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E. nsion Of Great Northern

Application Made to run Branch Line Through Streets at Vancouver.

Fishermen's Union Issues Strike Notices and Japanese Prepare to Work.

Premier McBride Predicts Victory for the Conservative Party.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 29.—President John Hendry, of the Vancouver, Westminster and Yukon Railway, which is a branch of the Great Northern, made formal application to the City Council today for rights along False creek and across the city streets. President Hendry assures to the city direct railway connections for Vancouver with the American system of railways.

The following notice was issued today: "The British Columbia Fishermen's Union hereby declares a strike, to go into effect July 1, 1903. Signed, H. S. Butterfield, secretary." Nearly 2,000 Japanese fishermen have gone to the Skeena river to fish, and 1,000 Japs are ready to fish tomorrow for the prices offered by canners. Another thousand Japs are to hold a meeting July 8 to decide.

Word has been received from Westminster that Walter Combs, aged 19, and Ethel Miller, aged 17, were drowned while bathing in the Nikemeki .

Mr. Walker, who is assisting Mr. D. Donaldson in collecting votes for the provincial voters list, lays claim to the record for the province, and perhaps for the Dominion, in taking the largest number of votes in two hours. Mr. Walker registered 128 applicants in 120 minutes, which is rather better than one a minute. When it is taken into consideration that a blank has to be filled out with the answers to several questions, that the applicant has to be sworn and sign his name, the title of champion vote-taker of the province will readily be accorded to Mr. Walker. The total number of names registered at 9 o'clock Saturday night was 3,234. This of course includes votes picked up at the newspaper offices, on the streets and in the political committee rooms. For personal attendance is not necessary in registering votes. A week ago last Saturday 92 votes were registered at the Conservative club and last Saturday 96. Any one competent to administer an oath can collect a vote and hand it over to the provincial collector, Mr. Donaldson. Quite a number of men working in the camps up the coast have come in to register their votes, and have been denied owing to their not having been one month in the province.

It is rumored that the Great Northern Telegraph Company are to build from Dawson to the boundary and connect at the American line to Valdez and with the projected cable to Sitka and Seattle. The G. N. W., according to their charter, can build their lines anywhere in Canada. The G. N. W. would thus be a most serious rival in the telegraph business in Canadian and American Alaska. The Dominion line is now being repaired between Atlin and the boundary between Atlin and Ashcroft. It is said that owing to hurried construction the line will practically have to be rebuilt from Hazelton half way to Telegraph Creek.

Peter Otto has left town suddenly. He came to Vancouver without money and started a grocery. He gave out that he had $5,000 cash, and was believed by wholesalers, who trusted him. He agreed to do all sorts of things on the 1st of July. But he will not be here to do them. All unsecured creditors lost their money.

Mr. Chas. Thulin, of the Malispino hotel, has donated to the Tourist Association one of the original life boats belonging to the historical steamer Beaver. The members of the local Plumbers' Union have withdrawn from the Trades and Labor Council.

A boy of 14 years has been arrested for robbing the bathers at English Bay. He appears to have had a false key, by which he entered the dressing rooms in the bathing house and extracted the money from the clothing of the bathers.

Mr. John Murray, forest ranger for the provincial government, has been commissioned to make a survey of the timbered country lying between Quatsino Sound and the east coast of Vancouver Island. The purpose of the survey is to determine the exact nature of the forest growth in this section, in order to settle some points which have arisen as to the delimitation of pulp limits and the adaptability of the wood.

Premier McBride was in Vancouver Saturday. His progress was slow through the streets owing to the number of people who made urgent demands upon his valuable time. In one instance, where he wanted to speak to an intimate friend, he beckoned him down a side street, that they might have an uninterrupted moment together. Mr. McBride said to the Colonist correspondent that the Conservative party in Victoria was united; that already there was a very fair organization throughout the province, and from one end of British Columbia to the other he was receiving resolutions from Conservative societies endorsing the government, while he had received encouraging news to the effect that many well known Liberals had made up their minds to support the government.

