ons, wil be submitted to atter of gratification to note loudly of the forward ritories. The creation of creased municipal powers for; higher education is a footing upon a permar blic enterprise is beginning ies in which to employ its

counts and reports of the veral departments for the e laid before you for your

of the amounts required to blic services for the hose required for the next, prepared, all of which will, with your approval. The es on the part of the govern ment of Canada to the ntations of my governm ou this year to meet in some e the more immediatel ities which your restricted status permits you to deal

press the regret of my govof the Territories upon the the past year. All corres

and Gentlemen of the Legis

your labors will be for the of our country, and, under e, result in much good to

## AND LABOR ESS ELECT OFFICERS

of Montreal, is the New -A Farmer Cots Three s for Manslaughter.

Sept. 22 -This afternoon and Labor Congress elected officers: President, Allle. Montreal, by acclamant Flett declining re-elecsident, James Simpson, Totary-treasurer. P. M. Dradelegate to American Fedabor. James Flett. Nova executive election was left of the executive of the con-Brunswick, E. J. Neeve, V. sident Henry Goldworthy, y and Chas. B. McChestie, ommittee. The British Coitive to be selected by the

Won Scholarship. Sept. 23 .- G. T. Wilson, of aster, B. C., won the one mathematica and ned at \$150, at McGill. rian Manufacturers.

Sept. 23 .- Montreal was ufacturers' Association, 56 who are engaged in a tour nd the United States. The des many leading Austrian hall and many leading insights of the city. From to Boston, from which city home. New Post Office.

Sept. 23.-The post office has purchased a site on St. street, at a cost of \$45,000, ch post office.

For Manslaughter.

an farmer, was found guilty rhter in connection with the nest Eggerty, an Eganville at the Assize court yester v of a largely signed petiyears in the Kingston peniittlestat was drunk at the lled Eggerty by striking him ead with a whiffletree.

DREN SUFFOCATED.

Accident to Scholars Who rished in an Old Well.

ati, Sept. 23.—At Pleasant n miles north of Cincinnati, ssibly ten, school girls were n a vault during the forenoon a score of others marrowly same horrible death. Durt of the day the suburb was mingled excitement, sorrow ion, and to-night those open the calamity to official neglinaking serious threats. te sides of the capacious

the rear of the school buildouthouses. When the recess about thirty of the smaller in the outhouse assigned to suddenly the floor gave itating them into the vault his vault is twelve feet deep up with stone like a well. in it four feet of water, that been over the heads of the alling into it singly, but those est filled up the vault partihat the others were not entire

s fell eight feet from the floorhe struggles of those who op kept at least nine under they were dead. The frame se vaults were about twenty door, so that only one girl om the door. She ran into the lding and told the teachers happened. The principal and rs rushed to the rescue. The the girls were dimly heard vault, and most of them able to speak when rescued. population of the town, the podepartments rendering mos service. The firemen drained so as to be sure that the rescue

engaged in the rescue work reost ghastly experiences. ued alive presented such an apas to make many of the spec-aint, but the sight within the asses all description.

DAWSON VISITED BY RUINOUS FIRE

LOSS WILL BE OVER QUARTER OF MILLION

Greatest Conflagration in Northern City Since 1899-Narrow Escapes From Burning Buildings.

A Dawson dispatch, dated Saturday, gives particulars of a fire which swept a onsiderable district in that city. It is

"A most disastrous fire, entailing a loss not far from a quarter of a million dollars, swept over Dawson shortly after last night, destroying a large number of business houses and consuming several hotels, from which the guests barely escaped with their lives. The fire originated in the kitchen of the Cecil noted and gutted both sides of Queen street and Second and Third avenues for distance of several blocks. "J. E. Lilly, formerly a well known

attorney of Seattle, with his family, was ng those who were forced to flee for ocal telephone company, was comjump from the theil story winof the Cecil hotel and was painfully as was Mrs. Ella Ward, pror of the hostelry, who also jumped bedroom window. Charles umbleton, his wife and child, jumped rom a rear window in the Cecil and Dumbleton's leg was broken.

