

FIRES IN KOOTENAY.

Great Damage Has Been Done and Prospects Are Forced to Leave Mountains.

Nelson, B. C., Aug. 11.—Forest fires are playing havoc all over the Kootenays. Six hundred feet of water works, conveying water from White Water creek, has been burned, and the fires are raging over other sections of this flame, which is two miles in length.

A number of prospectors in the Sierran have been driven into the city by the fires in the mountains, which, they declare, prevail in a number of sections.

Reports from Cambarne say that large configurations are near there. It is reported that the tramway of the Gold-finch has been destroyed, and also the upper portion of the railway of the Eva mill, which is five thousand feet in length, and which cost \$13,000, and is insured for \$10,000. It is feared that the Oyster-Creek fire will be destroyed. The old and the bunk houses at the Eva mine have been destroyed, inflicting about \$1,500 damage.

THE THIBET MISSION.

Lhasa Will Be Evacuated When Terms Have Been Made.

London, Aug. 12.—In the House of Commons today, during the discussion on the Indian budget, Indian Secretary Brodrick, replying to criticisms of the Thibet expedition, said he was unable to say when it would return. It was the intention to vacate Lhasa immediately after the terms had been made. The government did not propose a permanent occupation, but it insisted on the authorities at Lhasa giving assurances that Great Britain's name would be treated with proper respect. The secretary added that Russia had been fully advised and agreed with Great Britain's plans.

In the course of the debate Mr. Brodrick and other speakers paid a high tribute to the administrative ability of Lord Curzon, the viceroy of India, and expressed pleasure at the fact that he was returning to India.

HUNDREDS KILLED.

Severe Fighting in Armenia—Slaughter and Outrage By Turks and Kurds.

London, Aug. 9.—The Tabriz, Persia, correspondent of the Daily News, in a dispatch dated August 6th, says: "On July 16th a band of Armenian revolutionists appeared near Oud-Kilissa. Turkish soldiers and Kurds, finding an excuse, attacked and destroyed the village. Oud-Kilissa, Karabaz and Sayto, butchering men and outraging women. Two large Armenian bands marching to Samsun to help the garrison there, on July 25th. At dawn bombs were thrown into these places, killing many and severely wounding others. A majority of the soldiers were killed, and the garrison resembled a graveyard. One band forced its way through the Kurdish tribes to the village of Araks. The number of soldiers killed amounted to several hundred."

DWELLING DEMOLISHED.

Butte Police Believe Dynamite Was Meant For Colorado Refugees.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 9.—The residence of Mrs. Bella Powers, at 122 South Wyoming street, was blown to pieces at 3 o'clock this morning. Three unknown men placed a charge of giant powder in a closet, lighted the fuse, and fled. The trio were seen leaving the house by Guy Sweet, who roomed in the house, but as the dwelling is inhabited by several families, he thought nothing of it until the explosion came. Sweet and his wife and Tom Howie and Mr. and Mrs. Swan Johnson, all of whom were in bed, were thrown from the house and injured. The house was completely demolished.

There is no clue to the perpetrators. The police believe it was meant for Colorado refugees, some of whom have come to Butte, and that the dynamite was meant for the house.

REVOLUTION IN PARAGUAY.

Acting Minister of War a Prisoner—Government Preparing to Defend the Capital.

Buenos Ayres, Aug. 13.—A number of Paraguayans have been killed or wounded in combat between the revolutionists and a vessel and a steamer of the government. The latter vessel was captured, and is now commanded by the revolutionists. The acting minister of war was taken prisoner.

The revolutionists have seized Humita, Villa del Pilar and Villa Franca. Tranquility prevails in Asuncion, and the government is preparing to resist the impending attack upon the capital.

It is said that the insurrection will be successful.

TOO FOND OF HIS WIFE.

Denver, Col., Aug. 13.—Because Howard Bryning, of Kansas City, was too fond of his wife and acquiesced in everything she did, Mrs. Bryning has secured a divorce.

"My husband had no backbone," said Mrs. Bryning, in talking over the strange reason for a divorce. "Whenever I asked for anything I always got it without question. There was no faction in that kind of humdrum existence for me."

Mrs. Bryning is travelling passenger agent for the Northern Pacific, with headquarters in Kansas City.

