Burial In England

Body of Late R. R. Dobell Will Not Be Brought to Canada.

Cabinet Has Definitely Decided on February 13 For Opening Session.

Question of Investigating B. C. Salmon Fisheries Being Considered.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—The government was informed today that the remains of Hon. R. R. Dobell will be interred in England. Nearly every member of the cabinet has cabled his condolences to Mrs. Dobell and family. Lord Strathcona was asked by wire tonight to represent the government at the funeral and to secure a beautiful floral offering as a tribute from the late minister's colleagues in Ottawa.

At today's meeting of the cabinet it was decided to call parliament for the despatch of business on Tuesday, February 13.

The government has sent a search party to look for the three Mounted Policemen supposed to have been drowned on the Stikine river.

The opening meeting of the new city council was marked by the presence of Hon. R. W. Scott, who was mayor of Bytown 50 years ago. He delivered an interesting address.

Smallpox is rapidly on the decrease here; 20 patients were discharged last week.

The transport Victorian is not expected at Halifax before January 18.

Miss Florence Cameron, one of the nurses chosen for service in South Africa, is the daughter of John Cameron, editor of the London Advertiser. There is some talk of the Imperial government increasing the number of nurses from five to ten.

The government is considering the advisability of appointing a commission to inquire into the whole question of the salmon fisheries of British Columbia.

BRAVE POLICEMAN.

Life Savers Recognized by Canadian Humane Association.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—The Canadian Humane association has awarded parchment certificates to Leslie Jones and Constable Narbonne of this city for bravery in saving life.

HERMAN LEVY DEAD.

He Was Vice-President of a Large Hamilton Business House.

Hamilton, Jan. 13.—(Special)—Herman Levy, vice-president of the wholesale jewelry house of Levy Bros. & Co., died of pneumonia Saturday evening, after a long illness. The deceased was aged 70 and was well known throughout Canada.

WHEAT TRAIN WRECKED.

Seventeen Cars Ditched Near Ouimet by Broken Rail.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—(Special)—The arrival of today's express from the East was delayed by a wreck which occurred on the C. P. R. at Ouimet, 40 miles east of Port Arthur, yesterday morning, by which 17 wheat laden cars were ditched. The train was composed of wheat cars going East. At Ouimet a broken rail was encountered, which ditched the cars.

EMBARKING

Mounted Rifles Getting All Ready for Departure Today.

Halifax, Jan. 13.—(Special)—Everything is being put rapidly in readiness for the departure of the first section of the Canadian Mounted Rifles on the transport Manhattan tomorrow. Saddles and other portions of the kit no longer needed on shore were taken on board the Manhattan today and stored away. The horses were also taken down and the scene about the dock yard jetty was an interesting and lively one. The animals are leaving here in splendid order.

CANADA AND EMPIRE.

London Chamber of Commerce Discusses Trade Relations.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—The Star's London cable says: "At today's meeting on Canadian trade relations, the Chamber of Commerce, after the adoption of a resolution of sympathy with Mrs. Dobell, resolved to petition the Canadian government to promote federal insolvency legislation.

The meeting also discussed Lloyds' discrimination in insurance rates against Sydney, Cape Breton. It was suggested that Canadian shippers should show their confidence in the safety of Canadian ports by insuring their own vessels.

NEWCHWANG TROUBLES.

United States Consul and Russian Officials Do Not Agree.

Pekin, Jan. 11.—The United States consul at Newchwang, Henry B. Miller, has replied to the Russian administration charges that sailors belonging to the United States gunboat Vicksburg shot a Russian soldier during the recent disturbance at Newchwang. The consul says that the commander of the Vicksburg, Commander E. B. Barry, investigated the affair thoroughly and found there was no evidence whatever connecting Americans with the shooting. Mr. Conger, the United States minister here, has received copies of the correspondence between Consul Miller and the Russian authorities. The consul complained repeatedly of the oppressive relations and of the infringing on the rights of foreigners.

TO STOP LYNCHING.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Representative Crumpacker (Indiana) today introduced a bill for the punishment of persons taking part in the lynching of an alien. The measure is designed to cover cases similar to the lynchings of Italians in Louisiana and Mississippi.

VANCOUVER CITY COUNCIL.

New Body Sworn In With Exception of One Alderman.

Vancouver, Jan. 13.—(Special)—The new council were sworn in today with the exception of William Skene, who does not care to sit in the council until doubts have been removed regarding his qualifications.

LORD DUFFERIN ILL.

London, Jan. 13.—The Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, formerly Governor-General of Canada, is seriously ill, at Clandeboye, his residence in County Down, Ireland.

SAIL TODAY.

