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RUMORED RESIGNATION OF HAYTER REED Report is Circulated That Superintendent of C. P. R. Hotels is Resigning.

It is rumored in local hotel circles that Hayter Reed has resigned from the management of the C. P. R. hotels. Stewart Gordon, manager of the Empress and brother-in-law of Mr. Reed, when asked this morning if there was any truth in the report of Mr. Reed's resignation, said that he had heard the rumor more than once, but as yet had not received any information either confirming or denying the report from Mr. Reed.

V. STEFFANSON WILL GO ON EXPEDITION He Will Make a Trip by Row-boat to Study Eskimo Tribes.

New York, March 26.—His "healthy body and cheerful mind" are the principal equipment to be used by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, who is to start in April in a rowboat for the Arctic circle to learn the way of the Eskimo tribes no white man has visited. Stefansson, it will be remembered, was a member of the Mikkelsen-Lefringwell expedition going by way of the Peace river to the Arctic ocean for the purpose of studying ethnological subjects.

Money he will not require, but he will carry a few knives, needles and butcher knives as gifts in return for the hospitality which he expects to receive. One rifle, a few fishhooks and nets and a suit of fur clothing will be the sinews of the expedition. Stefansson was formerly an instructor at Harvard university, and his coming expedition is under the auspices of the American Museum of Natural History.

CLARENCE KENNEDY DEAD. (Special to the Times).

Vancouver, March 27.—Clarence Kennedy, aged 28, a native of New Westminster, and son of J. B. Kennedy, M. P., died to-day at Vernon of spinal meningitis.

B. C. FISHERY REPORT. (Special to the Times).

Ottawa, March 27.—Hon. L. Brodeur said in the House to-day that the B. C. fishery report had been received and was to be printed.

"SECESSION" KILLED. (Special to the Times).

Toronto, March 27.—A meeting at Sudbury has effectually killed the secession proposition.

SCATHLESS FROM THE LAW. (Special to the Times).

Toronto, March 27.—Mrs. Minnie Turner, acquitted on a charge of performing a criminal operation, but held on a charge of murder, was released on bail and the crown will not press the charge.

\$300,000 BLAZE AT ST. PAUL. St. Paul, Minn., March 27.—Fire started from spontaneous combustion to-day in the Union Roofing & Manufacturing Company's plant on East Seventh and Frank streets. It got beyond the control of the firemen and it is now expected the entire plant will be destroyed. The value of the plant is given at \$300,000.

THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE. Mr. Cy Warman, the well-known author and journalist, writing on "Prince Rupert" in The Canadian Magazine, says:

"Prince Rupert is new and attractive. It is to be a model city in every sense of the word. It guards what is said to be the finest natural harbor on the coast, if not in the world. It is the terminal town of a transcontinental railway which bids fair to surpass anything ever attempted in the way of railway construction on this continent, crossing from ocean to ocean without a single mile of mountain grade or grade that can by any stretch of imagination be considered an obstacle to the economical operation of the road. Prince Rupert is also at the end of the long portage on the shortest route around the world. Any scheme which has for its ultimate object the swift churning of the sphere must reckon Prince Rupert on its right-of-way. The mineral wealth of all that vast mountain region, the forest products of Northern British Columbia, as well as the food products of the Prairie provinces and the fur of the far north—that is to say, all the export wealth of this resourceful Dominion originating north and west of the South Saskatchewan, bound for the Orient by the Occidental route—will funnel down and pass out by way of Prince Rupert."

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GERMANY AND U. S. AMBASSADOR REASONS FOR REFUSING DR. DAVID HILL Not Suitable Person for Diplomatic Entourage of Emperor.

Berlin, March 27.—The matter of the acceptance by the German government of Dr. David Jayne Hill, now American minister at the Hague, as American ambassador to succeed Charlemagne Tower continues to-day to hold public interest. The foreign office deals with the affair by denying that any expression adverse to Dr. Hill has come from the German side and by declaring that he is persona grata and that all contrary statements are unauthorized. It states that the opposition to Dr. Hill is American and not German.

On the other hand Emperor William's desire not to have Dr. Hill come to Berlin has been a subject of discussion in the official household of His Majesty for weeks past. General Von Plessin, adjutant-general to His Majesty has referred to it, and it is known outside of His Majesty's immediate suite that Admiral Von Mueller, chief of His Majesty's private marine cabinet, and Admiral Von Tirpitz, secretary of the admiralty, are among those who have told the Emperor that they did not regard Dr. Hill as a suitable ambassador. Mr. Tower's part is explained to have been confined to transmitting the Emperor's definite communication to President Roosevelt. His Majesty at the same time, requested a distinguished personal friend of President Roosevelt, who is now in Germany, to write the executive concerning the Emperor's unwillingness to receive Dr. Hill. Both of these communications were sent at the express wish of His Majesty.

Chilapa Ruined By 'Quake and Fire

Mexico, March 27.—Latest advices from the town of Chilapa in the state of Guerrero, which was stricken by earthquake are to the effect that it has been entirely destroyed.

Following the shock the ruins took fire and the city has been razed to the ground.

The populace is terror-stricken. The people are fleeing from the town and it is not yet known, even approximately, how many lives have been lost.

The town was the seat of a bishop and there were many important manufacturers located there.

MILLION DOLLARS INVOLVED. Pittsburgh, Pa., March 27.—A third charge against Henry Blober, paying teller, and John Young, auditor, of the Farmers' Deposit National Bank, was made shortly after noon to-day by Bank Examiner W. L. Folds.