Though the fire department respondpromptly the failure of the street hynts to work at a critical moment gave he flames fully twenty minutes headpon them. Once in action the departent, assisted by the Northern Commercial Company volunteer brigade, did eroic service and succeeded in checkg the flames a few feet west of the Bank of North America building. add to the loss rain began to fall in sheets at a time when many stocks had housands of dollars' worth of damage from which owners would have otherwise escaped.

ning on the eve of preparation for a fong Arctic winter the fire is a serious visitation, as it destroyed many stocks \$28,500. difficulty and expense while navigation is closed. The fire is the largest in Dawson since the conflagration of 1899. None of the destroyed property or stocks f goods was insured and the losses will n many instances, mean the ruin of smaller business houses.
"Following is a list of the places de-

stroyed, together with an estimate of the opproximate loss in each instance: "Cecil hotel, 20,000; Stockholm hotel, \$13,500; R. V. Vining, commission deal-, stock and building, \$10,000; Klondike Thawing Machine Company, stock and milding, \$11,000; Partler Grocery Company, stock and building, \$8,000; Flanhotel, \$8,000; Pugam & Sons, clothing, \$10,000; L'Abbe hotel, \$8,000; Shaw & Co., commission, \$3,500; Clark & Co., commission, \$3,000; Central hotel, 57,000; Donovan hotel, \$5,500; A. Mc-Donald, tailor shop, \$2,500; Anderson tion of Matter" (illust Brothers, \$3,000; McDonald Trading by F. Moore, B. Sc. Company, stock and building, \$7,000; C.

C. P. R. MACHINISTS' STRIKE.

Employees in Shops on Western Lines Seek

Increase in Wages. "At 11 o'clock on Saturday morning all tools and went out on strike," says the couver News-Advertiser.

"The strike is general over the Western Vancouver and a number of men are thus "Some of the striking employees called office of the News-Advertiser and illustrated. set forth their side of the case. The cause

ern and on the Northern Pacific are paid tion. They say that unless a settlement is reached within a few days the machinists discoveries in this province. of the entire Canadian Pacific railway sysordered from the headquarters of the Machinists' Union in Winnipeg. About 40 entertained. here is no disagreement between the local Vinnipeg.

who is dealing with the matter, on Satur- laboratories. day issued the following circular from lossland, setting forth the company's post-

"To All Representatives of Organized Labor on Western Lines: In the revision of machinists' schedule, a demand for an increase of wages was nade. I offered as much of an increase as lined. I thereupon proposed to submit tion of wages to arbitration, and is also has been declined. Notwithstanding my efforts to conciliate I have just been med the machinists have gone out on

A Winnipeg dispatch says: The demand terned had notified the company that un-less their demands were acceded to by 11 b'clock, they would leave their work. A Winnipeg shops laid down their tools enous maws.

and walked out. The men at Fort Willam and other points also walked out. The men say they are asking for pay equal to the chedule that prevails on the Northern Pa cinc and other Western railroads south of the international boundary. This means an increase of from three to five cents per An official of the company, interviewed said it was the intention to fight the strike and a long struggle appears imminent."

ROSSLAND CAMP.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy and Party Visited City-The Week's Ore Shipments

Rossland, Sept. 24,-Sir Thomas Shaugh nessy and party spent a few hours t Rossland to-day. Asked for an expression on the exportation of British Columbia ores for treatment in the United States and the Canadian Pacific's attitude there on. Sir Thomas said the company had done everything possible to insure the reduction of Canadian ores within Canada by erecting and improving the Trail smelter, new possessing a capacity for three times the quantity of ore being shipped there. He knew that the principal ore exporter from Rossland (the Le Roi) was exporting at a sacrifice, but as long as the owners of the ore desired to ship, only the government could take steps to bring about a change. Export taxes were deprecated in many quarters, but the Ontario government's action in placing an export tax on logs and thereby building up a big Canadian milling industry, might be taken as a precedent in respect to ores. He was opposed to a policy

The ore shipments from Rossland camp for the week ending to-night were: Le Roi, 2,250 tons; Centre Star, 1,440 tons; War Eagle, 1,230 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 450 tons; milled, 300 tons; Jumbo, 300 tons; Velvet-Portland, 250 tons; I. X. L., concentrates, 4 tons; White Bear, milled, 50 tons; total, 6,274 tons; year to date, 258,182 tons.

Among the special events of the week was the determination by the Velvet-Portland Company to double the capacity of the present plant to secure a daily milling capacity of 100 tons. Part of the lumber required is already cut, orders have been placed for the machinery, and it is expected the plant will be in full running order before January 1st.

