MAIL CONTRACT FOR ISLANDS

C.P.R. Given Subsidy for Mails to Gulf Islands-Schedule Announced Yesterday for Service

Local officials of the C. P. R. were informed by wire from Ottawa yesterda that the post office department had signed the contract for carrying the mails for the Gulf islands service, application for which had been in by company for some time. There is thus ended a situation which gave rise to much bitterness of feeling amongst the people of the islands ever since the Iroquois disaster several months ago in respec to the disposition of the mail contract, which had been held by the company operating the ill-fated steamer.

For a considerable period the C. P. R. in response to a very general demand from the people resident in that section has been operating the steamer Joan though the mail service has been per formed by the steamer owned by the B. C. Packers' Association. Recently a new schedule was drawn up by the C. P. R. for the operation of the Joan, and this is as follows: Monday, leave Victoria and make calls at all points in the islands district; Tuesday leave Victoria and make same calls, but extend trip to uncouver, Wednesday, from Vancouver the islands; Thursday from Victoria rough the islands and on to Vanuver; Friday and Saturday frips to the islands.

There will naturally be great rejoicing among the people of the islands at the announcement that the matter of the mail contract has at last been settled. For months past strong committees have been at work endeavoring to secure the subsidy for the C. P. R., but, not unnaturally, the company holding the mail contract used every endeavor to hold the same. This led, so it is stated, to the circulation of a report that the board of trade had thrown its weight against the wishes of the people of the islands, and was endeavoring to prevent the C. P. R. from being awarded the subsidy. A Colonist representative yesterday

erviewed both the president, Mr. H. Wilson, and the secretary, Mr. F. Elrthy, of the board of trade, relative to matter, and was informed that it s absolutely untrue to suggest, as ey were informed had been suggested, at the board had at any time taken y attitude antagonistic essed wishes of the people of the Gulf ands in regard to the matter of an proved steamer service, and the arding of the mail contract. They intioned that the board of trade, imdiately after the accident to the Iro-P. R. the desirability of putting a steamer on the route, feeling that such company was in an obviously better position than any other to give such a service as would meet the needs of the situation. And since that initial action, said the president and the secretary, the board of trade had absolutely done nothing which could be construed as oppos-ing the desire of the people of the islands to see that the mail contract was awarded to the C. P. R.

It was on February 15 last that the board of trade was first apprised, by means of a letter from a resident of the islands addressed to a local firm, that a fceling existed among the people there that the board was opposing the application of the C. P. R. for the subsidy, and prompt steps were taken to explain to the writer of the letter what was the actual attitude of the local organization Despite this, however, reports continued to be circulated among the people of the islands, and when the reporter called upon the officials yesterday they well comed the opportunity to make this explanation, which they contend will be crne out by every record appearing on the books of the board.

Mr. Elworthy added that on Wednes day last he had an interview with Mr. G. Bullock, of the Islands, and to prove the bona fides of the board in the matter offered to send any telegram he might suggest to Mr. G. H. Barnard at Ottawa Mr. Bullock accepted the offer, and a wire was duly dispatched to Victoria's representative at the capital. Yesterday, as already stated, the C. P. R. re ceived word that the mail contract had been signed.

The steamer Joan will run from Victoria every Monday morning, and call at the island ports en route to Vanouver. Leaving there Tuesday morning she will return to Victoria via th slands. On Wednesday she will run from Victoria to the island ports and return, and on Thursday will proceed to Nanaimo via the island ports. On Friday the steamer will leave Nanaimo in morning, and return to Victoria via the islands, and on Saturday will make a round trip from Victoria to the island

The schedule arranged for the steamer is as follows:

Gulf Island Boute

Monday-Victoria (7 a. m.), xSidney, Pier island, Fulford harbor, Salt Spring island; xBeaver Point, Salt Spring island; xCusheon Cove, Salt Spring island; Ganges harbor, Salt Spring island; xPt. Washington, West Pender; Mayne island; Galiano island; Vancouve (in evening), xFlag.

Tuesday-Vancouver (7 a. m.); xGaliano island; Mayne island; Pender island, Hope Bay; Pender island, Port Wash Ganges harbor, Salt Spring island; xCusheon Cove, Salt Spring xBeaver Point, Salt Spring island: Fulford harbor, Salt Spring island; xSidney; Victoria, in evening,

XFlag. Wednesday-Victoria, 7 a. m.; xSidney; Hill island, Boat landing; Moresby island, Boat landing; Fulford harbor, Salt Spring Island; Beaver point, Salt Spring island; Cusheon cove, Salt Spring sland; Ganges harbor, Salt Spring island; Mayne island; Pender island. Hope bay; Saturna island; South Pender Victoria, in evening. xFlag.

