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In Solid Gold, 10k and 14k.  
Gold Filled of best qualities.  
At better prices than we have ever been able to quote before  
**Challoner & Mitchell,**  
47 Government Street. Phone 765.  
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**THE WESTSIDE.**  
A fine assortment of  
**ELABORATE NOVELTIES**  
**"Ladies' Blouses and Skirts"**  
A very large variety of attractive styles showing this week.  
**J. HUTCHESON & CO.**  
February 24, 1899.  
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**Cuts! Cuts! Cuts!**  
Cut in salaries, cut in rates, cut in prices. Don't cut us; if you do you will get hurt in your pocket.  
Navel Oranges ..... 25c dozen  
Codfish Blocks, strips and whole, 10c lb.  
New Jams ..... 5 lb. pails, 50c  
Owl Milk ..... 3 tins 25c  
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**MORGAN'S EASTERN STORES.**  
Always fresh and reliable.

**The Tempering of It**  
The Furnace of Experience—The goods we sell have been wrought out on the anvil of quality and in the furnace of experience and are the very best that good workmanship and superior materials can manufacture. Any line of hardware we carry, from plows to embroidery scissors, we can recommend as good material, etc.  
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Cor. Yates and Broad Sts., Victoria, B.C.

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133 Government St., City  
Offers by private treaty one of the choicest and largest Farms, near the city of Victoria, at a very low price, to command a ready sale. No reasonable offer refused. Correspondence solicited.  
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This is a genuine snap.

**NOLTE**  
CLASSES ADJUSTED. EYES TESTED FREE.  
**DOG FOOD.....**  
Smith's Dog Biscuits for working dogs. There's nothing better. No preparation is needed to feed these biscuits. They keep the dog healthy, and no other food is necessary.  
For Sale by all Dealers and M. R. Smith & Co.  
CLEAN COTTON BAGS WANTED AT

**FOR SALE**  
ON ROCKLAND AVENUE—1 acre and a 9-roomed house; modern conveniences; \$7,000; very easy terms. Apply B.C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, 40 Govern't St.

**Spring Medicine**  
Cochrane's Sarsaparilla Purifies the Blood and Invigorates the System.  
**JOHN COCHRANE, CHEMIST,**  
N.W. Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.  
Let Us Fill Your Prescription.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
DON'T FORGET THE Dance Practice at the Dancing Academy, View street, every Tuesday and Friday. Admission, gentlemen 25 cents; ladies free.  
FOR SALE—Four strong horses, cheap. Apply 37 Kane street.  
WANTED—A strong boy; one accustomed to horses preferred. Apply Walker's Switch Store, Esplanade road.  
TO RENT—A pleasant cottage, three rooms, 106 Dallas road. Apply 18 Erie street.  
TODAY—February 27, in church hall, Bannockburn street. The Wreck of the "Argosy" cantata and miscellaneous programme by First Presbyterian Church. Choir, assisted by Madeline Olive, Gresson, C. M. Nester, Gilbert, Miss Gillingham, Miss Dillingham and Louisa. Admission 25 cents.  
LOST—A black field spaniel dog, with white on breast, bobtailed; answers to name of Stump. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning to W. A. McKee, 44 Yates street.  
THIS WEEK—Special prices for Butter; 500 lbs. for sale; Creamery, Dairy and "Cooking" from 1-15; butter, 10c; lard, 10c; Eggs, 10c; Provision Dealer, City Market.  
WANTED—A horse suitable for delivery purposes. Apply at McDonald's Grocery, Oak Bay Junction.  
WANTED—Five canvassers for selling "The Island" in the school, big commission. Box 100, Times office.  
WANTED—Two or three house-keeping rooms for gentleman and wife. Address, P. O. Box 78.  
WANTED—Good horse and lot, 6 or 8 rooms, separate connection, if possible, low price for cash, or easy terms. Address, "Home," Post Office 300.  
LOST—STOLEN OR STRAYED (from the Hotel Victoria)—A Scotch stag hound. Any one found harboring the same after this date will be prosecuted. A suitable reward given. C. C. Harrison.  
THOROUGHBRED EGGS FOR HATCHING—We have Black Minorcas, Brown Leghorns and Silver-laced Wyandottes imported stock and guaranteed thoroughbred, at Sylvester Feed Co., City Market.  
BOARD AND LODGINGS or room and breakfast in a private family; home comforts, use of piano and bath; terms moderate. Apply 29 Erie street, James Bay.  
COAL AND WOOD—Best sack, \$3.50; Dry Wood, per cord, \$4.50. Flint & Co., 15 Broad street.  
UNION BREWERY DEPOT, 150 Government street.  
VICTOR BICYCLES—Model 1899 received. Call and see it at the agency, J. Barnley & Co., 113 Government street.  
C. M. COOKSON—First-class plumbing, gas, steam and hot water fitting, cor. Front and Johnson streets. Tel. 614. Jobbing promptly attended to.  
COAL, \$5.50 PER TON—New Wellington collieries. Kingston & Co., agents; office, 44 Fort street; telephone call 647.  
COAL AND WOOD—Baker & Colston, wharf and office, Bannockburn street, James Bay; telephone 407; city office, Swinerton & Oddy's, telephone 621.  
PROF. KAUFMANN, from Chicago. Piano, violin and mandolin. Room 27, Five Sisters Block. Office hours, 2 to 5 p.m. Best references; moderate terms.  
WALL PAPER, NEW DESIGNS, LOW PRICES. FURBERSTERS, 30% DOLLAR STREET.

## Aguinaldo Steps Down

It Is Stated That Filipino Leader Is Willing to Consider Peace Proposals.

Natives Are Anxious to Surrender—At Calocan Sharpshooters Still Annoy Troops

Manila, Feb. 27, 11:45 a.m.—Except for an occasional volley and some sporadic firing from the jungle near Calocan along the river and in the vicinity of San Pedro Macati, all was quiet along the entire line last night. The enemy's sharpshooters at Calocan continue to annoy soldiers in the daytime, but the Americans no longer pay much attention to them, reserving their fire until the rebels appear in the open in sufficient force to justify a volley by an occasional shell. During the night time the men are so accustomed to the enemy's snipers that the majority of them are undisturbed, secured by outposts and sentries. In Manila absolute quiet prevails. The streets are deserted and the only sound to be heard after 7 o'clock in the evening is the tramp of patrols and sentries, and the occasional clatter of the hoofs of the "bull" officers' baggage. The insurance companies, after conferences, have decided to accept war risks at an additional premium of 5 per cent. per month. Natives Willing to Surrender. Manila, Feb. 27, 4:35 p.m.—Two commissioners, who returned from Malos under a flag of truce, to-day report that 800 rebels are anxious to surrender. They also express the belief that Aguinaldo is inclined to accept pacific overtures. Major General Otis did not receive the commissioners. Another Filipino Manifesto, Hongkong, Feb. 27.—The Filipino government has issued another violent, anti-American decree in which the following is set forth: "The American people respect neither honor nor property, but barbarously massacre women and children. Manila has witnessed most horrible outrages, the Americans confiscating the properties and savings of the people at the point of the bayonet and shooting the defenseless; accompanied by odious acts of abomination, rampant barbarism and racial hatred worse than the doings in Carolina. Unless you conjure a holy war for independence, you are only worthy to be slaves and pariahs. Proclaim before the civilized world that you will fight to the death against American treachery and brute force. Even the women could fight if necessary. American professions and promises are pure hypocrisy. They covet the spoils of this patrimony of our race, wishing to implant here a more irritating and barbarous domination than in the past."

## The New Gold Camp

Fine Situation of Atlin City—Arrival of the Government Survey Party.