Bananas embody more nutritious matter than any other fruit, not excepting dates, which, while they are rich in sugar, contain little starch or gluten, and also have large seeds.

"Name your weapon!" blazed the insatiable Frenchman. "Toy pistols," replied the impetuous American. "The pistols are shattered. Evidently this was to be a duel to the death, for it was the Fourth of July."—Philadelphia Record.

WIDELY ADVERTISED.

R. M. Palmer Writes About B. C. Fruit Exhibit at Winnipeg.

Local fruit growers will read with interest the following letter received by Hon. R. G. Taitow, minister of agriculture, from R. M. Palmer, who has been superintending the British Columbia fruit exhibit at the Winnipeg fair.

Winnipeg, Aug. 9th, 1904.

The Hon. R. G. Taitow, Minister of Agriculture.

Dear Sir:—This is the last day of the Winnipeg exhibition, and the interest and attendance has been maintained throughout.

The British Columbia exhibits have been the great attractions of the fair to both Manitoba people and visitors. Wholesale and retail fruit merchants have also taken a very lively interest in the fruit exhibits and crops in the province generally. We are deluged with orders for cherries especially, far more than can possibly be filled. The press has given special notices and reports in regard to the fruit exhibits, both fresh and preserved. Altogether the province has been better and more widely advertised than I think could have been done in any other way on account of the thousands of people who have seen for themselves.

There has been a little jealousy, due to the feeling that people would be drawn away from the Northwest to British Columbia, but the consensus of opinion amongst really representative men is admiration of the exhibit and the enterprise shown in making it. It has been hard work since we arrived here, on account of the long hours and the necessity for constant attendance, and now it is going to be a rush to get the exhibits to Brandon and set up the display in good time.

Mr. Brandon will be able to stay until Tuesday evening, by which time I hope to have matters in good running shape. I wish to state that Mr. Brandon has been of the greatest assistance, and I am very glad to express my appreciation of his services.

From time to time I have forwarded you and the British Columbia press copies of the local papers containing items referring to the British Columbia exhibit and exhibition matters generally, and trust these have reached you safely.

The Brandon exhibition will run until the 12th inst. At its close I propose to return here, make up the shipments for London of preserved fruit, and finally take up business questions in connection with the fruit industry and shipping with the trade here, and also some questions relating to transportation with C. P. R. officials. I had a short interview with Mr. White this morning, and am assured of the most efficient and quicker service will be given this season. The details of arrangements covering this will require further discussion.

R. M. PALMER,
B. C. Commissioner.

RELEASED ON BAIL.

The Application Before Mr. Justice Martin—Dr. Telford Returned to Vancouver Thursday Night.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser of Friday says:

"Dr. Robert Telford, who was committed for trial by Police Magistrate Williams on the charge of manslaughter a short time ago, was released from custody yesterday afternoon, bail having been allowed and furnished. The amount was \$25,000, being \$5,000 each, and eight sureties of \$2,500 each, the following assuming the responsibility: Ex-Ald. McQueen, Ald. Odium, Rev. A. E. Green, J. W. W. Stewart, provincial manager of the Imperial Life, T. Langlois, manager for the B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Company; J. W. Payne, proprietor of the Keystone Press; George Hay, contractor, and J. C. Williams, contractor."

"Application was made in Supreme court chambers yesterday morning before Mr. Justice Martin for bail, the accused being represented by Joseph Martin, K. C., and W. J. Bowser, K. C., and the crown by Stuart Livingston. Mr. Martin outlined the evidence which had been presented at the preliminary inquiry, pointing out particularly the testimony of McFarlane, while Mr. Livingston drew out only what he considered to be the main points against Dr. Telford."

"His Lordship read the evidence of McFarlane, and remarked that the magistrates could not have done anything else than send the case up for trial, so that there could be a complete investigation. The fact, he said, that the indictment was given by McFarlane, and used for a certain purpose, would make him an accessory of an unlawful act of a very serious nature. Coupled with the evidence of the other witnesses of the operation, the matter was a serious one, and for a jury to decide. He thought, however, that bail should be allowed."

"Mr. Livingston did not object to this, and Mr. Justice Martin said it should be a substantial amount, and named \$25,000. Dr. Telford \$5,000, and four sureties of \$5,000 each. Upon the request of Mr. Martin, His Lordship allowed eight sureties of \$2,500 each. The application was granted just before noon, and the sureties were submitted to A. E. Beck, registrar, for his approval, according to the order of the Court, before 4 p.m. No trouble was experienced in obtaining sureties, for other gentlemen than those named expressing their willingness to act."

