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HON. MR. MULOCK IS ABSENT

But the Cancelling of Contracts Goes Merrily On.

Liberals of Vancouver Kicking Up a Stir—Major Dunbar to be Adjutant for Bisley—Work of Deepening the Canals—Vancouver People Propose to Send a Flagtaff to Bisley—Illegal Fishing in New Brunswick—Civil Servants Should be Made to Pay Their Debts—General News From Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Although Mr. Mulock is absent from Ottawa, the work of cancelling postal contracts and re-letting them goes merrily on. The Postmaster-General on three contracts in this district will save $2000 per annum. Mr. Polvin of Billings' Bridge, for an annual payment of $400, will make eight trips a day between the city postoffice and Hull railway station and postoffice, just about half the figure that was paid to the former contractor. The mail contract for carrying the mail from Grace Field, in the Gatineau Valley, to the Desert, has been renewed to the former contractor, William Brooks of Ottawa, at about half the figure paid him hitherto.

BLOOD ON THE MOON.

An effort is being made by some of the Liberals of Vancouver to deprive Customs Collector Bowell, a son of Sir Mackenzie, of some of his perquisites, as, for instance, the position of sailing master of the port and superintendent of Chinese immigration. By official blundering here, however, instead of cutting off these offices of Mr. Bowell, as had been urged, the port warden, Capt. Thain, was dismissed after 25 years' service, and now there is blood on the moon in the terminal city. Nobody wanted Capt. Thain interfered with, and Rev. Mr. Maxwell, M. P., says he had no knowledge that he was to be dismissed. The department here has received a telegram asking that no further action be taken until Mr. Maxwell arrives here this week or next.

THE BISLEY ADJUTANT.

It seems to be definitely settled that Major Dunbar of the 8th Royal Rifles of Quebec will be adjutant of this year's Bisley team. Some riflemen think, however, that the Government might have chosen a man more in sympathy with shooting men. Unlike the prospective commandant, Major Mason of Hamilton, Major Dunbar has never manifested any great interest in the D. R. A.; indeed, so little as not even to be a member of the association at the fee of $2 a year.

A TRUE BILL.

The Department of Inland Revenue learns that Messrs. Walker & Sons of Walkerville have secured a true bill against the Chicago parties who were charged with imitating the corks, labels and capsules of the well-known Canadian firm.

FLAGSTAFF FOR BISLEY.

Vancouver folk are talking of sending a flagstaff to be erected in front of the Bisley building. A tree suitable for the purpose, straight as an arrow and 200 to 250 feet long up to the usable point, can easily be obtained and passage secured for it on some of the many sailing vessels leaving Vancouver lumber-laden for the United Kingdom. Arrangements will be made with the British Columbia agent in London to have it looked after and forwarded upon arrival.

SHOULD PAY THEIR DEBTS.

The Retail Merchants' Association last night discussed the question of garnisheeing the wages of the civil servants. There was a consensus of opinion that no special privileges or special protection should be accorded to the Government employes. A committee was appointed to wait upon the Government and express the opinions of the association and urge the passing of a law that would remove this unfair protection accorded to Government employes.

MGR. LANGEVIN'S HOPES.

Archbishop Langevin is in town and stopping at Ottawa University. His Grace has received a sum of money from France to be used in connection with his schools in Manitoba. With this sum and that already received from the various dioceses of the Dominion, he expects no difficulty in keeping his schools in operation until the question of Separate Schools is settled to his satisfaction.

THE FAMINE FUND.

A statement of the amount of the Indian famine fund, of which Mr. Courtney, Deputy Minister of Finance, is treasurer, was issued to-day. The total amount of subscriptions is $25,000, without including the several local funds.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Little Bear, the Cree Indian, was around town to-day in all the glory of his native garb. He called upon Mayor Bingham to pay his respects.

A public meeting of citizens has been called for next Tuesday to devise measures for celebrating in Ottawa the Queen's diamond jubilee.

The steamer Petrel, which was conducting the mail service between Cape Tormentine and Cape Traverse, has been forced to lay up for a few days to have a new propellor put on in place of the old one, which was broken by ice.