Prices of Provisions—American Miners Leaving on Account of Alien Bill.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) Atlin, Feb. 12.—No better situation for a townsite could have been got than the one chosen for Atlin. It is the prevailing opinion of all the people the writer has spoken to that it is the most suitable position. Rising gently from the water edge the country for miles up Pine creek is fairly level and pretty well wooded. The scenery all round is ideal and many new comers to our city—the future northern capital of British Columbia—have expressed themselves in terms of praise of this district. When one takes in with one glance of the eye the high snow capped and wooded slopes of the mountains all around in the distance, with the little islets in the 100-mile long lake stretching as far as the eye can reach to north and south, and backed by the gently rising ground in the rear, there is good cause for being proud of this part of British Columbia. Some people who have been on prospecting tours lately have informed the writer that the district about 20 miles south of this, east of the lower end of the lake, is a better looking country, being more flat and very suitable for agricultural purposes. This being winter and the snow lying 12 to 18 inches thick, one is hardly able to judge of the beauty of the district, but in a few weeks' time nature will begin to clothe itself in green. It does not seem to be so cold here as one finds it, for instance, at Log Cabin. The latter place registered 31 degrees below zero, while it only reached 14 degrees below here at the same time. The average temperature ranges from 2 degrees below to 14 degrees above through the night, and about zero and a little above through the day. Log Cabin stands about 2,800 feet above the level of the sea and Too Chi Lake 2,500 feet, while Windy Arm Lake and Taku is a little lower still, but as Atlin river runs with a swift current to Taku Arm, Atlin Lake is a little higher again, and Pine creek discovery townsite is about 600 feet above the latter lake. A census of this townsite was taken by the police a short time ago and it was estimated there were about 400 of a population, but every day brings a few new gold seekers. Quite a stir was caused within the last two or three days, when the government survey party, under the direction of Mr. J. H. Brownlee, ably assisted by Mr. Lowry, with ten field heads of prospectors and haggards, as also five members of the mounted police from Takuish, with supplies to assist the customs officer, Mr. Menzies, who arrived three days ago with his two men and supplies. While some are arriving others are, however, departing, as soon as the news of the alien law coming into force was known, a few packed up and left. Six American citizens came from Teslin district yesterday, and on learning the news packed up and are on their way to-day back to the Teslin district again. All are waiting with anxiety for the arrival of the gold commissioner, who is now daily expected from Bennett. Many American citizens are anxious as to their position, and no doubt the commissioner will be bombarded with inquiries and questions. The medical health officer is expected here to-morrow. The alien law is causing no small talk and it is not to be wondered at as being the all important topic of our city. A meeting of free miners was held yesterday afternoon in the Atlin Hotel, which session was the subject with Mr. Mason as chairman and Mr. Simmons as secretary, but very little was decided upon. There were about seventy present and the proposal was to send a delegate to Victoria with the purpose of interesting the government, and if possible getting them to amend same, but this is not decided upon as yet. A few, Mr. Kinney, the mining broker, in particular, expressed their opinions and the discussion lay on the side against the bill. "People are anxious that the postage officials should commence running a mail to and from Atlin, as it costs 25 cents for letter going out and 50 cents per letter coming in from Skagway. It is, however, generally understood here that a mail is to commence in two weeks' time and that the contract has been let to a responsible man for a weekly mail from Skagway. Since the gold commissioner's notice, forbidding persons from erecting cabins on vacant lots, all work in the way of erecting log houses is stopped for the present excepting in the case of two special cases. A number of men are working overtime erecting a large building to accommodate the two banks, which will be finished shortly. The Bank of Commerce and the Merchants Bank of Halifax expect to commence business next week. A number of men and stores have now opened out their office as mining brokers, etc. No one from Victoria need expect to see our city very much like their own. We will leave that to the future, but at the moment we are getting content to live in a few downy log cabins and about the same number of tents pitched on the shore, and a few brush houses all carpeted with brush, savannah, wood chips and other soft materials which do not materially hurt the soles of our shoes.

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## A RUNAWAY TEAM

Collides With an Electric Car—Narrow Escape of Sir Harry Strong in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—Sir Harry Strong had a narrow escape this morning while on his way to the Supreme Court. He was driving in a hack belonging to Mr. J. I. Andeville. The driver lost control of his horses, and they dashed into electric car at the corner of Kent and Albert streets. The vestibule of the car was smashed, and the front trucks thrown off the track. One of the horses was killed, and the driver was thrown from his seat over the heads of the horses. He escaped unhurt. The motor man scrambled into the car and also escaped. Sir Harry was somewhat shaken up, but stepped out of the hack without being injured. He did not, however, attend court. The funeral of the late Major Bell, of New Edinburgh, took place this afternoon from his father's residence. Deceased was buried with full military honors. The members of the 43rd battalion assembled at the drill hall and marched to the house. The Governor-General's Foot Guards, the Princess Louise Dragoons Guards and the Ottawa Field Battery took part. The city council, of which deceased was a member, and the city employees, were also present. Hon. W. S. Fielding has left for Halifax. Hon. Clifford Sifton will speak at Perth to-morrow evening. Hon. J. J. Tarte left for Montreal on Saturday evening and returned here again to-day. He is arranging for the contest in Lewis. At a meeting of the council of the Dominion Rifle Association it was decided to hold the annual meeting of the council on April 5 and ask the Governor-General to be present. It is probable that the command of this year's Bisley team will fall upon a Maritime province man. Captain Helmer of the 43rd is spoken of as adjutant. James McEwan, ex-mayor, who is said to be after the postmastership in Montreal, is here.

## RAILWAY CASUALTIES.

Four persons Run Down by Trains and Killed.

Rutherford, N. J., Feb. 27.—Two boys were killed on the Erie railroad this morning. They were each about thirteen years of age, and their names were Lilly and Fair. The bodies were found about a mile west of the Hackensack river bridge. The skulls were crushed in the legs and arms broken. It is believed that they were run down during the fog. Peoria, Ill., Feb. 27.—Agent Ryan and Operator Wilson, of the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railroad at Meckinaw station, were killed on the Big Four near Tremont last night. They were returning home from Tremont on a railway velocipede and the train, an extra, ran them down, killing both men instantly.

## AMERICAN FRUIT IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—The officials of the German foreign office have notified the United States embassy that the government will no longer admit American oranges, lemons and raisins without examination, and also that all American fresh and dried fruit will be allowed to pass in bond through Germany without being examined. The decision is based on the fact that the government has not yet been decided. The probability is that the decision will be favorable to American interests. The officials of the United States embassy have called the above facts to the attention of the German government.

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## PERSONAL.

Frank Noble, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion. J. T. Robertson, barrister, of Kamloops, is a guest at the Briard. Roper Hall, one of Calgary's cattle kings, is a guest at the Briard. G. H. M. Trew, of London, England, is domiciled at the Briard. R. Trundell, Montreal, and Chas. Metcalf, Detroit, are, at the Briard. W. G. Tanner and Thos. Dunn, of Vancouver, are registered at the Briard. Captain Chas. Phillips Wolley arrived home by the Charron on Saturday night. M. Leighton, of London, England, who is touring the province, is at the Briard. Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper and Lady Tupper came over from Vancouver on Saturday night. J. Johnson, of London, England, is a guest at the Dominion. He is here by John his party, who are outfitting here for the north. Frank Noble, London, England; E. W. Corvican; Wm. de C. Wetherall, Chemist; and Walter Taylor, Vancouver, are registered at the Briard. James F. Meagher, Fort Angeles; F. W. Smith, Montreal; Geo. How, Union Bay; Thomas Ellis, Pentonville, and John Murray, of Port Moody, are domiciled at the Orient. C. J. Madgen and wife, C. J. Jensen and Miss E. Madgen, are fair-nosed people. The "Belle" are passengers on the "Belle" of China, are at the Dominion. They are returning to their good work, after a holiday in the eastern States. E. G. Jessop, Wellington; W. D. Munro, St. John's; E. D. Dutton, Johnson, Seattle; Sam. Fairbank, T. H. Carter, Seattle; J. J. Caldwell, New Westminster; T. M. Whittier, Comox; T. Wilson, Nanaimo; G. H. Smith and wife, Toledo, Ohio, are amongst the recent arrivals at the Victoria.

