A LETTER

High Praise for the Administation of the Yukon.

Evidence of Wrong-Doing Invited, but

Ottawa, Oct. 17 .- The financial statement for September is a worthy successor to the long list of satisfactory announcements that Mr. Fielding has ly, though regretfully, admit this. The been able to make this year, inasmuch as it shows nearly a million dollars increase in the reveune, and a decrease in expenditure and also in the public debt. With September's figures the their corporate capacity from taking total receipts for the year on consolidated account were \$11,441,899, as against \$8,314,747 last year, an increase of \$3,127,152. The decrease of expenditure in the same account is \$117,942,the figures being \$1,870,083 for September, 1897, and \$1,752,141 for September, 1898. The customs revenue has increased \$118,515 in the same period. Of the capital expenditure for the month, which is \$1,030,156, \$515,600 is chargeable to public works, railways and canale, the deepening of the St. Lawrence system being the main item, and \$499,750 for railway subsidies. As the public deliberations so far, the official antunds in September, 1897, were only nouncement is made that "considerable charged \$329,000 on these two items, progress marks their work. Coming the increase in the expenditure is direct from the chairman of the comvery much more than accounted for. AN HONEST OPINION.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is not generally looked upon as particularly favorable to the Canadian Administration in the gold fields; in fact, it has placed Opposition alarmists under a debt obligation by the amount of ammunition it has supplied in the shape of sensational stories of alleged official crookedness. When it does happen to give an item favorable to the government, therefore, it will not be suspected of being prejudiced. In its news columns one day last week it was columns one day last week it was stated that at a meeting of the city chamber of commerce, held the previous day, W. R. Boone declared that the much-talked-of royalty of the Canadians was justifiable, and that after ten years' experience in working under the Canadian laws he was prepared to state that they were better in every re spect than the American laws, and better administrated." It will now be in order for opposition papers to explain that Mr. Boone is a hireling of "the terrible Sifton," or they may even be able to discover that he is a relation! "THE PEOPLE WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH."

As far back as the first week of the present year, ex-Gold Commissioner Thomas Fawcett, of Dawson, made a report to Administrator Walsh, from which the following extract is taken: "The people we have to deal with offer bribes on every hand, and scandals were started even about our own of-fice, which reached such proportions that I posted up notices requesting anyone who could bring evidence of any wrong-doing against any member of my office staff to send his name and with a revolver, and had fired the address, and I would appoint a time for investigation. Thus far no charges have revolver finally refused to shoot, and been brought forward." The thought Snyder looked down into the barrel to naturally suggests itself, how can it see what was wrong with it. It was happen that no intimation of the ex- discharged at the same moment, and istence of this frightful den of in- the bullet entered his breast, piercing iquity reached the east in time to be brought to the attention of parliament, which sat till the middle of June? It seems to be a peculiarity of the opposition charges that they are always considered, by their authors, more likely to prove effective at long

CANADIAN ENTERPRISE. A notable line of improvements in home industries which must be gratifying to every loyal Canadian is ob-servable in the publishing business, every year witnessing a larger number of Canadian editions of well known authors, besides excellent productions from native pens. One of the most recent in the former class is a volume of Rudard Kipling's short stories, collated under the title of "The Day's Work," and published by George Morang, of Toronto. To lovers of Kiplingwho does not aspire nowadays to be included in that class?-these stories will need no further word of commendation than that they are thoroughly characteristic, and equal to the best that has come from his wonderfully versatile pen. This particular edition is a creditable production, typographically and otherwise, and if it is possible to make Kipling still more popular than he is at present among Canadians, the appearance of his lat-



healthiest contimes gets into people are weak and miserable because their systems bave smooth roadand are ditchthrough the mire of disease, which might be avoided altogether

Thousands of weak and debilitated men and women have found Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery the powerful and timely aid to set them upon the level road of perfect recovery. It creates health by making the digestion perfect and the liver-action regular and thorough.

