on West Coast o Be Afforded Ship Is Now on

pril 27.-A British way to Mexico's a refuge for subain. This informathoritative source on could be had at but the minister t is said, that ane sent to the Gulf pose. In both cases esult of an underan powers with a nations having in citizens in considfollow suit.

here from the Isthtoday brought ins bands of insurlations along the railway have put out of commission Union Hidalgo, one ns of the Pan-Amoop train was fired ne federals retired, en killed.

Progress oa, April 25.-Via ril 26 .- The fiercest tion on the west g at Tepic, where themselves Zapitadetermined effort

oss of life when the cnowded with The state house the residences of a thiest citizens were ed. The battle beyesterday morning gress at 6 o'clock of the heaviest firico street near the e in a short time me slippery with who took this place are still in posses-ous, if not well led. is, but Vega is su-

and warehouses and Only two Americans been no trains on for eleven days als of the road are many of them are of food, ordinarily in some places the

alt severely. Madero may make nding a part of the take Culiacan, which This would render untenable, and inleader named Guer-nundred miles from cied security here ers desire to leave the first oppor

olumn of 1500 men 100 Vega and Quin city yesterday the empted to slip out

at the railroad and hich the rebels lost federals who were ed, about 25. The andeered all horses was co ouses for the most ess cost his him life in entering the city

the disorders which which his men are vere so serious that ied by court martial elieves the state of emies. Twenty-two city yesterday. To tervention scare and a railroad motor

Rendezvous 1 20.-Via El Paso, the only one in the eld by the federals, ous for American there are about 150 om as far north as o hundred Mexican tter class, also are n. In addition one ablishment of Culitock bodily to this omparatively safe garrison numbering thorities 600 men, enough to withstand

cienda Quimichic or forder, was attacked dits. The place was ns who repuls losing several

DISPUTE at Loggerheads Over vileges to Figher-

ces brought by the spute has arisen be-tussia regarding fish-

the Siberian coast. were opened at Vlad-found that Japanese bidders. After the they would receive eft Vladivostock the he tenders illegal. aken owing to Rus-The Japanese hold vill be too short to the delay occasioned tenders, Japan mainengaging in fishing rthern seas by virtue Portsmouth, Russia subsector radius

CHAOS REIGNS

ruesday, April 30, 1912

Steamer Lonsdale Brings News That Trains Are Being De-Trailed and Country Is Greatly Disturbed

Chaos reigns in Mexico, according to advices brought by the steamer Lonsiale Captain Bates, of the Canadian-Mexican line, which reached the outs wharf yesterday afternoon via San Francisco from Salina Cruz. Officers of the steamer state that within a few miles of the seaports bandits are rav-aging the country and life and property is insecure. Foreigners are getting their wives and families out of the country as quickly as they can.

When the Lonsdale was loading at Salina Cruz the train which carried part of her cargo across the Tehaun-tepec railroad was held up within 15 miles of Salina Cruz by a gang of bandits and the train was ransacked for firearms, a large number of revolvers being taken. Several of the train crew were held up and revolvers taken from them, but the freight or possession of passengers and train crew was not

The railroad south from Tehaunteper the Pan-American—suffered most, the tracks being torn up and carried to the woods. Arrivals from the south stated that at Union Hildalgo, 38 kilometres from Gamboa, thirty seldiers were captured, and were burned alive by brigands. The thirty Mexicans were corralled in an adobe house which was fired and the unfortunate men were forced back into the flames with bayonets. Several who tried to escape were shot and their bodies hurled back into the fire. Many bodies were to be seen on the roads, and scarcely a hacienda had not bodies of horses and cattle ly-ing about. The countryside had apparently been laid waste, and many burned houses and haclendas were to

Bebels Repulsed

The day before the Londsale sailed north from Salina Cruz, on April 12, a small body of 18 federals, 25 volunteers and 8 rurales met a force of 200 rebels at Ocosingo in Chipas, not many miles from the seaport. The rebels rode miles from the seaport. The rebels rode into the Mexican town in the early morning shouting, "Viva Vasquez Gomez," and "Death to the President," and the little garrison rode out to meet them. A sharp fight ensued which resulted in the larger force being driven off, leaving four dead, and a number horses, rifles, etc., were captured.