The White Bear resumed milling late in the week, having made provision for enough water to run fifteen stamps. The supply is to be further increased at an early date. een moved into the street, causing Le Roi No. 2 has lost no time in starting work on the recently bonded Evening Eureka group, a force of men now being en-

A cabled report of Le Roi's operations for mouth places the estimated profits at

LECTURE COURSE. A Series of High-Class Addresses by Local

for the general public as well as for the

students, will be delivered in the assembly hall of Victoria College and High school, according to the following plan: October 7th-"Through the Rockies on a Velocipede" (illustrated), by Rev. G. W. Dean.

October 21st-"Japan and China" (illusbrated), by Rev. A. Ewing. November 4th-"Grip and Get," by Rev. G. K. B. Adams. November 18th - "Our Atmospheric Ocean" (illustrated), by F. Napler Denison,

December 2nd-"The Ultimate Constituion of Matter" (illustrated by experiments),

mountain scenery in words, while present-

the machinists in the local shops of the discuss the probable effect of the war upon canadian Pacific railway laid down their those Oriental nations. He will exhibit

over 100 views. Mr. Denison, of the weather bureau, will greatest number of points in the complete is petition has excited the young athletes now on the look-out for a Carnival King in the whaler for a while Mr. Ellicott begins to the while Mr. Ellico give not only an interesting lecture, but lines of the C. P. R. from Fort William to a highly instructive one, and will deal with

Mr. Moore will give very interesting inof the trouble, they stated, is entirely a question of wages. The strikers claim that cent discoveries in science, illustrating his he machinists, both on the Great North- remarks by experiment. Among the numerous experiments will be some illustrating at a higher rate of wages than they re- the phenomena of radium and the X-ray. ceive, and they asked for a rise of 11/2 . The superintendent of education will close cents per hour above the present remunera- the series by a lecture that should prove most instructive, dealing with the early

tem, involving several hundred men, will be out on strike. The present strike was patronage of the thoughtful people of Vic- Afternoon

men are out in Vancouver. They say that | Tickets for the entire course will be sold C. P. R. officials and themselves, as all and to their friends. The number, however, he negotiations will be carried on with the must be limited to the capacity of the hall. ment. of course tickets. The proceeds will be de-"William Whyte, second vice-president, voted to the better equipment of the science

SENATOR HOAR'S CONDITION.

given out at the Senator's residence just "The Senator slept all night and is in a ons warranted, but my offer was de stupor this morning. He did not take food Association. Band concerts. or medicine during the night. The end is

TRAVELLER'S SHICIDE

Vancouver, Sept. 26.-M. J. S. Kerr, of Barnet, traveller in the Northwest for the lied mechanical trades employed North Pacific Lumber Co., committed sui- 2.30. on the Canadian Pacific railway for an in- cide last night at Regina by drowning. He crease of wages culminated on Saturday in had been till of typhoid and was delirious. A strike. Representatives of the men con-

ing from the company, the men working in away most of those that escape their rav-

SIR HENRI JOLY WILL PRESIDE AT CEREMONY

The Show Will Be in Progress Until Saturday - The Programme of -Attractions.

(From Monday's Daily.) To-morrow the annual Victoria exhibithat had belt canada with holes in the ground to represent what had been mining a championship boxing exhibition is to purpose while a band and vocal concert

display to be held on Wednesday. I got a number of photographs, but the Shrubbery is being placed all over the weather was too smoky to get many of the the air was somewhat hazy. grounds between the buildings and the spot selected for the Royal Artillery water we mountains. camp, which will be attacked by th sailors. This display is expected to be one of the most interesting and instructive features of the exhibition.

Last evening the first of the stock from Mainland farms commenced to arrive Among the principal exhibitors are C Moses, of North Saanich, shorthorns: J. T. and J. H. Wilkinson, of Chilhmany prizes, defeating the best Eastern ment. shire Down sheep and a herd of fine Guernsey cows; Haldon Bros., of Saanich, with Tamworth hogs, Polled Angus cattle and Ayeshires; Messns. A. C. Wells & Sons with a horse herd of the Steamer Tees from a trlp to the North. "We were about 50 miles beyond Hazel-H. M. Vasey, of Delta, with Clydesdales,

to their greatest efforts. show, compared to 383 this fall. All cluded a visit to Hazelton. cultural Association.

