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VICTORIA. B. C., MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898

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Sir William Van Horne Hotly Opposes the Kettle River Valley Boad.

Characterizes Mr. Bodwell's Remarks

Ottawa, March 17.-The Kettle River Valley road for opening up the Boundary Creek country came up before committhe provisions of the bill; he said that country."

Consul General Osborne, who received from the government. They built the Nelson & Fort Shepherd road, some 60 miles, without a subsidy. For the present road they ask no subsidy from either the Dominion or Province. In addition to aiding the development of the Kootenay ailroad to get into that country. What removed. was required in Kootenay district was the development of low grade ores, and the road would enable that to be done. The Kettle River road would be about miles long. In regard to opposition to e road from the Vancouver and Vie-ria boards of trade, he would just say this was procured by the opponents bill, as their representatives were

Maxwell asked that Sir Wm. Van Mr. Maxwell asked that Silvertine Horne be heard.

Sir Wm. opposed the charter. He said that he did so not only in the interests of the C. P. R., but in the interests of the whole Dominion. The road would virtually affect the whole of the interests. of Canada by diverting the trade of the ichest mining region in Canada to the south. He opposed the bill with all the more reluctance as Mr. Corbin, who was asking the charter, was a railway builder and a gentleman, like most of those people who did appear before the committee. The country had to look to the C. P. R. for holding the traffic to Canada, and the Dominion government had absolute pow-or to regulate rates. It was humbug and

er to regulate rates. It was humbug and rot to talk as Mr. Bodwell did of wanting a road for developing the country.

Mr. Bodwell objected to the statement. Sir Wm. Van Horne said the C. P. R. expected to have their road extended as far as Midway in a year. Mr. Corbin showed that it would never pay to han ore out of the country. What he expected was to have 10,000 men working in Boundary Creek district, and it would pay to han supplies into them and have the ore smelfed in Canada. The committee then adjourned.

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were Consul General Osborne, Vice and Deputy Consul General Westcott and Lieut. Col. Wells, naval attache of the United States embassy.

Lively Tilt.

Itawa, March 17.—The Kettle River lley road for opening up the Boundary sek country came up before committee. V. Bodwell, of B.C., explained and provisions of the bill; he said that

the provisions of the bill; he said that the promoters of the bill had already expended about \$1,606,000 in opening up British Columbia without assistance from the government. They built the Nelson & Fort Shepherd road, some 60 miles, without a subsidy. For the present road they ask no subsidy from either the Dominion or Province. In addition to development of the Koetenay and ovation on rising to reply to the toast, referred to the talk of an Anglo-American alliance and testified to the friendship existing between the two countries. He said that he did not believe that either needed protection, unless against a combination of powers, out that should a combination ever occur, he was confident that the protection would be generously given. Dominion of Province. In addition to aiding the development of the Kootenay district, the building of this road would give connection to the Grand Trunk that the strained relations between the United States and Spain would soon be

Several Deputations Ask for Governmental Assistance for 'Infant Industries."

McLeod Stuart Explains the Advantages of the Ottawa and Georgian Bay Ship Canal.

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Thought to Be Suffering From Diabetes - A Tribute From New York.

London, March 16.-Lord Salisbury's illness is more serious than is officially admitted, but just how serious cannot be known until the effect of his rest is noted. Occasional but not severe diabetic symptoms have, according to medical information, manifested themselves for nearly two years. These have been for nearly two years. These have been seriously aggravated by recent illness and overwork, and hence the peremptory orders of Dr. Broadbent that he drop everything, notwithstanding the gravity of the national crisis, and seek rest. It was only by pointing out the hopeless results of disregarding this advice that the eminent physician induced his patient to obey his orders.

Medical authorities who have been consulted in Lord Salisbury's case, emphasize the fact that diabetic symptoms are an only too common occurrence as a

they add that careful treatment in most cases results in their complete distappearance. Moreover, diabetes is by no means the hopeless disease it was

considered a few years ago.