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N. Gaddis, Esq., of No. 313 S. J. Street. Tacoma, Washington, writes: "I was taken ill in February, 1802, with headache and pain in my back. I called in a doctor and he came three times. He said I was bilious, but I kept getting worse. I took a cough so that I could only sleep when propped up in bed. My langs hurt me and I got so poor that I was just skin and bone. I thought I was going to die. I tried a bottle of Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and it did me so much good that I tried another one and it made me strong and well. It saved my life." N. Gaddis, Esq., of No. 313 S. J. Street, Tacoma

est work from the hands of Canadian workmen will surely do it. THE PLEBISCITE.

The official returns of the plebiscite are coming in very slowly, and it will be some weeks yet before anything like complete figures will be obtainable. The most interesting, and at the same time startling, development this week, is the manner in which the adverse majority in Quebec is growing. It is even claimed now that it will reach the enormous total of 90,000, and this will, in all probability, wipe out the affirmative majorities in all of the other pro-Not Forthcoming—The Plebiscite Re-turns—Canadian Publishing Enter-Whether this be so or not, the fact remains more apparent today than ever that prohibitionlets have not established a case upon which they can hope to induce any government to introduce prohibitory legislation, and it gineer, is at present engaged on a scheme with that object in view leaders of the temperance party frank-Government has carried out its preelection promise, and given the country | travel between London and Bombay in as a whole the opportunity that it has so persistently sought. The government and the party both abstained in any part whatever in the contest, the conditions were absolutely favorable for a fair expression of public opinion, and the result being as it is, it is to be hoped for the sake of all parties, and of the country, that the matter will disappear from the arena of practical politics for many years to come.

THE QUEBEC CONFERENCE. The Quebec conference has adjourned once more to meet again in a couple of weeks at Washington. While the commissioners maintain absolute silence as to the detailed results of their mission, this means much, and there is better ground today than ever for the hope and belief that very substantial results will be the outcome of the convention. The very fact that the commissioners have decided upon a name for the treaty, and a place where it shall be signed, is excellent indica-

Terrible Fate of Three Children at Pequaming, Mich.

Sudden Death of Dr. Robinson,

A Young Fellow Probably Fatally Shot-Looked Down the Barrel of a Revolver.

of Brampton.

LOOKED DOWN THE BARREL. Berlin, Ont., Oct. 19.-Another of those accidents so common of late resulting from the careless use of firearms, occurred at Bloomingdale on Sunday. Walter Snyder, a young man living in that village, was out shooting weapon off several times at birds. The

at the point of death. HIS SKULL CRUSHED IN. Huntsville, Ont., Oct. 19.—Eddy, the 13-year-old son of Reeve Hardy, of Chaffey, was kicked in the head by a horse, and his skull, over the eyes, a place nearly as large as a small hen's egg, was crushed in. To the astonishment of the doctors and his parents, after receiving the kick he walked to the house with his brother, but was insensible to the wound and how he got it. Physicians dressed the wound and removed no less than thirteen pieces of bone and bits of grass, and a piece of the horse's hoof.

THREE CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.

L'Anse, Mich., Oct. 19 .- Three children, aged 2, 4 and 6 years, of Michael Anderson, at Pequaming, were burned to death at 7 o'clock yesterday. The mother went out to milk the cow, leaving the children alone. It is thought that the oldest child, in playing with the fire in the kitchen stove, set the house on fire. The house and furniture, valued at but \$500, are a total loss, with no insurance.

A DOCTOR'S SUDDEN DEATH. Brampton, Ont., Oct. 19.-Dr. Charles Robinson was seized with heart failure on Monday, just at the completion of a surgical operation that he had performed, and expired almost instantly. Dr. Robinson, who was 63 years old, leaves a widow and three daughters.

KILLED BY A TROLLEY CAR. Toronto, Oct. 19 .- Charles W. Stevel. for some years mayor of Walkerton, was killed by a trolley car here yesterday. He was running across Front street, at the intersection of Bay, when a car caught him, the heavy sheet of glass on the headlight striking him fair in the head, and fracturing the skull. Mr. Stovel was holding his umbrella straight in front to protect himself from the driving rain, and apparently did not see the car. He died in the Emergency Hospital last night. Stovel was the agent of the Western and Canada Life Insurance Company in Walkerton, and was also a railway ticket agent. He has brothers in Guelph, Napanee and Stratford. ceased was 65 years of age, and leaves five children, all grown up.