Tuesday, Sept. 27th-Opening Day. Morning-10 o'clock-Commencement of The whole series will have a great educa- judging. Trap shooting, starting at the

Afternoon-Grand opening at 2 o'clock. toria who wish to be instructed as well as Army and Navy Association football match at 2.30 o'clock. Evening-Band concerts and vocal selec-

at a merely nominal price to the students tions by musicians of repute. At 8 o'clock B. C. amateur championship boxing tournavice-president, William Whyte, of Seats will be reserved till 8.10 for holders Wednesday, Sept. 28th-Navy and Army

Day. Morning-Judging, commencing at 10 Afternoon-Columbia vs. Victoria Asso

Navy and army spectacular display at 3, Worcester, Mass., Sept. 26.—The following including field gun competition between bulletin on Senator Hoar's condition was naval teams, physical drill exhibition by R. G. A., obstacle race and a sham battle. Evening-Boxing tournament at 8 o'clock. under the auspices of the Victoria Amateur Thursday, Sept. 29th-Citizens' Day.

Morning-Finals in football tourney, from 10.30 to 11.30 o'clock. Afternoon-Grand parade of stock at 1

Evening-Tug-of-war tournament at 8 Victoria on their wedding trip. o'clock. Band concerts. Friday, Sept. 30th-Children's Day. Morning-Children's sports at 10 o'clock

on exhibition grounds for handsome cup. Evening-Tug-of-war and miners' drilling V Stott & Jury, Bowmanville, Onc.

THREE MEN WERE Saturday, Oct. 1st-America Day. Afternoon-Horse racing at 2.30. Evening-Tug-of-war and miners' drilling ntest at 8 o'clock. Band concerts.

ABOUT FLATHEAD VALLEY.

D. B. Bogle Writes About the Oil Lands Just Visited by Him. President Hayward, of the Flathead Valley Oil Lands Development Company, has received the following lefter from D. B. Bogle, which is self-explanatory:

This is just a line to let you know that I have returned safely from the Flathead ountry, having had a most successful and pleasant trip and having accomplished what went in for. I will write a detailed ac count of my trip to Moresby to-morrow i I can-something in the nature of a full

I visited the Big Seepage on Sage creek, To-morrow the annual Victoria exhibi-tion opens under the auspices of the Bri-hood, and got samples and also the lay of were three victims was the sad ending tish Columbia Agricultural Association.

The formal ceremony will be conducted creek claims. The country is on fire in by His Honor Sir Henri Joly de Lot-biniere at 2 o'clock, and the occasion is to be marked by a band concert and a number of vocal selections. Previous to o'clock, a trap shoot will be held, and stakes of my claim and photographed the following the opening address by the claim, as it is off the trail, but I looked Lieut.-Governor an Association football over the ground covered by his claim, match between the Army and Navy for These two claims are as valuable, and, a championship boxing exhibition is to chinery into that point is not by any means take place in a pavilion erected for the a hard one, and I hope we may be the first company in British Columbia to operate a will be rendered in the main building. rig. Our chances of striking oil at the There will be a lengthy and varied pro-gramme for each of the five days of the show.

There will be a lengthy and varied pro-forks of Kish-e-mench creek are very good indeed. In fact, the location of our prop-erty far exceeded my anticipations. At the forks, if there is anything in what the ex- of her, the men to enjoy some fishing as The buildings and grounds present a busy scene to-day. Workmen are employed everywhere—on the three floors of the main buildings, at the outhouses, Boulder creek country, in Montana, on the Boulder creek country, in Montana, on the Mrs. Ellicott and their two children. of the main buildings, at the cuthouses, on the race track and the grounds. As a result of this activity preparations are being rapidly completed, and very little gas strikes being made. The oil field seems gas strikes being made. The oil field seems will remain to be done when the gates will be thrown open in the morning. The part is its southerly extension. I met quite formed. This consisted of Capt. Pritch-A large party of sailors arrived at the coal. Every second man wants to hear all Williams. They left the ship in the grounds this morning, and commenced about it. There is a good deal of trading preparations for the naval and military being done one way and amother in claims. back and forth in the vicinity of Albert Sergis. Major Shorey and Ellicott.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Telegraph Officials Return From North-Ballot Box Stuffing in Election of Carnival Queen.

