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ONALDSON, Aberdeen, B. C. nt an incubator

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pany to appropriate the foreshore the purpose of their railway, of

NESTERN MAK WILL

N REPLY TO SPEECH IN

askatchewan.

Seconder Will be Mr. Chisholm-

The Insurance Commission.

avor of an English-speaking man.

An order in council was passed yes-

day appointing commissioners to in-

estigate life insurance in Canada. The

r, of Toronto, managing director of

he Toronto General Trusts Corpora-

Customs Returns.

r the month of February show an in-

rease of \$318,197 over February, 1905.

scal year were \$29,623,362, an increase

SCHOONER FLOATED.

\$2,401,344 over the same time last

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 27 .- A wrecking

el schooner Manila, of the Pittsburg

eamship Company, which went ashore

Encampment Island on November

portant Decision Given by General

amerce says: "A decision of import-

e to the lumber trade was handed

Telland for the board of general an-

ers in the case of Cleveland Sarnia.

was against the assessment of duty

he collector at Port Huron, Mich., on

importation invoiced as lumber at 20

cent, ad valorem under paragranh if the present regist Act for mood

wer 6 by 86 by 10 and 6 by 12 inches in

importers claimed that duty should

ragraph 195, or at 1 cent. per cubic

at board measure."

been assessed at the rate of \$1 or

under paragraph 194 of the said act.

ss sections 26 to 28 feet in length.

vesterday by General Appraiser

Appraiser McClelland.

at since December 15th.

Work has been in progress on this

receipts for eight months of the

ette, accountants, Montreal.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.-A cable from Lon-, isting across that foreshore. The apsays that judgment was delivered peal should be dismissed. Appellant

PER THAR, STRICTET IR ADVANCE, TO ANY ADDRESS IS CANADA, UNITED STATES, OR GREAT BRITAIN.

WINS FAMOUS

tention of the Railway Company Regard-

ing Right of Passage.

STREET ENDS CASE

This case was taken up by the province to compel the opening of certain street ends in the city of Vancouver. the judgment, and conclud-"It is enough to say that the shore by the C. P. R. line of railway. The city sought to have the company pen a way across their railway to the water-front. The city's case was taken verious courts to the highest in the The decision of the Privy Council is in favor of the C. P. R. and allows the blocking of the street ends by that company.

This is one of the cases which At torney-General Wilson went to London essity includes the right to obstruct to argue on behalf of the province last

> FLOWERY KINGDOM WILL STUDY POLITICAL

COMMISSION FROM

AND TRADE CONDITIONS ir. Knowles Selected by the Premier | Party Which is Headed by Prince Tsai Tsi. Arrived on the Steamer

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 28 .- The steamship Dakota arrived at this port over of the address in reply to the late last night from the Orient. The Mr. Knowles has accepted the Persons, headed by Prince Tsai Tsi, of He takes the place in the the Royal Manchurian household, the use of Walter Scott, premier of first cousin to the Emperor. Two other high dignitaries in the party are His he seconder of the address will be Excellency Shang Chi Heng, governor . Chisholm, Antigonish, who reof Shaltung, one of China's most civiaces Colin McIsaac, now commiser of the transcontinental railway. lized and modern provinces, and His Defeated Liberal in City of London by has always been the custom in the | Excellency Li Shengts, Chinese Minis-

ast for a French-Canadian to have ter to the court of Belgium. onded the address, so that in this The commission comes to this cour try to study political and trade condi ase there has been a departure in tions in the United States, but will make similar study in Great Britain, France and Belgium. Their investigation in this country will only be a supplementary study, the real investigation of affairs in the United States beommission will be Judge McTavish, Ottawa (chairman), J. W. Langing delegated to the two royal commissioners, who arrived in this country

some time ago. Included in the imperial commission are representatives of the highest culture in the Orient, among the party being lawyers, doctors, teachers, artists, musicians and merchants of the highest standing.

According to the itinerary arranged for the commission, Port Townsend, Seattle, St. Paul and New York are the only stops the delegation will make in this country.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY. New York, Feb. 28.-Wireless telegraph tests are to be made for the next thirty days by the officers in charge of the various stations established by the navy department to determine, if possible, the cause of the many failures to receive and to send messages at sunrise and sun-

the case, and it is said that the navy officers were the first to make the discovery of this strange and important phenomenon. Just why the power of the wireless apparatus and sound waves should be at the lowest ebb at sunrise cr at sunset operators say may not be diffiknown that messages can be sent by the system at night 40 per cent. better than in the daytime, and especially when the sun is shining. There is what is termed frictional dissipation of energy in transmitting by day. It is also known foggy weather is more favorable for sending and receiving wireless messages than fair weather. The navy departmen believe they will soon be able to locate ufactured not specially provided for. and remedy the alleged defect at sunset

has returned by the collector as pine and sunrise. GOTCH DEFEATED PARR.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 27.- Frank per 1.000 feet board measure, under Gotch last night in Convention hall won two straight falls in a wrestling decision finds that the marghandise 15 and 13 minutes respectively. The is quite likely that before the boys enter sawn lumber dutlable at 32 per 1,000