## Balsam of Aniseed.

The reliable remedy for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, etc., prepared by HALL & CO., DISPENSING CHEMISTS. Clarence Bly., Yates and Douglas Sts.

## Notice to Contractors.

Tenders will be received up to 6 p.m. of Monday, 6th March, for brick building on Government street. Plans and specifications can be seen at my office. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

## HARNESING NIAGARA.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 27.—Messrs. Alexander Merton & Co., of Scotland, one of the great textile manufacturing firms of the world, are to build a factory at Niagara Falls. They will use electric power from the Cataract to run the factory. News was received in Buffalo this morning that the Darvel Company had closed contracts with the power company at the falls both for a site for its factory and for the power to run it. Messrs. Alexander Merton & Company, who manufacture carpets and other textile fabrics, have branches of their establishments in Ireland, Belgium and other countries.

## FAST APPETITE OF A SPIDER.

The spider has a tremendous appetite and his gourmandizing defies all human competition. A scientist, who carefully noted a spider's consumption of food in 24 hours, concluded that if the spider were built proportionally to the human species he would eat at daybreak approximately a small alligator, by 7 a.m. a lamb, by 9 a.m. a young camelopard, by 1 o'clock a sheep and would finish up with a lark by 10 o'clock. There were 350 birds, 150 lbs. of fish, 200 lbs. of meat, 100 lbs. of vegetables, 100 lbs. of fruit, 100 lbs. of nuts, 100 lbs. of seeds, 100 lbs. of sugar, 100 lbs. of honey, 100 lbs. of butter, 100 lbs. of oil, 100 lbs. of wine, 100 lbs. of beer, 100 lbs. of brandy, 100 lbs. of rum, 100 lbs. of whisky, 100 lbs. of gin, 100 lbs. of cognac, 100 lbs. of port, 100 lbs. of sherry, 100 lbs. of champagne, 100 lbs. of soda water, 100 lbs. of lemonade, 100 lbs. of coffee, 100 lbs. of tea, 100 lbs. of cocoa, 100 lbs. of chocolate, 100 lbs. of ice cream, 100 lbs. of cake, 100 lbs. of bread, 100 lbs. of butter, 100 lbs. of sugar, 100 lbs. of honey, 100 lbs. of oil, 100 lbs. of wine, 100 lbs. of beer, 100 lbs. of brandy, 100 lbs. of rum, 100 lbs. of whisky, 100 lbs. of gin, 100 lbs. of cognac, 100 lbs. of port, 100 lbs. of sherry, 100 lbs. of champagne, 100 lbs. of soda water, 100 lbs. of lemonade, 100 lbs. of coffee, 100 lbs. of tea, 100 lbs. of cocoa, 100 lbs. of chocolate, 100 lbs. of ice 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Cottage City Arrives

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Destitute Miners Hurrying From Dawson-Conditions Extant.

Gold Found on the Tahlan River -Haines Mission Growing Rapidly.

With another coterie of hardy looking soldiers of fortune from different parts of the northlands on board, the steamer Cottage City reached the outer wharf on Saturday night after a storm-tossed passage from Lynn canal.

Another late comer from Dawson is Mike Donahue, who has just reached Juneau. In conversation with Hal Hoffman, of the San Francisco Call, he said:

"Times are very dull in Dawson at present. There is no money in circulation, lots of idle men, and a whole lot of men working lays that won't amount to anything, especially on the benches. Grub is plentiful and prices are going down. Beef has dropped to 25 cents a pound. Some parties tried to convert butter and sugar and didn't make it stick."

Frank Schaffer, writing to Juneau on the date of Feb. 1st, says: "Your letter dated May 10th just received. We had the first mail from the outside this winter on Jan. 24, and very little of it."

Hal Hoffman, in a letter to his paper says: C. H. Ellison, one of the most noted trail warners on the 600 miles to Dawson, has come out of the frozen north swift-footed as Mercury. He was accompanied by A. Bradley, an athlete of Titusville, Pa., who assisted in setting the pace.

According to the story of an army of men is now on the trail to the coast. Several thousand men have been lying around Dawson during the winter, unable to get work or prospect and waiting for a favorable opportunity to get out.

The regular monthly mail for Glenora left Wrangle last Thursday in charge of Lowrey, representing the Casca Trading Co., who have the contract for carrying the mails to Glenora. It consists of two pouches for Glenora, one of American mail and one of British mail, and two pouches of British mail for the boundary.

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which empties into Chilkat Lake. They dug through the snow on a level ground, cut wood, thawed the gravel and panned it out, getting several cents to the pan, near the surface. Other creeks in the vicinity gave good indications. This is hurrying more people to the Porcupine.

News was brought by passengers of the Cottage City that a short time after Mining Recorder McCullough left Toleda the miners encamped there held a meeting and elected Constable Trimmon to fill his place.

The United States customs officers at Wrangle are getting after the whisky smugglers. The little government steamer Cosmos, in charge of Capt. Thos. V. Smith, succeeded on the 10th in capturing a sloop loaded with whisky. The seizure was made off Prince of Wales and consisted of forty kegs and fifteen cases. The sloop with her cargo was towed to Wrangle where the booty was turned over to the customs authorities.

Three days later Customs Inspector S. L. Adams made another haul, when, accompanied by two men, he made a trip to a point near the cannery and seized a cache of contraband goods. The seizure amounted to eight kegs and eight cases of liquor. The goods came from Fort Simpson.

Many of the citizens of Wrangle were witnesses of a narrow escape from drowning of two fishermen on Wednesday last. Hannas A. Bjerre and a companion left Wrangle during the afternoon, when the fog was so thick that they were unable to get on to Klondike. He made a will on March 3rd, 1898, by which he appointed his wife sole executrix.

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HEART DISEASE

SOME FACTS REGARDING THE RAPID INCREASE OF HEART TROUBLES.

Do Not Be Alarmed, But Look For The Cause.

Heart troubles, at least among the Americans, are certainly increasing, and while this may be largely due to the excitement and worry of American business life, it is more often the result of weak stomachs, of poor digestion.

Real organic disease is incurable; but not one case in a hundred of heart trouble is organic. The close relation between heart trouble and poor digestion is because both organs are controlled by the same great nerves, the Sympathetic and Pneumogastric.

In another way, also, the heart is affected by the form of poor digestion, which causes gas and fermentation from half digested food. There is a feeling of oppression and heaviness in the chest caused by pressure of the distended stomach on the heart, hence arises palpitation and short breath.

Poor digestion also poisons the blood, making it thin and watery which irritates and weakens the heart. The most sensible treatment for heart trouble is to remove the distention and to restore the proper condition of the stomach. This can be done by the regular use of efficient digestive preparation, like Stewart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which may be found at most drug stores and which contain valuable, harmless, digestive elements.

Presumption of Death

The Widow of Sir Arthur Curtis Granted Her Application in P.Obate.

The Baronet's Disappearance on the Ashcroft Trail, Recalled.

The circumstances attending the disappearance of Sir Arthur Curtis on the Ashcroft trail last summer are served by action which has recently been successfully taken by his widow, to be granted an application of presumption of death.

In the Probate Division, London, Mr. Barnard applied to Mr. Justice Barnes to presume the death of Sir Arthur Colin Curtis, baronet. He said that Sir Arthur was married in 1887 to Lady Sarah Jessie Curtis, the applicant, and there was one son, who was now about twelve years of age.