Geo. Sangster, Aberdeen Angus; Messrs. D. Jennings, Methodist missionary at Port Essington. A few days ago he suffered a whack, with a large number of thorough- paralytic stroke, which totally incapacitatthe Dominion exhibition, and captured when the Tees left showed some improve- party. They shouted for help, but were

breeders; J. C. Henderson, of Chilli-wack, with Poland China hogs, Hamp-vice, Ottawa, and J. Y. Rochester, of Van-C. Wells & Sons, with a large herd of ton," Mr. Charleson said, "on a tour of in-Ayreshire cattle and Shropshire sheep; spection of the telegraph line. We found

It is now definitely announced that Rev. Dr. Whittington, superintendent of atmospheric phenomena of everyday occur-rence, yet not generally understood by the majority of people. The lecture will be well as and 100 more entries this year than last and 100 more exhibitors. There were only 278 steek entries at the 1903 were only 278 stock entries at the 1903 tion of the Northern stations, which in-

things taken into consideration and To perpetuate the memory of those mem-given favorable weather the show open-bers of the Sixth Regiment, D. C. O. R., ing to-morrow should be the most suc- who died in South Africa during the Boer cessful in the annals of the B. C. Agri- war, a handsome tablet is to be erected in the drill hall by members of the Sixth The complete programme of attractions Regiment and citizens of Vancouver. The blows: Private Jackson, Second Royal Canadian Regiment; Private Whitley, Second Royal Canadian Regiment; Trooper Mackintosh, Strathcona Horse. The three were former members of the Sixth Regiment and enlist-

ed here for duty in South Africa.

Medical Health Officer Dr. Underhill on Friday afternoon made an inspection of a dozen different darries in the city and in the immediate neighborhood. He was accompanied by Health Inspector Marrion vevel to the Blythswood where they reveal to the Blythswood where they recompanied by Health Inspector Marrion and several other officials. "I found conditions profity much as I had seen them at ceived every attention possible. tions pretty much as I had seen them at other times," said Dr. Underhill. "The principal criticism is that in many places the stables and the places for cleaning and handling the milk are too adjacent. The elation football match, starting at 2 o'clock. laws should be changed to provide for this. Not much can be done unless the regula- Blythswood heard shouts about the time tions are amended. Provision should be made for handling the milk in separate buildings and for a good supply of hot water at all times. Most of the places we saw were very clean, and looked all right from that point of view, but these changes that I have suggested should be carried

out." Vancouver, Sept. 26.—Sergeant Perry, 6th o'clock. Demonstration of commercial Regiment, the King's prize winner at Bis-fruit packing at 2 o'clock. Horse racing at ley, was married this morning to Miss Leola Beatrice McAllister. They went to

The Cause of Cancer.

This subject is carefully and sensibly of clock, they would leave their work. A strength of the best afternoon—At 1 o'clock, grand parade of strength of the best afternoon—At 1 o'clock, grand parade of strength of the best afternoon—At 1 o'clock, grand parade of strength of the best afternoon—At 1 o'clock, grand parade of strength of the best of the best

DROWNED SUNDAY

BY CAPSIZING OF BOAT OFF ALBERT HEAD

Sergt.-Major Shorey, Sergt.-Major Ellicott and Second Mate Hartoch Victims of Accident.

of a fishing expedition which started out under the most favorable auspices vesterday afternoon. Two Victoria homes have been plunged in mourning, while the Old Country.

doubtless the news has already sped to The Blythswood arrived here about number of vocal selections. Previous to over the divide into Alberta to the Rocky this in the forenoon, commencing at 10 Mountain Company's well. I found the Old Country. The unfortunate three were Sergt.-Major Shorey, of the Royal Engineers; Sergt.-Major Ellicott, of the Army Ordnance Corps, and Harry Hartoch, second mate of the ship Master of Blythswood Tells How the Blythswood, now in the Royal Roads.

