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luctive should be considered.

Mr. Johnson suggested that if the

Prof. Prince-I have a proposition to

suggest to the minister, the advisability

of taking the spawn from the earlier

The length of the nets used by the fish-

ermen on the Skeena river was next dis-

cussed. Prof. Prince thought a 200

fathom net a very long one. If the

Skeena fishermen were allowed to con-

June 15th. The run, they said, com-

menced earlier there than it did on the

At the request of Prof. Prince a num

Col. Prior suggested that at the same

Mr. Earle said a gentleman had re-

Mr. Earle referred to the regulation

prohibiting the sale of salmon during the

winter months, the fish having to be im-

ported from the Sound for local con-

Prof. Prince said the regulation was

Mr. Rithet pointed out that the salmon

canneries for a number of years or after

could not say that it had any effect on

Mr. Todd said he would guarantee to

the factory for a term of five years. Be-

Col. Prior suggested that some of the

Among the rivers suggested were the

This brought up the question of the

right of Indians to construct weirs in

Prof. Prince had no hesitation in say

to them trapping fish for their own use,

into this matter during his visit to Cow-

Mr. Earle said that some time ago Mr.

Ward had asked for permission to trap

salmon in Beechy Bay and other places

leges as those enjoyed by Americans.

So far permission had not been granted.

was proposed to place the traps. This

Mr. Johnson did not think it would be

they were trying to do away with the

well for Canadians to use traps while

Mr. Rithet said he had made a simila:

Prof. Prince could not say anything

the rivers.

he would do.

traps at Point Roberts.

The meeting then broke up.

HOOD'S PILLS become the favorite ca-

dered Prof. Prince.

time he look into the question of introdu-

ments for their introduction.

Fraser.

would want to do the same.

early runs earlier runs would result.

An Exchange of Views Between the Canners and Commissioner Prince.

Fish and Their Habits Discussed by Those Who Understand Them.

At the board of trade rooms yesterday afternoon Prof. Prince, the Dominion fisheries commissioner, had a conference with the Victorians who are interested in the fishing industry. There were the Fraser, and besides the fishermen resent, besides Prof. Prince, Messrs. R. P. Rithet, M. P. P., Thomas Earle, M. the larger nets. Lieut.-Col. Prior, M.P., Thomas E. Ladner, J. H. Todd, M. T. Johnson, G. 2. Kirk and Captain James Gaudin. as the fishermen went out some distance

Mr. Rithet expressed his pleasure at peing able to meet Prof. Prince, who was day as they did on the Fraser. so well qualified to make inquiry into the fishing industry. He had no doubt but favor of allowing the fishermen to comthat his visit would result in much good to all concerned.

Mr. Todd hoped that what Prof. Prince would see during his visit would convince him that the habits of the Pacitic coast salmon were different to the habits of the eastern salmon. All the requests made by the canners were made with the object of preserving the 15th, he saw no objection to it. industry. He was still of opinion that the licenses should be raised to \$20 and the revenue used in increasing the sal-

mon hatcheries. Prof. Prince touched briefly upon the were Sooke, Shawnigan, Cowichan and sturgeon and its value. Russia had for others. He promised to make arrangetwo centuries carried on sturgeon fishing, while the Americans had practically depleted their waters. Americans were now looking with keen eyes to the riv- cing bass into some of the lakes. ers of British Columbia and New Brunswick. The value of the sturgeon did cently endeavored to obtain information not seem to be fully realized, and there as to how to prepare sardines for had been some grumbling because for market, but could not obtain it. The fish eign companies had not been allowed to were very plentiful here. pursue their destructive methods of fishing on the Fraser river. The sturgeon sardine industry had been accidentally could be used in many ways. There left out of the annual report. It would was caviare, made from the roe of the be very easy to carry on the industry fish: the flesh, when smoked, was in on this coast if the fish could be obtained large demand in New York and other in any quantities. centres; isinglass was obtained from the bladder; a valuable oil used in preparing Russia leather was produced from the fish; the spinal cord was considered a great luxury by the Chinese; glue was sumption. made from the bones and the offal makes sturgeon were superior to those obtained this province should not compete with It was also necessary to give the fish a Aussia in this industry. It was barbarens and highly destructive to put down bare hooks at the bottom of the

present named several places where lobsters could be placed.