SAVE 900 MILES

Proposed Canal Connecting Lakes Superior and Michigan.

Lansing, Mich., Oct. 19 .- Secretary of from Chicago capitalists, relative to the State Gardner has received inquiries steps necessary for the organization of company to construct a canal from Bay de Nocquet to Lake Superior, across Alger and Schoolcraft counties. This would connect Lakes Michigan The canal would be and Superior. about 35 miles long, and would save about 900 miles travel now necessary.

MOVEMENTS OF THE GOVERNOR-

GENERAL. Ottawa, Oct. 19 .- His excellency the governor-general will go to Whitby to-day, returning on Thursday to the capital, where he will probably remain until Nov. 3. From Ottawa the governor-general will go to Toronto for three or four days, and thence to Montreal for about a week. His excellency will spend Nov. 11 in Quebec, and sail for England on the following day.

\$450,000,000

A Short Cut From London to Bombay.

Bold Scheme to Tunnel the Straits of Gibraltar.

London, Oct. 19.—London to Bombay in six days and ten hours? It seems almost too wonderful to be possible, yet M. Berlier, the famous French en-

scheme with that object in view.
"Of course," said the engineer in a recent interview, "the chief difficulties in the way of a railway which would one direct route are the Channel and the Straits of Gibraltar. The Channel Tunnel is a difficulty which seems likely, for political reasons, to remain insurmountable, but as far as the Straits of Gibraltar are concerned, I have solved the problem. For the last few years I have been making careful soundings and studying the Straits of Gibraltar with the utmost care. The depth of the Straits between the nearest points on the Spanish and Moroccan coasis, which are only a little more than eight miles apart, was, I found, too great for a tunnel to built there, being no less than 1,980 feet, but a tunnel from Vaqueros on the Spanish coast to Tangler on the Morocco side, although nearly nine-teen miles long, would be easy to build, the depth at this point being only 1,300 feet, and the bottom good firm rock. I have a new system ready worked out for the removal of the debris in the building of my tunnel, which will enable me to get through the work with far greater rapidity than has hitherto been possible, and I intend, as far as possible, to employ Chinamen in its construction, as indeed in the construction of the whole line of railway.
"From the moment you have install-

ed yourself in your carriage at the Calais pier station you need not leave it until you reach Bombay, where, if my calculations are correct—and I have every reason to believe them to be so—you should arrive within six days and ten hours after your departure from London.
"From Calais you would travel upon

already existing lines through Paris to Madrid, and from Madrid direct to Gibraltar. Here you enter the tunnel, which will, of course, be brightly lighted and well ventilated, and which it should take you about 40 minutes to traverse, and you will be on the African continent, at Tangier, with-out having left the carriage into which you got at Calais.

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"From Tangier I propose building a line about 270 miles in length, which would connect at Tlemcen with the already existing Algerian railway, upon which you would travel via Constantine to Tunis. From Tunis you will travel in a direct line through will travel in a direct line through Tripoli and Cairo or at Akhba, will permit you, if you can spare the time, to make a detour, so as to include Jerusalem on your journey.

"From the Persian Gulf to Bombay is, as you can see on the map, perfeetly plain sailing, or rather railing and, as I said at the start, you will arrive in Bombay in six days and ten hours after you left London, having only had a single hour's sea jour-

nev since your departure.
"There will be no difficulty whatever with the Suez Canal. It is merely a question of a tube, through which the train will pass, I have often done more difficult work than that. In fact, I want you to understand that the whole construction of the tunnel and of the railway presents no difficulties whatever, and give me seven years and the necessary money and I will guarantee to carry you from Calais to Bombay without any trouble whatever. The whole undertaking won't cost much-my calculations figure it out at about ninety million pounds sterling (\$450,000,000)—and considering what the future of such a railway may be, I think it is cheap at the

MR. ASTOR WINS HIS WAGER

He Seats Twenty-Seven Guests Around a Section of a Redwood Tree.