The former employees are in jail, charged with misappropriating funds of the bank amounting to \$1,105,000. According to a persistent rumor, information against many business men in this and other cities are to be made within a short time.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON THE ROYAL BANK AND THE B. N. A. MET IN A TWO-GAME BOWLING ALLEY. The former won by a score of 625 to 617. The individual scores were as follows: Bank of B. N. A., C. W. Holden, 219; W. Barton, 209; W. M. Walker, 189; Royal Bank A. C. Futcher, 264; G. M. MacLeod, 173; F. P. Archibald, 188.

Shortly after midnight last night the death took place at the St. Joseph's hospital of Ruth, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Smith, of 1355 Davis street. The little child was taken to the hospital yesterday with appendicitis, and was operated on, but was unable to revive. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2 o'clock from the late residence, Rev. G. K. B. Adams will officiate.

Richard Dancy, the motorman who was the victim of the Gorge shooting affair, is steadily improving, and has to a considerable extent regained the use of his right arm. During the last few days he has gone into town daily, but it is not deemed prudent to expect the bullet, although it has been located by means of the X-rays. His jaw, which was wired, has united nicely.

FOOT GUNNERY. Those who have been talking so freely about "fool gunnery"—a term by the way borrowed from Commander Sims, Director of Target Practice in the United States Navy—would do well to closely study the figures in the results of the tests of gunlayers in 1907, says the Naval and Military Record.

While these figures are being perused, the mind is carried back to the state of things which existed when Captain Scott startled the Navy with a record score in H.M.S. Scylla. At that period practice ammunition was actually being thrown overboard rather than the shells should be soiled or time "wasted" in firing it at the target. This was something worse than "fool gunnery"; it was criminal wastefulness and evasion which stood to lose an Empire by naval inefficiency. And yet to-day the very men who have resigned the Navy from that state of affairs and have assisted to bring about such results as are to be found in the returns just issued are, by implication, called fools and noodles. As the movement was initiated and has progressed under men of action rather than men of words, it may be expected that the goal to which these critics now point—which was first indicated to them by the pioneers themselves—will eventually be reached by the process of steady advance and evolution that has led up to the present standard of excellence. Infinite pains, constant attention to small things, and minor adjustments, a patience worthy of Job, and an application beyond all praise, have carried us through the stages of drill, dotter, knocker-out, long-teacher, and sub-calibre practices, from the year when there was an excess of 2,909 misses over hits, to the day when we can show an excess of 5,556 hits over misses. If this be "fool gunnery" it is sincerely to be hoped that we may go on with the fooling in the interests of the nation and the Navy.

DEAD LYING AMONG PILED UP DEBRIS Fatal Wreck of Wells-Fargo Express in New York State.

Rochester, N. Y., March 27.—Two men were killed, one fatally injured, and four slightly injured in the wreck of an Erie train, No. 13, known as the Wells Fargo express at Belvidere, near Hornell, this morning.

A mistake in orders led the express meet an eastbound freight on a down-grade. The wreck is three miles from a telegraph station and few details can be learned.

From the facts at hand it appears that both engines and fifteen cars were piled up and some of the men buried beneath the wreckage. The known dead are: P. L. Helmer and Engineer Hornell, New York; Jas. Cannon and Fireman Andover are fatally injured; H. Magee, Grant, son, and Conductor John Field were slightly injured, and three express messengers whose names have not been learned are also among the injured. Word was sent to Hornell and a train carrying physicians and railroad officials was made up and hurried to the scene of the wreck. The dead will be taken to Hornell.

It is believed that the operator made a mistake in orders and failed to hold the freight for the express to pass. The division of the Erie is a single track and is completely blocked. All trains are being sent by the way of Buffalo. A special from Hornell says when the wife of Engineer Hammer was notified of her husband's death she collapsed and it is feared that she will die from the shock.

ENJOYABLE EVENING. Dominion Lodge, Assisted by Sisters of Rebekah, Entertained Friends.

At the Odd Fellows' hall last evening about four hundred Odd Fellows and their friends were entertained by the members of Dominion lodge, No. 4, assisted by the Sisters of Rebekah lodge, No. 1. Mayor Hall kindly acted as chairman and opened the entertainment with a short and appropriate address. During the evening the following ladies and gentlemen rendered a short programme: Mr. Robert Morrison, song; Miss Lancy and Miss Palmer, duet; Miss Scowcroft, song; Mrs. J. H. McCannell and Bro. F. Dresser.

A progressive five hundred game was played by the winners being: 1st prize, lady, Mrs. Bowles, score 1600; 1st prize, gentleman, Mr. Jas. Wilby, score 1570; consolation prize, lady, Mrs. Whittier, score 89; consolation prize, gentleman, Mr. Robt. Burns, score 89 in the hole.

Dancing was enjoyed by those who did not wish to play cards. The floor management was in the hands of Messrs. T. J. W. Thick, Jas. Bell and W. H. Cullin.

The Sisters of Rebekah served refreshments at 11 o'clock, and dancing was continued until the small hours of the morning.

The Sisters of Rebekah committee were: Mrs. P. W. Dempster, Mrs. Jas. Hay, Miss O. Taylor and Mrs. Robt. Livingstone, and with all the other Sisters of Rebekah, worked hard to make the social and dance the huge success that it certainly was.

The committee from Dominion lodge were composed of Bro. T. J. W. Thick, Dr. D. H. H. Davidson, who were ably assisted by other brother Odd Fellows.