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Russia possesses the largest standing army on earth. Every year some 280,000 conscripts join the Russian forces, which in time of peace number 1,000,000 men. On a war footing this rises to 2,500,000, and calling out the present reserves would increase it to 4,547,000 well trained soldiers. Should necessity arise the militia would be called out, bringing the Czar's forces up to 9,000,000 men.

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TRADE DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA Lord Charles Bessford on the Duties of the Powers.

New York, Feb. 25.—Lord Charles Bessford, speaking here last night, said: "What remarks I have to offer may be somewhat stale, as it is difficult not to repeat when speaking for two days running. With regard to the development of trade in China and Japan, about which you desire me to speak, I will say that, as a result of my investigation, I found that the total trade of China was \$275,000,000. Out of that England, or Great Britain, owns 55 per cent, and America owns 15 per cent. The remaining countries of the world own 30 per cent, and out of that, too, Great Britain comes in for a large share, because of the extent of her colonies. In China I found that American cotton goods went up in four years 121 per cent, in quantity and 59 per cent, in value. Your trade is very much larger than is shown in the maritime lists in China. When your goods are bought by English merchants in China they can then become English goods just in the same way that silk purchased by English or German merchants becomes English or German silk. If China is opened up, your trade in that country will also open up. I found, too, that American flour consumed in China for the first seven or eight months of the year 1898 exceeded the quantity consumed for the whole few years previous. Both the Japanese and Chinese merchants are large buyers of American flour. We shall do our level best to beat you in trade, if we can, in friendly rivalry. In what I have said I have given you practical facts."

Lord Charles Bessford here read from a newspaper clipping with reference to the "open door" policy in the East, as expressed by him since his arrival in this country. Continuing, he said: "The circumstances cannot remain as they are unless the people who have trade interests in China do something, for something is not done, China will absolutely go to smash. Now the question is, shall China remain a power and be assisted, or is she to be brought to an end and divided among the great European powers? Without the aid of the United States and certain European powers, I am absolutely certain that China will go to pieces. I maintain that the more Great Britain, Germany, the United States and Japan have their vested interests in China the greater the security and peace of the world. The first thing needed is to help to stop rebellions."

"I cannot conclude without expressing gratitude for the reception tendered me. If we can get together, I don't say in an alliance, but in national affection and for trade purposes and the spread of civilization, the peace of the world will be assured."

CANADIAN BRITISHES. Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—Hon. J. D. Cameron, attorney-general, returned from the East this morning. He is now quite well and was able to resume his duties at once.

President Mellon, of the Northern Pacific, is here conferring with the Board of Trade regarding the rebuilding of the Hotel Manitoba.

Pooleboro, Feb. 25.—Margaret Sheehan was killed by a train to-day while trying to cross the railway line.

Knoxton, Feb. 25.—Lieut.-Col. Lee R. A., the first British military attaché to the Washington embassy, is in the city, the guest of Col. Kitson, Royal Military College. He will remain a few days and proceed to Ottawa to confer with the Canadian military authorities.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 25.—The first of the annual sealings occurred yesterday, when a boat from a sealing steamer, the Pelican, at Trinity Bay, on seal hunting, was driven by contrary winds and exposed to the storm all night long. Of the six men in the boat two perished and the other four were dangerously frost-bitten.

Hon. David Mills, Minister of Justice, speaking at the anniversary exercises of the Detroit Bar Association on Saturday referred to the relations between Canada and the United States, and Mr. Mills said: "The Imperial government and Canada have always been anxious for more sympathetic relations with the United States, but for some reason this feeling has not always been reciprocated. When you extend your possessions, however, I believe that by coming into contact with other nations you will better appreciate our foreign policy and will naturally be drawn more closely to us."

The United States senate committee on appropriations on Saturday agreed to incorporate a provision in the sundry civil appropriation bill providing for the construction of a submarine cable connecting the United States with the Hawaiian Islands. The amendment provides for the laying of the cable by the United States and for its subsequent ownership by the government. Senator Butler made a statement before the committee showing the cable could be laid to Honolulu for \$6,942,000.

The Tribune building, Minneapolis, Minn., was gutted by fire on Friday night. An unconfirmed rumor was current that two men who were in the Tribune building were missing.

Cayman Island, 150 miles from Kingston, Jamaica, was swept by a terrible storm on February 13 and 14, which devastated the country districts, destroyed local shipping and caused several fatalities and general suffering among the islanders.

Women with pale, colorless faces, who feel weak and discouraged, will find health mental and bodily vigor by using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People for the blood, nerves and complexion.

PRIZE FIGHTER'S CRIME. Tom Allen, at One Time Heavyweight Champion of the World, in Custody.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 27.—Tom Allen, an old-time prize fighter, and at one time champion heavyweight of the world, is under arrest at the court charged with murder. Tom Courtney, whom Allen shot in the course of a fracas in the prize fighter's saloon, died at the city hospital shortly before midnight last night. Allen declares that Courtney was going to shoot him, and for that reason used his revolver.

FUTURE OF PHILIPPINES. Democrats Will Protest Against the Permanent Acquisition of the Islands.

Washington, Feb. 25.—A caucus of the Democratic members of the House of Representatives has been called for 8 o'clock next Monday evening for the "consideration of the attitude of the party in the Philippines." A plan of action has already been outlined, and it is expected that a resolution will be adopted against the permanent acquisition of the Philippines. Democratic members feel that it will be appropriate to consider how far the financial question is to remain in the permanent issue, or is to be come secondary to an issue on Imperialism. Judge McGuire of California says that, while the financial subject will continue to be among the foremost party issues, yet it may not come to the fore, owing to the nature of the circumstances advancing the issue of Imperialism.

TRANSPORT'S ROUGH VOYAGE. San Francisco, Feb. 25.—The transport Zealandia has arrived from Manila after a rough trip, during which she encountered a typhoon of 48 hours' duration, which damaged the ship to a considerable extent, injuring several men. The vessel nearly foundered. She brings 26 soldiers who were sent home on sick leave, 23 discharged or under orders, and six prisoners and a guard of two. Three men died on the voyage. The prisoners are men who have served their time in prison at Manila and are returned to the United States under orders of General Otis.

The Zealandia left Manila on January 26, and Nagasaki on February 5. When five days out from the latter port a terrible storm was encountered, during which First Mate Derrig, Chief Pantryman Hallway and several of the crew were badly hurt, and replaced only in danger. For a time the vessel was in doubt, but she finally outdrew the gale.

RACE FOR A LIFE. South McAllister, I. T., Feb. 27.—Walla Tonka, the Choctaw Indian who achieved notoriety by touring the west with a baseball team while under sentence of death, is in peril for the third time. Unless United States deputy sheriff who started from here to serve a writ of habeas corpus, granted on Saturday afternoon by Judge Clayton, of the Indian Territory Federal Court, reaches the scene of execution in time to prevent it, Walla Tonka will be shot at noon to-day, in Alameda County, in the Choctaw nation. Twice before Walla Tonka has been far nearer to death than he is now, but the roads were not so bad then, and the courier who carried him his salvation could make better time. The crime for which Walla Tonka is to die is the murder of his uncle, Lannum Young, who was an Indian deputy sheriff.

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If a man will stop any reason for a moment, he does not have to be a physician to understand the causes of impure blood, as it is reaching effects. When a man's digestion is disordered, his liver sluggish, his bowels inactive, the blood is deprived of the proper food elements, and the sluggish liver and bowels supply in their place, the foulest of poisons. The blood is the life-stream. When it is full of foul poisons, it carries and deposits them in every organ and tissue of the body. Bone, sinew, muscle, and flesh-tissue, the brain cells and the nerve fibers are all upon bad, poisonous food. Serious ill-health is bound to result. The man is weakened in every fiber of his body. He is weakened physically, mentally and morally. He suffers from sick headache, distress in stomach after meals, giddiness and drowsiness, loss of appetite and sleep, bad taste in the mouth, shakiness in the morning, and dizziness throughout the day, and lassitude and an indisposition to work. Sooner or later these conditions develop into consumption, or some blood or skin disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the best of all known medicines for such ailments, hard-working men and women. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It makes the appetite keen and hearty, and the digestion and assimilation perfect. It purifies the blood pure and rich, the nerves steady, the body vigorous and the brain alert. Where there is also constipation, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets will be sold for all medicine dealers.

