MINERAL PRODUCTION ESTABLISHES RECORD

Report of Minister of Mines for Last Year Shows Shows I which will not ship coal until 1908 That Output Represented Greatest Value in History of Province.

The output of mineral products in

ish Columbia during the year 1907 has

Nest Pass Collieres in South-East Kootenay, and to the Wellington Col-

liery Co., and the Western Fuel Co.

dition to these, a new colliery has been opened up at Middlesboro, near Coutlee,

in the Nicola Valley by the Nicola

which shipped during the last three months of the year, since it acquired

railway connection, some 10,000 tons of

Wellington, operated by Macgowan &

Used under companies'

The coke sales, however, do not give

Coal and Coke Company

perating on Vancouver Island. In ad-

een practically confined to the Crow's

The report of the minister of mines increase in value of \$341,343 on the for the year has first been issued from the government printing office. It shows the government printing office. It shows gratifying production last year exceed- tually made, only 215,689 tons were sold, ing the previous twelve months by owing to the sudden shutting down of Used under company's the smelters in the Interior, necessitanearly one million dollars.

The Provincial mineralogist in sum- ting the carrying over of 7,224 tons of

about 15.2 per cent., and 36.3 per cent., lating the value of these productions. An analysis of the returns shows that lations were \$3 and \$5 per ton respecthis increase is due to the greater ton- tively. nage of lowgrade ore mined in the boundary district, and also to an inboundary district, and also to an in-creased tonnage from the collieries, 804,114 ton having a gross value of \$18,-

both in coal and coke. The market price for all the metals The output of mineral products in was unusually high for the first part of British Columbia compared with that of similar products in all the other provyear, but fell so low during the last

province during the year 1907, exclusive tonnage was produced by the various districts in the following proportions: Boundary, 65.1 percentage of total; Rossland 15.8; Coast 4.7; Fort Steele M. D. 8.6: all other districts, 5.8.

The number of mines from which shipments were made in 1907 was 147; but of these only 72 shipped more than 100 tons each during the year.

There were in the province 36 mines that shipped in expess of 1,000 tons each during the year, and of these 11 were in the boundary district, 8 in the Nelson, 6 on the Coast, 4 in the Rossland, 3 in the Fort Steele M. D., 3 in the Slocan district, and 1 in the Lardeau M. D. Province Record.

The total mineral production of the province for all years up to and includ- ning. These new collieries have shipped ing 1907 has reached the high figure of cording to minerals in the following

Building stone, bricks, etc .. 6,693,100

from any one mineral, the next most coal, 419,541 tons were used in making important being coal, the total gross value of which, combined with that of coke, is \$86.972.511, followed by copper | From this amount of coal there were

State of Mines. the total amount of coal disposed of Although coal mining has been a con1,298,117 tons, distributed as follows: stantly increasing industry during the Sold as coal in Canada 698,041 period of 20 years, lode mining did not Sold as coal in United begin practically until 1 , since when has risen with remarkable rapidity, Sold as coal in other ... though not without interruption, until now it has nearly reached the \$17,000,000 | line, and the total production has nearly reached the \$26,000,000 line

There has been a decrease in the production of placer gold of some \$120,400, Used in making coke output of lode gold of \$575,619, making a total decrease of \$696,019 in the prosilver produced this or about 10.2 per cent over the preced-

past year was 2,745,448 ounces, having ing year, and the increase would have m the preceding year of \$193,495, of the Slocan district.

An output of lead in 1907 amounting to 47,738,703 lbs, valued at \$2,291,458, stock, and the mines had to be run on which is a decrease from the production of the preceding year of 4,669,514 The consumption of coal in that portant

has the honor of first place on the list followed in order of output by the Coast district and East Kootenay, with West for fuel in the home market, the local \$193,495. Kootenay, for many years our greatest sales this year amounting to 65 per cent producer, as only fourth on the list. The Coast and East Kootenay dis-

mines situated within their limits, cent. The export trade to other counwhereas in the other districts the pro-The output of the placer mines for about 40 per cent. 1907 was \$828,000, a decrease of about 40 per cent.