PERSONAL. A. G. McCandless, former Mayor of Victoria, is at the Dominion from Vancouver for a stay of a few days.

Captain A. F. Yates, of Nanaimo, is a guest at the Dominion.

Lieut. R. P. Kingscote, R. N., England, who is on leave of absence, is staying at the Belmont. He will pay a visit to his brothers, W. A. and T. Kingscote, who are ranch owners at Saanichton.

J. E. Miller, inland revenue collector for the Dominion government, is at the Dominion from Vancouver. He is here on routine business.

M. H. Jones and wife, of Dawson, will sail on S. S. Jefferson, March 30th, on their return to the North, after a pleasant visit here.

F. W. Parker, general agent for the Northwestern line, of Seattle, spent yesterday here on railway business.

TO ABOLISH WAR. Following on the announcement of the noiseless gun invented by Mr. Maxim, Jr., comes the statement that a Brooklyn engineer named Bangter has offered to sell for \$5,000,000 to the American government a gun which he claims will render war practically impossible.

This gun discharges 2,000,000 bullets an hour without the aid of powder or compressed air. No shells are required, and there is no noise, no smoke, no flash, no recoil. The gun never gets heated, and it cannot explode. Two men can operate it. The action is entirely automatic, and if the machinery is set in motion after the hopper is filled to its utmost capacity with bullets, the attendants can go away for an hour, resting assured that the gun will continue to deal out death for that period.

The velocity of the projectiles is 3,000 feet per second; the expense of discharging 1,000,000 bullets is \$5; the cost of firing 1,000,000 bullets requiring powder and shells is \$20,000. When mounted it travels at 60 miles an hour. Ten guns firing 20,000,000 shots an hour would wipe out an army of 200,000 men in the space of sixty minutes if one per cent. of the missiles hit the men.

Mr. Bangter refuses to explain what his propelling power is. He demands a fair government test, and no-matters more. Meantime he will not patent his gun, because his previous experience of the patent office, he says, resulted in the theft of his ideas.

THREE OF THE BEST The Dog with a Pedigree. The Dog that wears the Blue Ribbon. The Dog Biscuit made by Smith & Co., Ltd.

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THREE YEARS IS SENTENCE (Continued from page 1).

This concluded the evidence, and Chief Langley, addressing the court, said that the evidence was so clear and simple that there was no need for argument. All he asked was that if his honor found the men guilty he should inflict a heavy penalty, not only as a lesson to them, but also as a warning to other crooks. Such men should be shown that British Columbia and Victoria in particular, would not tolerate crime of any kind.

Magistrate Jay said that the evidence was so plain that no doubt of the men's guilt was left. He would sentence them each to three years in the penitentiary, and would order the watch and chain returned to Belanger.

REPLIES TO ADVERTISEMENTS. Letters in reply to advertisements in the classified columns of the Times await claimants as follows:

LETTERS—W. K. S. W. A. T. X. Z. NUMBERS—174, 184, 189, 196, 198, 207, 209, 218, 1777, 221, 224, 234, 237, 240, 301, 245.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for alterations to the Post Office Building, Victoria, B. C.," will be received at this office until Wednesday, April 22nd, 1908, inclusively, for the construction of the alterations to the Post Office Building at Victoria, B. C.

Plans and specification can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and on application to William Henderson, Esq., Resident Architect, Victoria, B. C.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, made payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fails to complete the work contracted for, if the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, FRED. GELINAS, Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, March 19th, 1908. Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

CIVIC NOTICE In view of the proposed adoption of the "Perpetuity Plan" for caring for grave plots in Ross Bay Cemetery and of the necessity for obtaining the present addresses, in a large number of instances, of persons having the remains of relatives or friends interred in said cemetery, all such persons are hereby requested to communicate with Alderman Mes-ton, Chairman of the Cemetery Committee, addressing their communication to No. 1407 Broad street, Victoria, B. C., giving the writer's address in each case. WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. Victoria, B. C., March 27, 1908.

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Preparations For Quebec Tercentenary

Not in the history of Canada has there been any matter upon which there has been such an absolute unanimity of sentiment, so spontaneous and so all-pervading an enthusiasm, as upon the question of celebrating the three-hundred anniversary of the settlement of Quebec and the founding of the Canadian nation. The progress already made in the preparations is such that there can no longer be any doubt not only that the celebration will be one worthy of the Dominion, but that it will offer to the world a spectacle of pomp and pageantry unparalleled in modern history.

It will do more than that. It will bring into strong relief for all the world to admire, the solidarity of Canada and its people. It will exhibit the spectacle of the two predominant races of the nation—races which still retain each its own language, its own customs, and its own religion—joining hands on the common ground of patriotism and national unity in doing honor to the memory of the great historic figures who both people gave to Canada in the early days of the pioneers. Such a commemoration will be an inspiration to the other lands within the Empire. It will be an inspiration also to the Canadian people themselves. Already in Canada its good effect is apparent, for since the tercentenary was mooted, the people are being educated as never before in the glorious history which is their common heritage.

Since the announcement was made that the Prince of Wales is coming in state to represent the King at the celebration, there has been a marked increase in general enthusiasm. The date on which His Royal Highness will arrive has made it necessary to hasten the events by at least two weeks. Instead of the commemoration taking place in August it has now been fixed to start on July 20, and to last for a fortnight. The Prince will sail as an Admiral of the fleet on the battleship Dominion, and he will be accompanied by four other warships and a distinguished staff. In addition to this fleet, there will be detached from the fleets of France, the United States, and in fact from nearly all the powers, each of whom will send delegations of statesmen to represent them at this great national celebration. That in addition to these accredited representatives, there will be a great influx of visitors from all parts of the world to witness the historic scenes of the commemoration, is already a certainty, for applications for accommodation are pouring in from all parts of the world.