Thursday-Victoria, 7 a. m.; xSidney; Pier island, Fulford harbor, xBeaver point xCusheon cove, Ganges

Pender island, Port Washington; Mayne island; Galiano island; Retreat cove, Bot landing; Fernwood, Salt Spring island; Gabriola island; Nanalmo, in evening. xFlag.

Friday—Nanaimo, 7 a. m.; Gabriola sland; Thetis island; Kuper island; Chemainus; Vesuvius bay, Salt Spring sland; Crofton; Maple bay; Burgoyne bay, Salt Spring island; xMusgraves Salt Spring island; Cowichan; xSidney; Victoria, in evening. xFlag.

Saturday—Victoria, 7 a. m.; South Pender; Saturna island; Pender island, Hope bay; Mayne island; Ganges har bor, Salt Spring island; Cusheon cove, Salt Spring island; Beaver point, Sal Spring island; Moresby island, boat landing; Hill island, Boat landing; xSidney; Victoria, in evening. xFlag

WILL VISIT COAST

Duke and Duchess of Connaught to Make Comprehensive Tour of Canada Next Summer

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—An extensive tour of Canada next summer is being arranged by the Duke and Duchess of

They will visit the horse shows in Montreal and Toronto in May, then visiting London and Guelph. In August the Maritime provinces will visited, with stops at St. John. Halifax and Charlottetown. Most of the trip will be made on the government ste er, and there will be a few day's fishing at Lord Strathcona's lodge at the

After His Royal Highness opens the Toronto exhibition the royal party leave for the west, stopping first at Winnipeg and then proceeding to Vancouver. Victoria and Prince Rupert.

GOING AFTER

G. T. P. HOTEL

Real Estate Exchange Has-Situation Explained to Members, Who Decide to Have Negotiations Entered Into

If the city of Victoria will make overtures to the Grand Trunk Pacific railway in regard to the construction of an hotel to be located on the magnificent site purchased by the company some time ago, and the overtures appear reasonable to the executive head of the railway company, it is possible that the commencement of the building operations will be effected within twelve nonths from today. What the overtures must be of course is a matter that would have to be settled by arrangement and negotiation, but that it would involve the exemption of the company's property for a period of years, say perhaps fifteen to twenty, is tolerably certain. The delay is not of the company's seeking, but owing to the past neglect of the civic body in not making the necessary overtures. That at least is the position that was taken up by Mr. F. M. Rattenbury at the meeting of the Real Estate Exchange held vesterday afternoon, and as a result of his explanation of how the matter stands it was resolved to appoint a strong committee to take the matter up with the city counci: with a view to having negotiations entered into at the earliest possible

For several weeks past discussions regarding the projected building of the G. T. P. hotel in the city and the obvious desirability of transforming the project into an accomplished fact have been agitating the business minds of the community, and that agitation crystalzed into concrete form yesterday afternoon, when, on the invitation of the Exarchitect for the G. T. P. million dollar hotel to be built at the city of Prince Rupert, addressed the members on the subject. Very briefly Mr. Rattenbury explained how the matter stood in regard to the Victoria hotel. When Mr. Hays was last on the coast he had a long con versation with him on the subject, and the president of the transcontinental road stated at that time that he was not n a position to make overtures to the regarding the concessions that would have to be granted the company, Phese had to come from the city, and he had been waiting for them ever since. He was somewhat surprised that noth ng had yet been done, and he was glad to have the opportunity of explaining to he members of the exchange just how things were in the hope that as a result of that explanation a campaign would be started to have the negotiations opened at once. In the general discussion of the ques-

ion which followed the remarks of Mr Rattenbury it was stated that if the company could be induced to build a hotel in the city of Victoria instead of Vancouver it would mean a great boost for the city, because it would inevitably make the port of Vic oria the home port of the company's line of steamers, so soon to be augmentd. If that was accomplished then the essels plying between here and the orthern ports would always make their