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END OF THE FIRST SESSION. After one of the shortest, briefest and certainly most exciting sessions in the history of the British Columbia Assembly, the eighth parliament of the province was formally prorogued today.

in their own territories. Professor Smith would have seen the well-meaning foreigner permitted to prowl up and down Canada armed with a sack and a muck rake, scooping the gold nuggets and dust from their places and river bars, just for the sake of "the brotherhood of man."

subsequent additions will include some cruisers nearly approaching the type of the British first-class ships Terrible and Powerful. The United States naval authorities were so pleased with the work done by the cruisers in the several engagements of the late war that the probabilities are that the cruiser in its three classes will be the favorite type of fighters in the American navy of the future.

Ald. Langley Disqualified

Mr. Justice Drake Rules That the Alderman Loses His Seat.

He is Fined the Penalty of \$50 and Costs of the Court. In Falconer v. Langley Mr. Justice Drake this morning delivered judgment in favor of the plaintiff and fining the defendant \$50 and ruling that he is disqualified. The judgment is as follows: The plaintiff in this action seeks for penalties alleged to be incurred by the defendant for sitting and voting as an alderman of the city of Victoria without being duly qualified.

Victorious Victorians

Championship of Provincial Rugby Football League Won by the Capital.

After a hotly contested struggle on the Caledonia grounds on Saturday afternoon, in the presence of a vast concourse of spectators, the ever victorious Victoria Rugby team won the Nanaimo Hornets and for the first time in five years brought the championship to this city. The score was 8 to 0, a goal and a try. From the kick-off Victoria began to press the men from the Coal City, toward nearly scoring on the 25 on a free kick for an off-side play soon after the start.

Economical Three teapoonfuls will make a good cup of Tea for six People. Ram Lal's PURE INDIAN TEA. Even if by using double the quantity of tea, one can get the strength yet no amount will produce the fine flavor.

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Swagger is the champion of the Pacific coast, and was awarded a silver cup at the late San Francisco show. Mr. Lewis, who is an old-time dog fancier, is evidently acquainted with the pedigree of the local champion. THE BARRISTER'S LAY. The following brochure, supposed to be intended to be read by a member of the house, was picked up on the floor of the house on Thursday evening, after Mr. Macpherson's amendment to the Supreme Court Act had passed.

WANTED - A second-hand barber's chair; must be first-class and cheap. Apply Box 630, P.O. WANTED - A general servant at 28 King's road, J. Johns. WANTED - Employers in need of practical trained office assistants, bookkeepers, stenographers, typewriters, etc. Please call at the Columbia Commercial College, Vancouver, B. C. H. B. A. Vogel, principal.

MONEY TO LOAN on Victoria Real Estate by the Yorkshire Guarantee & Securities Corporation, Ltd., and by the Dominion Permanent Loan Co., A. W. More & Co., agents, 86 Government street.

VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meets first Thursday in every month at Masonic Temple, Douglas street, at 7:30 p.m. H. K. ODDY, Secretary. EDUCATIONAL. SHORTLAND - Classes in all stages; \$3 for eight lessons in classes of not more than four; eight individual lessons for \$5. Address: "Shortland," Times.

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COLD AND SHOWERY. Daily Forecast Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 27—5 a.m.—The low barometer area which has been hovering over this province for several days, and developed yesterday into an important storm, it now forms a trough of low pressure extending from Cariboo southeastward to Montana. The barometer remains high off California and high westerly winds, accompanied by heavy rains, have prevailed from this northward along the coast. East of the Rockies the temperature ranges from 20 below at Calgary to 30 below zero at Winnipeg.

Nanaimo—Wind, calm; weather, clear. Victoria—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 59; minimum, 50; wind, W., 22 miles; rain, .43; weather, clear.

Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, S.W., 8 miles; rain, .50; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, W., 4 miles; weather, fair.

Forecast For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong westerly winds; partly fair and cool, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Strong westerly winds; cool; occasional sleet or rain.

City News in Brief. Boycott non-union cigars. Use Blue Ribbon Baking Powder.

Many articles suitable for miners cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

There was a clean sheet at the police station this morning, not even the Monday morning drunk being present.

The fire brigade held a practice drill on Saturday afternoon, ladders being thrown up and water turned on the Prior building at the corner of Government and Johnson streets.

Cumberland, B. C., has another paper, the Islander, the first issue of which has just reached this office. In its introductory article it is stated that the Islander will be an independent paper.

Little by little the spoils of the robberies which took place in the city last week are being recovered by the police. On Saturday afternoon the remainder of the plunder taken from the Hazard residence, was recovered, with the exception of one nugget, which has not yet been found.

On Wednesday of next week the Grand Lodge of British Columbia of the A. O. U. W. will assemble in this city and will remain in session for two or three days. There is no business to come before the lodge of more than ordinary interest, but the brethren will be favored by the presence of Past Supreme Master Workman Kinsley, who is one of the bulwarks of the order in America.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon a small gathering of Methodists assembled at the Metropolitan Methodist church for prayer and preparation for the four days' convention of the Methodist churches of Victoria for "the deepening of spiritual life," which then began. The service this afternoon was led by Rev. C. Bryant.

This evening a meeting will be held at 7.30, when a sermon will be preached by Rev. J. C. Speer. The first half hour is to be given over to the singing of hymns. The programme for the services for the other three days is as follows: Tuesday, at 3 p.m., Bible study, Rev. W. H. Barracough; at 7 p.m., lecture, Rev. J. C. Speer; sermon by Rev. Geo. H. Deville, Wednesday, at 3 p.m., Bible study, Rev. J. C. Speer; sermon by Rev. W. H. Barracough, and address by Mr. S. M. O'Neil, Thursday, at 3 p.m., Bible study, Rev. J. C. Speer; sermon by Rev. J. C. Speer; sermon by Rev. J.

Along the Waterfront. The board of licensing commissioners will meet to-morrow.

The Saturday evening concert in Temperance Hall was again well attended and the programme rendered was most enjoyable.

This morning at 9.30 the funeral of the late Walter Barry took place from his parents' residence, Burnham street, and later from the Roman Catholic church, where high mass and the accompanying service was rendered.

The funeral of the late Mrs. John Smith took place from the family residence, Pandora avenue, yesterday afternoon, thence to St. Barnabas church, where the Rev. J. B. Haslam conducted services and afterwards officiated at the grave site.

The very unusual spectacle of a bright lunar rainbow was witnessed last night. About 7 o'clock a rainbow in the moon was shining brightly in the eastern sky, a rainbow spanned the western horizon. It was clear and unbroken for several minutes, but quickly disappeared as the strong south wind drove heavy clouds over the moon.

Whist walking in Beacon Hill Park early this morning Mr. J. W. Haskins, of this city, espied a wild eagle flying over his head.

Next Friday night in Oddfellows Hall, Spring Ridge, a concert will be held in aid of the organ fund for Spring Ridge public school.

At the Victoria theatre to-night the Kelly & Mason Company will be seen in a comedy of complications, entitled "Who is Who?"

A New York attorney, Jack Hartland, who is being held without bail, conceives the idea of having a partner who is nothing but a myth. This partner is called Nemo, and is always too busy to be seen by callers at the office.