The Prince is due to arrive on July 22, and he will depart on July 28. His headquarters during his stay will be the Chateau Frontenac, and some idea of the suite that he will bring with him may be gauged from the fact that he has engaged no fewer than forty-five rooms at the hotel. The applications for the remaining accommodations in this great hotel are already far in excess of the number that can possibly be accommodated, and it is quite evident that one of the most difficult problems of all in connection with the tercentenary will be that of providing housing and feeding for the great throngs of people who will visit the city. A special committee is now grappling with this problem. Already the erection has begun of two gigantic hotels, each capable of accommodating five thousand guests for the occasion, and many smaller projects of a similar nature are being developed. In addition every boarding and lodging house in the city is being canvassed, and accurate returns prepared, so that guests can be accommodated with the least possible amount of inconvenience.

Mr. Frank Lascelles, who has been so successful in conducting historic pageants in England, is busy planning the features of the tercentenary pageantry. One of these features will represent the coming of Champlain, and the first simple but momentous scenes that were enacted when he landed on Canadian soil and commenced the settlement of the country. For this purpose a model of the little one-hundred-ton vessel in which he and his company sailed from France to this country is being built. Rigged after the manner of three hundred years ago, with her captain and crew dressed in the costumes of those times, this little vessel will come sailing up the St. Lawrence one morning during the celebrations. She will anchor off the lower town, and her captain and crew, representing Champlain and his men, will land and re-enact the scenes long since passed into history.

Fortunately it will be possible to carry out this part of the celebration with a tolerable degree of accuracy in historic detail for Champlain has left us, in his journals, abundant descriptions of those early days in Canadian history. The spirit in which he entered upon the work of settlement may be judged from his statement that "We require but a hundred and twenty men."

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A LEAP TO FAME.
 In the Smithsonian Institution at Washington is a case containing a stuffed cat. A card attached to the case setting forth the reasons why this particular feline is known to fame, gives official sanction to a tale that is in every respect remarkable as any emanating from the nature of felines. The story of the cat is as follows:
 Many years ago, while the Washington Monument was still in an unfinished condition, an adventurous and patriotic cat ascended the interior of the shaft by means of the ropes and scaffolding. When the workmen arrived at the upper landings the next morning and began to prepare for the day's work, the cat took flight, and, springing to the outer edge, took the leap of over five hundred feet to the hard earth below.
 In the descent, which was watched closely by the workmen, the cat spread herself out like a flying squirrel, fell slowly, and alighted as cats always do on all fours. After turning over on the soil a few times, as it dashed, she prepared to leave the grounds. She had proceeded almost beyond the shadow of the monument, when a stray terrier pounced upon and killed her.

VOYAGE OF A 250-TON TOMB.
 To Be Moved From Egyptian Desert to Chicago.
 Negotiations have been begun by the representatives of a Chicago museum for the transportation to that city of an ancient tomb weighing 250 tons. The tomb is situated near the pyramids of Sak-kara, which lie some twenty miles from Cairo and is a favorite resort of tourists. The Chicago museum authorities wish to remove the tomb in its entirety. It has been arranged that a whole goods train shall carry the tomb in sections from the nearest point of the railway to the coast, but no arrangements have yet been completed for moving the tomb from the desert sands to the railway line. The sections of the tomb will be carefully packed and placed on board a steamer at Port Said or Alexandria. Another special goods train will convey it from the American coast to Chicago, where the sections will be put together again under the direction of archaeologists.

COST OF LIVING IN GERMANY.
 From all parts of Germany sharp advances in the prices of the necessities of life, especially in foodstuffs and in fodder for live stock, are reported. The latter have been noticeable during the last few weeks, and are due, in a measure at least, to the unsatisfactory crops of the past year. The result is a strong upward movement in the price of foodstuffs. Meat is the only exception. It shows a slight tendency to lower prices, but is still above the figures of two years ago, and the slightly lower prices of to-day are perhaps due to the constant agitation for cheaper meat, which have continued uninterrupted for two years past. In some instances municipalities have gone into the butchering business and have sold directly to the people, while in many places meat prices have been fixed by municipal enactment. Prices of milk, butter and other dairy products have advanced in sympathy with the price of fodder.

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- W. Wilby, 51 Douglas St.
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- J. T. McDonald, Oak Bay Junction.
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BOWSERIAN IMPERTINENCE

Hon. W. J. Bowser, as "first law officer of the Crown" in this province, has presumed to dictate to the Minister of Justice and the Parliament of Canada in respect of legislation before the House of Commons affecting the conduct of Dominion elections. The legislation proposed is considered necessary because Dominion and provincial electoral divisions are different and because in the past some trouble has been experienced in placing the names of voters in the divisions to which they properly belong. Mr. Bowser, in trying to frame an excuse for his impertinence, makes statements which, to employ the wildest possible characterization, are untrue. He says that as a result of Dominion interference with the provincial voters' lists in the province of Manitoba previous to the last federal elections hundreds of voters were disfranchised. There is absolutely no foundation for such a statement, and the probability is that the Attorney-General knows it. Not one elector was disfranchised in the province of Manitoba, as was proved by the investigations of the Roblin government. That Conservative administration made a great to-do about alleged frauds and had some officials indicted for connection with the so-called frauds, but when it made inquiries and found that the names of voters had not been removed from the lists, but merely transferred to the divisions to which they properly belonged, all proceedings had to be withdrawn and confessions of misapprehension made. The sections of the Dominion bill quoted by the Attorney-General give the lie to his allegations respecting the intentions of the federal government. One section says:

"In the preparation of such lists the provisions of the laws of the province, regulating the preparation and manner of revising and bringing into force the provincial voters' lists in the like cases shall as far as possible be obtained and followed, and no person whose name is not included in the voters' lists so prepared and revised shall be entitled to vote."