first call at the port of Victoria, because t would be in the interest of the company to keep the hotel as full as possible. Many of the members of the exchange spoke to the subject, and evinced he heartlest co-operation in any steps that might be taken to bring the matte o a speedy head. The resolution that was passed by the exchange upon the matter provided that the hotel to be built must be as commodious if not more so than the Empress, and in order to enlist the sympathy of the city council a special meeting will be called tomorrow afternoon, at which the mayor and aldermen of the city will be invited to attend. Mr. Rattenbury will also be present. In fact the meeting is being ed thus early on account of the fact that he has to leave for Montreal at the end of the week to discuss with Mr. Hays

the plans of the Prince Rupert hotel. Dr. Underhill, city medical health officer of Vancouver, states that more than 1,500 gallons of "doped" milk is sold daily in that city.

FOR MR. TAFT

Nine Republican Governors of States Give Their Promise to President-Three Others are Counted On

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Tele graphic pledges of support from some nine Republican governors were given out tonight from the campaign headquarters of President Taft. They are Everhardt, Minnesota; Carroll, Iowa; Hay, Washington; Goldsborough, Maryland; Tener, Pennsylvania; Hooper, Tennessee; Spry. Utah; Penneweill, Delaware; Pothier, Rhode

In addition to the above statements made public, the Taft managers claim ed the support of Deneen, Illinois; Oddie, Nevada; Mead, Vermont.

The announcement from the Taff ureau is taken as an answer to the Chicago conference of seven governors upon whose solicitation Col. Roosevelt based his formal entry to the presidential contest.

CLOSER UNION OF REPUBLICS

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Influence of Canal "Much has been said about the effect of the construction of the Panama canal, but I believe it is given to few of us to ealize what magic possibilities are po tential in that event. It will create for our western world an entirely new situation, fraught with possibilities so vast as to daze the fancy. In this new world we must be found to draw closer by sympathies and mutual esteem, and working in harmony toward beneficen

"We who live on the western hemisphere find ourselves by force of geog-raphy in circumstances which make our situation peculiar. It was a perception of this, which your own thinkers and statesmen have seen as clearly as our own, which prompted the an-nouncement by President Monroe of the great and beneficent policy that now bears his name.

"When the canal is opened and the ships of all countries of the world come sailing through these Caribbean Seas, the peculiarity of our position will be accentuated, and the wisdom of that doctrine will be confirmed. In its future amplification I perceive it will be a common heritage binding together the nations of the hemisphere with a

"In my judgment the Monroe doc-trine will reach the acme of its bene-ficence when it is regarded by the people of the United States as a reason why we should respond constantly to the needs of those of our Latin-American neighbors who may find necessity for our assistance

"It is a paradox that the severance of the physical ligament that joins the two continents of the new world will more closely unite them. Culebra is the old clot in the artery of enterprise, whose removal will give free circulation throughout the world organs to the currents of friendship, peace, commerce and prosperity."

Panaman Response

In response the Panama minister of foreign relations, Aristides Arjoma

"We know that your mission is for international concord. Tell your government that we are linked by an indissoluble tie-a thousand reasons of gratitude binding the United States and Panama, and we know how to respond to an invitation of an American.' Just before the speaking began much excitement was caused by a flashlight which set fire to the paper decorations The photographer and others promptly stamped out the blaze. The diners most of whom remained seated, cheered and little harm was done.

Those present at the dinner included all the government officials from the president down, the members of the diplomatic and consular corps and the most prominent officials of the canal

Secretary Knox received an ovation when he arose to speak.

TROUBLES BESET **NEW REPUBLIC**

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lispatch to the Times and undertook to proceed to Nanking as soon as circum tances would permit for the ceremony of the inauguration. He feared, how conveniences if he left Peking ever, ir immediately.

Tang Shao Yi, who is conducting loan negotiations, has approved the proposal agreed to by Great Britain France Germany and the United States, that Russian and Japanese bankers shall also participate in the loan.

Move Towards Recognition

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- The hous ommittee on foreign affairs favorably eported today the Sulzer resolution which in effect, would recognize the new tepublic of China. It congratulates the Chinese people "on their assumption of the powers, duties and responsibilities of self-government."

Meeting of Troops

HANKOW, Feb. 28 .- A portion of the republican troops stationed at Wu Chang revolted last night. Considerable fighting occurred, but no details have here regarding the casualties. The city gates have been closed. The outbreak is attributed to dis-

satisfaction among the soldiers at not having received their pay. The foreign gunboats stationed here have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness for eventualities.