First Transport Leaves This Morning With Mounted Rifles.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 13.—All the militia bands in the city will escort the Canadian Mounted Rifles to the transport tomorrow morning. The horses are being put aboard today, and the ship will sail at noon tomorrow. Yesterday morning Rural Dean Armitage administered holy communion to about 300 of the men at camp.

BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

King Edward Receives a Letter From the Emperor.

London, Jan. 13.—The court circular announces that Admiral Baron von Zenden-Biberan, chief of the naval cabinet of Emperor William, has been received in audience by King Edward, and that he delivered a letter from the German Emperor. The Times suggests that the letter is intended to assuage the present political estrangement.

NORDICA HURT.

Great Singer Injured in a Railway Collision.

Rome, Ga., Jan. 12.—In a collision which occurred between a passenger and a freight train on the Southern railway at an early hour this morning, near Reeves station, 20 miles north of Rome, Mme. Lillian Nordica, the singer, was injured, her accompanist, E. Romaine Simmons, sustained a bruised hand, an engineer was killed and three other employees of the road were injured.

CHANGE OF HEART.

United States Business Men Anxious For Reciprocity.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—That no fewer than 3,000 of the most prominent merchants, manufacturers, bankers and professional men of Chicago will join in petitioning Congress to establish a reciprocal trade agreement with Canada is considered certain by Elmore A. Pierce, who is here on behalf of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, the organization leading the movement. Mr. Pierce will begin an active canvass of the business men of the city tomorrow.

Liberals Hoot Lord Rosebery

Meeting of the London Association Shows Hostility to Him.

And Yells Itself Hoarse Over Miss Hobhouse the Lady Agitator.

London, Jan. 13.—The inaugural meeting of the London Liberal association at St. James hall tonight had been awaited with great interest principally because it was probable that light would be thrown upon the future relations between Lord Rosebery and the Liberal party. Taken as a whole, the demonstration could hardly be taken as an enthusiastic welcome to Lord Rosebery's reappearance in public life.

Lord Rosebery was not present at the meeting, at which Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Liberal leader in the House of Commons, and Earl Spencer were the principal speakers. The temper of the meeting was distinctly hostile to the ex-premier. The speech of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman clearly indicated that if Lord Rosebery returned to the Liberal fold he must come unreservedly and in full accord with the present policy of the Liberal party.

The hall was crowded. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and Earl Spencer were greeted vociferously. Miss Hobhouse, who was the first person to agitate regarding the conditions of the concentration camps in South Africa, was called to the platform and received an ovation. In the meantime pamphlets denouncing Lord Rosebery as a traitor to the party, were thrown broadcast from the galleries.

The reading of Lord Rosebery's letter of regret was received with mingled cheers, hoots and hisses, the latter predominating. In his letter Lord Rosebery said he hoped that the meeting would aim to secure the unity of "common sense Liberalism," to which the writer hoped he had contributed to in his recent speech at Chesterfield.

GRANBY COPPER CONVERTERS

Operations Begin and Metal Is Being Turned Out By the Plant.

Grand Forks, Jan. 13.—One of the set of converters just installed in the Granby smelter commenced operations this morning and worked very smoothly. The product is blister copper in which the gold and silver values are still retained. Further treatment of this product in an Eastern refinery extracts the precious metals. In honor of the occasion the Granby company today cast a number of small copper figures, which will be given away as souvenirs. The matte from its own furnaces and that contributed by the Hall Mines and Greenwood smelters will enable the Granby company to produce 1,200 tons of blister copper monthly, or at the rate of 24,000,000 pounds per annum. This is exclusive of the gold and silver the product may contain.

MINING INDUSTRY.

Nelson Board of Trade Discusses the Subject.

Nelson, Jan. 13.—(Special)—At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade the general condition of the mining industry in the district was discussed. The opinion was expressed that low water mark in the price of metals had been reached, and that any change that might come would be for the better. The consensus of opinion, however, was that with the large bodies of ore in some sections, and the high grade but smaller ledges in others, that the mining industry could be carried on with considerable profit. Should prices continue as they are at present there seems little doubt, according to those present, but that the price of treatment, of supplies and of labor would have to be reduced in order that a profit may be made. Steps were taken to have representatives at the approaching meeting of the Dominion Board of Trade.

The Mine Owners' association have held a session here. Among the matters under consideration were the silver-lead refinery which is shortly to be erected at Trail, the bill introduced in the United States congress asking that a duty of 25 per cent. be placed on silver in bullion, in ore and in the pure state, and the question of a reduction of wages on account of the prevailing low price of silver, or copper and of lead. The members are reticent, but it was learned that these questions were being considered, but as to what conclusion, if any, was reached little could be learned.

Municipal Elections

Nominations in Various Parts of the Province For Thursday's Contest.

