learned at the Bank of Montreal as to the cause of the suicide of Mr. Mackenzie. He had been in Montreal during the week returning Friday. From his friends it was learned that whatever troubles existed in the bank were as to the management, and that everything would have come satisfactorily in the end.

It is understood that the deceased manager had acted contrary to instructions in some matters, but nothing happened that would lead to arrest. Mackenzie took his trouble greatly to heart and brooded over it till his mind became affected.

Action Settled. Toronto, Feb. 5.—The Toronto Railway Company has settled with the relatives of C. O. Lockwood, who was killed at the corner of Queen and McCaul streets some months ago, by a runaway car. Mrs. Lockwood receiving \$5,000 and costs of the action. The mortgagor of the car was tried at the assizes on a charge of being criminally responsible, but was acquitted, the jury holding that he was not to blame, but that the accident was due to the faulty condition of the car and rails.

Two Fires. Montreal, Feb. 5.—Damages to the extent of \$10,000 were caused by a blaze which destroyed a large storehouse 69-

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reported that she had become a raving maniac. Central officers visited Jefferson Market court on several successive days last week expecting to find a visit from a man who was reported to be a guest at the Waldorf. For some reason this man, who was expected to make a formal complaint upon which a warrant could be asked, did not appear in court.

From a trustworthy source it was learned that an English lord while travelling in France in 1876, met a woman who afterwards became the mother of a child, a girl, who was taken to England by the lord in question and kept away from his family. He finally consented that a friend, connected with London and Yokohama, should adopt the girl. The girl was brought up at Yokohama. On sea trips with her adopted father she is said to have met the lord, who lived on his estate. Soon the girl came to be spoken of as an heir to some of the lord's property and this fact led to the kidnapping.

The report is that she was taken from a boat on which she was a passenger to the yacht. Several weeks later the yacht, it is said, was in New York harbor, and the woman was missing. The London and Yokohama police were corresponded with and then the New York police were asked to hunt for the missing woman.

The search of the Central police resulted in finding her in an insane asylum. When the yacht came into port the authorities found the woman virtually a prisoner in a cabin, where she had been kept for weeks. The quarantine authorities discovered that she was mentally unbalanced and it was

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