"Dr. Telford was released about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and came over from West Westminster last evening on the 8 o'clock car, being met at the train office by a number of personal friends."

TO ENFORCE DEMANDS.

Smyrna, Aug. 12.—The American squadron, consisting of Olympia, Baltimore and Cleveland, anchored here this morning.

Germany's Advice.

Berlin, Aug. 12.—Official circles here think it probable that Turkey will ask for Germany's advice regarding the situation created by the American naval demands for the completion of the Ceyhan.

Answering a direct question of the correspondent of the Associated Press as to what Germany would do in such a case, the foreign office answered that Germany would advise Turkey to at once satisfy the United States demands.

A REVIEW OF THE RECENT TOURNEY

POINTS OF PLAYERS AND STYLE OF PLAY

Victorian Stands Supreme in Pacific Northwest—Some Future Holders of Championship Honors.

During the past fortnight Victorians have witnessed some of the finest exhibitions of lawn tennis that have ever been played on the Belcher street courts. It is doubtful if such general interest has been evidenced in the progress of the open tournament since the

not another local player to meet before the topmost notch in the ladder could be reached. Major Bethel and W. A. Goss, the experts of Portland, captured the semi-finals in the open gentlemen's doubles, defeating R. H. Pooley and A. T. Goward, and Major Bethel was first in the open single finale, but in both cases these players went down to defeat in their attempt to advance. As a double they were beaten by R. B. Powell and J. D. Hunter, and in the British Columbia championship singles, between Bethel and Powell, the best man won with comparative ease.

Of all those who took part in the two tournaments the most prominent from the standpoint of a player is without a doubt R. B. Powell, champion of British Columbia, and now holder of the same title over the whole of the Pacific Northwest. It is generally acknowledged that he is without a peer among the players of western Canada and the States. The remark is sometimes heard that "there is nothing brilliant about Powell's play." From a certain point of view this is correct, but to the spectator well versed in the intricacies of the pastime his play at times seems nothing short of wonderful. His marvellous defence, splendid drives, effective placing and opportune smashes, would make him dangerous in any company. Of all his qualities, that which commands itself most to the mind of the critic is his caution. He isn't one of those who play a brilliant rally and the next minute lose a point by dropping the ball into the net from an easy serve. He takes everything and studies his opponent and the game all the time. Adapting himself to the pace, he plays steadily, and when the opening comes places the ball in the right spot and carries the point. Instead of straining every nerve to

R. B. POWELL.
Winner of the Northwest championship in international singles and holder of the championship of British Columbia. He has held the latter title for three years, capturing it first in 1901, losing it in 1902 to A. T. Goward, and winning it back in 1903 and 1904. He and Mr. Goward also won the international championship doubles, defeating the J. B. A. crack players, the Pacific Coast, and great things in this pastime are expected from him.

organization of these annual events, 17 years ago, by the Victoria club. While this tourney always attracts a great deal of interest from the crack players of the Pacific Coast, it has been the championship matches of the newly organized North Pacific International Lawn Tennis Association that have made the meet of special interest to Vancouver. Tacoma and Portland wielders of the racquet. Each of the cities mentioned, with the exception of Seattle, had two representatives here to compete for international honors. Naturally the visitors all entered the local open tourney, and the result was that towards the

and on the opposite side of the net, there is no doubt that hard hitting is profitable. As an individual player B. Schwengers is the fastest of any, with the exception of the champion. Many of those competent to judge pick upon him as a future holder of championship honors. His strokes, speed, placing, judgment and other necessary qualifications are all that can be desired. What he wants is steadiness of mind and new strength. These are only obtained by constant practice. Next summer the J. B. A. crack may be depended upon to make a strong bid for the first place in the international tourney.

Another promising racquet wielder is J. A. Rihet. Although he has not acquired the beautifully graceful style of his partner, his play is of a marked improvement. His serving is generally so fast and accurate that it renders a return impossible, while his backhand and smashing are usually well placed and effective. It is expected that he, too, will make an effort next summer to secure some of the honors that are now in the hands of R. B. Powell.