The production of coke on the coast 12.7 per cent. as compared with the previous year, and due to a dry season ington Collery Co., which made in 1907 than it was last year.

Lead. with a shortage of water for hydrau-lic mining. ington conery con this 1,560 tons were added

The gross value of the product of the to stock, the sales amounting to 14,of the gross value of the production in 1907 was 125, 125 tons. 190, 1889. The production in 1907 was 156,216,847, a decrease from the pre1907 were 14,592 tons, as against 14,1907 were 1907 were 1907 were 1907 were 1907 were 1907 were 1907 were 190 ceding year of \$1,267,255, or about 7.2 547 tons in 1906—practically no change,

but the export sales of coke, which in The total amount of coal mined to the 1906 amounted to 8,304 tons, in 1907 were end of 1907 is 25,944,700 tons (2,240 lbs), only 220 tons—practically nothing worth \$79,115,658. Of this there was produced in 1907 some 1,800,067 tons, valued at \$6,300,235, a larger amount than has great demand for coal at high prices great as that of the preceding year, In these figures of coal production the for the company to sell its coal, as that the larger copper-producing mines

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el, interests connected with the C. P. gree. ship coal until 1908.

The only operating company, the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., mined during the year 1907 some 876,731 tons (2,-240 lbs.) of coal, the disposition of which is shown in the following table:— Sold as coal in Canada .. 218,221 Sold as coal in United

Used by company in makboilers, etc.

equivalent to an increase of 3.6 per cent and for coke \$6 per ton of 2,240 lbs., and is greater than the output of 1905 which prices have been used in calcu-The prices formerly used in such calcucoke an increase of 12,831 tons, equally been sold or treated, divided between the Canadian and Considerable work has been done on The total tonnage of ore mined in the

United States markets. United States markets.

The coke sales of this company would have been considerably greater but that the drop in the selling price of copper, followed by a financial depression, caused the large smelters in the boundary district, which obtain their coke supply here, to suspend operations for about two months out of the year. the year, but fell so low during the last half of the year that the average mar- inces of the Dominion, shows that in 1907 British Columbia produced of the coke supply here, to suspend operations to about two months out of the year. The tonnage of ore mined in the per cent of that of all the other Cana- The coal and coke production were adversely affected during the average affection. The Canada versely affected during the earlier part of the year by a shortage of cars, and The actual production of coal in Brit-

on the work. Gold

ground worked out and it takes some further years to permit of hydraulic Platinum is known lieries have begun shipping, as yet on a very small scale, but still a begin-

largest producer of placer gold, contri- product, and as the placer working in buting nearly half of the total provin-cial output. Here the larger companies been slight, no appreciable production now produce about 70 per cent. of the gold recovered, the remaining 30 per The province abounds in q

tion and is reported to have made a Vancouver. good saving and a large production,

There is a slight falling off in the gold output of the Cariboo district, but

The Silica Brick and Lime Co. has slightly above the general valley of the Cariboo district, but

The Silica Brick and Lime Co. has slightly above the general valley of the first and is operating a plant near Victorian down to this level the sociation, composed of F. Beetty and the tunnel of the composed of the compos having been recovered this year.

workings on Wild Horse creek. Thompson river have almost ceased to sold at about \$15 a thousand.

1,298,117 lode mining in the province during the elsewhere, are kilns making a consid- for The total coal sales of the Coast Color about 10.2 per cent over the preceding per cent. Of the gold thus produced is the interesting depends at particularly been very much greater but for the fing ores. The only stamp-mill of any mortance in operation is at Hedley.

The only company actually producing importance in operation is at Hedley. of the decreased production chief export market. This is evidenced by the fact that 44,760 tons of coal actually mined was not sold but added to ore, from which was recovered about works at Tod inlet, on the Saanich

The consumption of coal in that por-tion of British Columbia served by the in the province during the year 1907 The total amount of silver produced This year again the boundary district Coast Collieries shows an increase of was 2,745,448 ounces, valued at \$1,703,- of which quantity 125,000 barrels were

About 72 per cent. of the silver produced is found associated with lead, in argentiferous galena, the remainder The Coast and East Kootenay districts, however, owe a considerable percentage of their outputs to the caol mines situated within their limits.