could be used with advantage.

being badly injured. Strong drift nets few

Prof. Prince asked if there were any ters. localities in the vicinity of Victoria where oysters might be introduced and al was brought up by Mr. Ladner. He from her crowded centres. cultivated. The breeding and reeding suggested that the government bonus the grounds should be separate. The teed- offal factory until it could be made to some of the Indians on the Sapphire ing grounds should be at the mouth of ray. They had a market in Hawaii and the crew of the whaling bark California river or stream. There was an expert on oysters in the department at dispose of the oil. It was proposed to dry goods from Captain Cox and traded British Columbia and thought some steps handle all the offer on the river. should be taken to cultivate oysters on Mr. Rithet said that even then they and because his klootchman hid a bottle was to have regulations framed, as be- they would get all the offal from the fore that no steps could be taken.

Captain Gaudin stated that a number the capital had been expended another of men at Oyster Bay had successfully company would come in and two factor. cultivated oysters and he and other gen- ies would not pay. tlemen present suggested places where Prof. Prince did not look upon the the government could commence opera- present factory as a first class one. It tions. Among the places mentioned seemed a waste of good material to were Oyster Bay, Sooke Harbor and throw the offal into the river but he quor. It was the mate, and when comother places along the east coast.

Prot. Prince promised to examine the fish. Of course, when the country some of these places before leaving. became more thickly populated, it would Referring to the salmon hateneries, not do to throw it into the river. Prof. Prince said there seemed to be a division of opinion among the canners as give all the offal from his canneries to

to the benefit of hatcheries. Mr. Ladner had no doubt but that the sides there was a standing offer of \$200 hatcheries were a success and had been a season for the removal of the offal. a benefit to the industry on the Fraser river. There were only one or two eastern salmon, which take the fly, be incanners who differed on this point. troduced in some of the clear rivers. Mr. Todd thought the professor would

find that all the canners considered the Cowichan, Sooke and Englishman's. hatcheries beneficial, but some contended that they were not located in the proper Prof. Prince-Having granted that batcheries are beneficial, another point is ing that the Indians had no right to ob-

what kind of salmon should be cultivated struct the rivers. He had no objection Mr. Rithet suggested the red spring but did not think they should be allowed salmon. The write salmon were not to obstruct the river. He would look marketable.

Mr. Johnson said it had always been ichan. held by Mr. Anderson that the Columbia River salmon should be introduced in

the Fraser River Mr. Ladner-That can easily be done, along the Straits. Mr. Ward did not as the Columbia River salmon spawn in think it would affect the river and he British Columbia, the headwaters of the thought he should have the same privi-

river being in this province. Mr. Rithet said it would be a decided advantage if the Columbia River salmon could be introduced. They are richer, application. deeper in color and the run commences earlier.

On the whole Prof. Prince thought that hatcheries were beneficial. There were cases in which they failed, and therefore he did not say that they did all the good He had not the slightest doubt but that they would do good on the Fraser River.

Mr. Todd-It is quite worth trying, and trying thoroughly. We are all will-

ing to assist. Mr. Earle brought up the question of starting small hatcheries on some of the smaller rivers, to keep up the supply of salmon. He instanced the Nimpkish River and Clayoquot Sound. The owners of the canneries at those places were quite willing to bear the expense if they were given exclusive rights of fishing on the rivers named for a number of years. Some one suggested that the govern-

ment should bear the cost, pointing out that while the Dominion government derived a large revenue from the fishery industry they spent a very small anioun-Last year while the revenue He had not heard anyone suggest free reached nearly \$25,000, only three or four thousand dollars were spent.

Mr. Ladner-And then the government charged the expenses of the steamer Samson to the fisheries, while she only his investigations. (Applause.) did \$500 worth of work in connection with them.