Had it not been for the appearance on

the scene of the launch Shamrock, it is

(From Monday's Daily.)

quite likely that more names would have been added to this sad chronicle. Yesterday morning,, about 10 o'clock, a party rowed out to the Blythswood, the intention being to spend the day aboard

They lunched aboard the Blythswood, the guests of Capt. Pritchard, and early

About half-past four o'clock the party decided to return to the ship, but just as they were bringing their craft about the main boom went under water, and capsized. All were thrown into the Word was brought down on Saturday by water, but managed to grasp the side of the steamer Tees of a sad affliction to Rev. the boat, which was held in the water ordered all to refrain from attempting to unable to make those on the Blythswood. about two miles away, realize their

cumbing to exhaustion. Then it was that Sergt.-Major Shorey everything very satisfactory. There was and Mate Hartoch decided to make an H. M. Vasey, of Delta, with Clydesdales, everything very satisfactory. There was Shorthorns, Yorkshire pigs and Oxford nothing special in connect on with our trip.

And Mate Hartoch decided to make an many minutes had elapsed we were all for Portland to resume his studies. Mr. Thompson is entering upon his second Thompson is entering upon his second term in the North Pacific Dental College at the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a destruction of stock through rain and the losses from theft, together with the personal effects of hotel guests, will amount to \$60,000."

Yamcouver," by Alexander Robinson, B. A. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this city. The first lecture of the course will be able to make the distand, with Shorthorns; Frank Kirk- and will await instructions here."

The first lecture of the course will be given by a gentleman whose ability as a lecture is known to many in this second the first to offer a they would be able to make the distand, with Shorthorns; I stand, with shorthorns; I stand, with shorthorns; I amount tell just when I will await instructions here."

The first lecture of the course will be able to make the distand, with Shorthorns; I stand, also of Westholm I shand, also of Westholm I s James Thompson, from Sardis, with Suffolk sheep and Chester White hogs; J.

T. Maynard, from Chilliwhack, with

Ded Polyder of the Sardis, with Sufthree thousand votes more than were
bought. Fictitious ballots were neatly

The Maynard, from Chilliwhack, with

Ded Polyder of the Sardis, with Sufthe ballot box had been stuffed with nearly
sergeant-major started out. The second
mate divested himself of most of his garmate divested himself of In a series of stereopticon views. Many views from other lands visited by the lecture will be shown.

The lecture on China and Japan will be especially interesting because of the great war now in progress. Mr. Ewing, who spent many years in those countries, will discovered by the respectable office of the great war now in progress. Mr. Ewing, who spent many years in those countries, will discovered by the respectable office of the great war now in progress. Mr. Ewing, who spent many years in those countries, will discovered by the respectable office of the great war now in progress. Mr. Ewing, who spent many years in those countries, will discovered by the results of the great ones, the then struck out for the vessel, but did not seem for acouple of hundred they were seen for a couple of hundred to straighten mate divested himself of most of his garments and left about the same timents and left about the same tim ing faithfully for the coming struggle. majority, but when notified she refused to unsuccessful. On informing the captain

gan to show signs of exhaustion, and despite the encouraging words of the captain was unable to hold on any longer and dropped off. Apprentice McLean dived after him and brought him to the boat, but he went under again. The captain went after him a second time, but the unfortunate man had already beome unconscious and sank a third time,

this time to his doom. For about two hours the survivors clung desperately to the sides of the boat, Capt. Pritchard heroically doing his utmost to buoy up their hopes. Several of them were beginning to feel the effects of their exertions, the cold and the terrible mental strain, and McLean, es- by pecially, was on the verge of a collapse. Fortunately the launch Shamrock was passing at this juncture, and her captain was quick to note the sore straits of the

The Shamrock came along just in the nick of time. Capt. Pritchard and his companions could not have clung to the whaler much longer, and it is doubtful if succor would have arrived from any ther quarter in time. The men on the the whalter capsized, but they thought it was the party cheering over the catch of a big fish.
"I heard the sounds in the distance,"

said the first mate to a Times represen-tative on board the ship this morning, "but such a thing as a calamity of this kind never entered my mind. I thought they had made a catch of some kind, and the ship they expected to be back about half-past five o'clock. McLean, the apprentive who dived after Mr. Ellicott, is ship, and would have been the next to years of age.

Ellicott and their children were waiting anticipate trouble.

on board the Blythswood. They were conveyed ashore before they had time to realize what had occurred, and when the news of the sad occurrence was gently broken to them, they were almost pros-

Every effort was made to find the odies, but up to noon to-day no trace of them or the boat could be found. The Engineers manned a boat and scoured the waters in all directions, mate of the Blythswood went out another craft, while the steward also covered the neighborhood in a craft. The search was kept up until after 1 o'clock, and was unremittingly continued to-day The news of the fatality has aroused the most profound grief at Work Point, Esquimalt and in the city, where Mr.