The visit of Messrs. Bethel and Goss, the cracks of Portland, Ore.; Messrs. Remington and Beecher, of Tacoma, and Messrs. Pennington and Beecher, of Vancouver, enlivened the tournament to a great extent. Each of the visitors won for himself the popular regard of Victorians, owing to their sportsmanlike manner. Of the outside players, those who made the best records were the Portland experts. Both worked up to the finals and semis-finals in the open and international tournaments.

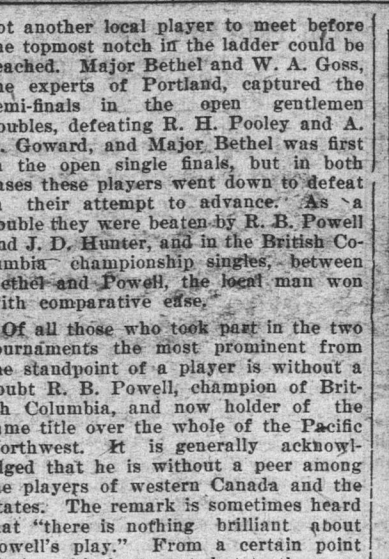
The lady players who distinguished themselves were Miss Goward, who successfully defended her title to the British Columbia championship in singles, Mrs. Hull, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Davidson, Miss Hubert, Miss Hobson and Miss Devons. Without a doubt the lady whose playing raised most general interest was Mrs. Hull, her graceful backhand drives, fine placing and all-round play always being the subject of much favorable comment. As usual

close of last week it was not possible to get the club grounds without seeing some exceedingly fast games in progress. Under the circumstances the success of Victoria players in carrying off all the highest honors, in both open and international tournaments, speaks well for their ability. In no instance did an outsider capture a place in which there was

Although somewhat off-color, A. T. Goward, another representative of Victoria in the international events, nobly upheld the honor of the local club. In the final doubles with Powell he assisted in the disclosure of the James Bay players, Messrs. Schwengers and Rihet. Mr. Goward plays a very different style from either Messrs. Powell, Schwengers, Bethel or Goss. His strokes are not speedy, but they have a habit of breaking awkwardly when hitting the court. Instead of striking over the ball, as is the general fashion, he catches it underneath and lifts it with a cut to either right or left. This strike, Mr. Goward, when in form, can deliver with deadly effect. Add to this his remarkably accurate placing and his good defence, and it can hardly be wondered that even such doughty champions as Messrs. Schwengers and Rihet "bit the dust" when placed against the Powell-Goward combination.

An exceedingly creditable showing has been made by the tennis branch of the James Bay Athletic Association through their representative, R. P. Schwengers, and J. A. Rihet. Both these players may be said to have advanced to places among the best players for the first time this season. As a double it would not be possible to get two coast players, outside of Powell and Goward, who could defeat them. In their game with the latter they displayed an ability to lob with accuracy, place with considerable reliability and smash with tremendous force when the opportunities offered. It is the last feature which is most prominent in the play of Messrs. Rihet and Schwengers when together. Some enthusiasts have expressed the opinion that

R. P. SCHWENGERS.
One of the J. B. A. representatives who played in both the single and double international finals. He is a clever racquet wielder.



A. T. GOWARD.

A player well known to local enthusiasts. He has held the B. C. championship on several occasions, and is considered a well come guest at all tournaments throughout the Northwest. This summer he was the Victoria club's representative in the international tourney, and assisted Mr. Powell in capturing the championship doubles.

They carry this too far, and that they would be more successful if they did less smashing. This may be true to some extent, but it cannot be denied that her playing holds in the country and elsewhere is attested by notices from numerous leading periodicals. Here are a few examples:

The Standard, London, says: "Miss Nichols displayed wonderful executive powers, and the audience appreciated the performance of her great work, and called her again and again."

Le Matin, Paris: "Miss Nichols, the violinist, played the G minor concerto of Bruch. She is truly wonderful in her execution. The clearness and liquid quality of the notes she produces are marvellous, and her touch is simply perfect. She plays with life and spirit, and at times the strings on the violin seem electric under her fingers."

Berlin, continued: "Miss Nichols, the violinist, appeared after the first number, and with marvellous flexibility of fingers gave the concerto with firm, rhythmic virtuosity. Her finely chiselled features looked those of the genius which she is."