When the present Dominion government came into power it found upon the statute book a law which gave it entire control of the voters' lists and the machinery had been applied unscrupulously for the purpose of assisting the out-going government to retain power. But it was cumbersome and expensive in its workings and unjust in its effects. The law was abrogated and the provincial lists accepted for federal electoral purposes. The change worked well until the year 1904, when in its anxiety to make a political point against the Dominion government, raised an agitation because federal officials were compelled to change a few names from one division to another in order to make the provincial lists conform to federal electoral divisions, changes which, as we have said, did not disfranchise a single elector. We presume it is in order to remedy this state of affairs that the act is being amended. In any case, it is surely competent for the present government, as it was unquestionably competent for the Macdonald government, to establish lists for federal purposes, if it sees fit; and we can imagine what the reply of the Minister of Justice would be to the impertinent communication of Mr. Bowser if that remonstrance were considered worthy of any other notice than silent contempt.

RACE TRACK GAMBLING.

Governor Hughes of New York is determined that gambling at horse races shall be abolished within the limits of the Empire State. Nor is the governor of New York a solitary or unique figure in this respect. The agitation in which he is the central figure—and an important figure because of the powers a governor of a state possesses—is but an echo of similar agitations in various parts of the great American union. But as New York is the most populous state, so the objections to the governor's policy have been correspondingly bitter on the part of the elements interested in race track "speculation." Every influence of good report in the state, including the influence of the press, is being exercised on behalf of the proposed reform. One journal, and that one of the oldest in America, dealing with the arguments of the opponents of the anti-gambling measure, says: Doubtless, from the standpoint of the friends of horse-racing, Governor Hughes has done the unfair-est thing possible in publishing a selection from the letters sent him in favor of the bills to abolish gambling at the tracks. Such interjection of human emotion interferes with the Olympian calm in which the cold legal questions of vested rights, adequacy of penalties, and the like should be considered. What do the parents of young men ruined at the track, or school principals who have seen their promising pupils demoralized, know about these things? The police lieutenant who describes the fotsam of the tracks, "graduates from the grand stand," as he aptly calls them, "women with hardly clothes and shoes to protect them from the weather, men and youths in the same condition, all trying to beat an impossible and crooked game, legalized by this state," does not realize the high moral and constitutional grounds on which eminent citizens to-day defend the Percy-Gray law. To many, the pitiful cry "Remove the temptation" may seem fully answered by the "compliant and venerable dictum that men cannot be made moral by law, and that moral fibre which succumbs at the betting-ring would fall somewhere else if that were closed. The answer is that all orderly citizens in this country have been committed for generations to the doctrine that gambling is a form of temptation which it is the state's duty to remove as far as it can. The gambling joint and the poolroom do untold harm, but they do it under the ban of the law. Their business is both risky and disreputable. Only at the race track does gambling go on publicly and systematically under the protection of a state law. No one engaged in the present campaign has, so far as we know, said a word against horse-racing as racing. But if that sport be inseparable from gambling, as its supporters alternately assert and deny, then the two will have to fall together.

Immigration from the United States into Canada is increasing at a faster proportionate rate than immigration from Great Britain into Canada. Some persons will doubtless point out that there is cause for alarm in this manifestation. But there really is none. It is a condition which will doubtless become more pronounced every year. Emigrants from Europe are pouring into American Atlantic ports by the million. This influx has the effect of forcing a better class across our western frontiers. Canada is the gainer by this process of elimination. The American immigrants, as our dispatches point out, are bringing train-loads of effects, of the value of millions of dollars, with them.

A noted scientist has been explaining "why Canada's climate changes." But is Canada's climate changing? All the data collected seem to indicate that climatic conditions are just what they were very many years ago. But of course natural forces move slowly; and it may be that a million years hence we shall be raising bananas and oranges instead of apples and strawberries. And if such a change does come, most of us are glad we shall not be here to share in its so-called benefits. From the point of view of the race we hope to see overrun Canada, the climate is just about right now. In what respect could the climate of Victoria be improved without shearing it of some of its attractions?

It is scarcely to be wondered at if the Dominion government has become suspicious of certain Provincial authorities in their manipulation of the voters' lists. Some of the things done before the last Provincial election under the authority of the "Special Act" were so flagrantly unjust and partisan that the Dominion government is perfectly justified in obtaining full power from parliament to prevent Attorney General Bowser from interfering with a square deal.

We are pleased indeed to see that a movement is on foot which may result in the establishment of Canada's national game upon a firm foundation in this city. The idea is worthy of commendation and of generous support.

There is really nothing of international significance in the assassination of D. W. Stevins except the intimation it contains that Japanese syceranty is intensely repugnant to Korea.

THE ADVANTAGES OF PHYSICAL TRAINING

Interesting Address Before Y. M. C. A. by Dr. Fisher of New York.