Hon. J. I. Tarte, Minister of Public Works, has returned.

Replies to circulars sent out months ago by the Trade and Commerce Department to Canadian merchants and manufacturers, respecting their several trades, are still coming in.

A telegram was received this morning by the Deputy Minister of Marine from the owners of the American schooner Neriad, who apply to the department for the privilege of renewing their crew at Liverpool, N.S. The men have all left the vessel, and they ask for this concession under the circumstances.

Hon. W. S. Fielding passed through Ottawa this afternoon on the Western express on his way to Winnipeg and will be joined at North Bay to-night by Hon. William Paterson, who was in South Brant till last evening. The hearing in Winnipeg will open Monday and is certain to last at least three days.

Workmen began to-day placing matting and carpets on the floors and hall ways of the House of Commons in preparation for the session.

Mayor Little and J. H. Ivey of London, were in the city to-day and had an interview with Mr. Sifton.

GRENADIERS' ASSEMBLY.

The Second of These Popular Reunions Was a Most Brilliant Affair Last Evening.

The elite of Toronto society always learns with delight the announcement of a Grenadier assembly. These social functions have come to be regarded as ranking with the most brilliant events of the year, and society turns out to them en masse. There is always a peculiar charm about an event given by military men, and the second assembly for the season of 1896-7, given last night by the always popular Grens in the Confederation Life Assembly Hall, was most successful.

The Confederation building is an excellent place or such an event, with its large ballroom and convenient parlors, which, when luxuriously fitted up, as they were last night, vie in popularity with the former.

The scene on the dancing floor was a most inviting one. What with the stirring music from the Royal Grenadiers' Band, under Bandmaster Waldron, the gay uniforms, the pretty dresses, and still more beautiful faces of the ladies, the event was most joyous.

The following is the dancing program:

Valse, The Ship I Love; deux temps, Broadway; lancers, Wizard of the Nile; valse, Espanita; deux temps, Anniversary; valse, Geisha; polka, See Me Dance; military schottische, Dance of the Brownies; deux temps, The Military; valse, The Shop Girl; deux temps, Semper Fidelis; lancers, Assemblies; Highland schottische, Scotch airs; valse, Fond and True; polka, Gentleman Joe; valse, Loveland; deux temps, King Cardinal; valse, Come Back Soon.

FELL FROM THE VERANDAH.

The Wife of Mayor Cole of Niagara Falls, Ont., Very Badly Hurt.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Feb. 5.—While Mrs. Charles C. Cole, wife of Mayor Cole of this town, was out on the verandah in front of her residence on Simcoe-street at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon, something attracted her attention on the street. Leaning over the railing, there being ice on the verandah, her feet slipped from under her and she shot over the railing, falling on the frozen ground, some 16 feet below. The accident was seen by some workmen on the street opposite, who picked her up, and carried her into the house, when she was found to be unconscious. Dr. McGarry was called and found she had partial concussion of the brain. She regained consciousness this evening, but is very dangerously ill, having severely injured her spine, besides being otherwise shaken up.

GODERICH POSTMASTER

On the Rack Again Yesterday—No Conclusion Yet Reported.

Goderich, Feb. 5.—The investigation case against William Campbell, postmaster here, was resumed this morning prove him an offensive political partpied in examination in regard to political interference. A number of witnesses were examined and tried to prove him an offensive political partisan.

The local and riding officers of West Huron were examined at considerable length. The minutes of the Conservative Association of West Huron failed to show Mr. Campbell's name. The minutes of the Goderich local association had been destroyed.

The charges of insulting conduct towards ladies coming to the postoffice were taken up. Miss Kate Dancey, Mrs. Inglis and others were examined in this respect. Mr. Campbell then entered the witness box in his own defence, and the remainder of the afternoon was occupied in his examination. The case was adjourned until evening.

Dropped in From London, England.

After a year of incocuous desuetude, blue, as a fashionable shade for neck fixings, is again in the stretch. The newest shade, moonlight blue, has already made its colonial bow in that kaleidoscopical window of Quinn's, 115 King-street west. For midseason service nothing more becoming can be imagined and the announcement 25c and 50c for these vernal confections will put the populace in a transport of pleasurable anticipation.