A subscription list has now been opened at Waitt's music store. All those interested in this undertaking are requested to add their names at once to the already increasing number of subscribers. On the 25th of this month the lists are to be closed, and it by that time the sum of \$350 required to bring Miss Nichols to Victoria for one evening's concert is not forthcoming, the project must be abandoned. The prices of seats are \$1, 75c, and 50c.

ANAEMIA—POOR BLOOD.

Headaches, Dizziness, Heart Palpitation and Consumption Follows.

Anaemia—water blood—is a treacherous trouble. It steals insidiously from slight symptoms to dangerous disease. Thin, watery blood shows itself at first in pale lips, wan face, breathlessness, heart palpitation, lost appetite. If the trouble is not checked and cured, it leads to nervous prostration, wasting, clammy night sweats, a total breakdown and death. What the anaemic sufferer needs is more blood—more strength. And there is nothing in the whole wide world will give new blood and new strength so surely and so speedily as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Every dose helps to send new, rich, red blood coursing through the system, bringing strength to weak lungs and all parts of the body. Thousands testify to the truth of these statements, among them Miss Eberine Villard, St. Germain, Ore., who says: "While attending school my health began to give way. The trouble came on gradually, and the doctor who attended me said it was due to overstudy and that a rest would put me right. But instead of getting better I grew weaker. I suffered from headaches and dizziness, and at night I did not sleep well. I was troubled with pain in the back, my appetite left me and I grew pale as a corpse. Finally I became so weak I was forced to remain in bed. As the doctor did not help me, I consulted a physician, and he gave me Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Before I had used two boxes there was an improvement, and when I had taken a half dozen boxes I was again in perfect health. I believe all weak girls will find new health if they will take the pills."

Anaemia, indigestion, heart trouble, rheumatism, kidney trouble, and all special ailments of women are all due to poor blood, and are all cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. You can get these pills from any medicine dealer, or by mail, paid in advance, at 50 cents a box and six boxes for \$2.50 by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

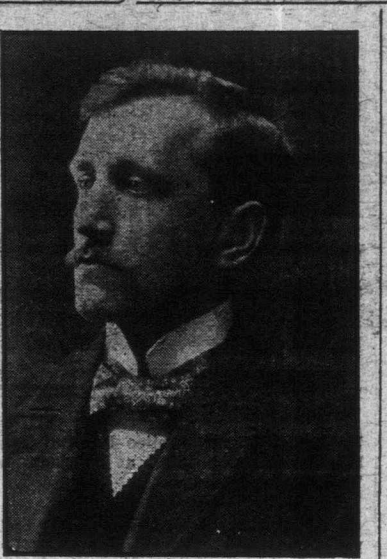
FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.

Quarterly Meeting Held at Nelson—Addresses and Resolutions.

Nelson, Aug. 12.—The British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association held their quarterly meeting today at the opera house. This is the first time that the association has met away from the coast. President McElroy, of Hammond, presided, and W. J. Brundith acted as secretary. There was a large attendance of ranchers and fruit growers from the immediate vicinity of this city and an instructive session was held this afternoon and evening, at which Thomas Cunningham, provincial fruit inspector, of Vancouver, delivered an address on the horticultural branch work, explaining fully the workings of the association and its different forms and phases for the past fifteen years. Henry Kipp, of Chilliwack, spoke on the "Care of Orchard," making an address that was practical and humorous.

Other interesting papers were read and a resolution was passed urging the Dominion government to enforce the Pure Food Act and to amend the same so as to compel manufacturers of jams and jellies to print their formulae on their labels.

M. R. Teasdale, of Mrs. Teasdale, of Tacoma; J. C. Barnard, of Bonington Falls; and M. L. Doughton, of Duncan, are at the Dominion.



J. A. RIHET.

One of the J. B. A. representatives who played in the gentlemen's double finals for the international championship. He is a formidable adversary to the best exponents

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STEVESTON NOTES.

Lulu Island Farmers Busy With Crops—Testing Natural Gas—Two Indians Drowned.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Steveston, Aug. 11.—The sockeye salmon run has been very discouraging since Monday night. The canneries are not working regularly.

The four Japanese arrested on a charge of assaulting Scott and Dickson, received a preliminary hearing before Stipendiary Magistrate G. G. Corbould. The result was the dismissal of three men and the commitment for trial at the assizes of one of the belligerents, named Mota.