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The Slocan district, including Ainsworth Mining division, provided 32 per cent. of the total provincial output and Fort Steele mining division 30 per cent.

There was produced in the province

during 1907 about 47,738,703 pounds of lead, having a market value of \$2,291,-458, a decrease, as compared with the preceding year, in amount of 4,669,514 pounds, and in value of \$376,120. Copper. The output of copper for 1907 was 40,832,720 lbs., having a gross value of

en produced in any previous year. | was such that it was more profitable | which is to be accounted for by the fact coal used in making coke is not includ-such, than to make it into coke, even ed, as such eqal is accounted for in figures of output of coke.

Were only run for about nine months while a local smelfer had to import coke from the Orient, as similarly had shut down, at least partially, for a

the copper recovered, were as follows: Boundary, 1.34 per cent. copper; Coast, 1.99 per cent., and Rossland, 0.885 per cent, copper. Other Minerals,

of bog iron ore mined and shipped from
Quatsino sound, which deposit haying
been found unprofitable owing to its shallowness, was then abandoned.
From the numerous known deposits of magnetite no ore was shipped, although

140,987 tons for consumption in Canada and 59,890 tons exported to the United district produced small quantities of States, The production of coke in 1907. shows an increase over the preceding from argentiferous galena as a by-year of 17,156 tons, and the sales of product, but this ore has not, as yet,

the old Blue Bell mine, opposite Ains- 37.7 per cent.

begun the building of a small plant at | Cor insufficient labor with which to carry galena-zinc blende ores of the Slocan Nelson, designed to treat the complex district by a process of electric smelting under the Snyder patents, whereby The production of placer gold during it is hoped to recover the lead and zine ducing about 11,000 tons, while three the year 1907 was about \$228,000, a decrease of \$120,400, or 12.7 per cent. as silver contents with the leaf. The eleccompared with the previous year.

The production of placer gold is subject to sudden fluctuations, the discovery of new diggings causing a rise, but, as is always the case with this class cial legislature, at its 1908 session, adof mining, a few years sees the richer vanced a loan of \$10,000 to aid in com-

Platinum is known to exist in various and other forms of machine mining parts of the province, associated with placer gold in alluvial workings, but it The Atlin district is at present the has as yet been mined only as a by-

Wellington, operated by Macgowan & Co., 2,848 tons; the Fiddick Colliery at South Wellington, operated by the South Wellington Coal Mines, Ltd. (John Arbuthnot et al.), 575 tons, and the new East Wellington Colliery at Nanaimo, operated by the Vancouver-Nanaimo Coal Mining Co., Ltd., 156

The province abounds in quarry sites from which excellent building stone could be obtained, and doubtless will as soon as building in stone becomes more operations, which can be carried on in winter. In this district royalty was collected on about \$340,000 worth of gold.

The province abounds in quarry sites from which excellent building stone could be obtained, and doubtless will as soon as building in stone becomes more general, but at present very little stone is used in the interior, except for special works. On the coast, building in stone has become more general, and several very good quarris of sandstone, granite and andesite have been opened mitted that, although the ground carry.

creasing rapidly to supply an increased demand. Suitable clay deposits are by placer gold at \$69,549,103, and third coal; of this amount, 916,262 tons were by lode gold at \$45,070,717.

After the difficulties to be experienced with a dredge were realized, a stream found in all districts, but the manufactory of the stream of the stream of the stream found in all districts, but the manufactory of the stream of t by placer gold at \$69,549,103, and third by lode gold at \$45,070,717.

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The fire brick plant at Comox, form at \$43,713,122, silver at \$27,289,833, and produced 222,913 tons (2,240 lbs.) of coke lead at \$19,917,197.

| The tire block plant and a large production, but neither these figures nor the profit of which 7,224 tons were added to stock, or loss balance can be given.

standard of production, some \$350,000 toria for the manifacture of lime-silica coal will be lowered from the tunnel brick. The output of the plant for the Fort Steele division still continues portion of the year 1907 that is has been to produce a little placer from the old in operation was, approximately, 1,100,-The lower Fraser river and the color and serves as a front brick, and is

produce gold, the dredges established there having been anything but a success.