A selected audience of men who are interested in the physical welfare of the youth of the city assembled in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at 6 o'clock last night to hear an address by Dr. F. G. Fisher, of New York city, who is the secretary of the physical department in North America, of the Y. M. C. A. The address was given in connection with a banquet tendered Dr. Fisher, President McCurdy, of the Victoria Y. M. C. A., presided.

The speaker said at the commencement that the burning question of the hour was "What is truth?" and nowhere was scientific treatment shown more clearly than in the physical work that the association was doing.

He said: "This is a scientific age, and science improved by embracing scientific methods, and it is reasonable to suppose that this would apply to religion."

He said that in the training of adolescent boys particularly, and in the helping of many men, who are cases. Man was a unit, and must be saved soul, mind and body even from his environment.

The speaker declared the Y. M. C. A. had raised physical training from a low standard, and had made it Christian. To-day, he said, there were six thousand men in North America who were leaders qualified to teach physical instruction from the training they had received. He said the Y. M. C. A. supervised the play of nations, and produced brotherliness and had evolved a social age, characterized by social philanthropy.

Before concluding Dr. Fisher referred to a trip he had made to Chinatown in Victoria. He praised Victoria as a beautiful city, but said there was yet a lot to be done in the way of sanitation. In this connection he thought the Y. M. C. A. might do a good work by the appointment of a committee on this branch. This committee might, by consultation with civic authorities, do valuable work.

A vote of thanks to the speaker followed his address.

What Other People Think

THE CITY BEAUTIFUL.

To the Editor:—The interesting article in yesterday's Times by Mr. Gibbons, with the accompanying illustrations, contains many suggestions of value, and those who are interested in making Victoria more attractive as a tourist and residential centre.

Of prime importance in this age of motor car and bicycle, is a system of perfectly kept streets and suburban highways.

With regard to road making, it is evident that there is much work to be done in this province.

It would be an excellent idea for the provincial government to follow the example of Ontario and issue a bulletin on "Modern Methods of Road Making."

At present it actually costs less per mile to maintain country roads in Europe than in British Columbia, and yet European country roads are infinitely better than ours.

In other parts of the world places with an ambition to be known as tourist resorts spare neither time nor money to attract the fastidious modern tourist. Every beautiful or interesting natural feature is fully exploited. A hilltop from which a fine view may be obtained, then good roads and pathways are constructed to the top, and in most instances look-out towers and refreshment booths are maintained.

Is there a cave in the rock or similar natural feature, it is made accessible and attractive.

Every such interesting spot becomes an objective point for excursions and picnic parties.

In the vicinity of this city we have, for instance, Mount Tolmie, Cedar Hill and Mount Skirri, beside numerous points on Saanich Inlet and on the coast between here and Sooke, which would prove quite as attractive to tourists as anything that can be found at the average tourist resort.

All that is required is that they shall be made easy of access and properly advertised.

Victoria has a large number of societies and associations, but there appears to be room for one more, on the lines of the "Progressive Associations" mentioned in Mr. Gibbons' article. Such an association could find its work in the direction of agitation for good roads, tree planting at suitable points, the conversion of waste spots (like the upper end of Pandora avenue) into beauty spots, etc., etc.

Will someone take the lead in organizing such an association? W. F. B.

CALGARY CARNEGIE LIBRARY.

Calgary, March 27.—Andrew Carnegie has intimated by correspondence to the city that he is prepared to give \$50,000 for a library in Calgary, provided the city will give \$500 a year for maintenance.

TRAGEDY OF MISTAKE.

Ottawa, March 27.—Charles Needham, 31 years old, manager of a store at Kazabazua, Que., took wood alcohol last night in mistake for medicine, and is dead. He was unmarried.

MONTREAL BANK CLEARINGS.

Montreal, March 27.—Montreal bank clearings for the week ending March 26th totalled \$22,876,086, as compared with \$22,508,559 for the same week last year, and \$25,239,919 in the same week in 1906.

BURNS NEXT FIGHT.

(Special to the Times). London, March 27.—Tommy Burns will probably fight Charlie Wilson in Paris on a date not yet arranged.

ARTHUR TUBB AWARDED DIPLOMA.

—Arthur Tubb has been awarded a special diploma in the operation and theory of gasoline engines (marine). Mr. Tubb was the first one to introduce modern gasoline launches into Victoria more than ten years ago.

Local News

Those interested in lacrosse are asked to note particularly that the meeting in the city hall to-night commences at 7:30.

The musicale of the Ladies' Musical Society, which was to have been held to-morrow has been postponed until Saturday, April 4th.

This afternoon notice was given by Ald. Weston that at Monday night's council meeting he will introduce a by-law for the adoption of the perpetuity system in connection with Ross Bay cemetery.

On Friday, the 3rd day of April, the annual meeting of the B. C. Stock Breeders' Association will be held in the afternoon. Election of officers and general business of interest will be discussed.

Last evening the weekly meeting of Victoria lodge No. 17, Knights of Pythias, was held, when there was a good attendance. An exemplification of the degrees of Esquire and Knight was given. To-night, Far West lodge, Knights of Pythias will meet.

Members of the Local Law Society have not yet all sent in their votes for benchers. As to-morrow is the latest date at which these ballots can possibly be received, all members of the society are asked to take action at once.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Dairymen's Association will be held in the city hall, New Westminster, on Thursday evening, April 2nd, at 8 o'clock. Election of officers and general business of the association will be taken up. All are invited to attend.

