THE VICTORIA TIMES, FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1895.

COUNCIL ON QUARANTINE.

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The Mayor, Hcalth Officer and Clerk to Interview the Premier

And Discuss This Important Question-The Band Will Play Sundays.

There was a full attendance at last evening's meeting of the city council. A. C. Flumerfelt, chairman of the B. C.B.G.A. band committee, wrote asking that he band be allowed to use the Beacon Hill band stand for Sunday afternoon concerts. The request was granted. H. Dallas Helmcken, M.P.P., thanked the council for having re-appointed him as a director of the Jubilee Hospital. The letter and the enclosures were the James W. Robertson, dairy commission same as read at the last meeting of the board of directors of the hospital. The British Columbia towards the close of letter was received and filed.

G. W. Glover wrote stating that while walking on the sidewalk on Esquinult road he was struck by a street car. He asked for renumeration to the extent of something less than \$100. He contended that it was the fault of the city allowing the rails to be laid too near the sidewalk.

Ald. Humphrey pointed out that the rails and sidewalk were laid before that portion of the road was taken into the

city. Referred to the street committee. An agent for a patent water purifier asked for an opportunity to try it on Victoria's water system. Referred to tober 1. the water committee and commissioners.

G. E. Jorgensen asked for an assistant on the water works improvement at Beaver Lake. He recommended W. R. Marshall. Work is being carried on for from 12 to 15 hours a day, and he could not be on the ground all the time to watch the progress of the work. This, with Mr. Marshall's application, was laid on the table. Jas. L. Raymur recommended that the

that the four-inch pipe on Cedar Hill \$200. The recommendations will be carmed out.

George Macrae and 15 others petitioned for a fire hydrant on Cedar Hill read and Oakland avenue. Referred to get as much benefit as possible from the their report the cost of the work should upon the work and were being paid \$1.20 and still in what light does he stand? the water committee with power to act. The finance committee recommended that \$516.15 be appropriated out of the \$1,029.82 out of the general revenue; sewerage loan; \$14.50 out of the waterworks loan and \$100 to assist the board cream. of trade in issuing their report. Adopted.

The fire wardens reported on a number of minor matters. They asked for an appropriation for an exercise wagon; for further time to report on the application of R. Ledingham for re-instatement and also to report on the request of Walkeley, King & Casey for the use of

one of the fire engines. There was some discussion on the application for an exercise wagon. Ald. Wilson said at present the James Bay

vision 58; ninth division 39. Total-360. Spring Ridge-First division, 44; second division, 33; third division, 35; fourth division, 45. Total-157. Girl's Central-First division, 25, second division, 39; third division, 42; fourth division, 47; fifth division, 43; sixth division, 42; seventh division, 35; eighth division, 25. Total-300. Boy's Central-First division, 32; secand division, 40; third division, 36; fourth division, 40; fifth division, 46; sixth division, 33; seventh division 22; eighth division, 36. Total-285.

Victoria West-First division, 8; sec and division, 25; third division, 47; fourth division, 26; and fifth division, 37: Total-163.

THE TRAVELLING DAIRY. It Is To Be Exhibited Throughout the

Province During September. J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of ag-

riculture, has received word from Prof. er, that the travelling dairy will visit August. The first place visited will be Agassiz on August 30 and 31, and it will be September 20 before the Island

is reached. The dates for the Island have been fixed as follows: Victoria, at exhibition grounds, Friday and Saturday, September 20 and 21. Cedar Hill-Monday and Tuesday, September 23 and 24

Saanich-At agricultural hall, Wednesday and Thursday, September 25 Metchosin-Friday and Saturday, Sep-

tember 27 and 28. Duncan's-At Agricultural hall, Mon-

day and Tuesday, September 30 and Oc-Nanaimo-Thursday and Friday, Oc tober 3 and 4.

visit all the farming districts with the exception of Comox, where it will be im-

practical teachings of the dairy, it is ad- have been less than \$200,000. What per day. vised that a local committee in every was really paid out on the substrucsupply of about ten gallons of sweet dered ran up to \$434,000.

Farmers are invited to bring cupful is sufficient for each sample. The dairy is to be taken to New West-

fessor Sharpe of the experimental farm. OPIUM IN HONOLULU.