The manufacture of lime is carried on in a small way at a number of points, while at Victoria, on Saanich arm, on The management of the property is The value of the gold produced from Texada island, near Vancouver, and in the hands of Mr. R. G. Drinnan, who year 1907 was \$4,055,020, a decrease of erable output. The greater part of the filled the position of manager and gen-\$575,619 or about 12.5 per cent. About 95 production is made on the coast, where per cent. of the gold thus produced is the limestone deposits are particularly Pass collieries.

arm, about thirteen miles by road from Victoria. The company sold in 190 land cement, of a total value of \$215,000 825, a decrease in amount of 244,814 the plant now constructed and in operation is considerably greater than this output would indicate, as about 300,000 barrels can be turned out in the year.

No successful, or very serious, attempts have as yet been made in the in all probability, be built within a will enable them to ship their coal. couple of years to certain coal fields on when this is completed, doubtless some serious attempt will be made to develop the oil fields believed to exist in

that section of the province. Coal Mining.

mining the report says: The general wave of commercial prosperity which ushered in the year 1907 perity which ushered in the distribution of coal in Brit-carried the production of coal in Brit-the line of the G. T. P. railway, but ish Columbia to a point higher than it had ever before reached, although the The lignific coal beds near Princeton wave did recede before the year was the first half of the year the collieries enough to mine the quantity of coal

of coke, equal to 11.9 per cent with an other two months. For the nine market price of metals, began to make developed, but other small areas have MIDNIGHT BLAZE of coke, equal to 11.9 per cent with an separate collieries being worked, viz.:—
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for a similar period.

The most serious falling off in production this last year, but is now being opened up again.

The older known coal areas on the due of all industrial enterprises, more particularly as affecting the coal consumption, by the shutting down of most of the smelters in the country and of the mines dependent on them. These conditions were more keenly felt by the collieries of the Interior, while the greatest increase has been made in the Rossland camp, followed by the Nelson division, in a lesser decollieries of the Interior, while the Coast collieries, whose chief export city so early manifested; added to these difficulties the coal mines in the Orient a new coal area has been discovered -Australia and Japan-in the expectation of a shortage of coal here, rushed in to San Francisco and Puget Sound ports large shipments of coal which, There has been practically no iron ore arriving as they did on a market which mined in the province this past year, had suddenly diminished, served to with the exception of some 1,500 tons glut the market, with the result that

considerable work, of a prospecting na-The Provincial mineralogist in summing up the record for 1907 says:

The value of the mineral products of the province for the year 1907 is greater than that for any preceding year, and amounts to \$25,882,560, showing an increase over the last year of \$902,014, crease over the last year of \$000,014, crease over the year 1907 was greater than that of any preceding year, and amounted of any preceding year, and the mineral products of the mineral pr

Coal, increased in quantity, 18.6 per cent. and in value, 38.6 per cent. Coke, increased in quantity 10.6 per cent and in value 34.2 per cent. Increase in value of coal and coke,

were practically the same as in the previous year, viz.: The Crow's Nest at Nanaimo, and the Wellington Col-The Canada Zinc Co., Limited, has liery Co.'s collieries at Extension and

In addition to these older producers, a new colliery-the Middlesboro Col liery in the Nicola valley-began to ship coal towards the end of the year, prosmall collieries were opened up near Nanaimo, which, although not as yet contributing much to the provincial Brown, a local favorite, got second output, gives promise of greater things in the future.

to be in excess of the demand, this condition cannot long remain in the face of the rapid development of the whole rider Pacific Coast, the greater portion of the At the foot racing contests Fred whole supply for which must be ob- Brouillette, a local sprinter, won the tained from British Columbia.

about 17 per cent. Some 419,541 tons of this coal was opponent, Superintendent Hodges. Mr.

made into coke, of which there was produced 222,913 long tons.