Vienna, Feb. 28 .- Dr. Ott, King Edward's Marienbad physician, has takn the occasion of his return from his visit to England to publicly deny the rumors of His Majesty's ill-health. These, Dr. Ott declares, are malicious Judgment of the Privy Council Sustains Coninventions possibly traceable to political motives. He says King Edward

MINERS AND THEIR WAGES.

Roosevelt Urges Further Effort to Avoid a Strike-National Convention Summoned.

New York, Feb. 26.-President Roose velt has again intervened as peacemaker between the coal miners and operators, and as the result of a letter addressed by him to John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, a national convention of the miners will be held on March 13th to try to reach an agreement with the soft coal operators, in the hope of averting the threatened strike of April 1st in the bituminous coal

The President's letter and the announce ment that the convention would be called were made public to-night by Mr. Mitchell after a long conference with Francis L. Robbins, president of the Pitteburg Coal Company and chairman of the bituminous operators. Present at Southwestern Coal Association, and E. F. Bush, representing the soft coal interests The President's letter is dated Wash-

ington, D. C., Feb. 24th, and says: "Sir:-I note with very great conce the failure in your late convention on the joint interstate agreement to come to a pasis of settlement of the bitumino nining scale of wages. You in this busiess have enjoyed a great industrial peace for many years, thanks to the joint agreement that has resulted in the action of your successive conventions. "A strike such as is threatened on April 1st is a menace to the peace and general welf-tre of the country. I urge

you to mak urther effort to avoid such a calamid. "You and Mr. Robbins are joint chair nen of the trade agreement committee of the National Civic Federation, and it seems to me that this imposes additional duty upon you both and gives an additional reason why each of you should join in making a further effort. Yours

"(Sgd.) THEODORE ROOSEVELT." President Mitchell himself has been uoted as saving that as far as he knew there would certainly be a strike in the bituminous fleids on April 1st. The negothe most distinguished parties of gen- hard coal workers and the anthracite Germany. Her action has been taken tlemen which ever left the Orient to operators have been progressing smooth- at the instance of Paris, where the visit the United States, including 39 ly to all outward appearances, and ardifficulties in hand.

BALFOUR'S MAJORITY.

Over Eleven Thousand Votes.

London, Feb. 27 .- Arthur J. Balfour, the former Premier, to-day was elected to the House of Commons for the city of London by a majority of 11.340 over his Liberal free trade opponent, Thos. Gibson Bowles. The vote was a strictly party one, the candidates receiving fewer votes than were cast for the Conservative and Liberal nominees at the general election, when the Conservativ majority was 10,300. Mr. Balfour, who is not well, was unable to appear at the Guildhall where the votes were counted, but was represented by Miss Balfour, who in a speech thanked the electors on behalf of her brother. The result of the election was foregone conclusion, there was no celebration.

The result of the election was: Arthur Balfour, Unionist, 15,474; Thos. Gibson Bowles, Liberal, 4,134. Unionist majority,

SEVERAL PERSONS WOUNDED

Further Trouble During Taking of In ventory of French Church.

Lepuy, France, Feb. 27 .- Serious disurbances occurred to-day during the taking of the inventory of a village church near Saugues, department of Haute Loire. An enormous crowd armed with sticks and stones surrounded the gendarmes, many of whom were beaten or pelted with heavy stones. The gendarmes fired their revolvers, wounding fifteen of the manifestants, two of whom were mortally hurt. The officers commanding the gendarmes and the government commissioner were both badly injured by the rioters. The gendarmes re-

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Tenny and Neil Will Meet To-Night to Decide Championship of America.

San Francisco, Feb. 28.-Harry Tenny and Frankie Neil will contend to-night at the Mechanics' pavilion for the bantamweight championship of America. The contest will be for twenty rounds. Both result of careful training. Betting on Neil favorite. There was considerable published, is strongly in favor of upholdmatch with Jim Parr of England in Tenny money to be had, however, and it ease with which Gotch won robbed the the ring to-night the price may be 10 to Confirms the view taken by Lord Curzon to the importation of such birds from main in bed.