Several Places Have Chosen Their Councils by Acclamation.

Others Have a Long List of Candidates For the Places.

Throughout the province yesterday nominations were made for elections in the various municipalities, for which Thursday is polling day. Following is the list so far as reported last night. Vancouver and Westminster have already held their elections:

NANAIMO.

Mayor—John H. Cocking and William Manson, jr.

South Ward—John W. Graham, Geo. Johnson, Thos. Brown, William Woodman, Morgan Harris, John D. Stewart and Charles Wilson.

Middle Ward—Richard Booth, J. K. Hickman, J. S. Knarston, Ed. C. Barnes and Robert Brown.

North Ward—Charles McCutcheon, Albert Cornfield, A. E. Planta, John James Hodgkinson and Honey McAdie.

School Trustees—Edward E. Taylor, Neil McCush and Wm. Manson, jr.

CHILLIWACK.

Reeve, A. S. Vedder, L. W. Paisley.
Ward 1.—F. Lickman and J. H. Keith.
Ward 2.—D. W. Chankshaw and F. H. Atkins.
Ward 3.—G. H. W. Ashwell and W. D. Kipp.
Ward 4.—Joseph Thompson and W. E. Thornton.
Ward 5.—George Good, acclamation.
Ward 6.—James McConnell, acclamation.

MISSION.

Reeve—J. R. Wren, J. A. Catherwood.
Ward 1.—F. A. E. Verchere, E. J. Abbott, J. B. Cade.
Ward 2.—Fred. Hughes, J. O. Manzer, acclamation.

MATSQUI.

Reeve—L. J. Atkins, O. Bowman.
Ward 1.—F. Fooks.
Ward 2.—Jasper Fadden.
Ward 3.—R. W. Fooks, Alonzo Boley.
Ward 4.—Hy. Barker, Wm. Fadden.

LANGLEY.

Reeve—R. McRae and J. M. McDonald.
Ward 1.—Wm. McAdam, A. Davis, Thomas Mufford.
Ward 2.—W. J. McIntosh, William Livingstone, Archibald McCrimmon, Alexander Thompson.
Ward 3.—Joseph Sherlock, Frank Oleson.

SURREY.

Reeve—Daniel Johnston, acclamation.
Wart 1.—C. Cameron, D. M. Roberts.
Ward 2.—Hy. Bowes, D. D. Burnett.
Ward 3.—I. Johnson, acclamation.
Ward 4.—V. I. Wickersham, acclamation.
Ward 5.—Councillor Brown, acclamation.

KASLO.

Mayor—A. W. Goodenough, W. V. Papworth.
Aldermen—A. Jardine, F. E. Archer, D. J. Young, J. D. Keenan, S. Fawcett, A. Fletcher, P. McGregor.
School Trustees—A. W. Allen, John Millington, W. J. Green, W. L. Davis, A. Carney.

GRAND FORKS.

Mayor—James Anderson, Tracey W. Holland.
Ward 1.—Robert Gaw, Jeffrey Hammer, Joseph L. Manley, Neil Matthewson, Frank Sears, John Temple.
Ward 2.—Terrence F. Curran, John Donaldson, John Gilmour, Robert Harvey, John W. Jones, Harry A. Shead.
School Trustees—T. P. Curran, Michael Feeny, Henry C. Hanington, John B. Henderson, Peter T. McCallum, Thomas R. Powers.

COLUMBIA.

Mayor—Neil McCallum.
Ward 1.—John McIntosh, A. D. Morrison, Robert Wasson.
Ward 2 (South)—Charles Cusson, Joseph Ladimudie, Edmund Disney.
School Trustees—I. Spraggett, I. A. Dinsmore, W. L. Wells.
Whole council elected by acclamation.

GREENWOOD.

Mayor—C. R. Naden.
Aldermen—Caulfield, Ross, Sullivan, Kirkwood, Smailes, Bannerman.
School Trustees—Hallett, Russell, Smailes.
While council elected by acclamation.

KAMLOOPS.

Mayor—M. P. Gordon, D. C. McLaren.
Ward 1.—G. D. Brown, J. T. Edwards, J. R. McMichell, Thomas Rodley.
Ward 2.—James Gill, Thomas Harris, J. A. Jackson.
Ward 3.—J. L. Brown, W. H. Evans, Charles S. Stevens, A. G. Taylor.

ROSSLAND.