Soon Producing.

The Pacific Coal Company, a subsidiary company of the Canadian Pacific railway, says the report, owns large coal areas at Hosmer, on the line of the C. P. rallway, a few miles north gramme was bristling with many other of Fernie, and adjacent to the lands of interesting features that were very en the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. This colliery has been under process of fireworks was presented that equipment for the past two years, and have done credit to a city of much would have been shipping before this, greater pretensions than Grand Forks. but for some legal obligation not to enter the market before 1908.

The various coal seams developed by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company dipping at a high angle into the hill, outcropping high up on the mounta To reach these seams the company has driven in two large parallel tunnels through rock, starting at a point well above the valley but below the out-

some years past has successfully

Vale Colliery has been opened up to a certain extent, and has made shipments since the close of the year On Vancouver Island three new lieries have been opened up this year.

Coal Prospects. Of the coal prospects seriously deworth \$125. Fukishima was going to him instructions to resume, but this boarding house at the Salmon Arm important are up the valley of the Elk Lumber Company's mill about 10.45 when it does come, the smelter can go iver, above Michel creek, in East o'clock, and when between Chinatown into commission almost as soon Kootenay, on the western slope of the and Cambie street bridge, south of the force can be gathered to operate it. Rockies. Here there are a number of C. P. R. tracks, near the stone works, areas owned by various companies, but he was suddenly approached by two the Imperial Coal & Coke Company's men. They quickly knocked him down pyts have as yet been made in the veloped, and there is little doubt but, all his cash and his watch. After they to-day reached here from Thunder way into the Flathead country will properties are probably the most de- went through his pockets and secured province at drilling for petroleum. A that wifthin a year or so, a railway will railway into the Flathead country will be built up the valley of the Elk which couple of years to certain coal fields on the south fork of Michel creek, and, curred in the southern portions of what

Corbin, of Spokane, and associates have done some important work and, having Dealing with the question of coal secured a railway charter, are expected to very soon begin serious development. Coal has been discovered on Bear river, a tributary of the Fraser river entering above Fort George, and near

remain undeveloped, but, as the con-

areas, long known to exist there, are and a small amount of prospecting done, which is more fully described on

basement of the Arcade block on Hastpages 150-151 of this report. The total output of the different companies is shown to have been as floor of the Baltimore cafe, and filled Western Fuel Company, 504 292 smoke. After a hard fight the fire de-

Wellington Colliery Company, 824,138 ons of coal and 16,372 tons of coke. Gilfillan Colliery, Macgowan & Co., The fire was discovered by Nightwatch-South Wellington coal mines of Via toria, of which John Arbuthnot is

HOW GRAND FORKS

PASSED EMPIRE DAY Occasion Was Celebrated by Sports and Other Interest-

ing Features.

Grand Forks, May 28 .- Although the weather was showery, the Victoria Day celebrations at Grand Forks were crowned with success. The long pro gramme of sports was run through without a single hitch. The principa orse race was won by Joe Seals, of Colville, Wash., who with his Esther Blake mare, carried off first prize in the free-for-all race, while prize. In the gentleman's driving race Dan Patch, owned by J. A. Long, won Although at present the supply seems | the half-mile race against three cor petitors. The rough riders prize was bestowed on W. McAllister, a local

quarter-mile race, as well as the 100 The gross amount of coal mined in yard dash. The automobile race creatthe province during the year 1907 was ed a great deal of interest and was 2,219,608 tons (2,240lbs.), an increase over the preceding year of 320,532 tons, or A. Williams, of the Granby smelter, who distanced with apparent east his Williams made the distance of a mile in one minute and fifty-eight seconds. The baseball match was a little too easy for the Gateway team-to be interesting, as the Grand Forks boys scored five against Danville, the latter failing to score at all.

In addition to these matches the pro tertaining. In the evening a display of Many visitors from outside towns were good time by all present was experi

FOR CHILD CRIMINALS. Vancouver Takes Steps to Establish Juvenile House of Detention

steps toward the establishment of a juvenile house of detention was taken the mines of the province for each year from 1890 to 1907 has increased nearly ten-fold, and has now reached a production, for the past year, valued at was in 1899.