THE MASSACRE

TWICE-A-WEEK BOITION

The Chinese Soverement Declares It is Willing to Make any Reasonable Reparation.

Pekin, Feb. 28.—The government has structed the Governor of Nanchang, province of Kiangsi, where on February 25th six French missionaries and four British subjects were killed, to massacre and declares it is willing to punishable by fine and confiscation. make any reasonable reparation demanded.

Many foreigners at Pekin know the Governor of Nanchang, and considers him to be efficient and friendly. They believe his version of the troubles and redit his statement that he was unable to prevent the disturbances. American, British and German gun boats are proceeding to the nearest possible point to Nanchang.

ACCUSED OF MURDER.

Nome, Feb. 27.—Elias, a Russian half-breed, is accused of murdering three children of Lind, a trader at the mouth of Kuskokwim river.

BEAR ON GERMANY

Czar's Representative at the Moroccan Conference Believes Hostilities Will

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.-Russia is using all her influence at Berlin to tiations for an agreement between the prevent a rupture between France and it is believed in France that Russia | ter. will have more influence upon Emperor William than any other power. Earnest representations in favor of

appeal to arms accordingly being made. Germany replied that she proposed to modify her attitude and Russia's advices from Algeciras indicate that practically all hope of an amendment has been abandoned. Although Count Cassini, head of the Russian will be fruitless, he expresses a deresult.

Not only is the Russian government so engrossed with the interior situation as not to be in a position to offer to er ally, but war would end the possi-Paris of which Russia is in urgent

Premier Witte has now become a distinct advocate of Anglo-Russian understanding and it is understood that negotiations have been or are about be opened in London to determine the status of this agreement. If they are successful a new grouping of the powers will undoubtedly check Germany's ambition. The main obstacle to an understanding is the dispute regarding the respective spheres of influence of Russia and Great Britain in Persia, as the Russians are loath to abandon their, plans for reaching the Persian Gulf.

A telegram from Teheran indicates that considerable interest is manifested in Persia at the possibility of an Anglo-Russian understanding. The Fersian papers warn the government that it would result in the partition of Persia and as a means of combatting such an outcome they urge the imnediate introduction of state reforms modelled on the British constitution.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

John Morley Favors Upholding the Supremacy of Civil Government.

London, Feb. 27.-John Morley's first official act as secretary for India has been over the thorny dispute which led peals. of the lads are in good condition as the to the resignation of Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the former vicetoy. His deing the supremacy of the civil goverment in Indian military matters, which as against Lord Kitchener.

Another Fire in Montreal.

it may be noted that 7,000 letters have been received at the land office here during the present month and 480 homesteads have been entered for against 231 in the Settlers' Effects.

ettlers' effects from Iowa passed through here to-day, consigned to points in West

North Portal, Feb. 27 .- Thirty cars

Winnipeg, Feb. 27 .- The Dominion timand it is probable that the carrying of punish severly all participants in the firearms therein will be made an offence,

> Montreal Web 27 -The Bank of Montreal has decided to open a branch in the City of Mexico. have made large investments in Mexico

Montreal, Feb. 27 .- Three thousand dollars damage done to Karn hall, St. Catherines street, by fire to-day. Building ccupied by Novi Modi Wardrobe, J. H. Superio phonographic and music store, Banks Photo Company and others. The cafe and confectionery store of John F. Alexander in same building was also damaged by fire and water.

ntroduced his anti-usury bill in the legislature. It allows the court when it appears that the interest rate charged is said by instalments and fix the amount of the instalments and term of payment t its discretion. Defaulting Teller.

Halifax, Feb. 27.-Steamer Boston, from Jamaica, having on board Detective Black, who has in custody Edwin St. Seorge Banwell, the defaulting teller of the Crown Bank of Canada, and his wife, in port this afternoon. When Banwell arrived it was learned he had ompanied by his wife, whom he married the day after leaving Toronto.

Death of Hon. J. W. Stairs. Halifax, Feb. 27.-Hon. J. W. Stairs, father of late John F. Stairs, and head of the firm of Stairs, Son & Morrow, died this morning, aged 87. Fast Train.

break the running record of the line and conference on Wednesday between the vinced that Germany proposes to per- all other Canadian railways. Between fore difficult to determine. This curcourts of Berlin and St. Petersburg departments will be held to discuss mat-

IGNORED WARRANTS.