Mayor—John Stilwell Cinte, Peter John McKichan.
Ward 1.—Charles B. Hamilton, Thomas H. Armstrong, Edward King, Francis Knott.
Ward 2.—A. A. Mackenzie, Harry Daniels, James Hapton, Frederick Gerard.
Ward 3.—Alexander Dunlop, Thomas Embleton, Angus J. McDonald.
School Trustees—George Agnew, Mrs. Annie Chisholm, A. C. Gait, R. W. Grigor, P. R. McDonald, H. P. McCraney, B. R. Macdonald, Sidney Sibley, Nelson Willis, Alexander Wilson, William F. Wood. The candidates represent two tickets, one nominated by a citizens' committee and the other by a Labor party.

PHOENIX.

Mayor—George W. Rumberger.
West Ward—D. G. Munro, Webster Rogers and Joseph H. Graham.
East Ward—James Marshall, John McRar and John C. Bradley.
School Trustees—D. J. Matheson, J. A. Clark and Joseph Stirrett.
The election was by acclamation.

SLOCAN CITY.

Mayor—A. York, R. A. Bradshaw.
Aldermen—A. C. Smith, W. E. Worden, J. G. McCallum, Geo. Henderson, David Arnot, Alf. Barber, Dan. Nicholl and D. D. Robinson.

TRAIL.

Mayor—N. Binns.
Aldermen—W. Estelle, J. P. Byers, J. H. Schofield, W. Furnell, J. Dawson, R. E. Stron.
School Trustees—A. B. MacKenzie, G. F. Weler, T. W. Coleman. All elected by acclamation.

SANDON.

Mayor—Robt. Cunningham.
Aldermen—R. Jalland, T. B. Folliott, Thos. Jallan, E. A. Cameron, E. Stein, Thos. Brown. All elected by acclamation.

VERNON.

Mayor—W. R. Megaw, by acclamation.
South Ward—(Three to be elected)—W. C. Pound, L. J. Ball, J. Matheson, H. F. Wilmot.
North Ward—(Two to be elected.)—A. J. Mullen, R. W. Timmins, H. W. Knight.
School Trustees—(Three to be elected.)—H. G. Muller, H. R. Parke, F. A. Meyer, J. P. Burnyeat, F. B. Jacques, F. H. Latimer.

REVELSTOKE.

Mayor—M. J. O'Brien and Wm. Brown.
Ward 1.—H. C. Manning, J. McLeod, J. Robinson.
Ward 2.—C. B. Hume, T. E. L. Taylor, R. Tapping.
Ward 3.—S. McMahon and W. J. Law (acclamation.)
School Trustees—T. J. Graham, J. Lawson, C. F. Lindmark, H. Floyd, J. W. Bennett, W. J. Dickie.

NELSON.

Mayor—Mayor Frank Fletcher and John A. Kirkpatrick.
East Ward—R. W. Drew, J. Irving, W. J. Wilson, J. Patterson, C. Morrison, Ald. W. G. Gillett.
West Ward.—Capt. D. C. McMorris, T. J. Scanlan, Ald. John Hamilton, Ald. H. Selous, John Elliott.

COQUITLAM.

Reeve—Atkins, (accalamation.)
Councillors, Ward 1.—J. Fox and D. McLean.
Ward 2.—M. Simpson and R. Booth.
Ward 3.—W. R. Austin and J. Brennan.
Ward 4.—F. Marsh and L. R. Scott.
Ward 5.—G. Alderson and J. R. Flint.

BURNABY.

Reeve—N. C. Schou (re-elected by acclamation.
Ward 1.—Peter Byron.
Ward 2.—Eber Stride.
Ward 3.
Ward 4.—J. Carter Smith.
Ward 5.—Charles F. Sprott, J. P. All re-elected by acclamation.

NORTH VANCOUVER.

Reeve—C. O. Wickenden and Arthur D. Nye.
Ward 1.—Walter Erwin and P. N. Thompson.
Ward 2.—A. H. May (elected by acclamation.)
Ward 3.—J. C. Gill (elected by acclamation.)
Ward 4.—Patrick A. Allen and Geo. Aubrey.

SOUTH VANCOUVER.

Reeve—Jas. Rea and Geo. Rae.
Ward 1.—Thos. Hardie and Geo. W. Stone.
Ward 2.—H. G. Ballson.
Ward 3.—Samuel Taylor.
Ward 4.—David Gray.
Ward 5.—W. N. Townsend and H. Mole.

DANISH WEST INDIES.

Deputation to King Christian Protests Against Sale.

Copenhagen, Jan. 13.—A deputation, representing 34,000 signatories to an address protesting against the sale of the Danish West Indies without the question being previously referred to a plebescite, was received in audience by King Christian today. His Majesty replied as follows:

"We thank you for the interest you have displayed in this matter, but we are unable, while diplomatic negotiations are pending, to express our views on the question. We beg you will have, as we have ourselves, full confidence that our minister will know how to safeguard the welfare of the islands and their people."

FRENCH SHORE.