Sentence Commuted OTTAWA, Feb. 28 .- The governor-incouncil has decided to commute to life imprisonment, the sentence of Wilbur

Redd, the Winnipeg negro who was to be hanged on Friday next for the shoot-ing of another negro in a quarrel fol-lowing a card game. Evidence was submitted to the justice department indi-cating that the killing was done under extreme provocation and in self de-

Supporters of Mr. Boosevelt

SEATTLE, Feb. 28.—The Roosevelt state committee of 21, appointed at a banquet in this city last Thursday night, met today and organized by the appointment of George H. Walter of Seattle, as chairman; Dr. Dennis W. King, of Wenatchee; G. J. Langford, of Tacoma, and E. Gandy of Spokane, as vice-chairmen; and Rufus Wilson of Seattle, as secretary. It was decided to open headquarters in Seattle tomor-row and to meet in Tacoma March 14, when an active committee will be chosen. The membership was increased to 725.

REGULATION OF MARRIAGES Somewhat Badical Ideas Advanced by Dr. Tredgold Likely to Cause Much Discussion

LONDON, Feb. 26.-Family pedigrees and medical certificates both for brides and bridegrooms, as a necessary qualifi-cation for marriage, were advocated by Dr. Tredgold in an address to genics education society last night, This suggestion leaves the idea of cer-tificated brides far behind and is likely to provoke a large amount of discussion from widely divergent standpoints.
Whatever may be said about the suggestion, Dr. Thedgold is well qualified to speak upon the subject. He is consulting physician to the National association for the care of the feeble-minded and was a medical expert to the Royal Commission of the feeble-minded. If the rece was to advance some form of selection must clearly take the place of natural selection, he urged, and the only form was birth selection.

No person should be allowed to marry without a licence, which should granted after a medical examination of the individual and an inquiry into his, or her, family history. This would necessitate the notification of particulars of the birth, mental and physical condition, presence of disease, age, cause of death, etc., of every individual to a central record office. In this office the notification would be compiled into a personal history sheet and the relationship of different individuals would be readily traced by a system of cross references. He was convinced, he added, that a very large amount of the wretchedness of home life resulted from hasty, ill-considered marriages regardless of the character and mental and physical health of the contracting parties. Ifgreater attention were paid to these and to the general responsibility attaching to marriage they would hear very much less about the need for divorce.

MADERO'S VIEW OF SITUATION

Continues from Page 1. devote its energies to cleaning up the district about Torreon and Chihuahua.
This, according to the best information obtainsble, was the conclusion reached at the meeting of Fresident Madero's cabinet today.

Request Stoppage of Supplies

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.-The Mexican consul at El Paso requested today the American collector of customs there to forbid the exportation of American goods into Juarez. The treasury department has taken up the question with the departments of state and iustice.

The matter of stopping all supplies is regarded by the state department as delicate one. A considerable district is dependent upon Juarez for its supplies, and the cutting off of exports from El Paso, it is feared, would cause

much suffering. It is understood that the Mexican ambassador is preparing to lay before the state department the demand of his government that the shipment of supplies into Juarez be stopped.

Consul-General Hanna reported from Monterey that the statement that Gen. Geronimo Trevino had cast his lot with the rebels was without foundation. The real leader of the rebels was reported to be Emil Vasquez Gomez.

BENEFICIENT CAPITALIST Millionaire Bootmaker Decides to

Wealth With His Em-

PARIS, Feb. 28.-Good fortune has betallen the employees of M. Delatour, wholesale boot and shoe maker, who has two factories, one in Paris and the other at Liancourt. M. Delatour is self-made man, and for forty years has worked harder than any of his men. Today he is a millionaire, but has neither wife nor children to share his riches

One day recently he was obliged to emain at home through indisposition and as he passed the kitchen he surprised his old servant in tears. In re ply to him she said she was depressed at the thought of what would happen to her if he dismissed her. The incident set M. Delatour thinking, and next day he sent for his lawyer and settled an annuity on the old woman

for life. But he did not stop there. He re solved to hand over the works to his employees, and under his instructions the lawyer drew up a deed transferring the buildings and plant and stock to fifty of the men who had helped him to make his fortune. This is equiva-lent to a gift of about \$400,000, or an average of \$8,700 to each employee The donor, however, stipulates that for the next three years the direction of the factory shall remain in his hands and none of those who benefit will be at liberty to realize his share before

the end of that period. The announcement of M. Delatour' intention has not been received by his employees with unmixed joy, owing to the fact that only 50 out of 300 men

will share in his liberality. A fish hatchery for Kootenay lake be principally used in increasing the supply of game fishes, has been pr ed by the federal authorities.