Tenders for additions to the post office building which are called for must be in at Ottawa by April 22nd. The additions comprise the enclosing of the court yard at the rear, providing for a basement and one story in stone additions similar to the building. The floor to be on iron and steel columns and beams. The additions will give an extra space of over 4,000 square feet which will be principally devoted to postal business.

This morning the funeral of the late Henry C. Welch took place from the Hanna's undertaking parlors to the Roman Catholic church, where service was conducted by Rev. Father Calway. Although he died far away from home, his father, mother and relations all living in Australia, the funeral was largely attended by friends.

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TAKE UP ESTIMATES WEEK FROM MONDAY

Council Will Not Deal With Appropriations at Next Meeting.

The city council again met last night to consider the estimates for the year, when the policy to be pursued was decided upon, although there are still a number of points which may come up for discussion when the estimates are presented for consideration in open council. There are a number of corrections to be made in the list of appropriations as originally presented, and copies will have to be made for each of the aldermen, so that the estimates will not likely be ready for Monday night's council meeting, but it is almost certain that they will be presented at the next week's council meeting. This will bring the date of their submission up to April 6th. Last year the estimates were submitted on March 18th and passed on March 25th.

At Monday night's council meeting the by-laws to be submitted to the people within the next few weeks will likely come up for consideration, and if so will likely take up a large portion of the time of the meeting. The high pressure by-law has already gone through, but the sewer and fire equipment by-laws and the school board's by-laws have yet to be dealt with. Then there is also the policy to be pursued in regard to the erection of an incinerator in Victoria to be settled.

One thousand new names have been placed on the voters' list in this city during the past few weeks. At the last sitting of the court of revision, five hundred names were added, making in all fifteen hundred new voters. Both Liberal and Conservative organizations have been working hard getting men to register regardless of their political faith. There are still a few men in the city who are not on the list and they should see that their names are added to-morrow morning.

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magistrate give the opinion. "The conviction is so lamentably weak that it must be quashed," said His Lordship, and it was accordingly so ordered. Probate was granted in re Becker, deceased. An appeal was granted in the case of Bridgman vs. Hopburn to the Supreme Court of Canada.

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NOTICE.
APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO
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ERS IN ROYAL BAY.

NOTICE is hereby given that, under
and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of
Canada, 1906, Chapter 115, the undersig-
ned, by petition dated this day, have ap-
plied to the Governor in Council for ap-
proval of the area plans and site of the
following proposed works to occupy part
of the foreshore and submerged grounds
adjoining or abutting on all those certain
parcels of land lying in the District of
Esquimalt, in the Province of British
Columbia, known, numbered and de-
scribed as Blocks two (2) and three (3) of sub-
division of Section sixteen (16), namely:
A wooden wharf supported on piles and
extending from high water mark out-
wards, a depth of two hundred (200) feet,
having a width of one hundred (100) feet,
and having erected thereon bunkers and
conveyors for the handling of sand and
gravel.
A plan of the said proposed works and
a description by metes and bounds of the
foreshore and submerged ground to be
occupied thereby have been deposited
with the Minister of Public Works, and
duplicates thereof have been deposited in
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E. B. EDDY'S BUSINESS.

The annual general meeting of the E. B. Eddy Co., Limited, was held at their head office, Hull, recently, when the president, Mr. E. B. Eddy, presented the statement of last year's operations before the shareholders and reported that the company had a fairly profitable year in 1907; notwithstanding the increased cost of materials used and in spite of the serious depression which has prevailed in some of the important lines they manufacture. The heaviest cuts were in woodenware and in paper bags, of which they have a large enough capacity to supply the bulk of the trade in Canada.

BACHE'S REPORT ON FINANCES

REDUCTION MADE IN THE DIVIDENDS

Trade Indications—Depression Held to Be Due to Sentimental Causes.

In the course of the weekly financial review, J. S. Bache & Co., of New York under date of March 21st, says: The first of the reductions in dividends by an important road was announced by the New York Central this week. The cut from 6 to 5 per cent. was most conservative. Whether or not the rate can be kept at 5 depends upon two things: a large increase in the company's business or reduction of wages of employees. The reduction to 5 per cent. places the road back on its basis of dividend for 1906 and six years previous, so that it cannot be said that the reduction imposes a heavy burden on stockholders. The action of the Central has directed attention more than ever to the question of whether reductions will now proceed all along the line. This is not probable. Some of the other roads will undoubtedly follow suit, but probably not all of them. The question of continuation of dividend rate is always, in times like these, to the front in the minds of investors, and preferred stocks of the older railroads will now probably become more than ever, favorites in the investing market. Many of the industrials may also be depended upon for continuance of their preferred dividends.

The New York Central comes in for further attention and interest by reason of the announcement on Friday that the company had ordered one hundred and forty-three locomotives from the American Locomotive Co., under arrangement to pay for them in equipment trust bonds. This is certainly a favorable piece of news, both for the Central Railroad and the Locomotive Company. It is perhaps a little early to forecast the trend of business conditions and the continuation of business improvement. There is without doubt, in many spots real increase in orders and operations. The increase is slow and must necessarily be so, and if moderate activity extends to all trades, this is the most that can be expected. It does not mean booming prosperity and large profits for some time to come. The copper market is watched with intense interest, but it is doubtful whether the fluttering signs of increase can really be attributed yet to genuine consumption. A quiet, steady absorption of good bonds still continues, and there is probably a better market for prime Municipals than is usually to be found. This demand is probably due to the desire of investors for absolute security, supplemented by purchases for banking institutions in anticipation of legislation which will make Municipal bonds desirable because of their availability a security for circulation and government deposits. The inability of corporations to market new securities at anything but prohibitive rates of interest will not be without its good effects on the bond market. Compared with the amount of bonds sold during the first three months of each of the last five or ten years, the aggregate amount issued this year has been nominal, as result, an absorption of bonds issued heretofore, but not permanently placed, has occurred to a degree which is not to be underestimated. With the floating supply of bonds so materially reduced and dealers' stocks largely liquidated, the improvement in general conditions will be such as to establish a firm foundation for a broad, healthy bond market when the country begins to realize that we are as well off as we ever were, and that the depression has been influenced by sentimental rather than actual causes.