An Official Contrives a Scheme for His Own Advantage. received in this city cy the reply is that it had been in con quite a little light upon the political more expeditionally or economically by that the bridges would cost a minimum Ald. Cameron and Humphrey explain- methods of the de facto government of the method adopted? The result may figure of \$382,000. These figures, for ures having been taken to absolutely pro- bor. This he did, as he says himself, ter, one would have thought. That they The report was adopted, with the ex- hibit its importation. A revenue cutt : after hesitation and deliberation. Ten- had set his deputy thinking is plain from ception of the clause referring to the has been engaged to cruise around the ders were asked for privately, and three his letter, because, after narrating to islands, and wee betide any daring or four parties tendered. Here was the Mr. Haggart the list of difficulties The street committee recommended schooner that attempts a landing. first footprint of fraud. Of the tenders which had been given to Mr. Douglas oy that the streets offered to the city by Twenty-five hundred dollars a month's the commission reported that "there is Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Parent, in ex-Hon. A. DeCosmos be accepted if Mr. the cost of the government cruiser, and considerable doubt whether those tenders cuse Mr. Scureiber adds: DeCosmos hand them over free to the any one found with even an opium pipe were bona fide; in reality there may only "1, however, am of the opinion that city, the full with of the street. The in his possession is liable to a fine of have been one tender." It is now no whilst these causes may have contributcommittee reported on several other min- \$150. But there is a rider to this lit- longer doubtful that St. Louis received ed to an increased cost that we must or matters and enclosed the tenders for the penalty. It only applies to pip s the contract without any competition look for other reasons to account for the on Cadbora Bay road. Messrs. Cuning- rumor is a lying jade, it is really may sufficient to sustain this. ham & Hinton's tender was \$319 and vellous how the officers of the law fail These are some of the prices. He harbor official. This latter individual man for Sunday overtime. has secured to himself an absolute mon-

A Review of the Facts Connected With the Notorious Bridge Scandal.

THE CURRAN BRIDGE FRAUDS

The Minister's Responsibility-Payments Made After the Exposure.

The Curran bridge scandal, as it is called, has occupied many columns of newspapers and many pages of parliamentary records, and is likely to occupy many more before it loses its interest for the people of Canada. The events content."

1803, but for several reasons they were and shovel laborers whom I employ for Schreiber reported to the minister that not fully and clearly set before parliament until during the session just closed. They may not, therefore, be so familiar, at least in the summing up of their relation to that department of the government under which they transpired, as to make a brief history of the celebrated for the minister's eyes, because he that the minister was not wrong in letbridge uninteresting.

Upon the main features of the case there is practically no dispute. Two men. On the 13th March Contractor St. bridges were to be rebuilt over the La-

chine Canal in the City of Montreal. One was a general traffic bridge at Wel. Mr. Emard. The latter is Mr. Ouimet's him from time to time were not of any leave Japan. He picked upon the lington street, the other the Grand law partner, and an active politician. moment, and not calculated to put him Trunk railway bridge close by. In the Mr. St. Louis, besides being a cousin of on his guard-give the minister the bene- country he is fleeing as fast as session of 1892 the minister of railways that member of the government, has fit of all that, and what is to be said ship and train can carry him. and canals told parliament that after been, we know, a large contributor to when, after the 10th May, the depart- Times man approached him vest careful investigation his engineers had Conservative elections, although the ex- ment, of which he is the head, paid out he pretended not to understand Engl calculated that the bridges would cost act amount of his contributions will not public money to a man respecting whose salculated that the bridges would cost act amount of his contribution with public money to a man respecting whose interpreter was obtained \$170,000. This was for both substruction be known, because, as he told the par-should be known because, as he told the parures and superstructures. In connection liamentary committee, he burned his inquiry to ascertain whether he had de-with the steel superstructures no com-books to destroy the record. To this frauded the government or not? What reporter translated to him. He reporter translated to him.

titious names.