CAUSES RIOTS

Mobs Break Out in Kingston Jamaica, on Account of Action of Canadians Who Own Street Railway

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 27 .- King on was given over to mob rule roughout last night and as a result of collisions between the police and the populace two men were killed and more than 30 injured, some of them verely.

The governor, Sir Sidney Oliver, was struck on the neck with a brick when he attempted to go to the rescue of a policeman besieged by a mob in a spirit store. His secretary, Major M. Wyndham, received a blow in the face.

The excitement of the populace against the Canadian company which runs the street cars was very great throughout the evening. Armed police-men were attacked by the meb and forced to take refuge in stores. governor ordered the riot act to be read, some shooting followed by the police sent out to clear the streets, and there were several serious encounters, during which two rioters were shot dead and others injured before the mob dispersed.

The riots resulted from the increased fares on the street railways, imposed by the railway, which is a Canadian corporation. The rioting began on Friday last, and the disorder has been contin uous ever since. The governor has is sued orders to the police to use armed force if necessary to quell disturbances. He directs that ample protection be given the company.

Considerable damage has been done in many parts of the city, and twelve tram cars have been wrecked or burned. Armed detachments of police are now patrolling the commercial sec tion of Kingston and the West India troops are held in readiness at the park camp to reinforce them.

Conditions during the day improved considerably, about half the cars having resumed service. Resistance or the part of the passengers to the payment of increased fares is still proceeding. The governor in an interview today said the car company was trying to get out of an honorable understanding in the absence of legal docu ments. He added that he had referred the question to the Board of Trade at London, as to whether a public com pany could abolish a system which had been in vogue for thirteen years and increase the rate of fare at will.

A mob last night attempted to extinguish the gas lights in the city for the purpose of looting; and the attemp falled only because of the severe repressive measures taken by the Americans were not spared in the rioting which has been going on here with the street railway. A party of Americans in a motor car were attacked by the mob today, and one of them was seriously injured. The party included Captain and Mrs. Fritz Duquesne of New York and Mr. and Mrs. Worthley of Brooklyn. A group of men attacked their car with bricks and stones. Mrs. Duquesne was struck by one of the missiles, and is said to be in a serious condition. The Americans were in peril of their lives, but their assailants were finally beaten off by Captain Duquesne, armed with a hammer, and Mr. Worthley with a jackhandle. Two of the rioters were knocked unconscious.

CANNERS' SEASON

eased Export of Pacific Coast Pro-ducts Reported for Past Year -Pruit and Fish Figures

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.-Figures compiled by the Western canners and packers show a remarkable increase of Pacific coast exports for 1911 over the previous year. California exports of canned foods and dried fruits made par ticularly striking gains.

"The result of the past season," says the Journal, "has been to give produc ers renewed confidence, because of the steady and constantly increasing demand for all the many varieties of their output. Naturally, therefore, the distributers have been kept busy and report they have employed, both in volume and profit, the most presperous year in their usiness"

The approximate 1911 pack of Califor nia canned goods, including fruits and regetables, is placed at 7,225,000 cases. The California pack of mild cured salnon, the demand for which is reported as increased, showed a decrease for 1911 over the preceding pear. The total pack was 3, 160 tierces, against 5,124 tierces in 1910.

A summary of the North Pacific coast Oregon, Washington, Columbia river, British Columbia and Alaska, as com piled by W. I. Crawford, secretary of the Puget Sound Salmon , Canners associa tion, fc. ows: Puget sound pack, 1,567, 029 cases, \$7,012,133. Alaska pack, 2, 821,191 cases, \$14,735,656. Grand total 4,378,210 cases, \$21,747,789.

Telephone Merger SEATTLE, Feb. 28.-Announcement

vas made tonight that the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. has absorbed the Independent Telephone Co. of Seattle, and as soon as practicable will consolidate the two systems. This nformation was conveyed in a letter to Mayor George W. Dilling from E. C. Bradley, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

President's Campaign

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- President Taft will soon start a vigorous speechmaking tour to explain his position on current questions and further his candidacy for election. Before the Repubican national convention meets in June he will spend many days on the road, and is expected to deliver scores of speeches. He will travel as far west as Chicago, as far north as New Hampshire, and south at least as far as Georgia. Other engagements may be made in the next few weeks. The president's political advisors believe he is their best orator.