London, Oct. 19 .- In the course of & conversation last spring Mr. William Waldorf Astor spoke of the immense size of the redwood trees in California. Some of Mr. Astor's guests were a little incredulous, and he ultimately made a wager of \$2,500 with Gen. Owen Williams that he could get a trunk of one of these trees around which 27

persons could sit to dinner. Mr. Astor won the wager on last Thursday. How the monster section of the tree was conveyed to England and deposited at Cliveden, Mr. Astor's

residence, will be remembered. A month ago a firm of upholsterers in Aylesbury began trimming and polishing the log, which lies in a glade in the part of Mr. Astor's park called the Half-Moon. The work was satisfactorily finished, the log taking a beautiful

A large marquee was erected over the glade, and the ground was strewn with bracken. Miss Astor superintended the decorating of the table with wild flow-

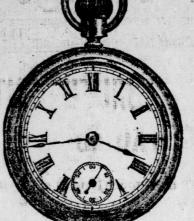
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curing that terrible disease. By clearing the air passages it makes breathing free and easy, restores hearing, relieves the pressure on the brain, which causes headache, sweetens the breath and in short completely cures the catarrh which would otherwise lead to Bronchitis or Consump-Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure, 25 cents a box, blower free.

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Yours truly,

K. N. BLACK

Grimsby, Sept. 26, 1898.

GEM NOVELTY CO., Toronto, Ont.: I received my Accordeon you gave me for selling goods for you, and think it is a magnificent instrument. I thank you very much.

Yours truly, SARAH RUSSELL.

King, June 6th, 198.

To GEM NOVELTY CO., Toronto: Dear Sirs, -I received your premium, the ring. I am well pleased with it.

Yours truly, IDA G. WADE.

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ers and ferns. The dinner was served at 6:50 o'clock. The guests, most of whom had been at Cliveden for the week, were mustered in the great hall and marched to the marquee. The route was festooned

with Chinese lanterns.

Among the 27 diners were the Duchese of Abercorn, Lady Randolph Churchill, the Marquis of Hamilton, the Earl of Desart, Lord Athlumney, Lord Castletown, Lord George Hamilton and Sir Watkin Wynn.

The menu was hand-painted. It re-resented a redwood tree of full growth, and the viands were listed on the trunk. The table was somewhat crowded, but altogether the dinner was a great success.

The Duke of Cambridge and the Duke of Teck were invited, but were revented from attending. The food was prepared in a neigh-

boring tent, which, with the kitchen apparatus, had to be shifted during the evening, because a breeze drove the odors of the cooking into the marquee.

PLAIN TALK

Gompers' Comments on the War With Spain.

A Series of Pointed Questions and Grave Charges.

Chicago, Oct. 19.-Mr. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Fedthe paens of praise for the brave Cubans? Was our charge against Spain in her refusal to give the people of that island freedom and independence fruitless? If we admit this we immediately constitute our war without just cause. Is it not strange that now for the first time we hear that the Cubans are unfit for self-government; that whether they protest against it or not they must be dominated by us, annexed by us or become a dependency of ours? If we have intervened in behalf of Cuba and driven a foreign tyrant from her shores, we have at least authority for our action by the appeals of the struggling Cubans; but what of the Porto Ricans? They have not asked our intervention; they have not pleaded for annexation. They were invaded as a military necessity. They number 800,000 people, and have not been divided by flerce conflict. If we give freedom and independence to Cuba, to which she is entitled, is there

any justification for our enforced conquest and annexation of Porto Rica? Hawaii we have annexed, irrespective of the wishes of her people, who were not asked whether the constitution under which they have recently lived meets with their approval. The flag of our country waves in Hawaii over a people subjugated by our superior force in flagrant violation of the consent of the governed. In the case of the Philippines we have the question repeated, only in a much more aggravated form. There is even now a strife going on aong the nations of the earth for the partition and possession of eastern countries. Let us take the Philippines and we shall be in the midst of the conflict. We shall have to follow the armies and immense navies (not always voluntary). We shall not only have to bear the heavy burdens of debt and taxation, exceeding that of other nations, but the time will come to that point against which the genius of our institutions revolt-compulsory military

MEDALS FOR VETERANS.

duty."