ting out of the question, therefore, the to extend the labor contract to unskilled Sta May, by cheques paid on the 1100, try and am on my way to the Prof. Robertson hopes to be here at ting out of the question, diction, the labor. The arguments by which they \$8395; on the 2/th May, cheque, \$66,000: States. How long I will remain the achieved this result have not been public the same time as the dairy, and will we have heard so much arose over the achieved this result have not been pub- and by letter another \$7000; on the 6th cannot say. I only remained two w carrying out of a work originally estim- lished. They would require to be strong, June \$39,000 was paid at the very time in Japan and came there directly ated to cost \$82,000, or, adding the \$40,- one would suppose, in view of the warn- the governor-in-council had issued the leaving Seoul. I am unjustly ker culars sent out state that the object of 000, which was the additional cost of ing contained in Mr. Douglas' report of commission of inquiry on the ground that my country, but what will happen culars sent out state that the object of going to an increased depth, the cost was the loth, only two days before. Even if frauds had been committed. the dairy is to afford those engaged in butter making an opportunity to gather to have been \$122,000. To this amount there and been no warning, no suspicious is the previous to the 25th April, when accompany the last statement with the commissioners added a further sum circumstances, it is a little remarkable the deputy minister had reported the ominous meaning look that the are Jas. L. Kaymur recommended that the exact, practical and helpful informa-five-inch pipe be laid on Moss street and tion regarding all parts of the process. after its completion for difficulties which that while the work was in progress, and in a deputy minister had reported the original for the process. after its completion for difficulties which that while the work was in progress, and in a deputy minister had reported the original for the process. tion regarding all parts of the process. Accurred during the progress of the no labor troubles threatening, the minis- gating them, the only fraud was in the ther meek looking. He wears spe road be extended. The cost would be maker and an assistant, with dairy work. The commissioners, who were ter who hesitated about giving a con-demand that was being made. Set aside and looks like a Japanese who had utensils, including a centrifugal cream officials of the government, may have tract for skilled laborers should, by a the doctrine of the minister's responsiutensils, including a centrifugal cream ometals of the government, may have brack to shine have to ball of the undersized and the stroke of his pen, agree to pay to St. bility, so far, at least, as only to hold slight frame, but has a good head

a Babcock milk tester. To enable the giving the government the benefit of and shovel laborers who were already facts had been brought to his notice, place to be visited should arrange for a tures was \$334,000, while the bills ren- deputy minister several times, the con- was away, and Sir Mackenzie Boweil

verse criticism has been directed was the for the month of March were received. cause there is no evidence that Mr. Hagsamples of whole, skimmed milk or but- decision of the minister to do the work On the 25th of April Mr. Schreiber gart, upon leaving his department at this in the darkness of a night to thwart termilk to be tested; about half a tea by day labor instead of by tender and wrote to Mr. Haggart as follows:-"As I mentioned to you I was not a contract. The law lays down that "the minister shall invite tenders by public little startled upon receiving from Mr. ment of money to St. Louis, nor that minster during the fair in October. The advertisement for the construction of all Parent the pay rolls and accounts for the he gave Sir Mackenzie Bowell any warn-Mainland meetings are in charge of Pro- | works, except in cases of pressing emermonth of March in connection with the gency, in which delay would be injurious Wellington street bridges, which ment were fraudulent. to the public interest or in which from summed up an enormous sum. I at once the nature of the work it can be done dispatched Mr. R. C. Douglas off to more expeditiously or more economically Montreal to look into the matter and fer- Tupper severely criticized the Montreal

this work was one of pressing emergen | information he gives me is as follows:"

from the latter's own statement the dep- | deputy's letter, coupled with all the other uty minister instructed him to dismiss matters to which reference has been 400 of the men employed and a large made, the minister on the 24th April number of the teams. But despite ordered the payment or permitted the Douglas' report nothing was done to pre- issuance of a cheque to the contractor vent St. Louis again overcrowding the for a sum, which was not paid until the work and stuffing the pay rolls with fic- 28th, of no less than \$74,777. On the 29th April another cheque was signed, Superintendent Kennedy, a protege of but not actually handed over until 5th Solicitor-General Curran, had been hav- May, for another sum of \$9000. This ing trouble with Contractor St. Louis makes an amount of \$83,777, a large

over the interpretation of the contract. portion of which was evidently obtained In a letter to the solicitor-general, dated by false pretences, deliberately paid over the 12th March, he spoke of the "scan- in face of Mr. Douglas' report. dalous manner" in which the bridges After the letter of the 25th April were being built. Referring to St. whatever doubt there might have been