The Pacific Northern Cannery Company of Naas River is the last enterprise to be promoted by Mr. Carlyle, the well known insurance man. Mr. Carlyle promoted the Vancouver Fish Company on False Creek, the Western Canada Fishing Company at Burnett, and now has the satisfaction of seeing the third company on Naas river ready for business.

Mr. Collier, an Englishman, formerly secretary of the canning company in which Mr. R. Kelly and associates were interested, secured a sein license for a portion of Naas river, and, what was more important, a silent partner with $35,000. The cannery will be in operation this season ,and will be the first cannery in which a pack will have been put up from sein fishing alone.

The Vancouver Fish Company, on False creek, are waiting for a few sections of machinery only before starting active operations. The company's business is in that satisfactory condition which enables them to announce that their orders ahead for British Columbia sardines will keep them running on sardines continuously for the future, with every prospect of the continuous growth of this branch of the business. It is too early for crabs at present, as at this season of the year they are watery and unpalatable. There is, however, a ready demand for crabs in season.

COUNT BONI'S ELECTION.

Paris, June 29.—The Chamber of Deputies today adopted the report of the committee validating the election of Count Boni De Castellane. M. Hubbard (Radical Socialist), said it was to be hoped that a general law against electoral corruption would soon be passed.

WILL RECOVER.

Port Arthur, Ont., June 29.—Engineer Stetson, who received serious injuries while leaning out of the cab window, his head coming in contact with a rock embankment on Saturday night, has recovered consciousness and will probably recover.

CONVICTION SUSTAINED.

Christian Scientist Held Guilty of Manslaughter in Toronto.

Toronto, June 29.—The court of appeals gave judgment today in the case of the King vs. James Henry Lewis, Toronto. Roy, the little son of Lewis, contracted diphtheria and died on August 13 last. The father, a Christian Scientist, was charged with manslaughter under the Criminal Act, for neglect to provide necessary medical treatment and assistance. Lewis' conviction for manslaughter was sustained.

C. P. R. And Fast Line

Government Realizes Big Railway Corporation Can Alone Give Adequate Service.

Believed That a Contract Will Be Signed In a Few Days.

Dr. Barrett Appointed Chief Customs Inspector For the Dominion.

Ottawa, June 30.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy is here today on the invitation of the ministers to discuss the fast Atlantic steamship contract. The government now realizes that the big transcontinental line is the only concern that can give an adequate service, and it is believed it will be only a few days before an announcement will be made that a contract has been entered into.

The first issue of the new King's Head stamps will be placed tomorrow. Five denominations will be on sale—one, two, five, seven and ten cents, and the colors are practically the same as the existing issues. Lord Strathcona will tomorrow present specimens to His Majesty and the Prince of Wales.

Dr. Barrett, inspector of inland revenue, Winnipeg, has been appointed chief inspector for the Dominion. The customs revenue for the year ending today shows an increase of four and a half millions over the preceding year.

The government and Grand Trunk Pacific have at last made a definite arrangement for the building of transcontinental railways. The details have not yet been given out, but the government has decided to guarantee the bonds of the undertaking, and a clause will be inserted in the agreement giving the government power to purchase the road at the end of 30 years.

The act to incorporate the Columbia River Improvement Company was head a third time yesterday.

TECHNOLOGICAL EDUCATION.

Earl Rosebery Presents Plan of Great Institution in London.

London, June 29.—The Earl of Rosebery has written to the chairman of the London County Council submitting a plan for the establishment of a great institution for advanced scientific and technological education at a cost of $1,500,000 toward which sum Wernher, Beit & Co., the well known diamond firm, and others offer large contributions. A site for the institution has also practically been secured. Lord Rosebery asks the council for an annual grant of $150,000 for the maintenance of the institution, upon securing which the whole scheme depends.

In his letter submitting the proposal, Lord Rosebery says: "It is little short of scandalous that our ambitious youths should be obliged to resort to the United States and Germany for technical training."

He points out that English industries are suffering in consequence of the neglect of this important branch of education in the United Kingdom.

DEVELOPING NEW B. C. COAL FIELDS

Work Started on Measures at North Fork of Kettle River.