Newfoundland Not Yet Asked to Renew Modus Vivendi.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 12.—The colonial legislature will meet February 13. The colonial government has, up to the present time, received no request from the British cabinet for the renewal of the French shore modus vivendi, which expired December 31, 1901. It is believed in official circles that the cabinets of France and Great Britain are consulting over the prospect of effecting an arrangement of this question more acceptable to Newfoundland. If the British cabinet desires a renewal of the modus vivendi, the fact will probably be intimated during the next few days. The colonial government is awaiting some intimation of the policy of Great Britain before taking action in the matter.

WEST DURHAM.

Claim That Conservative Candidate Has Not Complied With Law.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—It looks as if Jonas Thornton, Conservative candidate in West Durham, has again violated the election law respecting payment of deposit personally instead of through an agent.

Section 143 of the Dominion Election act requires no payment shall be made by or on behalf of any candidate otherwise than through an agent. Last election it will be remembered Thornton violated the law by depositing a marked check, but the election was subsequently invalidated on the ground of corrupt practices before the question of alleged violation was settled.

NOT BIGAMY.

Chief Justice Meredith Dismisses One of the Divorce Crusade Cases.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—The crusade carried on here against United States divorces received a set back today in a case heard by Chief Justice Meredith. J. W. Curtis was charged with bigamy. He married Frances Lewis in 1865 and in 1890 he went to Ohio and in February 1901, secured a divorce from her, she contesting. He married at Niagara Falls, N. Y., Melinda Abbott, returned to Toronto to live, and was arrested, charged with bigamy. The judge dismissed the case because it had not been shown that Curtis was a British subject, and the second marriage not been proven. The judge's real opinion, however, came out when addressing the jury, he said there was no evidence that prisoner desired to evade Canadian law by going to Ohio to get a divorce.

DROPPED DEAD.

Dr. King of St. Thomas Dies Very Suddenly.

St. Thomas, Jan. 13.—(Special)—This evening Dr. A. K. King fell dead while getting out of his rig in the stable. Dr. King was one of the cleverest veterinary surgeons in Canada. He was 45 years of age and had an extensive practice.

UP-TO-DATE STYLES AT WEILER BROS.

Our First Consignment

Of Fall Goods in the Upholstering, Drapery and Curtain line are now on sale, and we can only say that for coloring, artistic effect and value we have surpassed ourselves in these last purchasings.

Latest Novelties From PARIS, BERLIN, LONDON.

WEILER BROS
VICTORIA B. C.

HEARD IN THE FULL COURT

Appeal in Haggerty vs. the Lenora Mining Company Dismissed.

The Full court met yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, there being present their Lordships Justices Walkem, Irving and Martin. As Chief Justice McColl was still prevented by illness from being present, the peremptory list, as fixed on Saturday, could not be proceeded with. The court, however, heard the appeal in Haggarty v. The Lenora Mount Sicker Copper Mining company. This action was brought to recover the sum of $6,442.80, being the balance alleged to be due plaintiff by defendant company under an agreement made between the parties in regard to the handling of ore from the Lenora mine. The plaintiff claims that under the terms of the agreement he was entitled to haul all ore shipped by the company up to 15,000 tons, at $2.22 per ton, and that in case of the termination of agreement the company would pay the net profits up to said amount, and that after the shipment of 15,000 tons, the company would give the plaintiff the refusal of a contract to haul a further 5,000 tons. On the 6th of December, 1900, the company terminated the contract, at which time the plaintiff had hauled 7,169½ tons of ore. The net profits made by the plaintiff amounted to $1.05 6-10 per ton. Defendants allege that under the terms of agreement they were not bound to pay plaintiff profits on hauling more than 10,000 tons of ore. The action was tried before Mr. Justice Drake, who held that the plaintiff was entitled only to net profits on 10,000 tons, and ordered an account to be taken before the registrar. From this judgment the plaintiff appealed. After hearing argument by A. P. Luxton, of counsel for plaintiff, and L. P. Duff, K. C., of counsel for the company, their Lordships delivered judgment affirming the judgment of the court below and dismissing the appeal with costs.