Louis' contract he said he could get all ripened rapidly into conviction, and bethe skilled laborers "by the thousand at fore the early days of May had gone by an average day's pay without any dis- the deputy minister was abundantly sat-Further on in his letter he isfied that gross frauds had been perwhich are involved in it occurred in said, "imagine their trying to place pick petrated. Upon the 10th May Mr. \$1.25 per day at \$1.871/2 on his (St. frauds had been committed, and recom-Louis') list." With that letter in his mended the appointment of a royal conpocket the solicitor-general went to see mission to investigate them. In the Minister. He fied Seoul a month Mr. Haggart. He has since said that face of these conclusive facts, as to avoid arrest at the instigation he did not show the minister the let- which there is no dispute, passing by all queen, and left Japan for ter, although it was written expressly other matters, admitting, if you will, learned that the labor contract had just ting the contract out by day work, ad- give rise to complications that w been extended to the pick and shovel mitting that he did not violate the act of barass Japan. The plan was

parliament, say it was not wrong to ex- him with complicity in a plot tend the contract to unskilled labor, say sinate the queen and endeavor Louis came to Ottawa accompanied by that those notices which were brought to bim. He was warned and ac plaints or charges have been made. Put- innuential deputation the minister agreed were the dates of the payments? On the ly said "I am an exile from my

Babcock milk tester. To enable the testimony would warrant. But Louis \$1.87½ per day for supplying pick him to account for his conduct after the the face of a student. Pak is used The pay rolls were asked for by the these payments they were made while he tractor shrewdly holding them back. It was acting head of his department. The whole milk and about two gallons of The first circumstance to which ad- was not until late in April that the rolls excuse goes only a short distance, beimportant juncture for his summer jaunt,

took any precautions to prevent the paying that these claims upon the departit is unnecessary to go into the case at greater length. Sir Charles Hibbert

executed by the officers and servants of ret out all the information he could, and magistrate who dismissed the criminal the minister." If it be asked whether report to me the position of affairs. The charge against St. Louis. But in view of all the circumstances, who that has Mr. Schreiber then gave to Mr. Hagread the undoubted and undisputed facts gart Mr. Douglas' report, which was of the case will wonder at Judge Desnoyer, after listening to all the evidence, coming to the conclusion that it was imwhat was estimated to cost \$170,000 and ena. possible to hold St. Louis guilty of having obtained money under false pretences? What is the money he wis tached from the Asiatic squadron and alleged to have obtained under false pretences? The \$8000, the \$66,000, the \$7000, the \$39,000, paid by the minister of railways, paid certainly before he had the report from his commission, but after he knew of such irregularities that

deputy. There was a conflict between there is little doubt St. Louis was hon- was enjoyed by passengers and children by the state of th the reports of Douglas and Parent, but estly entitled. But in the face of his alike.

The cabin passengers were Mr. Abraham, Mr. T.W. Aldis, r, Mr. Jas. Chas. Arter, Mr. on, Mr. H. Baxter, Mrs. H. Mr. Abraham, Mr. T.W. A er, Mr. Jas. Chas. Arter, ton, Mr. H. Baxter, Mrs. Alex. Benson, Rev. Evan Buckle, Mr. V. Chirol, Mr. lier, Lieut. Chas. W. G. C Mr. P. P. Crossley, Mr. Th H. C. Elgar, Mr. M. F. A. B. Furse, Mr. H. S. Guin Harvard, Mr. J. A. Hawe Howard, Mr. H. O. Laward Harvard, Mr. J. A. Hawe Howard, Mr. H. O. Jensen, Mr. E. Karbe, Mr. John L vant, Mrs. John Lindsley, Lindsley, Master Thayer Maya Lindsley, Mr. F. Luts Ewan, 4 children and ma MacKie, Mr. M. A. Mosle, ray, Mr. J. Murata, Mr. H J. Nagai, Prince Yong Ho ant, Mrs. A. W. Rennie, M wald, Mr. B. L. Sardy, M Mr. M. Schanz, Rev. Seder Hawes, Jensen, Mr John Line and maid, Mosle, Mr Mr. M. Schanz, 3 children, Dr. J. E. Shrady, J. son, Mrs. Stevenson and 3 chil Mr. Stocken, Mrs. Stocken, Re Thomas, Dr. K. Usui, I.J.N., Co de la Vaulx, Lieut. H. R. Veel The notable passenger was Yong Ho Pak, the refugee Korea scheming Korean queen would re