PRESIDENT'S APOLOGY.

British Warship Obtains Satisfaction for an Insult. The correspondent of the New York Herald at Port-au-Prince, the capital of Hayti, says that, while leaving the residence of President Alexia, a stone was thrown at the British aide-de-camp by some person whose identity does not appear to have been established. The official informed the British consul, Arthur G. Vansittart, who complained to the President. He did not receive any satisfaction, and thereupon reported the incident to the captain of His Majesty's ship Indefatigable, a second-class cruiser, which was anchored outside the harbor. The British captain immediately demanded an apology, and pending a reply from President Alexia, he manoeuvred his ship so as to bring her guns to bear upon the President's residence. General Alexia lost no time, however, in personally tendering an apology to the British consul, which was accepted.

DIAMONDS HARDER THAN STEEL.

The diamond is the hardest mineral in existence, though metal tantalum, used for electric lamp filaments, comes very near it. Although so hard, the diamond is very brittle, so that a sharp blow will shatter it. It is, however, so hard that it is placed between the steel jaws of a hydraulic press, and the pressure applied without jerk so as to avoid fracture due to brittleness, the jaws may be made to meet without the slightest injury to even the edges of the diamond. The hard steel closing round it and taking an impression of the much harder diamond just like so much wax. This experiment, no doubt, in the hands of a skilled scientist would be all right, but we would not advise readers to try it on their own diamond rings.

GRAVEYARD OF THE ATLANTIC.

Many people have heard of Sable Island, "the graveyard of the Atlantic," but few have any idea of what the place is really like. It is situated about 160 miles from Halifax, and as its name indicates, it is "an island of sand." Though many people entertain the idea that it is a rugged, rocky island, upon which ships are wrecked by scores, the fact is that shipwrecks on Sable Island nowadays are quite a rarity. And as for rocks, why, there is not a rock on the entire island as large as your hat! Formerly it was a frequent occurrence for the life-saving crews to be cut off from the world for months at a time; but now all is changed. An up-to-date Marconi station has been erected, and the little "sand-island" is now an important link in the vast wireless system of the North Atlantic.

BOY "JACK THE RIPPER."

A boy of sixteen, just arrested at Berlin, has confessed to crimes of a "Jack the Ripper" description. His name is Kurt Keller, and he was caught in the act of attacking a little girl. At the station the boy admitted this and other similar crimes both on small girls and boys. His confession raised a suspicion that he might be the murderer of a little five-year-old girl—Elsa Mischke—who was stabbed and killed in Berlin two months ago. Keller admitted his guilt and described the circumstances with abnormal complacency.

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Table listing wholesale market prices for various commodities like Onions, Apples, and other goods.

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CHAPTER XIX (Continued). The man was down, but the wretched horse lay between him and the terrible horns. It was undurable, I bear witness, to watch that which followed when the maddened bull thrust deep into the soft body of the screaming animal.

"Well," said I to Dr. James, "there's a good 'left-wing' lost at any rate. That fellow ran like a hare. If the bull had centred a second affright, he would have secured his prey. I wonder if our football professionals would like this for a change.

I turned my eyes to the arena again and there, sure enough, were the wicked darts. The bull now stood almost beneath the President's box; his flanks heaved; the foam dripped from his protruding tongue; his head was poised in an attitude of singular majesty and grace.

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CHAPTER XX. A closer acquaintance with Dr. Luther James convinced me that he was a very remarkable person, who had been born out of his generation.

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doctor to do more. Is this the Cafe do you think? Dear me, what a number of lovely women to be sure—and they told me Madrid was empty!

"So it is," said I, "except for an odd million or so. Just the way London is empty in August. These people, I am told, drove in from the hills to see the bull-fight. It's a local Festa, or something—a day out of the ordinary, and so, I suppose, we are in luck.

"Then you're certainly not run through the middle," my dear fellow, you must be in purgatory, if you please. I am always in purgatory when I see a pretty woman and have not the honor of her acquaintance.

"And look about five-and-sixty," I added to myself. The Summer Gardens offered the usual kind of entertainment which is hashed up in all continental cities for the benefit of the travelling Englishman and the equally curious son of Chicago.

"You sit it out," said I to the sandy-haired Dutchman, who had just told me that his poor wife would have never survived the evening.

Let it be said that the farcical idea of hypnotic suggestion no longer troubled me. I had forgotten all about it when I quit the cafe. Less satisfactory was the reflection that I had failed to remember Mr. Cavanagh's instructions of the afternoon, and had become so immersed in the pitiful drama of the arena that had forgotten all else.

"What!" said I, "and three officers of Hussars with her! There are shorter cuts to suicide, doctor."

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"He's gone to see the King, I believe," was the extent of his information. "You know he's very rich, Mr. Ingersoll. I pity him in his misfortune—though I do believe the lady will recover. At any rate I've done what I could for her, and you can't expect a

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