The United States revenue cutter Arcata visited Steveston on Sunday. With the provincial police steamer a patrol is kept along the shores on both sides of the boundary line to prevent the theft of nets and boats.

The Dominion fisheries steamer is engaged in watching the fishermen and preventing net without licenses from netting salmon. On Sunday morning Indians arrested two whites, fishing during prohibited hours, and turned them over to the Dominion officers.

The farmers of Lulu Island are busy garnering their crops. The yield of hay and oats will be up to the average. The weather has been all that the farmers desire, and a large force of hired employment on the lower Fraser.

The expert in charge of the oil boring plant gave an exhibition of the illuminating qualities of the natural gas obtained at Steveston. With a pressure of eighty-five pounds to the square inch, the gas was ignited from a one-inch pipe, with the outlet at the top of a derrick about eighty feet in height. The result was most satisfactory, the light illuminating the surrounding country. The promoters of the work are confident that such will be the case when operations are recommenced. It is asserted that sufficient gas accumulates in the well to furnish light to the town of Steveston.

Two fatalities occurred recently among the Indians fishing in the adjacent waters. An Indian boy jumped from a fishing boat and being unable to swim was drowned. The "Jolie" is attempting to rescue the boy, who lost his life.

Steveston is a cosmopolitan town. Regular police court sessions are held on Monday evenings. At the last session the prisoners lined up in the following order: Four Japanese, one Indian, one colored woman, five Chinese and one white.

Dickson and Scott, wounded in the salmon fracas, have almost recovered. They appeared as witnesses at the proceeding, and the police are confident that a number of the Japanese left in fishing boats are still on the river.

A MATRIMONIAL MIX-UP.

Alleged That Port Townsend Man Has Two Wives.

A dispatch from Port Townsend says: "A young man arriving from Seattle on the morning boat the other day signed the register of the Central hotel as 'Mrs. Harry A. Wright.' A short time later she returned to the hotel much excited and carefully hid her signature with a penknife, substituted therefore 'Miss Sylvia Letzer.'"

This episode was much commented upon because Mr. Wright married Miss Letzer in Seattle a few months ago, and for a time lived with her there and in Victoria. He then returned to this city with a woman with whom he had always lived since his arrival in the city 10 or 12 years ago, and with whom he is now living, with their children, the two oldest being married. "Wright a few months ago appeared before Judge Hatch, when that official was sitting for a Seattle judge. He appeared with his wife, and was found to be a woman whom he desired to marry. Court was adjourned for the convenience of the couple, but when Wright appeared he was dumfounded to find that the judge confronting him was from Port Townsend, who said, 'Hello, Harry, I thought you were already married.'"

"Wright made haste to get out of the court room, mumbling something about it being a mistake. The couple went to a justice of the peace in another part of the city and the ceremony was performed."

"Wright immediately returned to this city, leaving his wife in Seattle. His escapade had preceded him through a publication in the Post-Intelligencer, and when he reached home he had explained to do. He stayed only one day, and in explanation stated that the story was true, but that he was drunk and remembered little about it. Judge Hatch, however, stated that Wright was perfectly sober."

According to the Port Townsend Call Wright and the two women left for Victoria on Wednesday last.

The former maintains that the whole matter will be explained in the near future. So far he has refused to go into detail in regard to the rather sensational episode, but he explains this by saying that he has engaged an attorney in Seattle to look after his interests, and that the man of law has cautioned him not to speak. Mr. Wright hints at foul play, intimating that he got in with a gang of the variety women, that they had an idea he was well looked up in a financial way and they fixed up this marriage deal in order to fleece him. He declares that the marriage ceremony, if there ever was one, is entirely illegal, that it is not a matter of court record, and that in due time he will be able to give to the public, through the newspapers, a story which will put him in an entirely different light before the public.

FIGHTING FIRES.

St. Johns, Nfld., Aug. 11.—The ravages of forest fires along the outskirts of St. Johns continue this evening, and threaten the section in which the asylum containing 300 patients is situated. A force of police, with a detachment of blue-jackets from the British cruiser Charybdis and the French warship Trout, have gone to the scene in an endeavor to prevent the fire from destroying the asylum and other buildings. Railroad trains are unable to penetrate the forest.

Roading sites are now gradually displacing stables in Cape Colony.