On the court assembling after luncheon, the appeal in D'Avignon v. Jones et al was taken up. This is an appeal from the judgment of Mr. Justice Craig of the Territorial court of the Yukon, dismissing the action with costs. In this action, it appears, the plaintiff being the owner of placer mining claim No. 13, on Gold Run creek, in the Indian mining division of the Yukon Territory place the same in the hands of the defendant, Jones, for the purpose of sale in the United States or Eastern Canada, and to carry out such transaction executed on March 25, 1898, a bill of sale of the same to Jones, receiving in return from him a writing to the effect that the said bill of sale was given for the purpose above mentioned and that in the event of a sale being made the sum of $2,000 was to be placed to the credit of plaintiff in a Seattle bank and that in the event of a sale not being made by August, 1898, the claim was to be reconveyed to the plaintiff. The plaintiff claims that no sale was ever made of the property and he wants a re-conveyance of same. The defendants, D. W. Davis and J. J. Rutledge, in January, 1899, procured to be recorded in the office of the Gold Commissioner a document purporting to be a bill of sale to the defendants from the plaintiff. They entered into possession and procured a renewal grant therefor to be issued to them by the Gold Commissioner. In addition the plaintiff claims an account, a receiver and $100,000 damages for working the claim. The defendants, Rutledge and Davis, allege that they purchased the claim in question from the plaintiff, paid him the sum of $1,000 and received a bill of sale of the same. At the trial, which lasted over a week, there was a vast amount of contradictory evidence adduced, which led Mr. Justice Craig to remark, on delivering judgment, that "the whole thing is such a kaleidoscope of inconsistencies and improbabilities that one is lost in trying to reconcile all the discrepancies in the evidence." F. Peters, K. C., and A. G. Smith appear for the appellant, and E. P. Davis, K.C., and F. C. Wade, K.C., for respondents. Mr. Peters will continue his argument when the court resumes today.

In chambers yesterday morning Mr. Justice Martin heard an application for summary judgment in the County court action of Kerr v. Scowcroft. The application was dismissed, following the recent judgment of the Full court in McGuire v. Miller. W. H. Langley appeared in support of the application and J. M. Bradburn, contra.

Argument on the question of demurrage was to have come up yesterday before Mr. Justice Martin in the Admiralty action of Smith v. Empress of Japan, but on account of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Taylor, of counsel for the plaintiff, the matter was adjourned until today.

PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA.

Is Going to the United States on a Visit Next Month.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia will be attended on his visit to the United States by Captain Schmidt, von Schwindt and von Eyd and several high marine officers not yet selected. Prince Henry and his party will sail for New York, the correspondent of the Associated Press was informed today, about February 15, on a passenger steamer. The Imperial yacht Hohenzollern will sail Saturday, January 18 or Sunday, January 19, touching at Gibraltar, the Cape de Verde islands and the Island of St. Thomas. The yacht will be commanded by Admiral Count von Vaudissin, whose staff includes Capt. von Hollenben, a Kinsman of the German Ambassador at Washington, and will be manned by her usual crew. The band, which will be on board the Hohenzollern is one of the two crack bands of the German navy.

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—A brief sitting of the Manitoba legislature was held this evening at which the debate on the address in reply to the speech was begun. Premier Roblin spoke briefly in reply to Mr. Greenway's criticisms.

DR. KRAUSE.

London, Jan. 13.—The grand jury today found a true bill against Dr. Krause, the former governor of Johannesburg, on the charge of inciting Cornelius Broekman, the ex-public prosecutor of Johannesburg, who was executed September 30 last, to murder John Douglas Foster, an English lawyer, who was attached to Lord Roberts' staff.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Nelson, Jan. 13.—(Special)—The body of Joseph Collins, baggagemaster at Cranbrook, was found on the railway track about 100 yards from the station this morning, severed through the lower part of the abdomen, a train having passed over him. There is no knowledge of how the accident occurred. Collins was in charge of an extra gang on the C. P. R. last summer, near Medicine Hat. He came from Port Elgin, Ont.

U. S. SOLDIER HANGED.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The war department has been advised of the execution of Phineas Foutz, late corporal of company K, 19th infantry, at Cebu, Philippine islands, on the morning of January 3, 1902. Foutz was convicted of the wilful murder of a native girl in the Philippines on November 15, 1900, and was sentenced to be hanged.

HOMESICK.

Manila, Jan. 12.—Medical authorities here assert that a considerable portion of the breaking down among American residents of the Philippine islands is due to homesickness. Newspapers of Manila are urging the United States Philippine commission to make an appropriation for a daily cabled news service from the United States, thus bringing Americans here into closer touch with their home life.

A majority of the local papers, several army officers, civil officers and others have promised subscriptions to help meet the cable tolls for a three months' news service of a hundred words a day. An amount sufficient to cover the tolls for 70 words a day has already been subscribed. It is hoped that this news service can be begun January 15. It will be devoted to American news exclusively. The government has offered to send news bulletins free to all points on the military wires.

PANAMA CANAL.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—The Senate committee on inter-oceanic canals held a session today, Mr. Lampre of the Panama Canal Co., was again before them. Senator Morgan questioned him closely, going over the examination of Saturday, but not bringing out any new facts of importance. The committee will meet again tomorrow. Senator Morgan question Mr. Lampre especially concerning the interest of the stockholders of the old Panama Canal Co., in the pending transaction. Mr. Lampre stated that under the agreement of the new company with the old company, the stockholders of the latter concern would receive 60 per cent. of the proceeds of the sale. He contended that under the French law the new company had a perfect right to make the transfer, notwithstanding the interests of the old company. Senator Morgan conducted.

