GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP IDEA

It Cropped Up Prominently Yesterday in the House in Connection

With the Lands Act Bill of Mr. Sifton-Messrs.

PRESIDENT MELLEN HEARD FROM

Unfairness on the Part of His Company-Capt. Robin-

son Offers to Build a Railroad.

Charlton and Fraser Fell Into Line.

TWENTY-SECOND YEAR

ROSS GOVERNMENT CHALLENGED BY THE OPPOSITION LEADER

Impotence and Guilt of the Administration in its Complicity With **Electoral Frauds Clearly Exposed—Dare Not**

Mr. Pattullo of North Oxford, the ambirather aggressive continuation of the de- available. LOWER LEVELS BARREN. rather aggressive continuation of the deleader of the Opposition speaks of the spec-

tre of direct taxation. Mr. Whitney: "I did speak of the spectre;

ting the member for North Lanark with be-

presented at the annual meeting, held in year I estimated that the deficit would be \$392,000. At the end I pointed out that

After Col. Matheson Le Rot and Centre Star, both of which tified the Government in selling sufficient the resources of Ontario." are now paying. The management has of the timber limits annually to make up lost hope of encountering rich portions for deficits, and in then declaring surpluses Moreover, the directors hope if the deal as ordinary receipts. Col. Matheson in exfor the purchase of the C.P.R. smelter cess of loyalty had advocated Ontario, vot-

Warm Receptions By U.C.C. Boys

and Toronto's Most Promin-

Churchill Cockburn, the young Canadian

officer who distinguished himself in South

Africa sufficiently to render himself liable

to be awarded the Victoria Cross, and who was recommended for that most covet-

ed mark of honor by his superior officers

is home again in Toronto and is now tell-

ent Men and Women-

Prosecute West Elgin Criminals. The sitting of the Legislature yesterday wretched financial condition. Col. Mathe med by several lively son had placed Ontario's position as show he Premier and the ing a debt of \$4,000,000, while Mr. Marter Opposition leader shoul facing each other had figured it out as \$2,500,000, a view with with some martial order, neither for the which Mr. Whitney had agreed. Those genoment showing inclination to yield the tlemen should hold a conference and dis

ious editor of The Sentinel-Review, at- tullo's very positive declarations that the tempted to raise the possibilities of his amounts held by the Dominion in trust in cabinet aspirations several points by a the name of Ontario were immediately

dition was so satisfactory that no province was only the individual opinion of the could make so satisfactory a showing. The Finance Minister of the Dominion. The House was entertained by the men

ber for North Oxford with an oratorical I now speak of the burden of direct taxa- contrast of the two parties. This included tionist." He considered Col. Matheson and tion, and exhibited some courage by, in the discussion of the West Elgin case. Refertaxation of the people by the Ross Gov- the speaker, who asked why the Opposition ing that such taxation only touched a Smith of South Ontario. On the contrary, sition, he said, did not appear to wield so management under present smelting ing a false prophet, for having predicted a great an infinence at a recent meeting of anagement under present sheeting of deficit at the beginning of 1897, which was his friends here, as before. In connection levels of the workings are in barren ore. shown by the Provincial Treasurer's statenounce a policy, his "honorable and smiling for West York had a policy. If the policy

> Oxford on Dr. Pyne, the member for East Toronto, somewhat surprised the House. Dr. Pyne himself, a cousin of the British com-

> > Continued on Page 8.

of the leader of the Opposition had prevail-The member for North Oxford argued that ed. Mr. Clergue would still have been in the United States, instead of developing An onslaught by the member for North

EIGHT PAGES-WEDNESDAY MORNING FEBRUARY 27-EIGHT PAGES

Taxpayers Will Be Paying Millions to American Syndicate to Aid in Killing British Trade in

Neutral Markets.

Dominion Government Tied Hand and Foot by the Titanic Trust That Will Close Down the Cape Breton Works If the

\$3 a Ton Bounty Is Repealed. Ottawa, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—I am not at liberty to give the name of the gentieman who arrived in Ottawa to-day and made the following serious statement concerning the Morgan-Rockefeller Trust acquiring the property of the Dominion Steel Company and the Dominion Coal Company in the Sydneys. This, however, I can say, that he is an authority whose position entitles his words to the very best con-

Surely a Good Thing. "It is a good thing," he said, "for the promoters of the Sydney enterprises and a good thing also for the steel trust, The former are playing for safety, while paying a dividend on the bonds of the trust. The plant at Sydney is calculated to

Would Mean 100 Millions. ons, it would mean that in 1908, when by the sliding scale the bounty will disap-

"This means that Canada will contribute one-third of the the gigantic American syndicate, thru the bounty system. Worst Feature.

if they announced a policy the Government | the American market, and Sydney will compete against England. Thru the \$8 bounty Canada will be turned into a club for the use of the American monopolists in pursuing

their competition against England. "There is another feature of the matter not less serious. If the Canadian Parliament should repeal the bounty. Morgan and Rockefeller will promptly shut down the Sydney works, a policy which will suit them almost as well as to draw the bounty. The deal gives them absolute control of the Sydney concern, and they are

"The Government at Ottawa will be in the clutch of the trust. If they annulled who are interested in them at Hamilton, Midland and the "Soo." The political

"Now this is the situation with the Morgan syndicate controlling the iron and Crow's Nest Pass, and reaching out for other enterprises, and, incidentally, taking possession of the Government of Canada, thru control of the party. The outlook

DEAL NOT COMPLETED.