Grand Forks, June 29.—Wm. Blakemore, consulting mining engineer of Montreal, left here today for the purpose of prosecuting development in British Columbia coal fields, situated at the North Fork of Kettle river, 60 miles north of Grand Forks. He was accompanied by eight local miners whom he recently engaged at Fernie. As soon as the preliminary prospecting work is concluded, the opening up of the five foot seam on the Wiseman claim will be taken in hand, and a diamond drill plant will be installed. Four seams crop out on the company's land, which embrace over 12,000 acres.

In addition to the big string of runners entered for the races here July 1 and 2, a carload of five trotters reached here today from Spokane. The new arrivals will make a grand race in the free-for-all trot or pace, distance one mile, best 3 in 5 heats. The trotters and their respective records are as follows: Sam Bowers, 2:11; Le Roi, 2:10¼; Doc Bunnelle, 2:16¼; Umatilla, 2:22¼; Starkey, 2:14½. A large number of Spokane people have wired here to have rooms reserved for them.

FLIRTED WITH DEATH.

Paris, June 29.—Lieut. Marshall Roberts, of the Scots Guards, son of Mrs. Ralph Vivian, formerly Mrs. Marshall Roberts of New York, who was married to Miss Helen Murray, daughter of Sir Geo. Murray, in London, on June 23, was making an auto trip from Paris to Fontainebleu, with his bride today when they met with an accident, and both were thrown out of the motor car. They were badly, though not fatally hurt.

Exploiting Kaslo's Find

Thirty Thousand Dollars Has Been Offered for Choice Location.

Pioneers of the Rush Now Returning Loaded With Good Specimens.

Two Prospectors Reported Lost Succeeded In Making Trail.

Special to the Colonist.

Kaslo, June 29.—P. H. Gray, who, along with his partner, M. Gauthier, were reported lost while on their way to Poplar creek gold fields, turned up here today, having found their way to Trail again on Friday. They report having a very hard and difficult trip, but claim to have struck some excellent ground near to where very rich ore has been taken out. They have three claims, one of which adjoins the Kelly group, for which offers of $30,000 have been received. Messrs. J. J. Reuter, Al. Palmer, W. Mouise, Jas. Specis and M. Ricard, all of Kaslo, are highly elated over their success in getting splendid locations. They will be down on the C. P. R. tonight loaded with samples, and the local assayers will be kept busy for several days, and their return will be anxiously awaited. The good luck of Hodgson and Attwood, who located the ground that was rejected by old prospectors, and which turned out upon investigation to be a bonanza, is commented on in the most congratulatory terms. An outfit from Trout Lake vicinity have opened a store on the flat at the mouth of Poplar creek. A gathering of tents has begun already. No liquor is being sold, as the laws are very strict and are rigidly enforced. It is promised by the C. P. R. authorities that the road will be running in 10 days. Pack and other animals are very scarce. The few on the ground are being constantly occupied. Joseph Carlon, an experienced placer miner, who spent some years in Cariboo 30 years ago, and who prospected all around Dease lake, in Northern British Columbia, is representing a small syndicate organized for the purpose of exploiting the Poplar creek ground. It is intended to also operate a long bench near Dease lake that Mr. Carlon worked years ago, getting 50 cents and upwards to the pan. He was driven out by the Indians at that time and has always intended to return.

TO ENQUIRE INTO PRICES OF LUMBER

Commission Issued at Ottawa to Investigate Alleged Combine.

Special to the Colonist.

Winnipeg, June 29.—Information has been received from Ottawa that Mr. Justice Richards has been commissioned to inquire into the charge that lumber dealers have formed a combine in restraint of trade. This action was taken by the Dominion government upon representations made to it by Hon. Thos. Greenway during his recent visit to the East. The work of the commission will begin at the earliest possible moment.

Judge Dubac gave judgment today refusing an application for mandamus to compel revising officer Bonnar to reopen the voters' list for Centre Winnipeg.

CORBETT GETS DECISION.

Boston, June 29.—Young Corbett of Denver, champion featherweight of the world, won the decision over Jimmy Briggs of this city tonight in their 10-round bout at the Criterion. Corbett was unable to put Briggs away, as the Boston boy met him at every turn, and by clever blocking and footwork managed to stay the limit.