Dead Near Bailway Track NELSON, B.C., Feb. 28 .- The body of an unidentified man was found near the railroad track, east of Glenogle, early this morning by Conductor Treat, and brought to Golden on a freight train. The deceased was very respectably dressed and had evidently been employed in the district. It is thought he fell

from a passenger train which left this morning. He was about 30 years old. Dr. Wiley May Resign

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, pure food champion, is seriously considering resigning his position as chief of the bureau of chemistry. Admitting this in an interview tonight. Dr. Wiley said that while he had not yet determined to offer his resignation seemed that he could not be successful in his efforts as long as there were 'incongruous elements" in the department.

AGAINST HOME RULE

Large Meeting in Toronto Adopt Strong Resolutions on Subject. With Much Enthusiasm

TORONTO, Feb. 28 .- Amid scenes of wild enthusiasm, 3,000 citizens as-sembled in Massey hall tonight and passed a resolution protesting against the granting of home rule to Ireland. The sentiment of the gathering was unanimous. At times the desire for this expression became so pronou with the audience that the speakers were forced to desist until the cries of "No home rule," "Never," or groans at the mention of Winston Churchill's name or at the name of Sir Edward Grey, had died down. The resolution states that the belief

of the meeting is that home rule would result in the separation of Ireland from the empire and declares that separation is the goal of the movement. "We believe further, that Ireland

could, in time, become the centre of e conspiracy against the integrity of the British Empire, and might ultimately lead to the overthrow of the British power and influence that, as Canadian citizens, we rejoice in. We believe in the extension of the principle of autonomy, when it can be granted with safety to imperial interests, but believe ing as we do that the peace and prosperity of the nations of the world are involved in the maintenance of the British empire, we view with the utmost alarm the proposals contained in the bill coming before the Imperial house of commons, which tend not to the enlarge ment of the liberties of the Irish people under a free government, but to creation of a papal state within the em pire, where British law and justice will be superseded by the canonical law of the papacy, as is the case in the province of Quebec in this Dominion; and further, that we unhesitatingly declare that the views set out in this resolution present the opinions of the vast majority of loyal citizens in the Dominion of Canada, notwithstanding the expression of sympathy with home rule adopted at different times by the parliament Canada and the legislatures of the

"We desire also to give expression to our profound sympathy with the minority in Ireand, and pledge them our mora and material assistance in the struggle in which they are engaged."

CURING OF BLINDNESS Operation Described As Sensationa Baises False Hopes Among Afflicted

BERLIN, Feb. 28 .- News of a sensational operation on the human eye per-formed by Dr. Magitot in Paris, and described by Professor Dastre in the French Academy of Science was spread case was that of a young man with a marked opacity of the cornea, where the operator cut out the opaque piece and replaced it by a piece of healthy cornea taken from a human eye that had been removed for other reasons.

Based on this operation far reaching conclusions have been made in regard to the curing of blindness. These are, unfortunately, exactly as little justified as the statement that this operation is entirely new, says a well known Berlin medical publicist.

"As a matter of fact," he says, "it was tried, at least in principle, more than fifty years ago. At first pieces of glass were inserted, which, however the eye could not endure. Later the cornea of animals was used, but unfortunately it was seen that the pieces which had been inserted successfully, themselves grew opaque within a few weeks r months, so that the patient was as badly off as before. Finally, this operation was performed (first Fuchs, in Vienna) by transplanting human cornea, through which some good or at least fairly durable, results were attained. The first of these successful operations was performed by Zirm in Olmutz. Accounts of several others were published later, among them one by Prof, Greeff, in Berlin, who reported an improvement in the strength of vision of his patient of one-fiftieth to one-twentieth. The results are up to now in general in no wise remarkable but it is to be hoped that the difficult technique of the process will be further mproved.

"What Dr. Magitot has accomplished is, as can be seen, nothing else than what others have already tried and ac omplished before him. It is regrettable that the press has published exaggerated accounts of the hitherto very uncertain results of the operation, and so raised false hopes for many a blind man. No earnest paper should publish such a thing without previously consulting a specialist."