**Nothing new to-night in connection with the alleged steel deal at Sydiey, except the alleged steel deal at Sydiey and the alleged st

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DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CORNWALL

their Royal Highnesses did not intend to visting every province of the Dominion next visit the Pacific Coast, which, he thought, summer. It would be more convenient to

hon, friend that correspondence is now Pacific, and, landing at Vancouver, visit being exchanged between Ottawa and Lon- British Columbia, the Northwest Territories

that end if Their Royal Highnesses should, would be a thousand prices.

Sir Wilfred Laurier: "I may tell my on returning home, come by way of the LARGE MEETING AT BOWMANVILLE.

Fifteen Hundred Dollars Will Be

Put Up to Help Mr. Thorn-

Gadsby Goes Over to the Bluenoses.
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Turkish Baths at Pember's, 75c.

Commerce Building, Toronto

The Toronto Harbor Deputation, Laxative Bromo-Quinine removes the cause Clithwen delivered by Mr. Rolpert Belth, ex.M.P. Speeches were delivered by Mr. Angus Schelers, were delivered by Mr. W. W. H. Stalker, Mr. C. J. Thoraton, Mr. W. H. Stalker, Mr. C. J. Th

the spot. Excitement is intense and great indignation was expressed on all hands at the obstacles which a small section of Liberals in and about Bowmanville had thrown in Mr. Thornton's way to prevent him taking his seat. Several prominent Liberals authorized their names to be subscribed for substantial amounts, to show their contempt for the unmanly tactics which have been practised by the Liberal machine.

Fair and Cold.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 26.—

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In the Maritime Provinces and moderately cold in Quebec. Ontario and Manisch Liberal which have been practised by the Liberal prospect of a change in the Northwest. Lo.

Smoke Perfecti n Mixture. Guaran-teed cool, in paten. Jins. Alive Bollard bec. 8-28; Halifax, 26-38.

DYFR—At her mother's residence, 38 Vanauley-street, Annie L. Dyer, the beloved daughter of Mary and Patrick Dyer, in her 20th year.

Funeral at 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 28, to St. Mary's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery.

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APPEARS TO BE GATHERING FORCE

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—In the House to-day Mr. Sifton's bill to amend the Dominion Lands Act, was read a first time. He explained the clauses of the bill in an inaudible voice.

The chief provisions are those empower-lands in the chief provision are the chief provi Postmaster-General Was Re-In the chief provisions are those empowering the Minister to extend for a year from the date of entry the time within which go to railway promoters and speculators. luctant to Show it, But an immigrant may perfect his entry for land. In order to obtain a patent for his land, a second homesteader can perfect his title thereto by living on his first home. Was Drawn.

stead when the two are in the same vicinity. The requirements for obtaining patents are amended so as to provide continuous residence on a homestead for three years, possession of 40 cattle and stabling therefor on the homestead, or nearby.

held by the rallways to-day, buy them back and throw them open to settlement. Any Government would do a wise thing if it could regain possession of all the lands held by comporations.

Hon. John Haggart: If I understood the Minister of the Interior last year, all the lands that can be granted have been granted on the homestead, or nearby. on Nearly Every Item That Came Up-

on the homestead, or nearby.

Another new clause permits a settler to qualify for a homestead by living three years on adjacent property owned by him. Provision is also made whereby the holder of a lien on a homestead for which patent has been applied for, but not granted, may have the patent taken out in the settler's wr. Maclean's Suggestion.

Freat Number of Cases of Partisanship Alleged From Different

Jeneral Mulock's administration of the Postoffice was the subject of a sharp de-

First, the challenged claims made by Mr. Mulock, himself, by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and other members of the Cabinet, in the course by the application of business methods, had practically brought the postoffice to self

has been applied for, but not granted, may have the patent taken out in the settler's name, the lien remaining a mortgage on the homestead.

Finally, the bill reduces the rate of interest on money due upon land sales to per cent.

Sir Charles H. Tupper hoped that Mr. Sifton would expedite the return asked for in connection with the complaints of irregularities under the Dominion Lands Act in the Yukon region before the bill went to the second reading.