When the Lonsdale called at Mazatlan on the south those on board state the port was quiet, although there were many reports of disturbances in the interior. When the Steamer reached Saina Cruz, however, news was learned there that soon after the departure of the Lonsdale Mazatlan was bombarded. The bombardment arose out of a dispute between the leader of the local dispute between the leader of the local forces and the government officials. Soon after the quarrel began guns were brought out and the city was shelled.

Foreigners were leaving the southern part of Mexican particularly the United states citizens, who have been greatly alarmed by the threats that if there was any intervention from the United States, a massacre of "Gringos" would follow. News was learned at Salina Cruz of an heroic fight put up by a party of five Americans at a heroical state. party of five Americans at a hacienda near San Blas, which they held for several days, and then, finding their ammunition running low, they escaped with eight women and children in the night, and made their way by walking and in canoes, after suffering many hardships, to Mazatlan

Threats Against Foreigners

Comment of the Mexican newspapers following the note sent from Washing-ton to Mexico several weeks ago is inflaming the people against the United States citizens. La Prensa says that No one asked the Americans to come and live in Mexico and if they are dissatisfied with the conditions they should leave the country." El Tiempo says:

"If any Americans have been taker prisoners by the rebels, if they have been executed the fault is theirs. Why did they enlist in the ranks of the de fenders of the government? The requirement that the lives and properties of Americans in Mexico shall be protected in an adequate and just manner is superfluous, because the government and the people do this and they have never committed excesses either against the lives or property of Americans in Mexico. They take the position that excesses committed by Orozco cannot be claimed as acts for which either the government or the Mexican people are responsible. They say that the threat of the United States is very plain and that the Mexican people repel the same with all energy, and that when the need arises every Mexican will rise up to protect his country."

Conditions were gradually becoming worse, and those on board the Lonsdale are of opinion that there will be some strenuous times when the steamer again calls at the ports on the Mexican coast. The disturbed conditions have had their effect on business, and the steamer brought but a small crago. She had only 900 tons of general freight from
Cruz, of which 250 tons will be
arged here. This consists of genmerchandise brought from Atlantic liners via the Tehauntepec railroad. At San Francisco the steamer loaded 500 tons of cement and salt for Vancouver Strong northwest winds were encountered on the way to the Golden Gate and

HOUSE A CREMATORY

Three Children and Rired Man Burn to Death in Prince Albert Fire

good weather north from there.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., April 27 .-Four persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the residence of a fire which destroyed the residence of Robert Adamson, a farmer, living three miles west of Shellbrook. The dead are:

Hasel Naomi, aged 3; Cecil, aged 5; Horace, aged 3; John Ruhlban, the hired man.

Mr. Adamson, who sleeps downstairs, got up and started the fire in the cook sot up and started the fire in the cook stove. He called the hired man who answered and then went down to the barn. A few minutes later, on hearing screams, he ran back to find the house in flames. He succeeded in getting a ladder up to the upstairs window and pulled at the bedclothes, but could not nd the children.

In the meantime, Mrs. Adamson, who is badly burned about the arms, called to the hired man to throw the children out of the window, but getting no response, she attempted to get out of the door, but was unable to open it and had to escape by the window with the baby in her arms.

The house was constructed of logs. and the heat was terrific. When it was all burned down only a few charred fragments, little resembling human remains, were found. The indications are that the hired man perished in an attempt to save the eldest child,

An inquest was held, the verdict being accidental death.

LOWER RAILWAY

Through Work of Growers' Associations Reductions to the Prairies and Coast Are Obtained . From C.P.R.

Fruit growers of this province will welcome an announcement made by Mr. R. Winslow, of the department of agriculture, yesterday that reductions on freight rates for fruit have been granted by the C. P. R. from the inerion, both eastward to points on the Prairies and also to the coast.