Ottawa, Oct. 19 .- The Fenian raid medals for the Canadian veterans are in a fair way to being received. Yesterday Hon. Dr. Borden decided on the design. The medals will be of silver. design. The obverse will bear the usual imperial army long service medal de-eign. The reverse consists of the British ensign, floating in the breeze, surrounded by a handsome wreath of maple leaves, and crossed latitudinally by a straight bar, bearing the word "Canada." The name of the recipient will be stamped on the medal round

As the medal is designed for a general service medal, the special applicability will be designated by clasps, of which three are authorized, bearing the legends respectively of "Fenian Raid, 1866," "Fenian Raid, 1870," and "Red River, 1870."

Quackery Vs. Science.

Most patent medicines emanate from people who know nothing of medicine or chemistry. Merrill's System Tonic is skillfully compounded in one of Ontario's largest drug stores, after the suggestions of three eminent physicians. It purifies the blood, builds up the system, strengthens the nerves, and regulates the bowels. Fifty pleasant-to-take-doses 50 cents. Sold by W. T. Strong, druggist.

Big sale now on at Cole's Cut Rate Store. Be on hand for snaps.

A NUMBER OF **SERIOUS FIRES**

Miss A. M. H. McDonald, of Cornwall, Burned to Death.

Methodist Parsonage and Two Barns Destroyed at Fingal-Other

Conflagrations.

Cornwall, Oct. 19.-The residence of Mrs. Wm. McDonald, Pitt and Fourth streets, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday, and one of the occupants, Miss Annie McHamish McDonald, lost her life, while another, William Williamson, of Williamstown, received terrible injuries, and will probably die. The falling of pictures in the parlor aroused Mrs. McDonald about 2:39 a. m., and she and her daughter got up, thinking some one had broken into the house. When they discovered that the house was on fire they took Miss Annie McDonald, a lady 65 years of age, down to the front door, and told her to go out. Mrs. McDonald then went back and aroused her two nephews and her brother-in-law. By on fire, and in making her escape she 41/4 per cent greater in 1898, and taking on fire, and in making her escape she 1/4 by the was badly burned about the fact and wheat, rye and maslin together, the was badly burned about the fact and wheat, rye and maslin together, the arms. Mr. Williamson, a nephew of area increase amounted to Mrs. McDonald's, must have lost his acres. The average yield of way, and when he finally came this year was nearly 22 bushels per through the fire he was so badly burn- acre, against less than 15.2 bushels in eration of Labor, in the course of his speech at the peace jubilee, said: "In the midst of our rejoicings over the success of our arms, it is well that we Donald, disappeared. It appears, that peace jubilee, said: "In the midst of our rejoicings over the success of our arms, it is well that we Donald, disappeared. It appears, that year; rye, 28,154,000 bushels, against less than 18.2 States about the head, body and limbs, 1897. An official estimate for Huntham the midst of our rejoicings over the success of our arms, it is well that we Donald, disappeared. It appears, that year; rye, 28,154,000 bushels, against look to the causes that brought on our being left alone at the front door, she 35,151,000 bushels last year; barley, war with Spain. What has become of went back upstairs to save her valu- 61,446,600 bushels, against 41,475,000 ables. She must have secured them. and started out, but missed her way in the smoke, and was suffocated, for year. her body, along with a watch, \$40 in The wheat crop of Roumania has money and a deposit receipt for \$1,- been stated in English papers, on the 200, her life savings, were found another room. Loss on building, \$3,-

PARSONAGE AND BARNS BURNED. Fingal, Oct. 19.-Fire originated in the barns of Mr. Thomas Casey, west of the Union road, and in the south part of the village, making a total loss of two of them with considerable contents, the fire spreading over the stable of Mr. Charles Leute and the one belonging to the Methodist parsonage, consuming both, then to the parsonage itself, which now lies in ruins. A good quantity of the contents of the parsonage were lost. Rev. Mr. Jackson was very badly burned on the hands and face in rescuing his horse from the stable, needing the attention of the doctor, and will be some days before the pangs resulting from fire, leave him. The parsonage is insured for \$1,000. C. Leute, no insurance; Thomas amount unknown.