Prof. Prince said he had learned while thartic with every one who tries them. up north that there were some of the 25c. per box tributaries of the Skeena that the sockeyes did not go up. It was his opinion Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder that salmon always returned to the same

spawn was taken from the salmon of the The Victoria Sealing Fleet Were Doing Excellently in the Behring Sea.

> Brutal Indian on the Sapphire Blinds His Squaw With a Kick.

tinue using this net the Fraser fishermen Captain Charles E. Locke, of the Mr. Rithet did not think it a detriment wrecked schooner Brenda, arrived home to use the longer nets on the Skeens There were no steamboats to interfere and is busy to-day closing up the busiwith on the Skeena, as there were on home by a very roundabout way. The on the latter river did not wish to use schooner Geneva carried him to Attu Mr. Johnson said the larger net had Island, in the Aleutian group, a distance not proved very deadly on the Skeena, of 700 miles from Shumshu Island, and the Agnes Macdonald carried him to in the gulf and did not fish night and Unalaska, another 700 miles. There Messrs. Kirk and Johnson spoke in he remained for fourteen days before the steamer Excelsior came along and carmence fishing on the Skeena River on ried him 1700 miles further to Seattle. Captain Locke believes he could have saved the Brenda if the weather had re-Piof. Prince said it would be better to mained good, but the storm which folhave the regulations uniform as far as lowed her grounding broke her up badly. possible, but if it was necessary to com-Before she was abandoned finally she mence fishing on the Skeena on June was sold at auction. The sale was very poorly attended, and the affair must have ber of lakes were suggested as suitable been highly amusing, Captain Locke places into which white fish should be in was the grave auctioneer. He called and Caledonian society are having their troduced. Among the lakes suggested for bids and somebody started it at \$5. The price went up rapidly to \$8, at which figure she was knocked down to and his family. The same admirable arand mainsails, but did not have room to store anything more. Captain Locke did better with his boats, which he sold was not all that could be wished for as at Unalaska. They brought several the wind was quite strong, but the Prof. Prince said his report on the Gibson and the Japanese cook remained side no inconvenience on that score was on the island with the two Japanese who alone tenant the place. They refused to leave, as they want to get back three there were more than 2,500 prevessel later in the summer. The two throngs. The number present in kilts Japanese on the Island were placed there lent a picturesqueness to the inspiring by the Japanese government with three | scene. The crowd was The other three died last winter and the home. The vice-regal party arrived at a good fertilizer. The British Columbia framed with the view of preventing sale experiment of "trying it on the dog" 3:10 o'clock. They were met by the mon from being taken in the head waters will very likely be called a failure. The committee, and, headed by the pipers, Russia, and there was no reason why of the rivers where they go to spawn. Kuriles are rocky and barren, and in winter the weather is very severe. Moss, which clings to the rocks, is the only enduring verdure. Experiments with grasscaught in the gulf during the winter do es and cereals have been failures. The river, as many of the fish escaped after not go up the rivers. There were very colonists have an ample food supply of them, and they would not be and manage fairly well despite the lonecaught for commercial purposes but just liness and dreariness of their position. In answer to Prof. Prince gentlemen for local consumption. They seemed to The islands are in 50:40 north latitude be a purely sea salmon and were the and 151:14 east longitude. The two best table fish obtainable in these wa- largest of the group are each about 50 miles long, and if Japan could colonize The question of the disposal of the off- the group it would remove congestion

Whiskey caused a lot of trouble for Ottawa who took a great interest in form a company, put in a new plant and them for whiskey to the mate of the California. One buck got very drunk, of whiskey from him kicked her in one eye so badly as to blind her. Captain Cox appealed to the officers of H. M. S. Pheasant for assistance and the brutal Indian was arrested by a guard of jack tars and put in irons. He was kept there for two days and under a threat to imprison all the Indians they revealed the identity of the man who supplied the liplaint was made to the marshal and judge he was arrested. A search of the bark brought to light 36 gallons of whiskey. This was confiscated and the mate was convicted of supplying liquor to the Indians and fined \$33.50. fused at first to pay, but a threat of imprisonment changed his mind. dry goods were restored to the Indians as well. Captain Cox had a terrible time