THE BESSEMER MEMORIAL.

London, June 29—An influential meeting took place at the Mansion House today to discuss the erection of a memorial to Sir Henry Bessemer, the English inventor, towards which Andrew Carnegie recently promised to make a substantial subscription. It was resolved that the memorial take the form of completely equipped metallurgical teaching and research work to be located in London.

WAR IS IMMINENT.

Turkish Persecution of Bulgarians Render an Outbreak Probable.

London, June 29.—A despatch from Vienna to the Morning Leader says the situation in the villayet of Adrianople is very grave. There are many indications that Turkey and Bulgaria regard an outbreak of war as a probable contingency. It is reliably stated that the Turkish authorities are organizing a regular persecution of the Bulgarian inhabitants, their villages being razed to the ground and many prominent Bulgarians being imprisoned on the slightest pretext. The Turkish troops in the villayet number 14,000.

T. M. DALY SUES THE FREE PRESS

Claims Ten Thousand Dollars From Winnipeg Paper For Libel.

Winnipeg, June 30.—The political pot warms up. T. M. Daly, on behalf of R. A. Bonnar, has commenced an action against the Free Press, claiming $10,000 damages for alleged libel.

The statement of claim sets out that plaintiff was revising officer for Centre Winnipeg, and then sets out certain passages from an article published in the Free Press referring to his conduct as such revising officer.

The article was published on June 17. Being an action for libel, the case must be tried before a jury, and the next sittings of the Assize court will be held at the beginning of November.

VANDERBILT'S HORSE WINS.

Paris, June 29.—W. K. Vanderbilt's Bright, with "Nash" Turner up today, won the prix du consell mnuicipal, $2,400.

APPEAL ALLOWED.

Protest Against McKay, North Grey, Will Now Go to Trial.

Toronto, June 29.—The court of appeal today delivered judgment allowing the appeal of M. Boyd, the defeated Conservative candidate, against the dismissal of his protest against the return of A. G. McKay, in North Grey, in the provincial by-election of January 7 last. Judge McLennan had dismissed the appeal on a technicality.

INCREASE OF GARRISON.

More United States Marines Required in Case of Trouble in China.

Washington, D. C., June 29.—Rear-Admiral Evans in a report to the American navy department has again called attention to the necessity of maintaining an adequate force of marine at Olongapo in the event of an emergency in China. He regards the internal unrest there with a apprehension and recommends that the force of marines at Olongapo be increased from 1,000 to 1,500.

News From The Terminal City

Vancouverites in a "Hurry-up" Mood In Respect to Registration.

Arrangements Being Made to Handle Brittania Ore at Crofion.

Vancouver, June 30.—Three thousand eight hundred names were registered on the provincial voters' list tonight.

Alex. Leslie, a well known citizen, informs the police that he was sandbagged and robbed on the C. P. R. track last night. Leslie lost $36.

It is said that over a thousand people have already come to town from up the coast and from outside cities to enjoy the celebration.

C. J. South has secured bail, and has elected for speedy trial, which has been set for July 9.

The Province says that arrangements are being made between the Britannia Mines Company and the Crofton smelter for the smelting of ore.

Wm. Dempster, of Glasgow, is here on an important mission. He will make an examination of several Coast mines for English capitalists.

The Brackman-Ker Milling Company are constructing a new warehouse on False creek.

The North Vancouver council decided last night to have an electric light system intsalled. The Barber company will likely secure the contract.

Wm. Thomas, a pioneer resident of the city, died yesterday at his shack on Alexander street.

The Tourist Association are arranging for a big excursion on July 24 and 25, on the occasion of the annual regatta of the N. P. A. A. O. The association have offered a medal for the best suggestion for the improvement of English Bay.

A terrible accident happened at the Hastings saw mill last night, the victim being Earl Courser. Courser was employed at one of the crosscut saws and was engaged in sawing the ends off logs. He reached over to pull a slab out of the way, and at the same time his feet slipped and he fell on the saw, which cut one arm off and penetrated his chest and body before his horrified companions had presence of mind enough to stop the machinery.