OTHER FIRES. St. Marys, Ont., Oct. 19.-The frame dwelling of Daniel McKinney, on St. John street, was badly damaged by fire

\$300; covered by insurance. house, which was a large frame building, soon burned to the ground. The fire company worked hard in their monarchical policy of large standing forts to save the surrounding buildings. The insurance was \$950-\$500 of this on the house and \$480 on the contents.

FAREWELL WORDS

For Lord and Lady Aberdeen-Greet ing to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Kingston, Oct. 19 .- Last night the city hall was thronged to listen to the city's farewell to Lord and Lady Aberdeen, and the greeting to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Mayor Livingstone presided. The corporation tendered a farewell address to Lord and Lady Aberdeen and greetings to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Mayor Livingstone read both addresses. Mrs. Hugh Fraser read an address on behalf of the Women's Council to Lady Aberdeen. Each of these personages replied in most felicitous terms, and

were heartily cheered. Sir Wilfrid was entertaining. chiefly dwelt upon the St. Lawrence as the great waterway of Canada and the U. S. His alm was to make it such in reality. He touched on the conference of Quebec, and hoped for the richest results. Canada would do all it could to secure an end to difficulties with the U. S., but it would not sacrifice national dignity in securing a treaty. Later the vice-regal pair and Sir Wilfrid passed out to Ontario Hall, where, for an hour or more, they received the citizens and their wives. In the evening dinner was served by Lady Cartwright in honor of the city's guesta.

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PRODUCTION AND AREA

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The Crops of America, Europe and Other Countries.

Washington, Oct. 18 .- The following is a summary of the agricultural de-partment's report of agriculture in

oreign countries for October: The Hungarian Ministry of Agriculture and the several commercial authorities have issued their estimates of the world's wheat crops of 1898. The Beerbohm estimate is equivalent to 2,640,000,000 bushels of 60 pounds, in the grand total varying but little from the Hungarian official estimate. The wheat crop of India for 1898 as officially reported amounted to 242,921,280 bushels, that of 1897 to 182,667,483 bushels, while the annual average for the

previous five years was 226,446,080 bushels. Official figures on area show an increase of 869,172 acres in France, 218,-686 acres in the United Kingdom, 860 in Ontario, Canada, and 147,360 in Manitoba in areas under wheat. The estimates of production given in tables published with the report make the crop of 1898 the largest on record, but the world's reserve stocks had run extremely low before the harvest. The this time the whole downstairs was French area under wheat was about The average yield of wheat bushels last year; oats, 84,041,000 bushels, against 58,881,000 bushels last

authority of an official estimate, at 56,-800,000 bushels, but some reports from that country represent that this estimate is too large by several million bushels. The offers of wheat from Roumania and Bulgaria are described

as "rather extraordinarily restricted."

The preliminary official estimate as to the Prussian rye crop is said to state it at 246,400,000 bushels, against 223,200,000 bushels last year. The German potato crop was reported in the middle of September as a full average. In Austria-Hungary the crops of wheat, rve and oats are reported as very satisfactory. Barley is merely average in quantity and deficient in quality, while maize, on the whole

is not a good crop. Reports from Russia are quite conflicting. Supplies of new wheat export come forward very sparingly, and considerable quantities of grain are said to be moving toward the provinces which suffered so severely Casey, some insurance, through the failure of the crop last

At the beginning of September the crops in Argentina were reported to be in a fine condition, but about three weeks later they were represented as Monday night; cause unknown. Loss, suffering from want of rain and threatened by locusts. Reports from Aus-Waterford, Oct. 19.—About 3 o'clock tralia represent the crop outlook there yesterday morning fire broke out in the residence of Isaac Green. The grain crop in Europe has been delayed by drought in a number of countries. Complaint on this score quite serious and widespread.

The River Nile has its rises, but those that do mischief are not frequent. During the last 1,000 years there has been only one sudden rise of the Nile, that of 1829, when 80,000 people were drowned.

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