A Definite Guarantee.

The Unconditional Accumulative Policy issued by the Confederation Life Association contains a definite guarantee that in cases of the non-payment of the third or any future premium the insured will be held covered for the full amount of the policy for a term, definitely stated therein; or should the insured so choose the policy may be surrendered and a paid-up policy issued in its place. After five years a cash value is guaranteed. Rates and full information will be sent on application to the Head Office, Toronto, or to any of the agents of the Association.

Turkish baths open day and night, 129 Yonge.

Kent's High Grade Coal.

Those who are particular about getting good coal have an opportunity this season. John Kent & Co. are comparatively a new firm, this being only their third season, and handling a tonnage of some thousand. Pleased with the result so far, they are making a special effort to get into the confidence of the general public, and have therefore secured a large quantity of high-grade coal to sell with close attention to each order. This is the coal that will be used by the people before long. Office, 78 Yonge-street, near King.

Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent solicitors and experts, Bank Commerce Building, Toronto.

Grand & Toy's Snaps.

The new English Fibre Letter Copying Books are unexcelled for distinct copies and strength of paper. We have them in stock in all standard sizes. If it is a good thing we have it. Grand & Toy, stationers and printers, Wellington and Jordan-streets, Toronto.

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Leather Cornered Blotting Pads, size 9 x 12, 15 cents each, two for 25c. Use Walkden's Inks. Samples free. Blight Bros., 65 Yonge-street.

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The old established manufactory and planing mill on the southwest corner of Queen and George-streets, with machinery and plant, in complete running order, is offered for sale or lease on very easy terms. J. L. Troy, 5 King-street west. 6

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Lake View Hotel, Parliament and Winchester-streets; terms $1 and $1.50 per day. Special rates to weekly boarders. Table d'hote, 6 to 8 o'clock. J. H. Ayre, proprietor. 246

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HUNGER'S CALL.

They had been working in the Conservative field, but two of the hired men could not resist the sound of the dinner horn.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

News Notes Gathered From the Despatches and Boiled Down for Busy Readers.

The Springhill strike is not yet settled.

Sir Henry Joli has been elected First Vice President of the American Forestry Association.

Twenty more stranded French Canadians who went to Brazil are at New York on the way home. They are penniless.

Fred C. Haight, stock broker, has been suspended for one year by the New York Stock Exchange, for "bucket shopping."

The Nova Scotia Legislature has passed a bill making July 1 a holiday in that Province. This is the first recognition of Dominion Day by Nova Scotia.

The new British steamship Canada made the trip from Liverpool to Boston in 8 days 3 hours, against heavy head winds. The highest day's run was 412 miles.

Commander Charles H. Dundas of H.M.S. Repulse has been loaned to China to assist in getting the Chinese navy into shape after its destruction by the Japanese.

"Sam" Barnett, formerly a broker of Montreal and Toronto, has been sentenced at Buffalo to a year in penitentiary for converting a $250 mortgage bond into cash for his own use.

The harbor at St. John's Nfld., is stormbound and vessels cannot enter. The West India liner Portia and Allan liner Carthaginian are lying outside waiting for a change of wind.

Yesterday Sir Julian Pauncefote took Sir Richard Cartwright and Mr. Davies to see the Capitol building at Washington, and introduced them to Secretary Olney.

The Ways and Means Committee at Washington yesterday completed the lumber schedule of the new tariff bill. The McKinley rates are practically re-enacted, except in respect to white pine, which is made $2 per 1000 feet, instead of $1. Pine clapboards are increased from $1 to $1.50.

Vessels from India arriving at Marseilles are not allowed to land passengers, but compel them to go forward to British ports, owing to fear of the bubonic plague.

It is said the International law professorship of Harvard University has been offered to Secretary of State Olney, who is considering it. He will not, however, give up his law practice.

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Miss Jean McKellar of Ingersoll is visiting friends in the city.

Chas. P. Oudin, Rossland, B.C., is at the Queen's.

J. B. Johnson, Rossland, is at the Queen's.

F. J. Claxton, Victoria, B.C., is at the Queen's.

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