The Drysdale Steveston syndicate have secured the option of purchase on the Ogle block, Hastings street.

Bishop's College, Lennoxville, has conferred the degree of D.C.L. on the Rev. L. Norman Tucker, formerly of Christ's church, Vancouver.

RELIANCE IS WEATHER BOAT

Thirty Mile Run Yesterday in Stiff Breeze Shows Her Speed.

Newport, R. I., June 29.—The new cup yacht Reliance proved today her worth as a heavy weather boat when she defeated the Columbia and Constitution in a stiff easterly breeze and lumpy sea over a 30-mile course, 15 of which was a beat to windward. The newest Herreschoff creation sailed the course in 4 minutes 9 seconds less than did the Columbia, and 4 minutes 58 seconds less than the Constitution. All the racing in which these boats have participated up to today has been in light weather and smooth water, but this afternoon there was a smashing breeze blowing and considerable jump to the water, conditions that are exactly suited to the Columbia. The old cup defender sailed a grand race, reaching the windward mark only 1 minute 56 seconds astern of the Reliance, and 1 minute 31 seconds ahead of the Constitution. On the run home, however, the Reliance pulled away steadily from both her opponents, while the Constitution gained on Columbia. Today's race was the first of a series given by the New York Yacht Club, and there will be a race every day this week. The run home showed that though the Constitution is a very swift craft down the wind, the Reliance is even better in conditions which prevailed today. When the Belmont boat picked up several seconds on the Columbia, the official summary shows the Reliance beat her.

Shamrock I. passed Light ship at 6:01 having been beaten 8 minutes 50 seconds in 15 mile run by Shamrock III.

WEARIED OF LIFE.

Hamilton, June 29.—Joseph Jeffry, who for a long time conducted the Hamilton City Laundry, but who lived a retired life for the past couple of years, committed suicide today by shooting himself. He was about 60 years old, unmarried, and very popular. Heavy recent losses in manipulations are said to have worried him.

MANCHURIAN QUESTION.

Washington, June 29.—It is indicated today that the Manchurian question may be permitted to rest temporarily so far as action at this end of the line is concerned since Secretary Hay has left the city for a two weeks' vacation and Count Cassani the Russian ambassador is about to sail for Europe.

Strike On At Fraser

Fishermen's Union at Loggerheads With Canners Trouble at Hand.

Want a Straight Rate of Pay Untrammelled by any Conditions.

No Further Danger Anticipated From Floods on the Fraser.

New Westminster, June 30.—As a consequence of action taken at a meeting of the Fishermen's Union executive yesterday afternoon, it is pretty certain the strike, of which they gave formal notice some weeks ago, will go into effect on July 1. All preparations, such as arranging for patrol boats, were completed at Saturday's meeting, and at the special meeting yesterday the latest offer of the canners was turned down. The canners offered 15 cents per fish for July, and 14 cents for August, but there were conditions as to the counting of the catch per boat. The fishermen do not desire a strike, but are not bluffing, and have made up their minds to have a straight rate untrammelled by any conditions, even if they have to accept 15 cents per fish. The only bad effect just now will be felt by those engaged in shipping fresh fish, for the men operating spring salmon nets will have to quit work tonight at 12 o'clock. It may be weeks yet before the sockeye run begins, and there are good grounds for hoping that in the interval, fishermen and canners will reach an amicable settlement.

Though anyone familiar with the vagaries of Old Father Fraser say "We should not crow till we're well out of the woods," the general feeling in the Lower Fraser valley is that the worst corner has been turned respecting the 1903 freshet. On Sunday night there was the highest tide of the year, but the highest point reached was still six inches below what it was three weeks ago, and nearly two feet below the 1894 flood level. The subsidence of the freshet has been gradual but steady, and very little damage was done, except on the undyked low-lying lands, such as Nicomen Island, and the smaller section of Pitt Meadows, where a badly constructed flood gate washed out and allowed pasture to be flooded. Weak places in the dykes at Chilliwack and Matsqui were carefully watched, and the pumping stations looked after the rest. The bulk of the Coast Range snow has now melted, so there is not much to fear from the Rockies. Incidentally, the river has cut a new channel for itself on the opposite side to the city. Many years ago it was 60 feet deep, but latterly it filled up. The change is supposed to be the first effect of the piers for the Westminster bridge.