concessions to insure avoidance of an St. Louis Police Captain Acted Under Orders From Board of Commissioners.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 28 .- The recent declsion of the Supreme court that the police of St. Louis have no authority to act in the county outside the confines of mission, reports that the conference the city has occasioned much speculative comment in racing and liquor circided opinion that hostilities will not cles. Rumors are circulated that an attempt will be made to open race tracks this summer, and likewise that the famsituation, as war between France and ous Sunday "lid" may be lifted in the Germany would greatly embarrass her, summer gardens in St. Louis county. The taids on Delmar race track and also on the summer gardens alleged to have violated the law by selling liquor on Sunday were led by Captain McNamee, of the bility of contracting another loan in St. Louis mounted police. Several wartice of the Peace Stobie, of St. Louis county, but Capt. McNamee ignored these under orders from the St. Louis board of police commissioners. Justice Stobie said yesterday that he will now ammon Captain McNamee for trial or charges of having unlawfully interfered with the authorities of St. Louis county last summer.

IMPORTATION OF GAME Must Not Be Taken Into State of New York During Close Season.

legislation of that character.

of John Hill, proprietor of the Clarendon be cited as a precedent. er in game, both residents of Brooklyn They sought release through writs of habeas corpus, the special term deciding against them, the appellate division overruling that decision, and its decision in turn being reversed by the court of ap

The opinion continues: "Every consider ation that congress thinks it wise to enthe bout last night was at 10 to 8 with cision, as indicated by dispatches just force in New York state as well as other partridges from New Jersey, Pennsyl-

COMMISSION URGES MANY IMPROVEMENTS

Suggests Additional Lights, Lifeboats, Surf boats, Steamer. Beach Trails, Patrols, Wireless Telegraphy and Lightship.

While we advocate the establish

The recent wreck of the Valenci

We recommend to the favorable con

The commission appointed by the Island (Scott Islands) to Lennal Dominion government to inquire into Island. clared provincial game preserves by the all the circumstances connected with Also: The establishment of sel local government. These will be policed. the Valencia wreck has not yet com- propelling, self-righting and self-bal pleted its labors, but the members have ing approved ineboats, to be statione forwarded to the minister a prelimin- at points within reach of telegraph communication with Bamfield an ary statement which embodies their views with regard to improved aids to ed, say, at Ucluelet or Clayoquot; al navigation and provision for rendering a powerful roomy steamer suitable fi assistance to wrecked or endangered the work in connection with her other vessels. This report, which is signed duties as a coast guard or fisher by Capt. Gaudin, commissioner, and cruiser, Captains Cox and Newcomb, assessors, ment of life boats on our own coas is as follows: Hon. W. Templeman, Minister of In- we cannot but acknowledge that or boat stations, being to the leeward

land Revenue, Victoria: Sir,-In compliance with your re- the localities, where wrecks are mo quest, we, the commissioner and as- frequent, must of necessity be operasessors appointed to investigate into ed to disadvantage, owing to the diff the cause of the recent disaster to the culty of putting off to a wreck, as con S. S. Valencia, near Clanewah, on the pared with a station at Neah Bay. West Coast of Vancouver Island, have the state of Washington, which is the honor to report that owing to the the windward, where there are alway principal officers of the Valencia not a number of sea-going tugs, and from being among the survivors from the which point a life boat could get awa Quebec, Feb. 27.—Premier Gouin to-day wreck, we have not been able to obtain under almost any circumstances. reliable evidence as to the weather conditions prevailing at the time of the and the attendant loss of life ha accident and for some time previous amply demonstrated that in the ever surious to order that such interest be thereto, or to ascertain whether the of shipwrecks, assistance must be aids to navigation on the Vancouver promptly given to be of any use. Island coast, as at present existing, has been shown that in stormy weather are sufficient to prevent the recurrence, with the high seas washing on ou of other accidents under similar cir- rockbound coast, aid from the sea