Lord Slaisbury's chief point of regret for his compnisory retirement at the present moment, is the fear that difficulties may arise in the plans which he has carefully developed for a better uncerstanding with Germany, especially in Far Eastern matters. The negotiations have made some progress, and it is understood that the premier has set his heart moon interposing a check of this considered a few years ago. heart apon interposing a check of this nature to the Franco-Russian plans. The move, if successful, will not prove popular in England, for the anti-German other foreign prejudice, but Lord Salisbury is convinced that it is the strongest card to play.

Ottawa. March 17.—There are a number of delegations in the city to-day to see the government. Their business is principally connected with the tariff. In the first place, the lumbermen want duty placed on American lumber, so as to keep it out of Canada, or at any rate to afford the Canadian industry protection,

An Interchange of Friendly Chear and Greeting.

Loudon, March 16,—The Honorable Artillery Company, of London, gave a banquet last night to Messrs, Hedges, Ferris and Lewis, of the Boston Honorable Artillery Compiny, the Earl of Denbigh presiding. Among the goests were Consul General Osborne, Vice and Denuty Consul General Westcott and

deterred by wind or weather.

Snow has entirely disappeared from the streets, which are muddy beyond conception. The strike of the longshoremen for 75 cents an hour has been declared off by a vote of the local union. The wages now are 50 cents an hour, the steamship companies agreeing not to employ Indians in hauling freight on the docks.

Likely to Ask the United States Government to Explain Her Warlike Preparations.

of a Fleet in Proximity to Cuba.

Washington, March 160 The main development in the Spanish situation to-day was in connection with the definite representations submitted by the Spansh government to the state department concerning the assembling of a large fleet of American warships at Key West, the war preparations and the influence which these might have on the ap-

which these might have on the approaching elections in Cuba.
While these representations cannot be properly regarded as a protest against the attitude, and acts of the United States government, they may unquestionably be set down as a remonstrance calculated to have an effect in European court circles. Not, however, being a technical protest, the statement has not called forth any official rejoinder on the part of the state department for it is lacking in tangible accusations, it being atther an argument and a presentation

rather an argument and a presentation of alleged Spanish grievances

The despatch boat Fern sailed for Havana from Key West this afternoon. She goes to relieve the Montgomery as a home for the officers engaged in supervising the wrecking operations in

vising the wrecking operations in Havana.

It is said unequivocally that the Montgomery is not withdrawn owing to any suggestions from Spanish sources that her presence is not desired. It was the announced intention of Secretary Long when the cruiser was sent to Havana, to keep her there only so long as the Fern should be engaged in the work of distributing relief among the sufferers in Eastern Cuba. This task having heen performed, and owing to the return keep it out of Canada, or at any rate to afford the Canadian industry protection. The ost liters are also here and want the duty or oatmeal and oats equalized. The flour men are also represented. The flour men are also represented. The flour men are also represented. The oatmeal men and flour men ment. The oatmeal men and flour men ment the minister of finance and minister of customs.

The Yukon railway bill passed its third reading. A provision was inserted that the company shall be bound to operate the callway for five years, the government retaining one-fifth of the land grant for that period. No member of the grant of the majority of the mant of intertors.

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As the extra was not withdrawn owing to any suggestions from Spanish serves that the cruiser was sent to Havana the present critical state of international affairs in four continents, all invest hi ed as to the findings or plans of the court, at is said that the object of the arry department in anythasing such craft as the late Mr. Orden Goelet's yacht May-flowen is to provide as quickly as possible a number of picket boats of good speed and seagoing ability to act as scouts, and also to aid the ironclads and more expensive vessels in operation against torpedo boats. A large number of private yachts have been offered to against torpedo boats. A large number of private yachts have been offered to the department, and other acquisitions of the same type as the Maydower may be expected. The fleet at Key West will be angmented within the next day or two by the arrival of the gunboat Annapolis, the torpedo boat Foote, and the tugs Leyden and Samoset, while the genboat Helena is now on her way from the Enropean station under orders, to report at Key West, These and the other yessels previously ordered to that point constitute the largest assemblage of war vessels made since the demonstration following the Virginius affair, and, considering effectiveness and armament, it is the strongest assemblage of ships for other than review purposes since the

THE WAR FEVER

The Daily Chronicle Makes an Offer to the United States of Britain's Services.