Only last Saturday a young priest who was attending the seminary here, was drowned in full sight of his companions, while bathing in the North Arm of the Iniet at Aliceville. Yesterday two more young lives went out in the same way, Langley this time being the scene. Their names were A. Miller and Walter Coombs, aged 21 and 19 years, and neither of them could swim. Being missed, a search revealed their clothes on the river bank, and soon after the bodies were recovered in 12 feet of water. Coroner Pittendrigh considers it unnecessary to hold an inquest. In the case of the young priest, he was an expert swimmer, having learned in France when preparing for military duty. He was to have been ordained in August.

At last reports all was quiet at Chilliwack in the matter of the aged husband running to earth his flighty spouse of 64 and her paramour, which extraordinary pair he pursued from his wrecked home in Alberta. It is understood that the old man is trying to induce the woman to go and live with her own son, who has been wired for. When he arrives, the other fellow will probably be thrashed, if in the meantime the townsfolk do not carry out their threat of tar and feathers.

The Fisheries Inspector received recently a black bass, not matured, weighing one pound. It was sent from one of the small lakes near Victoria, to show that the fish "planted" there in 1901 are at least thriving. With ordinary luck it should not be long before the anglers of the Capital have good bass fishing, which is preferred by many to trout fishing. The department is now considering the request of the Greenwood Board of Trade to re-stock Long lake and place fish ladders at Cascade and Boundary Falls. They want trout and black bass, but cannot have the latter, as the streams are tributary to salmon rivers, and bass are held officially to be inimical to salmon.

TURKEY IS ON VERGE OF WAR

Situation Affecting Herself And Bulgaria Hourly Grows Worse.

London, June 30.—The Belgrade correspondent of the Times says that M. Petroff, the Bulgarian premier, has given an interview, in which he declared that the Sultan of Turkey and the Bulgarian government were both opposed to war, but the situation was worse than at any time since the delivery of the Turkish note last spring. Though most of the prisoners at Salonica had been released, 400 fresh arrests have since been made, and 3,000 refugees have arrived at Adrianople.

The aim of the Turks, the premier is reported as saying, is the deliberate extermination of the Bulgarians in Macedonia by methods scarcely short of massacre, and the high officials in Turkey are promoting the war movement.

M. Petroff anticipates a war, and expresses contempt for the Turkish army, which, he says, cannot mobilize inside of months; whereas Bulgaria can mobilize an army of 250,000 well armed men very quickly. It is possible, he thinks, that the Sultan, in order to avoid a war, may make concessions, but unless he does so a catastrophe is imminent.

HUGO'S MANSION.

Paris, June 30.—The historic mansion on the Place des Vosgues, in which Victor Hugo spent the most active years of his life, was today formally presented to the municipality of Paris by the grand children and the other kin of the great author.

FIRE AT ST. KITS.

St. Catharines, June 29.—Fire at an early hour this morning did $35,000 damage to the dye house of the Empire Carpet Company.

A TROLLEY MERGER.

Cleveland, June 29.—The stockholders of the Cleveland Electric Railway Company today formerly ratified the agreement of consolidation between that company and the Cleveland City Railway Company. It was voted to increase capital stock from $13,000,000 to $23,400,000 in order to purchase outright the Cleveland City Electric Company. The merger becomes effective July 1.

NEW PENNA ISSUE.

Philadelphia, June 29.—As the stock was of the new Penna issue offered at $60 per share, the issue of 1,500,000 shares represent to the company a cash value of $90,000,000, from which must be deducted about $2,500,000 in commissions to the underwriters. From the proceeds of the new stock issue will also be repaid a temporary loan of $40,000,000, made early in the present year, leaving approximately $38,500,000, as according to the official statement made today $81,000,000 of $90,000,000 has been paid in.