means of life boats may not always h covered a request for suggestions re- the government the urgent necessit lating to improvements to aids to navi- of having a read or trail as close t gation on the outer coast of this province we have obtained expert evidence as to the principal points where it may to Port San Juan, to Cape Reale, w our thousand dollars' worth of diamonds be desirable to establish new lights telegraph operators' huts, fitted and \$35,000 in money on him. He is ac- and fog signals near the approach to instruments, etc., at easy interval the entrance of the Straits of Juan de say, six miles apart; the operators Fuca, through which channel, at pre- be instructed to patrol this road sent, all vessels engaged in the oversea least once a day in all sorts of weather ommerce of the province of British The road to be constantly kept in suc Columbia and the state of Washing- repair as to permit the transportation ton must of necessity navigate to reach of a mortar and rocket apparatus their destinations. The prevalence of fair speed during day or night at a southerly gales during the autumn and seasons. winter months causes a strong surface Toronto, Feb. 27.-It is rumored here set of current to the north and west, sideration of the government the ad that the Canadian Pacific authorities con-template putting on a fast express be-the strength of which is augmented by the strength of which is augmented by the strength of which is augmented by the strength of which is augmented by graphy in connection with the protect tween Montreal and Detroit, which would Straits as well as by the force and tion of the coast and for reporting duration of these gales and is there- casualties when they occur. The sub-committees having sattlement of the sist in her attitude even to the point Montroal and Toronto the speed would rent with the occasional fogs and thick informed, adopting this system upol of proveking war. On account of the average over 60 miles an hour. Nothing weather encountered on approaching the coast of the state of Washington. close relations existing between the three weeks a meeting of the heads of for the mariner to verify the position practical seamen, giving evidence be definite has been settled yet, but in about the coast, which render it impossible of his ship by astronomical observa- fore us, that in the interests of navi tions, makes this a dangerous lee gation, as well as those of life an shore, and unless the mariner has been property, there exists a need of greate keeping a very correct run of his ves- protection to the shipping interests of sel the soundings on his chart are like- Canada, as well as to those of the ly to prove misleading, the depth of United States, that from aids to naviwater and the nature of the ground on gation established on their respective the Vancouver Island coast correspond- shores and the establishment of ing with those on the coast of the light-ship, fitted with all modern apstate of Washington. Taking these pliances, to be moored at the entrane facts into consideration, and the recent to the Straits of Juan de Fuca in such loss of life attending the wrecks of the a position as may hereafter be deter-Valencia, King David and Pass of Mel- mined. This is a matter which confort, we would strongly urge upon the cerns the governments of both coun-Dominion government the establish- tries, as the position where such as ment of efficient aids to navigation as aid to navigation would be establishe regards to lights and fog signals on would be outside of the territoring the south and west coasts of Van- waters of both countries. While we strongly recommend such a light-ship couver Island, as follow:

1. Light and fog alarm on Sherring- we realize that it is a subject that may ham Point, in the Straits of Juan de be most advantageously determined by

alarm at Carmanah. 3. A more powerful light at Cape Beale: also a fog alarm. 4. The establishment of first-order lights and fog alarms on the more prominent headlands from Triangle

2. Improvements to the light and fog cert. Respectfully submitted. JAS. GAUDIN, Commissioner. JOHN G. COX, HOLMES NEWCOMB.

CASTRO'S MOVE.

May Call Upon States to Arbitrate Venezuela's Claim Against France.

Willemstadt, Curacao, Feb. 26 .- It is learned from official sources at Car- shake hands with him. Exhaustion led acas, Venezuela, that President Cas- to a chill and the doctor peremptorily tro's next move in the French question | cancelled all the former premier's enappeals to-day decided that the legisla- will be to call upon the United States | gagements. ture has the power to prohibit the pos- to arbitrate the question of the amount session or sale in this state of game from of damage done by France in permitforeign countries during the state's close ting the fitting out of the filibustering season for game of that species. In ren- steamer Banrigh at Fort de France, Eldest Sons of Mme. Schuman-Heinck dering this decision the court reverses Island of Martinique, to prey upon the appellate division of the Supreme Venezuelan commerce and transport court, and declares unconstitutional troops during the Matos revolution The United States claim against Great The decision is rendered in the cases Britain in the case of the Alabama will

FORMER PREMIER ILL.

J. Balfour Ordered to Remain i Bed-Election in City of Lon-

London, Feb. 27.-The bye-election in for assistance in gaining possession of the city of London to decide whether former Premier Balfour shall return tained in Germany on the ground that nmediately to parliament, has been robbed of much of its expected excitement by the illness of Mr. Balfour, erican by her second marriage to Wilvania of Connecticut is equally applicable whose doctor has ordered him to re- liam Rapp, her manager, in May, 1865, it

satisfactory for some time and is complicated by weakness of the heart. Yesterday evening, after a meeting in the city, he suffered from an overfriendly buffeting on the part of the great crowd of people who desired to

Assessors.

SINGER'S APPEAL

May Accompany Their Mother to States.

Dresdea, Saxony, Feb. 27 .- The courts here have decided that the three eldest sens of Mme. Schuman-Heinck, the singer, will be permitted to accompany her to America in April, and have also awarded her the fortune of her late hushand. Herr Heink, on the ground that it

was earned by her. Mine. Schuman-Heink recently appealed to the state department at Washington her elder sons, who were said to be dethey were liable to military service, whereas the singer, as a naturalized Amis claimed that her sons were entitled to

Mr. Maifour's health has not been come to this country with her.