Negotiations having this object in

view were begun with the railway company some four years ago, when a proved abortive. Two years later, after the formation of the B. C. Fruit Growers' association, another conference was held at Kamloops, but, as Mr. Lannigan, on behalf of the C. P. R., told the meeting, it was not possible told the meeting, it was not possible to get down to business in large meetings of that kind. The association appointed a transportation committee of a few members, with whom the C. P. R. officials took the matter up. At the Dominion conference held at Ottawa last year Mr. R. H. Agur and Mr. W. A. Pitcairn met Mr. Lannigan, and the present reductions are the outcome of their joint deliberations.

The present Calgary rate of \$3 cents per 100 lbs. is taken as a basis for the eighth class rate to points on the

per 100 lbs. is taken as a basis for the eighth class rate to points on the prairies. The rate on spples and pears in carloads from the Okanagan is reduced from 70 cents to 60 cents. Fruits other than apples and pears, designated fresh fruits, are classed as third class, as are apples and pears in less than carloads, and these, on the Calsary mileage basis, will be charged 10 cents per 100 lbs. or 5 cents per box. Also the minimum carload is reduced from 30,000 lbs. to 24,000 lbs., without any increase in the rate.

It is well known that fruit growers in the interior have not been compet-ing successfully with imported fruits in the markets of the coast towns, and to help them in this direction the rate on apples and pears, in carloads, is now reduced from 45 cents to 40 cents in the fifth class. That on peaches and other soft fruits in carloads is reand other soft fruits in carloads is reduced from 53 cents to 48 cents in the third class, and apples and pears in less than carloads in the same class will be charged at 48 cents instead of 65 cents. These reductions (to points on the coast are expected to prove of great value in stimulating and increasing the export to Australia, and probably to China and Japan. As the seasons in Australia and here are different to the coast of the coas ferent, Australia stands ready to take

whole output of this province if she can get it. Mr. Lannigan states that 400 refrigerating cars are in course of construc-tion, specially adapted to the needs of the fruit trade, and that all brine-tank cars are being fitted with ventilators with the same object in view.

The general effect of these reduc-

tions on rates to the eastward will be to lessen the charges to most of the Alberta points and to some in Saskat-chewan, where most of the produce of this province is marketed, and this will greatly assist the fruit growers of B. C. in their struggle against American competition. A stimulus will also be given to the production of garden stuff, such as tomatoes, rhuberb and celery, which are only shipped in crates and cases.

MISSION WORK IN B.C.

Toronto Presbyter.ans to Assign Two Men for Special Duties on Pacific Coast

TORONTO, Ont., April 25.-A special neeting of the Women's Presbyterian Home Mission Society will be held tomorrow night at which W. A. Kennedy and W. H. Burgess will be assigned to special coast mission work in British Columbia. The plan provides for a launch for carrying an ordained missionary with literature, a medical man. and will ply between the mainland and the various islands of the Pacific Coast supplying the needs to scores of indus-tries employing hundreds of men.

Every owner of a motor car in Ver-non was before the police court last week charged with over-speeding. All were told to be good in future and allowed to depart.

Merritt ratepayers will shortly vote upon money bylaws to provide \$40,-000 for waterworks, \$20,000 for electric light, \$10,000 for sidewalks and \$3,000 The British Columbia branch of the Canadian Mining Institute meets at The North Vancouver council has re-

MAKES REPLY

Gives Lie Direct to Accusations of President Taft-American Presidential Campaign Grows Bitter

WORCESTER, Mass., April 26 .-Merciless denunciation of President Taft was Colonel Roosevelt's reply tonight to the president's attacks upon him yesterday. Some of Colonel Roose-

elt's assertions were: That President Taft had not given the That President Taft had not given the people a "square deal;" that owing to a "quality of feebleness," he had "ylelded to the bosses and the great privileged interests;" that one part of the president's attack on him was the "crookedest kind of a deal," and deliberate misrepresentation;" that the president had not merely in thought word and deed been "disloyal to our past friendship, but has been disloyal to every canon of ordinary decent and fair dealing such as should obtain even in dealing with a man's bitterest opponents," that the president's statements regarding the federal office holders in the campaign "was not only an untruth but an absurd untruth."