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States as the next asylum, and However, an interpreter was obtain future no one can foretell." Pak di in for the church. He is undersized this refugee business by this time. he spent ten years an exile in Mr. Haggart claims that as to some of and just a year previous to the day left Japan for America, he left there Korea restored to favor and a power the land. But a year in Korea the troublous times brings many change

and a month ago the home minister fi scheme to remove both his official a personal head. He had lost favor w the queen and that has proved bad f stronger men than Pak. After Pak vanted the queen proceeded to get sati faction out of his friends and follower and now his name is never mention except in hatred. Pak came in the cab and, his retinue takes the singular, the plural, as it consists of one faithf follower. While the ship lay at ancho Pak paced the deck and looked out t

hose wagon had to be brought over town A private letter every day to exercise the horses, leaving from Honolulu by the Warrimoo, throw's James Bay unprotected.

ed that the funds were at present very the islands. In order to satisfy the min. be left to answer. low, and thought the matter should be isterial conscience, the traffic in opium The minister's next step was to give \$40,000 for deepening, or \$210,000 altolaid over until the taxes commenced to has been sedulously suppressed, meas out by contract the supplying of the la- gether, should have aroused the miniscome in.

wagon, which was laid over.

James Cummin's \$300. There was some discussion regarding lame one now in the service of the city. it was decided to turn the lame horse ont

tramway wires on Cadbora Bay road was awarded to the lowest tenderer. The poundkeeper presented his report for the first six months of the year. Received.

It was decided to call for applications for the positin of clerk of the works at the whole proceeds. Beaver Lake. Applications to be in on Monday.

In answer to Ald. Macmillan the may or stated that Walkeley, King & Casey had not yet forwarded a list of the names of their employes to the council.

Ald. Macmillan said he believed the contractors had men at work whose names they did not wish to be compared with the voters' list. If they do not supply the list he proposed to move for the cancellation of the contract.

Ald. Macmillan moved, seconded by Ald, Hall, that a committee consisting of the mayor, health officer and clerk be a lot of riveting done. When she returns appointed to wait on Premier Boweil in regard to quarantine matters.

Trade.

Ald. Wilson said that he noticed that the N.P.R. boat was quarantined. It would be interesting to know whether the C.P.R. boats would be treated in the same manner. He had heard that the C.P.R. had refused to take their steamers to Williams Head. Ald. Partridge thought the Indian reserve matter should be considered by the

same committee. The motion was adopted and the coun-

cil adjourned at 9:55.

THE ATTENDANCE LIGHT.

Statement of the Enrollment on the First School Day.

The attendance at the city schools was rather light yesterday as indicated by the statement given below, but during the week the number will be greatly tion on the same coast. The captain thing in good running order. The statement of attendance is as follows: North Ward-First division, 34; sec-

ond division, 28; third division, 49; fourth division, 55; fifth division, 57; into deep water. sixth division, 59; seventh division 43; Rock Bay-First eighth division, 48.

division, 24; second division, 16; Total North Ward-413. South Park-First division, 21: second division, 30; third division, 38; fourth

sion, 54; seventh division, 44; eighth di- | perfect beauty.

as more is consumed in the islands now team on Sundays. than at any time before, his profits must be something great. As the whole mamaintain the monopoly, it is hardly like-

REPAIRS TO THE WARRIMOO. borers.

Will be Temporarily Repaired Here and Sent to Sydney.

The steamer Warrimoo, which ran on the rocks near Carmanah Point last were bogus. It should not have been Friday, will be only temporarily repaired here. The contract for doing this has been awarded to the Albion Iron Works Company, and they have already commenced work. A keel plate and two the same rate as day prices." bilge plates will have to be replaced and to Sydney it will be decided whether oug repairing, or whether the work will | gress of the work, it was extended to the

be replaced, for one trip at least, by another steamer. The temporary repairs will be complete this week. The vessel fied with the prices. Out of this exwill then go to Vancouver to take ou cargo.