Shorey and Mr. Ellicott were most high esteemed. The former has been or this station about five years while Me Ellicott came here about two years ago. Both were very popular with the officers and men. They were in the prime life, and each leaves a widow and two small children.

Mr. Hartoch, the second mate, was a

native of Glasgow, but had resided in Liverpool for a number of years. He was about 25 years of age. He leaves mother, two sisters and a brother in three weeks ago, and is about to proceed

Africa. CAPT. PRITCHARD'S STORY.

Bellingham to load lumber for South

wood, arrived in the city this morning and to a Times reported gave a thrilling account of the accident. He says:

Accident Occurred.

"Having been treated very hospitably by residents of Work Point garrison during recent visits to this port, and becoming particularly friendly with Sergts .-Major Shorey and Ellicott, I invited them and their families to spend Sunday of board ship. They arrived about 10 o'clock and we spent a pleasant social ime, the women and children swinging in hammocks we had erected for their convenience, and we men smoking and

chatting. "After dinner I suggested that we go interior exhibits are practically finished, and there is scarcely any decorating to be done, the work having been stanted several weeks ago. It certainly does credit to those responsible.

A large party of seilors awrived at the large party of seilors awrived at the large party of seilors are several weeks ago. It certainly does credit to those responsible.

A large party of seilors awrived at the large part is its southerly extension. I met quite a number of oil men and speculators look and out, all of whom were most enthusiastic about the territory. In Spokane you hear a great deal more about the oil than about the large part is its southerly extension. I met quite a number of oil men and speculators look and out, all of whom were most enthusiastic about the territory. In Spokane you hear a great deal more about the oil than about the apprentices, R. McLean and S. Canham; two able seamen, R. G. Williams and A. Troberg; Mate Hartoch and myself, besides the guests of the occasion.

"It was calm when we started out, and four of the men were rowing an oar each, while the two garrison men were trolling. We steered a course almost direct for Albert Head, and in a short time the wind began to rise and the sail was hoisted. I think we made three or with startling suddenness the whaler four tacks before it was suggested that we turn back. Then the sport being poor I pulled out my watch and said: 'Well, boys, its a quarter past 4 o'clock, don't you think we had better return at an angle by the sail. Capt. Pritchard They agreed to this, and we put about, sailing before the wind with the main bred Southdown sheep and roadster ed him. He was removed to the Port Simpler of the boom stretched straight out from the side of the boat. We had gone along in this way for some minutes when the ac- the oxygen treatment is proving helpful. eident occurred.

"The main boom, owing to the heavy next twenty-four hours the doctors will swell, suddenly dipped into the water have hopes of her recovery. causing the boat to tip considerably. Two or three of the boys then put weight to the other side, and before you could count three she was bottom side up, and we were struggling in the water. Pilot Thompson, of this city, is visiting his Fortunately all could swim, and before parents for a week or two before leaving

"Mate Hartoch poticed this, and said The challenge cup presented by Secreact. As it is not likely that any of the tary Swinerton to the school winning the other candidates will accept the position to the boat.

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\*\* Mate Hartoch noticed this, and said to me: 'I can swim much quicker than the boat.

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\*\* Archibald Duncan, an English sportsman, the boat. After the others had been hanging to the whaler for a while Mr. Ellicott bebeing evident that something was the ish Columbia as an excellent field for fishermatter with Sergt. Major Shorey, I con-sented to this proposal. I also rigged him out with a support from the remaining pair of oars, which were secured by diving beneath the upturned boat, and Miss Webling is a well known miniature he started away swimming, with strong painter, and will spend some time in this bold strokes that promised to bring him city. alongside Shorey in no time.

"Meantime we were doing everything possible. Now and then I would give the signal and we would all shout together San Francisco, on a visit to her daughter, n the hope that someone would hear. Mrs. Crowell, whose husband has been seri-By this time Sergt.-Major Ellicott com- ously ill, but is now improving. menced to show signs of exhaustion. He slipped from the boat several times, but beating, and then we attempted to hold her sister, Mrs. T. W. Midgley, of St. Ann-him up, but the exertion was too much, on-the-Sea, England. as it was all we could do to keep our-

elves from sinking. "I mustn't forget to mention the attempt made by Reginald McLean, one of the apprentices, to rescue Shorey. We "I he he he he ard the Fifth Regiment band from this city."