The Dease Lake section of the Stiklate of from 1,300 to 1,500 feet in, nearly a right angles, and from the post year owing to mishaps to the two companies working there. The individual miner has almost disappeared from \$25,882,560, or more than double what it was in 1899.

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By the end of the year the plant and equipment were nearing completion, the mines being sufficiently developed to begin large shipments at any time, and during the coming year should make a large output.

The management of the property is grand jury concerning the fitness of terially in the past fortnight.

Manager Thomas, when asked the present jail for adult prisoners, the committee might well take up this situation, said: Everything is lookquestion later.

> JAP SAYS HE WAS ROBBED Unarmed Men Hold Him Up and Get still keeping all the mines in shape and \$800 Is His Story.

> \$680 and his gold watch, which was yet no word had been received giving locket is set with a diamond and with fits are now just waiting for the snow the chain is valued at \$260. Fukishima had supper at a restaur- gressive form of prospecting on that ant in the Chinese quarter and it is mountain. At present from four to thought that his assailants followed six feet of snow is in that region, but him from there. He stated that the this summer promises oney with him was because he had

Japan in the near future. He could give no description of the highwaymen, but said they were not armed. CHURCH CHANGES NAME

been saving in order to go home to

dist church is the name now applied by much more than half spent. During struction of a railway to that point is the British Columbia conference to the est was evinced by the ratepayers, nearly completed, development of these church formerly known as Princess large number of whom attended the were taxed to their utmost, or at least would have been, such was the demand for coal, but that the transporting rail
To the west of Princeton, at the head street to Pender street east, and the To the west of Princeton, at the head street to Pender street east, and the ways failed lamentably to supply cars, and the labor market to provide men placer gold stream, extensions of the churches concurring the name of the coal beds first discovered at Collins church was changed to Central. Plans

IN VANCOUVER

Cigar Store and Cafe Badly Damaged—Firemen's Hard Fight.

Vancouver, May 29.—Shortly after 12

ings street, ruined the stock in Padmore's cigar store, burned through th all the stores in the building with partment got the blaze under contro and saved the building. The loss is estimated at several thousand dollars, men McAllister and Dea, who promptly turned in an alarm. The fire department quickly responded and turned out in fine style. The police, upon their arrival upon the scene, roped in the street and kept back the curious sight-Nicola Valley Coal & Coke Co., of the hour, congregated in large numbers. The street cars were not allowed to proceed, and every possible precau-tion was taken. Dense volumes of smoke poured up from the basement and rolled across the street, and for a few minutes it looked as if a serious fire would result. The prompt action of the nightwatchmen, however, gave the remen a chance to get to work before the flames could make much headway and after a hard struggle they checked their progress.

The fire broke through the floor of the Baltimore cafe, but did not gain a hold in the cigar store. It is thought to have originated in the basement of the cafe, as the range is situated there. All the stores in the Arcade were filled with smoke, but the most serious damage was done in the cafe and in Padmore's cigar store. Some time after the flames had been checked the fire broke out again. Some of the flames had shot up to the roof of the cafe, and these burst out, but the firemen soon extinguished them.

The Baltimore cafe was closed at 12 o'clock, and everything appeared to be all right then. The nightwatchmen discovered the fire a few minutes later,

SMALLPOX IN MAINT AND

Camp Near New Westminster Is Quar antined.

New Westminster, May 29.—One hundred men employed in a camp at Mur ray's corners, Langley, have been placed in quarantine by the provincial police, owing to a straggler who had spent a couple of days at that poin being afflicted with smallpox. The vic tim of the contagious disease is at pres tion hospital, where he went of his own accord towards the end of las week.