War Frowns On Orient

British, American And Japanese Fleets Assemble in the Gulf of Pechili.

Fifty-Seven Warships of One Sort or Or Another at Port Arthur.

Aki Maru Brings News That Ominous Tone Pervades Japanese Press.

Tientsin, China, June 30.—The local newspapers comment on the alleged significance of the gathering of the American, British and Japanese fleets in the northern part of the Gulf of Pechili. It is asserted that no less than 57 warships of one sort and another are assembled at Port Arthur. The Japanese reserve officers, who were on leave in North China, are said to have been called home.

Steamer Aki Maru, which reached port yesterday afternoon from Yokohama, brought news that an ominous change of tone pervades the Japanese press. The Japan Gazette says in reviewing the journals, that it is now shown that the patience of the Japanese press is exhausted in regard to Russia in Manchuria. One paper says that a petition has been presented to the Japanese cabinet stating reasons why it is advisable that Japan should go to war with Russia. The petition, according to the Yokohama paper, is signed by nobles and large numbers of prominent men. Another paper complains that the policy of the foreign office is too subservient to the too cautious and timid counsels of the elder statesmen, and does not fairly represent the sentiment of the people at large. Still another writes on the resolutely patriotic spirit of the Japanese in connection with international affairs, and the fact that this spirit has been fanned by the Anglo-Japanese alliance. It admits that there may be some who deny the potency of that alliance, but claims that the Japanese nation as a whole is in perfect consonance with the alliance which was established with the firm determination to maintain the status quo in the Far East, which is now being menaced by Russian tactics. The old proposal of an exchange between Russia and Japan of Manchuria for Korea has been revived and a number of the professors of the Imperial university are said to have approached Baron Komura to protest against the policy. Other papers are taking up the question from various points of view, but all indicate a common resentment at the Russian attitude, that seems to be of a deeper and more ominous character than ever before.

The Niroku prints a significant article in which it says: "We know that Russia is persuading the United States to turn her back on the Anglo-Japanese alliance. We know also that it is almost certain that England will not draw her sword in order to settle the Eastern question. Whatever disadvantages Japan may encounter, she, and she alone, will be compelled to push it to the 'last argument.'" The article continues at length in advocacy of war with Russia.

News was received by the Aki Maru that the Russians are going on with their building operations at Yong Ampho, irrespective of Korea's protests. Communication with the Manchurian mainland is being maintained by three steamers from Antung. Permanent barracks, warehouses, stores, etc., are being built. Reports are also received that Russians are seizing rafts belonging to Koreans on the ground that the Russians have secured concessions to both banks of the Yalu. The Korean government has granted a concession to A. Jinsuke, a Japanese, in the same locality, and complications will doubtlessly arise as a result.

The Japanese papers comment at length regarding the visit of Gen. Kuropatkin, Russian minister of war. The general comment is hopeful that his visit may bring about a better understanding regarding Manchuria, but many journals speak more or less defiantly. A number of prominent journals give much space in this connection to explanations of how the views of Russians and Japanese differ regarding each other, and the Kokimun Shimbun and Yomiuri Shimbun plead for a better understanding. Nearly every journal in Japan devotes much space to comment on the visit of the war minister, who is generally considered to have no political mission.

The Pekin correspondent of the Asahi Shimbun wires at length regarding secret audiences being given to the Russian charge d'affaires at Pekin by Prince Ching, while the British or Japanese ministers are not received. M. Lessar, Russian charge d'affaires, in order to ensure secrecy in all matters relating to Manchuria, has arranged that all advices received from Manchurian officials by Chinese officials shall not be given to any clerk or subordinate for transcription.

The American warships Kentucky, New Orleans, Helena and Oregon arrived at Taku on June 12. They stay there 10 days and then leave for Chefoo, where manoeuvres will commence at the beginning of the month. Altogether 14 men-of-war, 3 transports and 2 tenders will take part in the manoeuvres.

Chamberlain Gets Test

New Fiscal Question on Tria for First Time In Durham Bye-Election.

"Remember Canada!" a Favorite Campaign Cry by Preferential Traders.