SEATTLE, April 27 .- Johnny Kelley, amateur heavyweight champion of Seattle, who has cleaned up everything at his weight in the city, has become a professional. He left this morning for Courtenay, B. C., where he has several matches awaiting him. His main match on his trip is with His main match on his trip is with Ralph Filbert, heavyweight champion of British Columbia. They will fight ten rounds for a purse of \$1,000, the winner taking \$600. The fight will be pulled off before the Courtenay Athletic club May 22. He intends to stay up in that country six months.

VACANT PRESIDENCY

Encoessor To the Late Mr. C. M. Rays May Not Be Appointed For Some Time

LONDON. April 27 .- As a result of careful inquiries made concerning the probable successor of the late Charles M. Hays, the Financial Times says there is no likelihood of an appointment being made for a considerable time, but when it is made it will be with the full approval of the Dominion government. The desire of the board is to select a presdesire of the board is to select a present Grand Trunk official who has passed through all grades of the service. It is also quite certain that the position of the new president will be less autocratic than that enjoyed by the late Mr. Hays. Many matters hitherto supervised by the president in person will be delegated to other officials.

The Times add: "The company's financial policy will in future be a matter more generally discussed amongst the board than has been the case during recent years and particu-

amongst the board than has been the case during recent years and particularly in regard to fresh borrowings.

"Communications which have been exchanged during the past few days indicate that the Dominion government may be prepared to take a more active part in any future financing of the sys-tem if it is more fully informed as to what is going on."

rates to be used pending the rehearing of the Spokane rate case by the United States supreme court in October. The compromise tariffs are lower than the rates now in effect, but higher than the rates found to be reasonable by the Inter-state Commerce Commission in its tentative decision of 1910. The agreement must be ratified by the country commissioners of Spokane country and the Spokane commissioners who are parties to the Spokane rate case. It is expected that they will ratify the agreement immediately

PLANS ORDERED FOR LIGHTING GATEWAY

Decisive Step Forward Is Taken by Joint Committee -Messrs. Halls and Hutchison to Furnish Estimate

Decisive action in furtherance of the project for the illumination of the "gateway" to the city was taken at a meeting held in the board of trade rooms yesterday morning, attended by representatives of the electric light committee of the city council, the real estate exchange and board of trade. Details of the scheme of lighting will at once be prepared by Mr. M. Hutchson, superintendent of the city's elec tric system, and Mr. S. J. Halls, manager of the light and power department of the B. C. Electric Railway company, assisted by experts in this class of lighting.

The presence in the city of Mr. Hay-The presence in the city of Mr. Hay-ter Reed, superintendent of the C. P. R. hotel system, is being taken advantage of to press upon his attention the co-operation of his company in the light-ing of the Empress hotel, the proposal having already received the endorse-ment of Mr. H. B. Jackson, the manager. FUND REACHES A HUGE FIGURE

LONDON, April 26.—Including the fund raised in New York the total amounts subscribed to date for the relief of the sufferers by the Titanic disaster is more than

parliament buildings, the proposal hav ing been approved by Premier McBride prior to his departure for England.

Mr. Arthur Lineham, chairman of th board of trade's committee on civic af-fairs, presided at the meeting, and there were present also, as representing the were present also, as representing board, Mr. Ed. Pearson and Mr. A. W. Knight; for the special committee of the real estate exchange there were in attendance Ald. Cuthbert and Messrs. H. A. Munn and E. C. B. Bagshawe, and Ald. Gleason represented the electric light committee of the city council, be-fore which body the matter has been for some time.

City Expert's Views

Mr. Hutchison was able to give the committee much valuable advice, possessing as he does a thoroug's knowledge of all the details of the lighting system at present in use in the city. He made the gratifying announcement that, in asmuch as a tunnel for underground wires had been provided on the west side of the Causeway, this would allow of all the wire installation in conne tion with the proposed scheme to be made without interfering with the street in any way indeed, save for what street intersections, there would not be the slightest disturbance of existing ost of the installation very materially

The members of the committee were unanimous on the point that, inasmuch as it would be incumbent upon the community to very shortly undertake some leaborate scheme of illumination of that section of the city in consequence of the coming visit to Victoria of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and party, it was obviously the sensible procedure to undertake the work now, assuming that the proposal for permanent illumination commended fixelf to the parties linancially interested. It was argued, again, that the policy of going to great expense in the installation of special lighting systems on the occasion of the presence of any distinguished visitor, only to tear them down after the event is over, was wasteful in the extreme.