To-morrow Capt. Gaudin, agent of the Trunk bridge there was neither check marine and fisheries department, will commence the official enquiry to ascertain the cause of the accident and fix the blame, of any. A number of witnesses will be examined, but it is not likely so inclined, could defraud the government." that much time will be occupied. Capt.

Arundel requested the enquiry. Speaking of the accident, a well-known

marine man, who examined the vessel, Mr. St. Louis were tumbling over each said she got off very luckily. Had there other upon the work. The Montreal been any swell at all the vessel's bot- Star said in an article on the Sth March tom would have been knocked out and that "the number of men at work is take the course which as a minister of bad accident at Amoy the night after however, nothing is being done. she would very likely have slipped off very great and the work is being done in Mr. Haginto deep water. One good wave would a very expensive manner." have been sufficient to break her to gart and his deputy thus had their attenhave been sufficient to break her to gart and his deputy thus had then attent side to releve it from the task builders which had occurred? When we arrive and seriously wounded four others. One States. He resided here for many years Duchess of Argyle was in a similar posi- wrote to Mr. Parent, the engineer in at Mr. Schreiber's letter we arrive at a of the latter may not survive the burn and was very well known. It is said ir creased, and a few days will see every- thought she was resting easily and was an exaggeration. Notwithstanding shield himself behind his engineers or cumulation of gas in the coal bunkers, came to Victoria for assistance. When this reply, Mr. Schreiber sent Mr. Doug- the officers of his department. Upon and one of the coolies is supposed to he returned not a vestige of the vessel las, an officer of his department, down the 25th of April Mr. Schreiber gave him have gone to the door carrying a lamp. was to be seen. She had been struck by to Montreal to make an investigation. the report of Mr. Douglas, who had been At all events a terrible explosion fola wave, broken to pieces, and slipped

-The hair, whe not properly cared for loses its lustre, becomes crisp, harsh and

dry, and falls out freely with every cmbing. To prevent this, the best dress-Kennedy nor the pay sheets from St. ing in the market is Ayer's Hair Vigor. division. 41, fifth division 35; sixth divi- It imparts that silk gloss so essential to

templation for years. Could it be done

removing the tramway poles and wires which burn smuggled opium,, and unless whatever. The prices he received are enormous expenditure over and above the estimate."

The case may be said to divide itself to see any deleterious qualities in a cer- was allowed \$4 a day for a foreman into two parts, its conduct up to the tain drug, remarkably like the optum of stonecutter, day time, and \$6 a day for point we have now reached constituting the purchase of a horse to replace a commerce, which finds its way into the same foreman at night or overtime; one division and what is to follow com-Honolulu under the supervision and \$8 a day for the same foreman on Sun- prising the other. Two theories have After a thirty-five minutes' disscusion through the hands of the most prom non days and \$12 a day for the same fore been set up to explain the extraordinary combination of circumstances which ap He was allowed \$5 a day for a doub'e pear in the execution of this unpreten-The contract for removing poles and opely of the importation of opium, and team and \$10 a day for the same double tious public work. One holds the minister responsible in a way which impugns He was allowed \$2.50 a day for the his honor and integrity. The other use of a derrick day time, \$3.75 for the charges him with administrative inemchinery of the government is used to use of the same derrick night and over- ciency and carelessness-inefficiency and time, and at the rate of \$7.50 a day for carelessness such as has seldom if ever ly, however, that he is allowed to pocket the same derrick for Sunday overtime, been paralleled in this country. and so forth on the same scale for regard to the first it cannot be said that stonemasons, stonecutters and skilled la- it is altogether unreasonable in view of

the remarkable series of events which One would suppose that such extramade the robbery possible. It is, in fact, ordinary prices would have excited some scarcely surprising if, when men see all ported from Carmanah Point at 7 Esquimalt harbor, is very careful when enquiry on the part of the minister even if he had no suspicion that the tenders either neglected or deliberately set aside, difficult one would think to ascertain that suspicions should be excited. Cerwhether it was not possible, as Superin- tain it is that no plunderer of the treastendent Kennedy subsequently wrote, ury could hope to have his way made that the contractor actually did "obtain easier. his labor for night and overtime at about