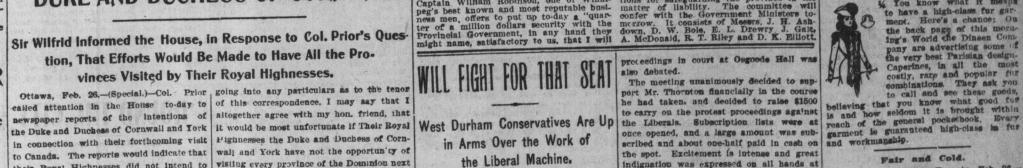
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Mr. Charlton's bill on the same subject was also read a first time. This bill provides that the public lands which are fit for settlement shall be granted to actual settlers only, and that in future no land grents shall be made to railways or other corporations. The future of Canada depends, he said, upon the settlement of the public lands by tollers. It is an outrageous thing to allow a middleman to step in between the settler and the Government. Sixty-seven million acres of public lands are now tied up, and the holding back of this immense area from settlement is a positive disaster to the country. To the Second, the change made in the of bookkeeping when Mr. Mulock took charge by which the Conservative deficit was shown in the most unfavorable light, and allied with this, by the application of the same principle of a special bookkeeping, the separation of the cost in the service in the Yukon from the ANENT MANITOBA RAILWAY DEAL statement covering the rest of the Domin

was not included in the main statement The President of the Northern Pacific Says There Has Been No Misleading the Public. Mr. R. L. Borden, who is never a man to stretch a fact, declared that this seemed

like misleading the public.



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Cure a Cold in a Few Hours.

Dr. Evans' Laxative Grip Capsules; op buzzing, no griping: money refunded if they fail. 25. Bingham's Pharmacy. 1357

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Minimum and maximum temperatures. Victoria, 44-58; Calgary, 10-36; Prince Aibert, 14 below—14; Qu'Appelle. 8 below—15 they fail. 25. Bingham's Pharmacy. 1357

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PURCHASE OF TRAIL SMELTER.

mistic shareholders will pick out of the clous.

On the other hand, the optimistic stock- the deficit was over \$400,000." holder will obtain solace from the official at Trail goes thru, to be able to handle ing \$100,000 to the Patriotic Fund, instead at a profit low grade ore that they are of \$10,000, while deploring the province's

The shareholder who is neither a pessi- GALLANT CHURCHILL COCKBURN tively high smelter charges. War Eagle is now what mining men term a WELCOMED TO HIS FATHER'S HOME hope that the vein between the sixth an tenth levels may yield \$2,500,000, value of the property pends entirely upon the speculative chance met with below the seventh level, For the benefit of readers, we print slong with the financial statement present-

ed yesterday, the corresponding statement submitted by the company just a year Year ending Dec. 31, ing Dec. 31,

The item, "machinery, buildings and equipment," has been raised some \$81,000. This increase represents the cost of the installation of the company's new hoist and compressors.

which any school in the works he had brought to the regiment to the belonged. The colonel proudly remark-he belonged. The colonel proudly remark-led that it was his own regiment, and all the representatives from that regiment who had served in South Africa had done as tributed in no small degree to that great tributed in no small degree to that great well as any other soldiers, and better than

New Claims Bought.

Items 6, 7 and 8 are the most surprising.

They represent \$174,077.72, for the purchase of stock in three mineral claims adjoining the War Eagle, viz., the Monita, Mugwump and Rossland Red Mountain. It is a well-known fact that these three properties came under the control of the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate about two wars ago. Blackstock syndicate about two years ago an enhanced value in case the mine had turned out a big success. Now, as the comcompany has to shoulder the said interests at their presumptive original value.

Of course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the absence of President George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the Albert George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday presided in the Albert George Course, as Mr. T. G. Blackstock, who gesterday president George G

KITCHENER AND BOTHA HAVE MET TO ARRANGE TERMS OF SURRENDER

Eagle company, the said stock did not appear in the assets of the company in last year's statement? The deduction is that Daily Chronicle—Armistice of 24 Hours Granted Boer General to Consult Other Officers.

London, Feb. 27.—The Daily Chronicle Middleburg," says a despatch to The Daily Jesterday presided in the absence of President George Gooderham, explained, should the War Eagle yet prove a success, the acquisition of the control of the three cisims mentioned would prove of value.

Louis Botha to arrange terms for the surrender of the Boers, and that an armistice render of the Boers, and that an armistice of 24 hours was granted the Boer commanding of 24 hours was granted the Boer commanding and the control of the three cisims mentioned would prove of value.

That is the Report From Botha's Camp, Sent by Way of Pieter-

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Clarkson Jones at yesterday's meeting.
He said, amidst laughter, that this was one crumb of comfort to the stockholders, and Mr. Blackstock added that by this means the management had avoided turning the company into an assessable one, as the statutes allowed.

Marquez, dated Feb. 26: The Portuguese strong guard on accompany the caccompany the board the Bengucki to accompany the Patents.—Fetherstonhaugh & Co., King-street West, Toronto, also Montreal, Ottawa and Washington.

Gadsby Goes Over to the Bluenoses.

TWO PEACE DELEGATES SHOT.

maritzburg.

London. Fcb. 26.—"It is reported than Gen. Louis Botha is moving on Emilo and Try English Chop House Quick Lunch.

The deputation will be heard on The merning.

Try English Chop House Quick Lunch.

Turkish Baths at Pember's, 75c.

don on this subject. As it is of a confidential nature, I am unable to make its ment to Their Royal Highnesses, and more

the Liberal Machine.

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