Mr. Halls made it clear to the committee

was wasteful in the extreme.

Mr. Halls made it clear to the committee that as the rate which would be charged for the lighting would be based on the low rate given the city, the proposal was not one that commended itself to him on business grounds, but he was enthusiastically in favor of it, as he believed it would be a fine advertisement for the capital city

Sketch Plans Ordered
After a full discussion of the matter, the following resolution, moved by Alderman Cuthbert and seconded by Aldermae Cleason, was carried unanimously:

"That Mr. Halls be asked to preparasketch plans for the lighting of the Causeway and the principal buildings adjacent thereto, together with an estimate of the cost of installation and maintenance, and that Mr. Hutchison be asked to assist him."

Both Mr. Hutchison be asked to assist him."

Both Mr. Hutchison be asked to committee in every possible May.

The suggestion advanced by Capt. J. W. The suggestion advanced by Capt. J. W. Troup, local manager of the C. P. R., a few days ago, that at some point on the morthern shore of the mare harbors closely adjacent to the mouth thereof, there should be a great sign bearing some slogan to all incoming passengers.

adjacent to the mouth thereof, there should be a great sign bearing some slogan to all incoming passengers, was taken up by the committee and hearity approved. As the result of a full discussion, it was decided to incorporate this feature in the general scheme of illumination; and it was suggested that the slogan might very well be:

"Welcome to Victoria, "Pacific Gateway of Canada."
This slogan, it was pointed out, would eath the eye of all incoming passengers, just as soon as the vessel had made the mouth of the harbor; and on rounding Laurel Point, the "gateway" itself would burst upon the sight in all its illuminated grandeur.

Large Winnipeg Plant Is Destroyed With Loss of \$250,-000-Flames Start in the Warehouse-

WINNIPEG, Man., April 26.—Brown and Rutherford's valuable humber plant on Sutherland avenue was destroyed by fire between 3 and 5 o'clock this afternoon with a loss of a quarter of a million. The fire started in the warehouse and it spread, aided by a strong wind, to the stables, offices, mill and other warehouses and lumber piles. The firm was a pioneer in the lumber business, establishing here when Winnipeg was known as Fort. Garry.

STATE OF SIEGE

Prench Government Adopts Milita Precautions in Moroecan Capital

TANGIER, April 25 .- The French gov ernment has proclaimed a state of seige in Fez, the Moroccan capital, where in in Fez, the Moroccan capital, where in the last few days officers and men of the French army have been killed and wounded. They were suppressing an outbreak of the Moorish population in which hundreds of the Jewish residents were killed and wounded and much of the city destroyed by fire. Advices from other districts say the

Arab tribes are displaying a warlike

SALE OF LIQUOR

Travelers For Wine and Spirit Firms To Be Taxed By F. E. L. Government

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., April ing of the Empress hotel, the proposal having already received the endorsement of Mr. H. B. Jackson, the manager.

Mr. H. B. Thomson, M. P. P., has kindly offered to accompany a delegation which will wait upon the acting premier, Hon. W. J. Bowser, relative to the matter of the illumination of the

LW.W. SECRETARY UNDER ARREST

Another Agitator Is Sentenced to Six Months for Vagrancy -Yale Magistrate Makes Sweeping Order

VANCOUVER, B. C. April 28.—On the charge of participating in an uninwful assembly. Charles Nelson, secretary of the I. W. W. at Yale, has been arrested. District organizer Hyde who arrived last night, has temporarily assumed Nelson's duties. son's duties.

A sentence of six months with hard

a sentence of six months with nard labor was today given John Peterson, a member of the L. W. W. on a charge of vaginancy. Magistrate Webb, after sentencing the prisoner, issued a sweep-ing order to the officers to gather in all persons found wandering without visible means of support.