The report given out that the long overdue schooner W. S. Phelps had reached San Francisco has turned out to be false.

The Empress of China left Vancouver at 2 p.m. for the Orient. She will tie up at the outer wharf about 7 p.m. She will have as passengers from here, Mr. and Mrs. Madsen and family and Miss Weddison, missionaries returning to China, and T. Gibson and A. J. Jensen.

Posted as missing at Lloyd's is generally regarded as a marine obituary. The first two vessels to be given this death notice are the British ship Celtic Bear, several months overdue from Hongkong for this port in ballast, and the Bark Curraoee, from Hingo for Puget Sound.

A serious strike has been declared by the Pacific Coast Ship Carpenters and Caulkers' Union against the shipyards of Charles Henniger at Ballard. All work is now quit for two days ago and work practically stopped.

The Empire line, which runs a line of steamers between the Sound and St. Michaels, announces that it will put its boats in service about May 1st.

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LETTER OF THANKS. To the B. C. Diamond Co., Ltd.

We the undersigned members desire to thank your manager, Mr. Bigger, for the prompt payment of our options maturing in twelve weeks which entitled us to a diamond we received and which the company bought back from those not wanting the diamond and gave their check for \$40 on the first option being paid to 12 weeks, netting us a profit of \$12.50 on \$27.50 investment.

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DOMINION ALLIANCE. Will Petition the Government at Ottawa for Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic.

The executive of the British Columbia branch of the Dominion Alliance met on Friday evening in the school room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Nanaimo.

Following is an outline of the business done: Rev. J. D. P. Knox was elected corresponding secretary for the Alliance, as no permanent paid secretary would be appointed.

A strong committee was appointed to prepare a petition to be sent from the Provincial Alliance to the Dominion parliament urging such legislation to legislate on the question of prohibition.

The following is the substance of a resolution to be sent to the public press: "Resolved—That we impress upon the government the necessity of immediate legislation in response to the mandate of the people as expressed in the plebiscite, urging that the substantial majority of 128 constituencies out of 213 in the Dominion demanding prohibition, calls for nothing less than an act prohibiting the liquor traffic."

On Saturday evening Professor Robert Foster gave a very pleasant reception in the Colonist Hotel hall to the Nanaimo and Victoria football teams who had played in the afternoon.

The United States government have at last taken steps to prevent a recurrence of such tragedies as those of the bark Helen W. Almy, Jake Grey and other craft that went to the bottom during the Klondike boom.

The "Rio Grande" was presented again on Saturday night in Semple's Hall by the Western Amateur Dramatic Union to a good house.

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We have a few of those "Beautiful Toilet Sets" left, the most handsomely decorated that we have had. Weller Bros.

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Crime in Australia

The Brutal Murder of Two Young Girls and Their Brother.

A Suspect Arrested After a Desperate Struggle With Troopers.

A murder, brutal and revolting, has just come to light at Patton, Queensland, Australia, the unfortunate victims being Nora and Ellen Murphy, who were enticed into a trap and there outraged, and their brother Michael.

From latest advices it appears that the young people had been to the local races and had stayed for the customary dance, leaving about 12.30 for their home some 12 miles away.

Mounted troopers, immediately set out and scoured the bush for some clue, but could not find any. As usual in such cases reports came in from all quarters of suspicious looking persons being seen in the vicinity.

The Times has been asked to print the following: Victoria, 25th Feb., 1899. To the Officers and Brethren of Court Caribou, No. 743, Independent Order of Foresters:

Gentlemen—Kindly accept my heartfelt thanks for the very prompt payment of \$1,000, the amount of insurance held by my late husband, J. S. Keefe, who was a member of your Court.

CLARA ANNIE KEEFE. MENTAL DISEASE. An eminent writer upon this subject remarks: "When one considers the reckless way in which persons, whatever the defects of their mental and bodily constitution, often get married, without sense of responsibility for the miseries which they entitle upon those who will be bound by their infirmities, without regard, in fact, to anything but their own gratification, one is driven to think either that man is not the pre-eminently reasoning and moral animal which he claims to be, or that there is in him an instinct which, without his knowledge, has persuaded himself, rightly or wrongly, that there is in the feeling of love between the sexes something of so sacred and mysterious a character as to justify disregard of consequences in marriage."

THE YARRA MYSTERY

Solved at Last—A Well-Known Estate Agent Implicated.

In January last a box was found by some boys floating down the Yarra river, Melbourne, and upon investigation it was found to contain the body of a young woman, which had been crushed and doubled up to get it into the box, which was an ordinary box used by boot merchants to convey their goods up country.

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selection of the girl and afterwards complicity of the operation. From the statements made it appears that Tom, on coming aware of the girl's condition, approached Madame on the subject of an operation. She consented to assist and a man was performed. The girl, however, gradually sank and expired.

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A Gust of Legislation Which Includes One Hundred and One Measures.

The House Is Prorogued Nearly Three Months Earlier Than Last Year.

Saturday, Feb. 25, 1899.

When the last report was sent from the house this afternoon the Liquor License Regulation Act was under discussion in committee with Mr. McPhillips in the chair. Some discussion arose over the provision that stabling be provided, but no change was made. It was pointed out by Mr. Eberts that some hotel proprietors failed to make sufficient provision for stabling to pay a license of \$100 a year, but Hon. Mr. Martin claimed that amount was no more than reasonable and it stood. May 1st was the date set in the bill for its coming into effect, but in view of the fact that there is still a month before April 1st, Mr. Martin moved to have the latter date inserted, and that was agreed to.

The committee rose, reported the bill complete with amendment, it was read a third time and finally passed.

### PRINTING REPORT.

Mr. Kidd, chairman of the printing committee, reported that the following papers had been ordered printed:

- (1) The finding of the judge in connection with the royal commission of inquiry appointed on September 15 last;
- (2) The report of the librarian for 1898;
- (3) The correspondence between the Provincial government and that of the Dominion regarding the Quebec conference;
- (4) The return regarding Scandinavian settlements; and
- (5) The correspondence with reference to the Sumas dyking scheme.

The report was received and adopted, and the papers will be printed later on.

### ROAD TOLL SYSTEM.

The second reading of the Road Construction and Tolls Bill, the debate on which had been adjourned on the previous day, was taken up this afternoon. Mr. McPhillips objected to the principle of the bill as a retrograde step and he did not altogether believe it would be wise for the government to undertake the construction of roads in mining districts where the need for them might be speedily exhausted. He favored rather the idea of the roads being constructed by private enterprises, assistance being given by the government in such the same way as railways are financed.

Mr. Price Ellison favored the bill most heartily. He believed it would be the best means for opening up such districts as Cassiar and the Atlin countries, and would also have the effect of getting from some people who would not otherwise contribute to the revenue, something in return for the benefits they enjoy.

Mr. Booth also favored the principle of the measure, but thought it might be well to extend the principle to the construction of roads by private enterprise, the holders being allowed the privilege of collecting tolls up to a certain amount.

Mr. Wells (Rossland, Govt.) made his first speech in the house, and brought out an idea which was a valuable contribution to the debate. This was in the nature of a suggestion that in the mining districts an assessment might be levied.

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eried on the value of the output of the mines benefiting by the road, instead of the tolling of a direct toll.

The second reading then passed, with-out a division, the bill was put through committee with but slight amendment, and the bill read a third time and finally passed.

### QUICK WORK.

The bill to amend the Public Drying Act, the bill to provide for certain surveys in towns, and the bill to amend the Trustees and Executors Act were then all committed, read a third time and passed.

### JUBILEE HOSPITAL MATTERS.

Mr. Higgins, chairman of the select committee appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Jubilee Hospital, presented a report which is printed in full in another column.

### SUMMARY CONVICTIONS.

Hon. the Attorney-General briefly moved the second reading of the bill to amend the Summary Convictions Act, which was carried, the bill put through committee and reported complete, read a third time and passed.