> with the drunken Indians before he appealed to the officers of the Pheasant. Captain Locke reports that the schooners did very well in Behring Sea immediately on arriving there. The Rush was in Unalaska before he left, and reported speaking 14 vessels. The Maud had 275 skins for three lowerings, the Sapphire 270, Triumph 250, Dora Sieward 150 and Agnes Macdonald 100

Captain Locke denies that the hull of

the Walter A. Earle was badly damaged. It was in fact in first class condition and made quite a find for the Cut ting. The ballast had broken through the flooring and was resting on the deck, and the rudder was gone, but otherwise the hull was in excellent condition. The salvage for the Cutting will be considerable. Captain Locke did not see the hull, but met the master of the Cutting. The loss of the Earle removes from the Beechy Bay and Sooke tribes nearly every able-bodied young buck. In these days of degeneration among the British Columbia Indians it will be a severe

until he had visited the places where it blow to both tribes. BACK FROM ALBERNI.

> Hon. D. W. Higgins and Capt. Wolley Tramp Over the Mining District.

Hon. D. W. Higgins and Capt. Clive On motion of Mr. Todd, seconded by Phillips-Wolley arrived home at noon to-Mr. Johnson, a vote of thanks was ten day from a six days' tramp through the mountainous Alberni mining district. Prof. Prince, in reply, said he was greatly indebted to the canners and They reached Alberni a week ago and went up China Creek, visiting the hythese interested for the information he draulic claims of W. H. Bainbridge and had obtained. He was not here on Frank McQuillan. The portable saw pleasure but on duty. The government mill purchased by the latter has been deconsidered that the fishery business livered and the lumber for the flume will. should be thoroughly looked into in a be gotten out at once. They then went scientific and at the same time rational to the top of Mineral hill, 3400 feet above manner. In saying this he did not wish the sea. It is very abrupt, rising 2100 to cast reflections on anybody. On his feet in less than two miles. They spent return to Ottawa he hoped to place some a night at George Brown's cabin, being valuable suggestions before the minister. very hospitably received. They visited He had found since his visit here that the Champion, Missing Link and Albern! the canners, who had so much at stake, claims, and saw the free gold in the ore. The pay streak is narrow, but the ore is rich, and if there is a quantity it will fishing. This visit he looked upon simply as a preliminary one and he hoped to pay well. There was considerable rain return to British Columbia and renew and fog in the mountains, and travel beau's at the foot of Mineral hill, and thick exposed on it, and it is ready for adventure. work. The creek seems all mineralized. They also visited the new Starlight dis-

stream in which they were spawned. The CAPT. LOCKE RETURNS HOME ered by William Poole, and Mr. Sutton. THE in the district. The vein is 7 feet wide and free milling on the surface. They also visited some claims on the canal, including the Standard. Assays from Coleman creek go very high.

The Starlight ledge, Star of the West Standard and part of the Coleman creek ledge have been acquired in the interests of a party of capitalists and will be developed if they prove valuable. Speaking generally Mr. Higgins said: "The whole country, 20 miles wide and extending to the northward, seems mineralized. Surface croppings seem very valuable, and if the richness extends downward the district will be a rich one. I would advise due caution to proposed investors. this morning on the steamer Rosalie. but believe the country deserves full prospecting. There are parties out now ness affairs of his schooner. He reached in every direction and more are going in. We brought out many samples, including 45 pounds from the Starlight, for assaying and testing here, at Tacoma and else-

The St. Andrew's Society Having Its Annual Sports and Games To Day.

An Immense Crowd Gathered at the Grounds-Distinguish. ed Guests.