None of the men in the camp are ap parently afflicted with the disease, but the quarantine has been enforced as a measure of protection. No one is allowed to enter or leave the camp. Food and supplies are placed at a pre-ar ranged spot some distance away, and taken from there to the camp by of the three provincial police officers who has been assigned to see that the quarantine is not broken by any of the en. All letters are fumigated before being mailed, and other strict precar tions are taken to prevent the spread of the disease. Everyone in the camp including the police, has been vaccin

DOMINION COPPER MINES MAY RESUME

Rumor of the resumption of operaing much brighter now. The mone necessary to meet the interest on the bonds, which comes due on June 1st has already been paid over. have several thousand tons of

Vancouver, May 29.—A Jap named smelter, as well as a large supply of coke."

Mr. Thomas continued to say that as

enough for about five days, at the

to leave when they will start an agreason he had such a large sum of lively in this high-grade silver camp.

NORTH VANCOUVER FERRY CO.

North Vancouver, May 29 .- The North Vancouver city council last night issued instructions to its solicitors gainst the North Vancouver Ferry Power Company for 400 trips advertised and not made and a good deal of inter

NANAIMOITE SHOT DEAD.

Dawson, May 28.-Gus, Lawles was shot twice through the head at Chicken creek and instantly killed by George VOL. 36.

DEGRADATION TORY PA

BORDEN & CO. STARV CANADA'S CIVIL SER

Manitoba Wire Pullers Travesty From Spect Gallery.

Ottawa, May 29.-In the Gazette (Conservative) of May following appeared in a dispat the Ottawa correspondent of

"Then, at 4.30 a. m., when the government gave up the figure cent was passed, and the was made by Mr. Fielding committee rise. Mr. Paterson other plaintive appeal for his There was a laugh from the or and a handful of tired memb through the swinging doors in see the rising sun gild the tr

the main tower." Note the exultation expre every line of this choice litt graph. Note that "not one c passed," although it was plain government was making every get money for the employees various departments. Note, a Hon. Mr. Paterson's request for his officials was received laugh from the opposition."
huge joke it must be for the gr servative party in the House mons—the joke of withholding housands of faithful employ vages; the joke of depriving men and children depending up mployees of the necessaries And the readers of the oppos

ers are told that the reque with a laugh. Here is what "I have no desire to keep the late, but I will tell you how to stands. I want to get \$2,074,5 all in one item, it generally pa that. We are only asking for necessary. To-day we shou drawn our cheques to pay our officers. I suppose there are 2 who, if you do not give the money, will have to go with pay. The hon, gentleman spea it being un-Christian to sit latnot be more un-Christian t n the position of being unabl

nen who, we have been told have been faithful men and well earned their wages? At so far as I am concerned, and I have my colleagues and the minister with me, I will make to get the money, so that the rate lay the blame upon me i without the wages which rly earned. I will give wh nations members may desire. there are a hundred men in alone who will have to go wit pay they have earned if I do this money, and others are from the Atlantic to the Pa many of them, as hon. gentlen site know, do not get salaries able them to do without the when it is due. Therefore I stay long enough at any ra those gentlemen know that th

this department is not to blan

do not get their money."

And there was a laugh from position, according to the Garrespondent. But there is a about this laughter. Even members on Mr. Borden's si louse are becoming disguste ndefensible holdup, and one est men was heard to rema day: "It's sickening busines wish I were out of it. I don't proposition of the opposition by the premier of Manitoba." This Tory scents danger. en a change in the rules of the which will curtail the scop friends for guerrilla warfare. knows that the people will pla sponsibility where it belongs, his party will be annihila Here is the issue: The go wants voters to have a fair ch roposes to provide this by which will prevent the man the list by unscrupulous pol the ward heeler type. The members, inspired by the manipulators from Manitoba wish to surrender comp of lists that have been beaut wonderfully "arranged") der withdrawal of this legislation ill hold up the wages of the ployees. The governmen promise, to let the judges sts, thus removing the whol m the realm of partisan po position (still under the thu

It wants to dictate. A rather extraordinary incurred during the recent visit oba's premier and attorney-ottawa. From their places in tators' gallery they could b cting the operations of and his followers; making ways running the Tory pa programme. What would acdonald have said could l held this degradation of his passive Wilfrid Laurier and his

itoba manipulators) refus