### NORTHERN LEGISLATION.

Two bills of special interest to the new gold fields of the north were then put through committee and read a third time, the Municipal Districts Bill, providing for the formation of municipal districts by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and the Atlin and Bennett Lake-Mining Disputes Bill, providing for the appointment of a commissioner with power to settle the disputes having arisen owing to the mistake made regarding the location of the Atlin gold fields.

### TRADE LICENSES.

The last measure dealt with before the evening adjournment proved of exceptional interest, and some warm passages took place during the debate upon it. Everything went fairly smoothly until Mr. Eberts moved that section (b) of the schedule be omitted. The motion read: "Upon every person practicing as a barrister or solicitor in the province \$25 for every six months."

Mr. Eberts made a strong argument in favor of his amendment, pointing out that every member of the profession paid \$30 a year to the Law Society fund for library and reporting purposes, which would otherwise be a charge on the province. He said that the law libraries in the principal cities, valued at thousands of dollars each, would have to be maintained and kept up to date by the provincial authorities, and in consideration of the province being saved this expense he thought the members of the profession should be relieved from the burden proposed to be placed upon them.

Hon. Joseph Martin agreed with Mr. Eberts, as did also Messrs. McPhillips, McBride, McKechnie and Green. The opponents of the proposed change were Messrs. MacPherson, Deane, Kinchant, Kidd, Kelle and Tisdale. Mr. MacPherson was perhaps the most emphatic in his protest, but even his eloquence was in the first instance of no avail, and the amendment carried by a vote of 14 to 12. The amendment, however, carried, Mr. MacPherson started in to make a fight for the relief of the land agents, who he said did as much valuable work as some lawyers, and he was almost prepared to go so far as to eliminate the principle of trade licenses altogether. The amendment was defeated, and then came a surprise. On the bill being reported to the house, Mr. Kidd moved as an amendment to reinsert section (b) of the schedule, which had been struck out by Mr. Eberts' amendment. Some of the lawyers had deserted their posts and were shaking hands with themselves and with each other in the lobby, and some members who were not lawyers had by this time entered, and Mr. Kidd's motion was carried, the figures being 15 to 13. The bill was then passed in its original shape as regards that item.

Although it was now some fifteen minutes after six, the clock indicated quarter of seven, a fact to which Col. Baker had previously called attention to, and Mr. Speaker now "saw six o'clock" and the house adjourned until 8.30.

### THE LAST SITTING.

It was a quarter to nine o'clock when the house resumed in the evening, and Mr. Helmcken took the chair for committee on the Atlin Southern Railway Bill. Only one amendment was offered, this being by Mr. McPhillips, who objected to the provision that the company should lose its provincially acquired rights in the event of the road being declared for the general benefit of Canada and brought under the operation of the Dominion Railway Act, and moved for the elimination of the section in question. Mr. McPhillips spoke at some length with this section as his text, arguing that the principle involved is un-Canadian and calculated to prevent the province securing that measure of Dominion expenditures to which it is entitled, and which otherwise it would secure. The amendment was supported by Colonel Baker, Mr. Booth and Mr. Ellison, the sum of their arguments being that such a provision was highly calculated to prejudice capital in the province. Mr. Helmcken defended the feature of the government's railway legislation, and pointed out that this particular railway was not asking for Dominion charter or assistance, and its promoters quite approved the clause to which the opposition took exception. The amendment was lost on a strict party division of 11 to 19.

The same stand was taken by Mr. McPhillips when the Midway and Pentiction Railway Subsidy Bill came into committee, introducing an amendment which wiped out the similar clause in this bill, and on the amendment being voted on in committee moving it again to have it again rejected on the motion to adopt the report. Both bills passed their final readings.

### MUNICIPALITIES ACT.

On the order of adjourned committee on the Municipal Clauses Bill, Hon. the Attorney-General moved for the reconsideration of section 9, a part of which, removing the limited assessment power of the city council of Victoria had been struck out on the motion of Mr. Hall. Hon. Mr. Martin announced that the bill should be general, and if other cities could trust their urbanistic board in such matters there was no reason why Victoria should not. In this he was supported by Mr. McPhillips and Mr. Tisdale. Mr. Helmcken protested against the re-introduction of the eliminated clause. The three gentlemen named voted alone against the Attorney-General's motion, and the section being restored to its original form the bill was reported complete.

plete with amendments, read a third time and passed.

### WATER-CLAUSE BILL.

When this measure came into committee its chief feature being to grant power to municipal corporations to appropriate and divert water for the operations of electrical plants. Mr. Ellison moved for the incorporation of a new section providing that nothing in this act should apply to water recorded for domestic, irrigation or mining purposes. He pointed out that while electric plants could be run by steam, farms could not be so irrigated.

Mr. Heigesson, Mr. A. W. Smith and Mr. Booth supported the amendment, the last named contending that the bill as offered to the house destroyed the entire symmetry of the existing law, by unwisely augmenting the powers of expropriation.

Hon. Mr. Semlin, after consideration, admitted the soundness of this contention, and withdrew the bill temporarily to ascertain if it could not be so re-adjusted as to remove the objection. Finding that could not be done, he dropped all the main sections of the bill, which as finally passed, merely authorizes the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to exercise discretion with regard to rents and royalties and confirms the title of the West Kootenay Power and Light Company in their record of 3,000 inches at Bonington Falls.

### PLACER MINING AMENDMENT ACT.

This measure was read a third time and passed, and after mutual congratulations, and expressions of good will by Hon. Premier Semlin and the acting leader of the opposition, Col. Baker, Mr. Speaker Foster adjourned the house in appreciation to the members for consideration shown him, Hon. Mr. Semlin moved that the house at its rising stand adjourned until 3 o'clock on Monday next, when His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor would attend to formally prorogue the Parliament.

### PROROGATION.

The Bills Assented to by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor To-day.

The arrangements for handling the immense crowd of people desirous of witnessing the closing scene of the first session of the eighth parliament of the provincial legislature of British Columbia were well-laid perfect, and although some of those who attended had to be satisfied with seats beyond the confines of the chamber, there was no great amount of inconvenience.

There was a large attendance of members and the galleries were packed. The House has been in session eight weeks and four days, commencing Thursday, January 5th, and ending to-day, and the great legislation will compare more than favorably with that of last session, when the House opened February 10th and adjourned May 20. One hundred and one bills have been passed this session, some of them of very great importance.

Promptly at 3 o'clock the proceedings commenced, and very shortly afterwards His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, accompanied by his wife, entered the House, and being seated in the chair.

Mr. Fell, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following bills: An Act to amend the Police and Prison Regulation Act. An Act to reduce the number of grand jurors.