-The members of the St. Andrew's annual sports at the Caledonia grounds to-day, and they have for their guest that Scot of Scots the Earl of Aberdeen Captain O'Leary of the Geneva. He rangements that have always charactertook some blocks and tackle and fore ized these events were noticeable to-day, and no one who has not thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment offered will not leave the grounds to-night. The day times what the schooner brought. Chas, grounds are well sheltered and once inexperienced. The affair brought out a great crowd of people. They began coming shortly after one o'clock and by to Yokohama and will hail some passing sent, and they were still coming in others to see if the place was habitable. ery one was made to feel thoroughly at escorted to a place in the centre of the grand stand especially set aside and comfortably arranged for them. sports were stopped, the crowd in the grand stand rose and the band greeted them with the anthem. When they were seated a great cheer broke forth, to which His Excellency bowed in acknowledgment. The first event on the programme was

> the association football contest five to a side. Goward's team in a well-played match beat the Trilbys of H. M. S. Roval Arthur and the Wanderers dispatched the Y. M. C. A. team. The finals will be played off later in the afternoon. The Capitals and Beavers of Vanouver then lined up for the intermediate lacrosse championship match. Mr. Robie, of Nanaimo, was referee, Messrs, Bell, of Nanaimo, and Coldwell, of Vicfor the Victorians. The second game and in the opening Stephen, Snyder and Campbell did great work for the Capitals. The ball went up and down the field a couple of times and after 6 mintes Frank Smith made a long shot and

scored. Between the two games the race 101 poys under fifteen years of age for the prizes given below was run off: 1st prize, trout rod, presented by Messrs. T. N. Hibben & Co.; 2nd prize, boy's hat, presented by W. J. Jeffree; 3rd prize, knife, presented by M. and H. A. Fox. There were 20 starters and the boys ran around the grounds. Archie Pearse took first place over Charles Steers by a great spurt at the finish. William Gillespie was third.

The officials of the sports are W. A. Ward and C. P. Wolley, judges, P. AE. Irving, referee, and John Earsman start. A. Robertson will judge piping and dancing.

BICYCLE A DISPATCH BEARER. Soldier Riding from Fort Walla to Fort Vancouver.

Pendleton, Ore., Aug. 23.-Frivate Frank L. Anderson, of the Fourth Cavalry, U. S. A., left Fort Walla Walla yesterday, bound for Fort Vancouver, riding a twenty-one pound bicycle. He hears dispatches from Col. Compton. commander at Fort Walla Walla, to Gen. Otis, in command of the department of the Columbia, with instructions to deliver them at the earliest possible moment, making the entire distance on his wheel. His equipment consists of forty-one pounds of impedimenta, including a carbine, two pistols, fifty rounds tent and three days' rations. Anderson passed through. Some of the crooked expects to make the trip in seventy-two roads here are an outrage to civilization hours. The trip is made in accordance and Christianity. There is a higher with the plans of the war department to test the utility of the bicycle in carrying military dispatches between points | part he takes in any matter. The late far from railway connection. The distance is about 250 miles.

FROM THE TERMINAL CITY.

Accident to a Sailor-Three Lost Boys

Found to be Safe. up and possibly injured internally. was hard. They spent a night at Du- Kinnon and Tiddy, who stole a canoe the core and do not act for the general on Wednesday, and were supposed to went down the canal to Granite creek have been drowned in the Narrows and up to the Star of the West claim. were found last night at Magee's ranch, There is a solid mass of ore five feet Fraser river, none the worse for their

The Starlight mine was discover safes, etc. Shore's Hardware,

COWICHAN

Men of the Southern District Talk Over the Nomination of a Candidate.

A Vote in Favor of Mr. Halhed-Speeches of Candidates and Others.

Cobble Hill, Aug. 22.-At the public meeting here, called by Mr. R. B. Halhed, Mr. J. Dougan was asked to take the chair. Mr. Halhed explained that he had re-

ceived a requisition—(the chairman read the requisition signed by 26 residents of the district)-to come out as a candidate. He would like to see the electors show by a solid vote their choice of a Cowichan man. It was wrong politically to add Alberni to the Cowichan district. He would advocate that Malahat road work be separated from Shawnigan and joined to Esquimalt district. He thought we had best take care of ourselves and the sold in any part of the care devil take the hindmost. Mr. Rogers-Did I understand that

you had the support of the E. & N. railway company and the government? Mr. Halbed-Well, Mr. Hunter said he Linke, which he had under cons would do what he could for me, and I tion all night, and held them with think as I have some friends in the government I might have the government