Three Monitors Condemned-Spain's Torpedo Flotilla Arrives at Las Palmas.

London, March 18.—The Daily Chronica, an an entoral on the growth of the Anglo-American alliance idea, expresses the conviction that it is only a matter of time, but that it would be the greatest mistake to try to rush the movement.

It says:

"America does not need more help from us now than at any other time. She is superabundantly capable of meeting any situation that may arise. She will have our friendly sympathy and neutrality in the Cuban question, and at this moment it is difficult for us to offer more. Strongly Object to the Assembling of a Fleet in Proximity

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Spsin Favors Arbitration.

New York, March 18.—A dispatch to the World from Madrid says:

If the reports of the American and Spanish commissions of inquiry into the cause of the Maine inquiry clash, the Spanish government will incline to arbitration, it is rumored, naming as dupire either the Pope or the head of some European power, probably the King of the Belgians.

After an extraordinary council of the ministers it was officially announced that the government have not yet received the full report of the Spanish commission. The Madrid press complains bitterly of American preparations, and that war vessels in Cuban waters wil certainly contribute towards paralyzing the efforts of the new Cuban home rule cabinet to induce the insurgents to submit. Spain Favors Arbitration.

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Spain's Torpedo Flotilla.

New York, March 18—A special to the Herald from Las Palmas says: The Spanish torpedo flotilla, consisting of the Plutons, Terror, Forro, Azore, Ariete and Bayo, and two transprots, have arrived here. Uncle Sam's New Cruiser.

Gravesend, Eng., March 18.—The cruiser Amazonas, built by the Armstrongs for Brazil and purchased by the United States, was formally transferred from the Brazilian flag to the Stars and Stripes shortly after 11 o'clock this morning.

Weyler Nails a Lie. Madrid, March 18.—General Weyler has denied the authenticity of the letter published in the New York Journal, yesterday, in which he is alleged to have said that the United States would not date send warships to Havana while he was in command there.

Respondes Alchael Davitt

lole this morning reproaches Michael Davitt, M.P. for South Mayo, for his Davitt, M.P. for South Mayo, for his cable message to a New York newspaper on the subject of Great Britain's attitude towards the United States in the Cuban complications. It says the message will not serve the Irish cause, and declares that it is absolutely untrue that the English ruling classes are in sympathy with Spain and hostile to America.

Three Useless Monitors. Philadelphia, March 18.—It is said at the League Island navy yard that the board of experts who examined the eight monitors have decided that three of them, the Canopicus, Mahopac and Leigh are useless and cannot be put in comm

The Submarine Boat Holland. Perth, Amboy, N.J., March 18.-There was another successful trial of the sub-marine hoat Holland in Staten Island Sound yesterday. The vessel was sub-merged and aparently worked to the en-tire satisfaction of Mr. Holland. SPAIN BUYS A YACHT.

Finds it Almost Impossible to Get War-ships, Even With Money.



Widespread Sensation Caused by the Statement of Former Chief Justice Koste.

Reported that the Transvaal Government Has Denied British Suserainty.

Pretoria, March 16.—A widespread sensation has been caused by the declaration of former Chief Justice Kotze, while addressing a deputation of the Volksradt on Sunday, that when the case of Mr. Brown the American engineer with claims against the Transyeal covernment nending in the American engineer with claims against the Transvaal government, pending in the courts, was awaiting judgment, subsequently given in his favor, President Kruger, in an interview with him (Judge Kotze) threatened him with dismissal unless he obeyed the decision.

At the special session of the Volksradt yesterday President Kruger declared Judge Kotze's statement faise, and said:

"The devil himself never spoke a greater lie."