H. P. Bell, C. E., has accepted a position secured a log for him, and with one arm on the Georgian Bay canal survey. He will round it he tried to swim to the drown- have charge of one of the parties in the ing man, but soon became exhausted, and I had to send Williams after him It was with difficulty we got them back left on Friday morning for Toronto Univerto the boat.

"We had drifted opposite Albert Head medicine.

Rev. T. W. Glover, of Toronto, is spendwhen the smoke of the Shamrock was first seen. Through shouting together we lng a few days in the city with his brother, attracted the attention of those aboard. Geo. Glover, Fourth street and when they arrived McLean looked as if he could scarcely last five minutes. He was clinging to the mast with his of two months in England. head above water."

said of the great presence of mind shown office in a few days. were cheering over it. When they left by Capt. Pritchard, who, although not a strong swimmer, heroically strove keep up the spirits of the others, besides making desperate efforts to save Sergt .in bed, not having recovered from the Major Ellicott. Young McLean, the apeffects of his trying experience. He was very exhausted when he reached the prentice, who also acquitted himself that settles on a man or woman whose with signal credit, is only eighteen nerves are shattered by disease can best be

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NOTHING DEFINITE REGARDING ELECTION

But Statement May Be Made This Week -Tribute to the Premier's Services.

Ottawa, Sept. 26.-The Governor-General and party arrived from the West by the Imperial limited early this morning. On the arrival of Lord Minto an opportunity will be afforded to circulate reports as to the early issue of writs for the federal election. At all events, the presence of His Excellency here will permit the Premier to have a consulta-tion with him for the purpose of getting a dissolution whenever Sir Wilfrid makes up his mind to have the election. Something on the subject may be available before the week closes, but nothing has been done so far.

Tribute to Premier.

Sir Howard Vincent addressed the Canadian Club here on Saturday. He spoke strongly of the services Sir Wilfrid Laurier had rendered the Empire. Hon. Sydney Fisher, in proposing a vote of thanks, said that the Old Country should remember that it had a source of food supply in this country, which would stick to it through thick and thin, which Britain could not expect of the

The Wheat Crop. Hon. C. Sifton cabled Lord Strathcona that the wheat crop of Manitoba from 55,000,000 to 60,000,000 bushels.

Dundonald's Visit. Lord Dundonald is expected here about the end of October. He will hunt moose

in Mattawa district. To Paint Portrait. The colonial secretary, replying to a petition from members of the House of

Commons, says that King Edward will

adian artist, J. C. Forbes, of Montreal, for his portrait. Mr. Forbes made a

pleased to give a sitting to the Can-

portrait of W. E. Gladstone for Can-

LADY CURZON IMPROVING. London, Sept. 26.-Though Lady Curzon passed a quiet night and there are slight signs of improvement this morning, her condition is still very grave.

Afternoon Bulletin Walmer Castle, Kent, Sept. 26.-4.55 p.m. -Lady Curzon so far passed a fairly quiet day. The nurses are said to be fairly able to keep up Lady Curzon's strength, while If a collapse can be prevented within the

PERSONAL. John Lamb Thompson, second son of Thompson is entering upon his second

L. A. Gill, formerly of Victoria, but now

men.

Miss Ethel Webling, of London, Eng., is a guest of Mrs. S. Maclure, of this city. Mrs. H. Dallas Helincken was a passenger

After an absence of five months Miss diving in turns we kept him above | Annie Jobson has returned to her home in until I found that his pulse had stopped Victoria West. She has been the guest of

> W. T. Hardaker returned Sunday from a trip to the St. Louis fair. During his

field. Mr. Bell has left for Ottawa. Sidney Powell, son of Dr. I. W. Powell. sity, where he will take up a course in

Hon. R. G. Tatlow and Mrs. Tatlow left Vancouver on Saturday for a pleasure trip Hon. Chas. Wilson left the hospital In this connection too much cannot be Monday. It is expected he will be in his Robert Grant, M. P. P., of Comox, is in

to the city. TWITCHY MUSCLES AND SLEEP-LESSNESS.-The hopeless heart sickness pictured in contrast with a patient who has been in the "depths" and has been dragged