C. P. R., Allans and Cunard In a New Big Steamship Combine.

Montreal, June 30.—The Star's London cable says: The by-election campaign in Barnard division, Durham, made necessary through the death of Sir Joseph Whitwell Pease, is attracting a great deal of attention. For the first time the fiscal question will be tested at the polls. The subject of colonial preference is occupying more attention than the most pressing domestic questions. "Remember Canada!" is the favorite campaign cry of those in favor of extending preferential treatment to the colonies.

Henderson, who is contesting the riding in the Labor interest, announced his position as follows: "I deprecate most strongly retaliatory measures associated with preferential proposals."

Col. Vane, Unionist candidate, says; "I am in full sympathy with the proposal to enquire into the whole fiscal subject, and will, if elected, support the government."

The Liberal candidate will probably withdraw in order to prevent a three-cornered contest, and to leave the issue clear.

The Canadian Bisley team arrived in London today from Liverpool. Col. Sherwood, Capt. Monro and the men are receiving the heartiest welcome and are looking forward to the meeting with great hopes. King Edward himself expects to be present on Palm Trophy day.

The Cunard Steamship Company will withdraw from the Atlantic combine on Thursday. They will inaugurate a strong competition with the Morgan combine. It is said here that the Allan Steamship Company, C. P. R. Steamship Company and the Cunard Steamship Company are forming a new conference to fight the Morgan lines. Trade with the United States, both inward and outward, is backward at present, while Canadian trade is booming.

LADYSMITH STRIKE ABOUT BROKEN

Failure of Western Federation to Provide Funds Leads to Break.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ladysmith, June 29.—Moore, the organizer for the Western Federation of Miners, arrives tomorrow morning, and it was hoped would have funds to distribute, but a telegram received this afternoon by a leading miner from Moore says that he cannot hold out any hope of relief. The foreigners swear that if this is the case they will go back to work anyway.

Tom Wilson, a Socialist leader of the local union, admitted today that the strike is broken and that the union is defeated hopelessly. A mass meeting of the miners takes place tomorrow morning in Gould's Hall to decide as to the 50 cents on the miner's coal.

It is announced that a work train will leave Ladysmith for Extension on Thursday morning at 6 o'clock for all miners who care to go to work, and trains will be run thenceforth regularly.

The two Italian miners convicted of brutally assaulting another Italian miner last Saturday morning, were fined $20 and costs each or 60 days in jail.

A farewell social to Martin Dunsmuir, an old and well known Wellington miner, lately resident here, was held in Gould's Hall here on the eve of his departure for Scotland. There was a very large gathering.

Donald Nicholson, a well known Ladysmith contractor, leaves on Wednesday morning with his wife and family for a visit to his old home in Cape Breton, on a three months' trip.

The yacht Wideawake, Commodore Pearse, of the Victoria Yacht Club, with a large party of Victorians on board, arrived here this afternoon. It spent some time in the harbor before sailing.

Ladysmith Conservatives held an organization meeting in Capt. Dillon's Hall this evening. P. H. Marshall presided. There was a large and enthusiastic attendance. The following officers were elected: President, Capt. Henry M. Dillon; secretary, Hartley Gisburn; treasurer, Mr. Cairns of Cedar, who was recently mentioned as a probable Conservative candidate for the Newcastle district. It was decided to push forward organization as rapidly as possible. All present ere confident that the Conservatives can carry this district.

BRITISH SQUADRON HONOR AMERICANS

Channel Fleet Will Assemble to Receive United States Warships.

Washington, June 29.—The United State department has been advised that the governments of England and Portugal are making ready to shower hospitality on the American European squadron.

King Edward has arranged to give a grand ball on July 8 in honor of President Loubet, and the American naval officers attached to the squadron will be invited to meet the President. On the following day the King will give the officers a banquet in Buckingham Palace. The Admiralty will make a magnificent marine spectacle of the entire vast British Channel squadron, which has been ordered to assemble at Spithead to welcome the little American squadron when it comes to Portsmouth from Kiel. It appears that the invitation to the squadron to visit Lisbon was tendered directly by the King of Portugal, so that the reception will be most formal and official in character.