support. I would not wish to split the vote. In the event of the people making choice of another man I would resign, as two men of Cowichan to run against the Alberni man would be to cut their own throats. No other candidate being proposed

the chairman asked Mr. Rogers whether it was his intention to offer himself as a candidate. Mr. Rogers at some length reviewed

the state of political affairs and thought Mr. Turner's long stay in London would be found to have some bearing on the Canada Western railway question. He pointed out the great benefits which would accrue to the province by the opening up of the said road and described position and good qualities of the land, some 30,000 acres of which has been already surveyed, which the railway would pass through. He would be candid and state that a doubtful support would not warrant him in standing where the financial weight was too heavy -more than he could at present well hear.

Here there was silence for a time Mr. J. A. Hoy-As there does not seem to be anything else before the meeting would like to draw attention to statistics. I have seen itemized reports of other districts as to how moneys have been expended, and why should Mr. Wellburn, the government agent, not have the same done here?

The chairman thought it better to leave that for the present and would like to hear whether either of the candidates would take up some more local affairs than railroads, tariffs, taxes, etc. Could either of them tell which was the trunk road in this settlement? How was it that they had no direct road north to Dunean's and Nanaimo? Could they find any plan of roads at either the gov- with Hon. Mr. Chapleau at the Falls on ernment agent's or the lands and works

Mr. Rogers-If the matter was taken in hand by our Island members we might toria, umpires, while Charles Cullin and get a straight trunk road through the ly of Capitals and Beavers. The game ly. I at one time opposed the present opened fast with good lacrosse on both government because they did not mainsides. Victoria's defence was very tain Victoria as the terminus of the C. strong and the ball was kept well down P. R. Had that been done there would toward Vancouver's goal. There were probably have been no Vancouver City a few shots and then some fresh face- yet. As there is no important issue beoffs and finally after 15 minutes' play fore the public at present I have not James Bland shot and scored prettily anything to speak much on. I am a supporter of the present government in was also preductive of good lacrosse their general policy and think as we have no present agitation that is a good indi-

Mr. F. W. Garnett spoke of some 40 miles of Hudson Bay railroad built near Winnipeg and the annual \$80,000 payment by the Dominion government that some stupid legislation of the wise legislators had involved the government in. He made some remarks on lawyers in our local house in regard to Chinese being prohibited from working in the coa! mines and yet the Hong Kong Chinese had been set to work in some of the mines because they were British subjects. He thought some of our workingmen could do better legislation and hoped South Cowichan would go to a

man for Mr. Halhed. It was moved by Mr. W. Rivers that this meeting approve of Mr. Halhed as the choice of the electors to represent kota eloper, was brought up this mornthis district. Seconded by Mr. Garnett. | ing at the court house before Chief Jus On this being put to the meeting there were a few ayes and none to the contrary.

Mr. Rogers said if he should enter the contest Mr. Halhed would find him rather a formidable opponent.

Mr. Halhed very politely said he had no doubt of that. In reference to the trunk road he said that by allowing a jog here for private enterprise and straightening some places we might do much for improvements in the trunk road, and in fact all the roads

The chairman said that if Mr. Halhed

would advocate a jog in roads for any person's selfishness he would like to se some one else get elected, that would see to it that the public would get the best highways possible, regardless of ammunition, two blankets, a silk who owned the lands which the roads power than the chief justice of British Columbia. Man is responsible for what premier has made a great sacrifice of nimself after all his professions for the people by taking a higher office for high. Why was it that public money had been squandered and thrown away in envy against him (the chairman), be cause he did not support the govern ment? He did not join the oppositio Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 24.-A sailor to oppose them but because he wanted named Felix Mencke, on the Prince what was right and for the public bene Amadeo, loading lumber at Hastings fit. The crooked work done deliberately Mill, fell down the hold this morning. and wilfully is open to the public gaze He was conveyed to St. Paul's hospital and cannot be hidden. Why was it so where he was found to be badly shaken | many were ready to take the position of member of parliament? All legisla-Three boys named Ed. Wilson, Mc tures and governments are corrupt to welfare of man. He could not fill the position conscientiously and therefore had not voted for a long time past to put any man in such a position. The system was wrong. Can men not examina the foundation they stand on, as pray--Wire cloth for screen doors, meat ing for the kingdom of heaven to come and then in their works making laws to