- An Act to incorporate the Kamloops & Atlin Railway Company.
- An Act to amend the North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Act, 1898.
- An Act respecting the Registration of Real Property in British Columbia.
- An Act to amend the Small Debts Act.
- An Act to amend the Master and Servants Act.
- An Act to incorporate the Vancouver, Northern & Yukon Railway Company.
- An Act to amend the Provincial Elections Act.
- An Act to incorporate the South Kootenay Railway Company.
- An Act to incorporate the Atlin Short Line Railway & Navigation Company.
- An Act to incorporate the Pine Creek Plume Company, Limited.
- An Act to incorporate the Chartered Commercial Company of Vancouver.
- An Act to incorporate the Big Bend Transportation Company, Limited.
- An Act to amend the Kitimat Railway Act, 1898.
- An Act respecting Appointments to Boards and other Public Bodies.
- An Act to amend the Power of Attorney Act.
- An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Act.
- An Act to amend the Partnership Act.
- An Act to amend the Kootenay & Northwest Railway Company's Act, 1898.
- An Act to amend an Act to confirm an agreement between Her Majesty, in right of Her Province of British Columbia, and Frank Owen and William John Stokes, and to incorporate the Cariboo-Omineca Chartered Company.
- An Act to amend the Columbia & Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1898.
- An Act to amend the Medical Act, 1898.
- An Act to amend the Health Act.
- An Act to amend the Jurors Act.
- An Act to provide for setting aside certain writ accommodation in the Parliament Buildings for the use of the Supreme Court.
- An Act to amend the Escheats Act, 1898.
- An Act to amend the Interpretation Act.
- An Act to amend the Fire Escape Act.
- An Act to amend the Definition of Time Act, 1898.
- An Act to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act.
- An Act to further amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act.
- An Act to amend the Constitution Act.
- An Act respecting the Department of the Attorney-General.
- An Act respecting the Department of the Provincial Secretary.
- An Act to provide for the appointment of Her Majesty's justices learned in the law.
- An Act to amend the Counties Definition Act.
- An Act respecting the Department of Lands and Works.
- An Act to amend the Execution Act.
- An Act respecting judgments.
- An Act to amend the Absconding Debtors Act.

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been occupied with the consideration of many measures of more than ordinary importance and value to the interests of the province.

- An Act to amend the Land Registry Act.
- An Act to amend the Bureau of Mines Act.
- An Act to extend the rights of the crown to prospect for minerals on railway lands to all free miners.
- An Act respecting Liquor Licenses.
- An Act relating to Trade and other Licenses.
- An Act to amend the Supreme Court Act.
- An Act relating to Replevin.
- An Act to make special provision with regard to the City of Sandon.
- An Act to incorporate the Atlin Southern Railway Company.
- An Act to amend the Companies Act.
- An Act to amend the County Courts Act.
- An Act to amend the Village Fire Protection Act.
- An Act to amend the Succession Duty Act.
- An Act to amend the Assessment Act.
- An Act to amend the Revenue Tax Act.
- An Act to amend the Legal Professions Act.
- An Act to amend the Land Act.
- An Act to repeal certain Statutes and portions of Statutes relating to Railways.
- An Act to amend the Public Drying Act, 1898.
- An Act to provide for Special Surveys.
- An Act to amend the Trustees and Executors Act.
- An Act to amend the Births, Deaths, and Marriages Registration Act.
- An Act to amend the Inspection of Metaliferous Mines Act.
- An Act to amend the Revenue Act.
- An Act to amend the Municipal Clauses Act.
- An Act to amend the Water Classes Consolidation Act, 1897.
- An Act to amend the Jewelstone Incorporation Act, 1898.
- An Act to amend the Mineral Act.
- An Act to provide for the Government of portions of the Province under special conditions.
- An Act to provide for the settlement of Disputes as to Mining Claims in the Bennett Lake and Atlin Lake Mining Divisions.
- An Act to amend the Municipalities Incorporation Act.
- An Act to amend the Liquor Traffic Regulation Act.
- An Act to amend the Over-holding Tenants Act.
- An Act further to amend the Placer Mining Act.
- An Act to amend the Summary Convictions Act.
- An Act to amend the Speedy Incorporation of Towns Act, 1897.
- An Act to grant a Subsidy to a Railway from Midway to Pentiction.
- An Act to provide for the construction of Roads, and for imposing Tolls for the use of the same.
- An Act to borrow the sum of Two Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars for the purposes therein specified.
- An Act respecting the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited.
- An Act to amend the Farmers' Institutes and Co-operation Act.

The legislation passed with the object of preserving to British subjects the wealth stored up in the auriferous gravels of British Columbia, especially that in the northern districts of the province, cannot fail to direct increased attention, on the part of our own people, to the development of placer mining, with the result of a great augmentation of the importance and value of this industry.

The method proposed for the adjustment of the disputes which have arisen in regard to the location and ownership claims in the Atlin district, on account of the uncertainty as to the position of the boundary-line between this province and the Northwest Territories, is one which will accomplish the object aimed at while affording a relief to those interested, more speedily and less costly than could be attained in ordinary legal channels.

The means designed for the administration of these northern regions under the novel and unexpected conditions which have arisen from the sudden influx of a large population into them, are calculated to secure good government and to meet the exigencies of the situation.

The changes proposed in the arrangement of the Appellate Court are such as will conduce to the convenience of suitors, and to the reduction of the cost of litigation.

The alterations in the laws relating to public lands will provide cheaper methods for the securing of tracts of land for pastoral and other purposes, and are likely to increase the revenues of the crown, while preserving to the province the benefits of any increment in value occasioned by the growth of population and wealth.

The adoption of the Torrens system of land registration cannot but be beneficial to the owners of land, as it will make the transfer of real estate both cheaper and easier, at the same time increasing the security of titles.

The modification in the Mining Laws will tend to the advantage of miners and to the removal of grievances of which they have complained, while placing the important industry in which they are engaged on a better basis.

The authority given for the construction of great trunk roads can scarcely fail to provide a way for the opening up of large districts, at present undeveloped, though possessing potentialities which can scarcely be estimated.

You have seen wisely recognizing the importance of the mineral and other resources of the Boundary Creek District by the construction of a railway which will bring that District into easy communication with the remainder of the Province.

The liberal appropriations you have made for educational purposes will ensure the maintenance and extension of a system which compares favorably with those of the other Provinces.

While gratified at the ample provision you have made for the public services and for the prosecution of works of general utility, I am pleased to observe that you have not overlooked the necessity for economy and for lightening the burdens of the taxpayers. By the repeal of the tax on mortgages and the abolition of the impost on working miners, you have given relief to large numbers of the people, while, by the re-adjustment of other taxes, you have made the incidence of taxation bear more equitably on all classes. It is also a source of satisfaction to me to see that you have made a vigorous effort to establish an equilibrium between the revenue and expenditure, a course which can-

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### CHESS OR CARDS.

It was Liebnitz (born 1644), the famous German philosopher and mathematician, who made that oft-quoted phrase, "Chess is too much of a game for science, and too much of a science for a game," which, unfortunately, seems to remain the popular idea of chess, even in this day of scientific progress devoted to the pastime, it is alleged that the great Newton renounced it completely for solitary, which is not easy to explain, since chess and games, saving, perhaps, whist, are generally distasteful to the confirmed chessist. John Oliver Hobbs says: "Artistic chess is beyond the petty restriction of science," and this rings much truer than Liebnitz's narrow dictum, which perhaps she had in mind when she wrote. It has been remarked that chess and card games have much in common—that they run on parallel lines—that they have similar direction of thought. Liebnitz was not the only great mathematician who made the game a study. Euler and Jansche were both fine players and chess analysts. Richard Proctor, the astronomer, who was also noted for his mathematical attainments, was devoted to the game.

### HEATS OFF IN COURT.

Unlike his retired "Brother Hawkins" (writes a correspondent) Mr. Justice Wilks, who is now taking the assizes at Norwich, likes a reasonable amount of ventilation in court, and during the hearing of one of the cases a considerable number of the gallery took off their hats. The persons addressed said there was a fearful draught from the window, and kept his hat on. "Take off your hat," roared the officer, and then the offender called out to Mr. Justice Wilks, "Will you allow me to keep my hat on, sir?" The judge replied, "Put your hands off over your head, and amidst laughter, the man in the gallery adopted that curious method of keeping off the draught."

### A CASE IN POINT.

"It seems, then, that the official is not to be blamed for the 'heat' of the case," he said, "but it is not wise the investigating committee not through whitewashing him."—Chicago News.

DIED.

James Joseph O'Connell, a native of Ireland, aged 74 years. The funeral will take place on Tuesday, February 28, at 8.30 a.m. from the hospital and 9 o'clock at the Roman Catholic cemetery.

First Wall Flower—They call this a charity ball.

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