TO TAKE CONTROL

First C.N.P. Trains Will Soon Be in Service Between Chilliwack and Port Mann-Rapid Development Certain

Mr. T. G. Holt, vice president and general manager of the Canadian Northspending several weeks in the East in consultation with Sir William Mackenzle and Sir Donald Mann, and has given out the announcement that the company's operating department will take over the constructed portion of the new trans-continental railway between Port Mann and Chilliwack in the very near future.

"The matter of turning over the road the operating department was discussed with Sir William Mackenzie and the operating heads of the road during my visit to Toronto," said Mr. Holt. "Just when this will take place is not yet de-cided. Construction of the first unit, to consist of fifteen stalls, in the round-house at Port Mann, has been decided upon, and construction will proceed at the earliest opportunity. Included in the work to be undertaken at the same time will be repair shops and other ne-

cessary equipment.

"All these buildings will be constructed on the unit plan, to permit of large additions as necessity arises through the growth of business. The devaluement of the court was the velocity of the court and the velocity arises through the growth of the court and the velocity arises are the court and the velocity arises are the court and the velocity are the velocity and the velocity are the velocity and the velocity are the velocity arises are the velocity and the velocity are the velocity are the velocity are the velocity and the velocity are t development of the country and the vol-ume of business offering the transpor-tation companies indicate that the Can-adian Northern will have to do in five years what the C.F.R. had twenty years to accomplish. This will not be because we are any better equipped as business getters than the C.P.R., but because this western country has ar-rived at an era of development and ex-pansion which compais growth, and the Canadian Northern will have to keep

BR WILL "For that reason all the building at Port Mann will be designed to permit of frequent and continuous enlargement to meet these conditions. The first part of the work of roundhouse and repair shops construction will cost in the PREY IV MIKE neighborhood of \$500,000, We expect to have the rails laid up to the Yale tunnel by the end of July. Another car-load of rails has been ordered from Cape Breton and should be delivered in Port Mann by early July, which will

make this possible."

Mr. Holt stated further that Sir William Mackenzle will probably again yisit the coast this summer, and Colonel Davidson, the company's land commissioner, in the near future.

HORSE SHOW WILL BE SOCIAL EVENT

Victorians Bally Enthusiastically Support of Their First Spring

Victoria's spring horse show is going to be the social event of the year.

It is a gratifying surprise to Mr. George Sangster, the secretary, as well as to members of the management committee, to find citizens rallying to the support of the first spring event of the kind ventured in by the city with such enthusiasm. The present prospect is that every one of the private boxes will be sold out for the six sessions, which start next Thursday and continue until

With so many entries for all competitions that the keenest of competition is assured; with a capable judge in the person of Mr. George Graham, of Toronto; with an equally able ring-master in Mr. W. J. Clements, of New York; and with such arrangements that each event will be carried through without delay, it is assured that the crowds will be given the very best entertain-ment. The auditorium has been put in first class shape, improvements being introduced both for the comfort of the audience and the convenience of the ac-tive participants. The Fifth Regiment

band will be present at every session.

The Competition

Enough has been said about the quality of the entries to convince those who have followed the preparations that the contests will be interesting. As is generally known the Vancouver spring horse show, which is now in progress, is the fashionable affair of the season. Ever since its inception it has attracted the chief horse fanciers of the northwest. The same is the case this year and practically all competitors at the Terminal City are coming to Victoria.

It is announced by Secretary Sang-ster that reserve seat tickets may be secured at the offices of the B. C. Agri-cultural Association, Bastion street.

Among the Victoria winners at the Vancouver competitions are the Dixi H. Ross entries. In the double delivery wagon, with Lady Dixi and Silver Belle as a team, the blue ribbon was-captur against strong competition. In the single rig class second prize was se-

I.W.W. TACTICS

Agitators Express Intention of Interfer-ing With Calgary's Labor Situation

CALCARY, April 26.—I. W. W.'s havt reached Calgary. Fourteen members of the organization which has been causing all the trouble in the railway camps of British Columbia, landed in town today, stating their object in coming was to dissuade la-borers from going out to the mountain camps in response to the advertise-ments of contractors.