Access to Hudson Bay OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—Senator T. O.

Davis of Saskatchewan wants to know whether or not his province will have the right of way to Hudson Bay through the new Manitoba territory on the same basis as in the case of Ontario. He has given notice of a query in the senate, and says he intends to follow his question up with a resolution

ON CHIHUAHUA

After Easy Capture of Juarez. They Expect to Take Possession of Capital of State -Have Force of 1500

EL PASO, Feb. 27 .- The Vasquista rebel element which took possession of Juarez this morning about 10:30 after firing a single volley, plans next to capture the city of Chihuahua. Tomorrov morning the march of General Campa's forces on the capital of the state wil be begun, according to announcement by the commander tonight. Col. Antonio Rojas, with 700 rebels, arrived at Banche shortly after noon and stopped his march there, unaware of the develop ment at Juarez.

General Campa declares that there are 900 rebels already in Juarez, and that the arrival of Rojas' group will give him the total of 1,600 which he claimed recently he would have in Juarez. He says that Major Tomas Loza will remain at Juarez with 300 men and that the remainder will proceed southward over the line of the National railway early tomorrow for an assault on Chihuahua, which is being held by Orozco.

Communication between El Paso and Juarez was suspended almost entirely during the day, the crossing of the international line by individuals being lin ited to the bearers of passes. It was announced today that communication would be restored between the two cities tomorrow night.

The rebels easily captured Juarez Firing but one or two volleys and meeting no resistance except a few scatter ed shots in reply to their first volley. the rebels then marched into the town, captured the guns that had been pur chased to repel them, took charge of the government offices, the customs house the barracks, the fail and other public buildings. The rebel assault began at 10 o'clock

sharp. They entered the outskirts of the city from the northwest, firing a they entered. The few hundred men in Juarez as defenders fired a few shots from various points of vantage and were then ordered by their officers to Mexican Consul Liorente of El Paso

afterward declared that the officers decided not to make resistance to avoid omplications with the United States Troops were guarding the border at the time the town was taken, apparently ready to enter Juarez if El Paso should

As the rebels marched into Juarez they found all houses closed, but no resistance. Only one man, Captain Romero, of the defenders, was wounded accidentally.

TORPEDO RECORD Small Vessels of American Fleet Have

Great Success With Missiles-Speed Also Good WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Firing more than 200 torpedoes without losing one, is the record of the United States Atlantic torpedo fleet. This, according to an announcement by the navy department, establishes a mark for the little

craft which never before has been made

by any ships of the navy in active com-Since the repair of the vessels after their experiences with the recent storm off the Atlantic seaboard they have made records both in speed and smoke have made full power runs on which they made higher average speed than had been made on similar runs. The best speed record was made by the Paul-

ding, with an average of 31.8 knots. The Burrows has almost mastered the art of smoke prevention, and it holds the record for torpedo craft. During a four hour run and 128 knots this vessel emitted visible smoke during only fifteen seconds.

SCENE IN OPERA HOUSE Egyptian Wationalist Refuses to Stand up During Playing of Khedivial

CAIRO, Feb. 28 -An extraordinary incident happened at a charity perform ance which was given last week at the Opera House, Cairo, under the patronage of his Highness the Khedive. When, just prior to the raising of the curtain, his Excellency Hussein Pasha Rushdi and his Excellency Ali Bey Chahine. representing his Highness, entered the house, the Khedival anthem was, of course, played. Everyone in the audience remained standing with the exception of the Nationalist leader, Moham med Bey Farid, who was seated in a

box just opposite the official tribune. Such a public act of disrespect and disloyalty could not be allowed to pass unnoticed, and so Rushdi Pasha, who is minister for foreign affairs, at once sent for Farid Bey and upbraided him for his behavior. The Nationalist leader replied most insolently that no law obliged him to rise, if he wished to remain seated, even when the Khedival Hymn was played, and he refused to

The minister thereupon ordered him o leave the house, which he did. The incident was then reported to the Prime Minister by Rushdi Pasha, and the Khedive was apprised of what had hap-This overt act of disloyalty on the part of the Nationalist leader has arous-

ed a great deal of comment. While of course, to the average intelligent mind it spells its own condemnation, to the ignorant or mentally unbalanced native it has a certain significance, and it is felt that for this reason some stern step should be taken to put a stop to such unfortunate incidents.

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