Having given his version of the matter, President Kruger, furning to the present situation, said that some people were jealous of the country's independence and the progress it was making. No one knew

snuture, and that some people were jealous off the country's independence and the
progress it was making. No one knew
what was going to happen, but they must
stand together. The government, he declared, had replied to the British dispatch,
and the reply would be published shortly.
He knew that it had reached the hand of
Mr. Chamberiain.

President Kruger concluded his speech by
exclaiming.

"We shall show that we are a government." (Loud cheers.)

His declarations left the impression that
the government's reply denied the British
claim for suzerainty.

Judge Kotze has published his notes supporting his statement as to his interview
with President Kruger. He declares that
he regards himself as still the chief justice
of the supreme court until properly tried.
He will first appeal to the people and if
that falls him, he says he is bound to
prosecute his rights in other quarters and
to appeal to the Queen's government.

British Suzeminty Questioned.

London, March 16.—There is reason to

EXPEDITION OF KLONDIKE WIDOWS.

San Francisco, March 16.—The little fishing steamer New England has put into this port for a supply of coal and provisions sufficient to carry her to Victoria, B. C. She has come from Boston by way of the Straits of Magellan, and since December 23rd has travelled 14,770 miles without mishap. She carries a crew of 18 all told, and is commanded by Captain Small. The captain said he passed the steamship City of Columbia. tain said he passed the steamship this of Columbia.

The New England has on board twenty widows and six male passengers. The widows are bound for Alaska, where it is their intention to open shops for the sale of groceries, dry goods and hardware. Sitxy widows were to have salled in the steamar, but all but twenty lost confidence at the last moment.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

Toronto, March 17.—John Ross, engaged under Mackenize & Mann in connection with the Stikine railway, has just returned from Victoria. He says there are 200 men now on the ground and that the sleigh road to Teslin lake has been constructed. Chatham, March 17.—The damage done by the flood in the vicinity of Chatham is not less than \$55,000.

Workworth, March 17.—Alex Anodgrass, a pioneer of Northumberland, died yesterday, aged 81.

Galt, March 17.—The residence of Wm. Caldwell, one of the handsomest in town, was destroyed by fire last night.

AN EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDES.

St. Louis, March 16.—An epidemic of suicides occurred in this city yesterday. Of the five cases, three were successful and the others will die.

Alfred Keene, a laborer, took polson because he was out of work. He died within an hour. cause he was out of work. He died within an hour.

Frank Pedtzelke, a carpenter, took Paris green because of despondency. He was found dead in his room.

John Heriman shot himself through the temple. He had been a sufferer from rheomatism.

Bertha Siepke, aged 19 years, an employee of the Progressive Paper Box Company, jumped from the third story window of that establishment. She cannot recover. Cover.

Charles Argast, living on South Broadway, shot himself through the temple because he could not find work. He will

TORONTO TOPICS.

The Defunct Farmers' Loan Co.—St. Patrick's Day Services.

Toronto, March 17 .- Solicitors of the Toronto, March 17.—Solicitors of the liquidators of the defunct Farmers' Loan Company have advised that the directrs of the company are liable to the creditors for the full amount of the liability in the various different cases, and Liquidator Langmuir is endeavoring to secure from the directors offers amounting to an estimate of the liability

the directors offers amounting to an estimate of the liability.

A crowded service was held in St. Michael's church this morning in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Archbishop Walsh officiated, assisted by Fathers Ryan and Tracy. The latter oreached.

The James Bay Railway commission appointed by the railway council has been oppointed by the railway council has asked to have its powers enlarged so as to give them the right to enquire into the general railway facilities of Toronto.

Proceedings will again be taken to unseat Ald. Gowanlock, who was re elected restandar for Word 6. seat Ald. Gowanieck, who was re elected yesterday for Ward 6, after being unseated for lack of proper qualification.

FEREST TO MEN. n of the reader is called to ittle book lately published by Expert Physician, G. H. Bob-52 Woodward Ave., Detroit, book is one of genuine inter-nan and its plain and honest triainly be of the greatest one desirous of securing per-d vigor. A request for a free py will be complied with, if above and the Victoria, B.C.,

adjourned.