"Could the new company sell the property and put the proceeds in its pocket, and not share them with the old company?"

Mr. Lampre—"Yes it could do so under the authority of the stockholders meeting."

Senator Morgan—"Then the transaction between the two canal companies must have been a sale to the new company without reference to the conditions and the stock held by the old company."

Mr. Lampre—"Yes it was a sale, but one of the conditions of the transaction was that we should give 60 per cent. of the proceeds to the old company."

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE.

Arbitration Still Seems to Have Many Stumbling Blocks.

City of Mexico, Mex., Jan. 13.—This morning's session of the Pan-American conference closed in a burst of excitement which began with an amendment looking to the suppression of the final protocol in order, as formerly explained, to enable the compulsory plan of arbitration to be reported to the conference. This amendment was carried by 30 votes, Chili abstained from voting. The vote excited great interest, as it was a forecast that the advocates of the compulsory arbitration would have their way in insisting that the plan be reported to the conference. The suppressing of the final protocol was the removal of an obstacle.

Senor Pardo, of Mexico, offered a substitute direction that all treaties reported by the conference to the Department of Foreign Relations should be drawn up in Spanish, French, Portuguese and English. Thereupon Walker Martinez of Chili remarked that the hour of adjournment had passed, it being after 1 o'clock. President Bridges recalled Martinez attention to the fact that the session had not begun until nearly 11 o'clock. Thereupon Walker Martinez walked out of the hall. Immediately afterwards, on request of Blest Cana of Chili, the chair adjourned the session.

No definite solution of the arbitration difficulty has been reached. A meeting this afternoon between the Mexicans and South Americans favorable to a compulsory plan, lasted several hours, and adjourned until tomorrow morning without coming to a definite decision.

The action of Walker Martinez at today's session is being generally discussed among the delegates.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Special Reference by Rev. D. MacRae to the Late Dr. Robertson.

The recent removal by death at his home in Toronto of the Rev. Dr. James Robertson, for the past 20 years superintendent of Presbyterian missions in Manitoba, Northwest Territories and British Columbia, was marked by a special memorial service in St. Paul's church, Victoria West, Sunday morning.

The pastor, the Rev. D. MacRae, chose for his text the words of David, concerning the death of Abner, the chief captain of the army of Israel—"Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?"—regarding these words as a fitting expression of the feeling not only throughout the Presbyterian church in Canada, but wherever Dr. Robertson's character and work were known, few men in the public life of the country being better known.

References were made to his brilliant career as a student, as a member of the famous Queen's Own of Toronto in defence of the country at Ridgeway, Fort Erie, etc., as a pastor in Ontario for a number of years, but more particularly to his herculean and most successful labors, since his removal to Winnipeg in 1874, in the interests of religion, education and everything that could advance the welfare of Western Canada, in the great possibilities of which he had the greatest confidence, together with an appreciation of the great loss the church and country sustains by his removal at a comparatively early age. Feeling references were made to Dr. Robertson's deep interest and sympathy for the work of St. Paul's church since its organization and the preacher's personal relations with him as co-presbyter, superintendent and friend for the past 24 years.

Finances of The Schools

City Auditor Declines to Audit Statement Prepared by the Trustees.

Public Meeting to Be Held This Evening to Discuss the Question.

Acting under instructions from the School Board, Supt. Eaton last week sent to Mr. J. L. Raymur, City auditor, a statement of the school finances, in which it was made to appear that the total amount of the revenue, tax collected by the city, should be devoted to school purposes, and asked him to audit the same. This Mr. Raymur declined to do, as will be seen by the following correspondence:

FROM THE TRUSTEES.

Victoria, B. C., January 9th, 1902.

Jas. L. Raymur, Esq., Auditor, Victoria, B. C.

Sir,—The following resodution was adopted at a meeting of the School Board, held 8th inst.:

"Resolved that the statement of expenditures for educational purposes, signed by the auditor of the Board, appointed by the City Council, be returned to him and that he be instructed to audit a statement to be submitted to him by this Board, according to the provisions of section 43 of the School Act."

As directed by the terms of this resolution I herewith return the statement of accounts audited by you and submit for your audit a statement prepared under the authority of the Board and deemed to be in accordance with the provisions of Section 43 of the School Act.

(Signed) FRANK H. EATON,
Secretary Trustees.

SOLICITOR'S OPINION.

Victoria, B. C., January 10th, 1902.