The party which landed here are led by a man named Hill, who stated

it was not their intention to interfere with local labor conditions. They had with local labor conditions. They had an interview with Mayor Mitchell this merning and asked him if they could speak on the street. He advised them to hire a hall or use a vacant lot and referred them to Chief of Police Cuddy who told them the same thing.

Leader Hill produced a letter which he had received from some high official of the I. W. W., in which the threat was made that if Calgary did not allow them free speech they would have six thousand men here within a month. Just when the fireworks will begin is not known, but works will begin is not known, but from the tone adopted by Hill in his conversation with the mayor this morning it looks as though there might be some lively times ahead.

PROVINCIAL GRANT FOR CADETS' TOUR

Two Thousand Dollars Contributed To ward Expenses of Vancouver High School Boys

A grant of \$2,000 was made by the Provincial government at yesterday's executive meeting to assist the Vancouver High school cadets in financing their summer tour of the sister dominions in the Antipodes, this liberal assistance being made conditional upon the arrangements for the tour meeting with the approval of the Education department. The Vancouver cadets are planning to leave for Australia during early June the general plan of cambaign being very similar to that adopted for the successful Imperial tour of the Australian cadets who visited British Columbia not so many weeks ago, that tour having inspired the re-ciprocal visit of the boys from this

Sports in Sidney At the annual meeting of the Sidney Athletic Association, which was held recently. W. H. Warne was elected president; E. E. Spencer, vice-president; P. N. Tester, secretary-treasurer; Fred Humber, captain of the lacrosse team, and Jack Roberts captain of the baseball squad. It is believed that, with the material available, it will be possible to form strong teams in both lines. ible to form strong teams in both lines of sport. The intention is to arrange for games with representatives of Vic-toria and adjacent districts.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 26 .- The supreme court today denied a petition for rehearing the case of Charles W. Wappenstein, former chief of police of Seattle, convicted of accepting a bribe and sentenced to serve from three to ten years in the state prison. This pointing to another party for one that ends the litigation and means Wap-would tend to implicate the Humphrys: pensteln must go to the penitentiary.

JACK JOHNSON WILL RETIRE FROM RING

CHICAGO, April 27.- Jack Johnson, neavyweight champion, announces that ne will retire from the prize ring on Labor Day. If any fighters want his game they will have to box him before this date, as Jack said all the money in the world would not induce him to change his plans.

"If any of the 'hopes' want to meet me they will have to get ready in a hurry," said Johnson. "I am willing to take on all of them and all the time want between bouts is one week. I realize I am getting old, and I do not want to go the route of other chamions. I can beat all the Palzers, Morrises, Flynns, Wells and Smiths in the game, and as there is no one able to give me a battle. I may just as well retire with the title before I get too old to defend it successfully.

"I made up my mind to quit about a week ago. I have made and saved enough money to keep me the rest of my life and my retirement will not be that of a black Patti. When the clock strikes 12 at midnight on Labor Day Jack Johnson will be through with the prize ring forever and there will be no come back stuff for me. I have been fighting for eighteen years, and I be-lieve I gave the fistic public its money's worth every time I have fought."

Victoria Land District—District of Coast Range 3,

Range 3.

Take notice that George Davies, of Victoria, occupation prospector, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted about 50 chains in a northerly direction from the N.W. corner of £728, thence north about 21 chains, thence west 50 chains, thence following banks of river to point of commencement, containing 60 acres, more or less.

GEORGE DAVIES,

GEORGE DAVIES,
Walter H. Sachon, Agent
Dated, April 25th, 1912. Victoria Land District—District of Coast Range 3.

Range 3.

Take notice that Kenneth Case, of Victoria, occupation prospector, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the N.W. corner of L728, thence east about 14 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence about 21 chains south to banks of river, thence following banks of river to point of commencement containing 230 acres more or less,

Welter H. Sachon, Agent Dated, April 25th, 1912.