make the rich richer and the poor er is the plan of hypocrites. Here some of the audience arose made their way out, and Mr. W. Riv

moved that the meeting adjourn, FIRE DOES DESTRUCTION

In Cleveland and Elsewhere-Eller burg Lynchers Still Held.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 24.-A fire morning destroyed the Williamson the flames quickly spread to the ing building, occupied by She jewelry store on Quimby street. Cayuga office building, one of the structures in the city, caught fire se times, but beyond slight damage smoke and water, suffered very The total loss will not exceed \$1000 the origin of the fire is unknown. Columbus, O., Aug. 24.-Jones & Co. Empire Mills, dwelling, bowbridge, at Winches burned at noon. The it is not stated.

New York, Aug. opinion among liqu there will be practical. which is served with meals.

Ellensburg, Aug. 23.—Justice Boyle this morning decided adversely on motion for discharge of Linder bail. The superior court convenes first Monday in September, and doubt all these men will have a early in the month.

Toledo, Ohio, Aug. 24.-Three were burned to death last night in Air Line hotel, at Air Line June about four miles from this city. hotel took fire about midnight, and the time the fire engines from the reached the place, the flames were yond control. Most of the people in house escaped in their night clothe Timothy McCarthy, of Hillsdale, Mich and two men whose names are known, perished in the fire. A man named Nealy was taken from the building alive, but died within a few minute afterwards. Bodies of the unknown vic tims have not yet been recovered. The loss on the hotel and several buildings to which the flames were communicated

MR. LAURIER WILL REST.

Before His Ontario Tour-Mr. Haggart Coming West-Canadian Notes.

Montreal, Aug. 23.-Hon. Mr. Laurier, according to La Patrie, after finishing his Quebec tour, will not go to Ontario as expected. He will take a rest during September and commence the Ortario campaign in October.

Dunville, Aug. 23.-Hon. Mr. Montague left for Ottawa to-day. He visited several points in his constituency and will visit the others in October. He was certain, he said, of victory for his party at the polls next election. He had no information to give about the recon struction of the cabinet made necessary by the retirement of Hon. Mr. Angers, The rumor that he had been closeted political matters was untrue. He merely happened to be there when the Chapleau party was there. If a deputation went West this fall to hold meetings in Manitoba and British Columbia Hon. number to go.

Kingston, Aug. 23.—The closing session of the St. George's Association of North America was held here to-day and was very fraternal in character The officers already elected were install ed. Mr. C. A. Howland, of Toronto, addressed the delegates upon the coming 400th anniversary of the discovery of the mainland of America, to take place in Toronto in June, 1897, asking the co operation of all the St. George's 807 cieties on the continent in furnishing statistics and relics for that occasion. St. John's, Nfld., Aug. 23.-The sovereign great priory of Canada met i annual session here to-day with a large attendance of Knights Templar from all

sections. F. H. Whyte, of Montreal, was selected sovereign grand master. Winnipeg, Aug. 23.—Richard Palmer an employe of the Ogilvie Milling Co. disappeared last Monday and to-day nis body was found in the Red river. He was a single man aged 34, and is supposed to have committed suicide. Dr. G. M. Dawson, of Ottawa, passed through the city last night for the Alha-

basca petroleum fields, where he goes it connection with boring operations. A. H. Garfield, the alleged South Da tice Taylor and remanded until Tues day. Bessie Moore, the girl with whom he eloped, will be taken home.

The arrivals on the Ontario harvest ers' excursion reaching here this morn ing state that a man named Kenned fell off one of the trains near North Bay and was killed. Kennedy, it is stated came from Glengerry and was about 30 years of age. A harvester named Saun derson is also reported to have been seriously injured by falling off the train. Richard Blythe, J. P., of Blythewood Assa., was thrown from his wagon and instantly killed, the wheels crushing his head

Captain H. J. Robertson, of Moresby sland, is in the city



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