J. Raymur, Esq., City Auditor, Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir,—I have considered the question submitted to me by you as to the claim made on behalf of the Board of School Trustees, that the revenue tax collected in and for the city must be devoted to school purposes. The Revenue Tax Act, by Section 3, states that the tax is payable in advance to the municipal collectors for "municipal purposes." Nowhere in the Act is there any direction to what particular fund or expenditure it is to be devoted, and there is no foundation, in my judgment, for the claim made that these moneys must be appropriated to school or education purposes.

(Signed) J. M. BRADBURN.

AUDITOR'S REPLY.

Victoria, B. C., 10th January, 1902.

F. H. Eaton, Esq., Secretary of School Trustees, Victoria:

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of yesterday's date, covering a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Board of School Trustees, and asking me to audit the same in accordance with the provisions of Section 43 of the School Act. I am sorry that I cannot certify to this statement as being correct, as in it is included an amount of $10,180 received for revenue tax. Under the provisions of the Statute (Chapter 167, Revised Statutes) handing the revenue tax over to the cities, it is provided that it shall be paid to the corporations "for municipal purposes," the words "school," or "education" being nowhere mentioned. I cannot therefore recognize the revenue tax as being collected exclusively for school purposes. I took a similar stand when writing to the council on this subject on the 31st January, 1898.

Regarding the item of $4,402 charged for interest and sinking fund, there may be a difference of opinion. For the last two years the council has seen fit to vote this amount in the expenditure by-law under the heading of "Education," and it consequently appears in the accounts in that way. I return you the statement herewith.

JAS. L. RAYMUR,
City Auditor.

The original statement audited by Mr. Raymur follows:

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Expenditure for the Year Ending 31st December, 1901.

Janitor service	$ 3,220 00	
Fuel	1,576 10	
Board expenses	982 64	
Furniture	1,287 95	
Repairs & Insurance.	5,793 70	
Supplies & Miscel. ..	1,108 44	
		$13,968 83
Teachers' salaries ...		$43,219 80
Interest & Sinking Fund on Loan		4,402 00
		$61,590 63

Victoria, B. C., 8 January, 1902.

Certified Correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR,
Auditor.

It is likely the whole subject will be threshed out at a public meeting to be held in the Council Chamber at the city hall this evening. The following correspondence explains how the meeting came to be called:

Victoria, B. C., January 13th, 1902.

To His Worship Mayor Hayward:

Dear Sir,—Owing to the limited opportunity afforded for the discussion of school matters at meetings addressed by aldermanic candidates, it is desirable, if possible, to have a meeting to enable the candidates for the position of school trustee to lay their views before the public.

Hoping that you may be able to act on this suggestion, I am your truly,

R. L. DRURY.

MAYOR'S REPLY.

Victoria, B. C., January 13th, 1901.

R. L. Drury, Esq.

Dear Sir,—In reply to your request, I have pleasure in granting the use of the council chambers, City Hall, for Tuesday evening, January 14th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing the candidates for the office of School Trustee, and others, express themselves on matters of public interest, in connection with school affairs. Yours faithfully,

CHAS. HAYWARD.
Mayor.

NEW CHALLENGER.

William Fife to Build One for Lipton.

London, Jan. 14.—William Fife, of Fairlie, on the Clyde, is to build Sir Thomas Lipton's next challenger for the America's cup. At a conference just held between Sir Thomas and his advisers, definite arrangements were made for the construction of Shamrock III., and an order for the new yacht was given to and accepted by Mr. Fife.

In view of the probability of a big revival of British yachting, and the fact that designing and superintending a cup challenger necessitates constant work for at least a year, Mr. Fife was somewhat disinclined to accept the big job, but Sir Thomas found means of overcoming his objections. Watson has promised to assist Mr. Fife in every way by handing over to him the details of the construction of Shamrock II., and all the calculations and details of tank experiments made at the Demuys' yard. With the experience gained with Shamrock I., Mr. Fife starts with a distinct advantage over his first efforts.

In a recent conversation with a friend, Mr. Watson indicated that he still believed Columbia's victory over Shamrock II. was largely due to luck, and that he believed Shamrock II. was quite Columbia's equal.

Mr. Fife is already collecting material and will commence designing Shamrock III. as soon as the boats now on hand for the next British yachting season are fairly started, which probably will be at the end of this month. Shamrock III. is to be ready early in the spring of 1903.

LIBERAL DELEGATES.

Alberni Delegates Chosen For Provincial Convention.

Nanaimo, Jan. 11.—Alberni Liberals elected J. F. Bledsoe, J. King and J. Redford delegates to the Vancouver convention at their meeting last night. They favor party lines and endorsed the action of the associations which have protested against the position taken by the Provincial Executive.