TO COMMISSION

Premier Replies to Federation Executive—Labor Promised Full Consideration by Special Tribunal

It will be remembered that at the close of the annual foregathering here in January last of the British Columbia Federation of Labor the members of the executive of that congress waited upon Premier McBride—in accordance with the federation's yearly custom—and presented a comprehen-sive memorial in advocacy of radical legislation in various directons whch it was urged by President J. W. Wilkinson and his associates should prove in the substantial interest of

The interview took place on the 27th The interview took place on the 27th January, and at its conclusion the prime minister informed Mr. Wikinson that a formal reply to the representations made would be transmitted at an early date. This reply went forward a few days prior to Hon. Mr. McBride's departure for London, and is to obtain consideration at a special meeting of the federaton executive convened for Sunday next at Vancouver. In it the first minister says:

"I beg to state that as it is intended

"I beg to state that as it is intended in the immediate future to appoint a royal commission to inquire into labor conditions in the province very fully, the executive council has decided to refer the various questions submitted by you to this commission. Full opportunity will be given for any repre-sentations the Federation of Labor may esire to make to the commission.

ITALIAN VICTORY

Fort-at Entrance to Dardanelles Rom-barded and 300 Turkish Soldiers Killed

LONDON. April 26. - The bombardnent by Italian warships of the Dardanelles forts a week ago, was much more serious than officially admitted, Daily Chronicle.

Kumkaleh fort, at the entrance of the Dardanelles, was completely destroyed, 300 Turkish soldiers being killed and more than that number wounded.

OREGON MURDER CASE Two Brothers on Trial for What Is Alleged to Have Been a Pre-meditated Crime

CORVALLIS, Ore. April 25 .- The corvallis, Ore, April 28.—Ine jury in the case of George and Charles Humphrys, charged with the murder of Mrs. Eliza Griffiths, was completed, the attorneys made their opening statements and two winesses were examined before court adjourned until tofor the state State Attorney Bryson said that the prosecution was prepared to prove that circumstances surround-ing the murder pointed to the Hum-phreys brothers as the guilty parties. Both had confessed to different persons on different occasions that they had killed th ewoman, and that from the very nature of the crime and from the story told by the defendants the

murder was necessarily premeditated.
Attorney J. J. Jeffrey, of Portland. Attorney J. J. Jenney, in his open-counsel for the Humphrys, in his opening statement said the defense v would tend to implicate the Humphrys; that the confession, if permitted to be introduced as evidence, could no taken as truth, but as the sugges of detectives willing to win a reward and extorted from the simple-minded defendants and that they would as readily confess to any other crime. The first witness to take the stand.

was the son of the murdered He testified to his mother's habit of keeping money in her house and of her acquaintance with the Humphrys. He said he was not at home when the crime was committed. The second witness merely described the premises on which the murder occurred

Short in Accounts SPOKANE, Wash., April 26 .- Joe B. Lemaster, assistant cashier of Northern Express company, who disappeared from Spokane last Monday, was short between \$1,500 and \$2,000, accord ing to information given out tonight.
The audit is not complete.

WARNED IN TIME

Villagers Escape From Oncoming rood Through Message From Tele-phone Operator

SYRACUSE, N: Y., April 25. Warned by a telephone operator that the Mineville dam had broken, five hundred persons residing in the valley of Millsbrook, Essex county, fled to the hills and then watched the torrent wash their homes away.

The breaking of the dam precipitated a lake two miles long, half a mile wide and fifty feet deep, upon the val-ley, which nearly covers two villages. The flood swept with it two other dams and three power plants, causing a damage of over \$100,000. That no lives were lost is due to the quick work of a telephone girl in the Port Henry exchange, who notified the Millsbrook Valley folks to flee.

The Mineville dam was a new structure of concrete. It was sixty feet high and two hundred feet wide. lives were lost is due to the work of a telephone girl in the

Cms.

30

3

20 5

IMMIGRANTS

Government Officials Betimate To 400,000 Will Be Total This Year

OTTAWA, April 25.—According to estimate made by officials of the im-gration branch of the interior depa ment, the immigration this year reach the total of 400,000. Thi mate is based on the percentage of in creese in the year just closed