But taking the view most favorable for the minister that is possible it will be At the outset the labor contract was found difficult for anyone who studies

only for the Wellington street bridge. his conduct after the receipt of Mr. she will be sent to England for a thor. On the 24th February, during the pro- Schreiber's letter of the 25th April to clear him of responsibility for the mittee co-operate with the Board of be done in Australia. She will probably Grand Trunk bridge. This time there frauds. Leave out of account the was no pretence about even private ten- granting of the labor to St. Louis, its ders. The minister was evidently satis- extension to the Grand Trunk bridge, the dismissal of Desbarats, the watchful tension it was that the most outrageous engineer, the extension of the labor conof the frauds arose. On the Grand tract to unskilled labor, and the other events which the minister tries to justiupon the time nor pay rolls. According fy by saying he acted upon the advice of to the commission "there has been every officials; give the minister the full his opportunity given whereby the contrac- benefit of the excuse which he advances tor for labor or any of his employees, if and which is advanced on his behalf that it is not reasonable to require a minister to have minute charge of all Not more than one week later 1300 men and a hundred teams employed by

only by what occurred after the facts of ledge, and what is the conclusion to which the evidence leads? Did he This officer reported two days later, on sent down to Montreal in consequence of lowed. The man who died was badly the 10th March, confirming the Star's the startling pay rolls for the month of burned and lingered in great agony for

neither the time from Superintendent but positive and definite knowledge. Louis. This circumstance was not cal- St. Louis was \$14,717 for the January perfect. Purser Lobley pronounced culated to reassure the minister and his and February pay rolls. To this amount the best he ever made in the ship. It

he actually caused a commission to be issued to prove and establish the facts .--Toronto Globe

ACCIDENT ON THE EMPRESS

Explosion of Coal Gas at Amoy Kills a Fireman and Burns Four Others.

Arrival of Extled Prince Pak, of Corea, Fleeing to the United States.

With The Empress of Japan, Capt. Geo. Lee, R.N.R., arrived here yesterday the precautions ordinarily observed for o'clock, and at 10:30 the steamer Danthe protection of the public treasury ube, which acted as tender, left to join her outside. It was very foggy outside and it was noon before the Danube lothe American shore, where she was the outer wharf as she passed up.

hove to. The C.P.R. officials directed that she go into William Head, and the pilot sloop which came along shortly after, had orders to that effect from Dr. Macnaughton Jones, quarantine officer. It was thought when the Danube steam

ed away to the Head that the Empress would follow, but she did not. Capt. Lee regarded that as dangerous owing to the fog, and instead ran into the roads corner of Langley and Fort streets, and dropped anchor. Dr. Jones on the Earle ran out to her later on and repeated his order, but Capt. Lee said he \$400 from Dr. James D. Helmcken. would prefer to await clear weather rather than run any danger. Thus the lerton cashed, but when his workmen entire afternoon was wasted. Finally at 4:30 o'clock the Danube came back he declared that the bank was to the roads and led the way for the when he got the cheque. He said the Empress to William Head, where at 6 they would have to wait until Monday o'clock she dropped her anchor. After the works of his department; judge him all there were no Japanese steerage pas-day, and it is said that he took the sengers aboard, and the ship, therefore, of Kingston on Sunday night. His b what was occurring came to his know- hardly came within the scope of the recent order. The vessel had an unevent- Lemcn and they will very likely ful run of the usual time, except for a plete the work at once. the crown he ought to have taken to re- she left Hongkong on the way to Viclieve the country so far as it was pos-toria. An explosion of gas in her coal Smith and was later with Charlie sible to relieve it from the loss bunkers killed one of her coal passers liams, now a resident of the United charge, who replied that the Star article date when Mr. Haggart can no longer ing which he received. There was an ac-

article. That day the minister tele- March. The letter makes it plain that several hours. No damage was done to graphed Parent to bring the pay rolls up previous to the 25th the minister had the vessel in any way. The ship passed to Ottawa. Parent came without the knowledge of the frands being commit- the N.P. liner Straits of Dover at noon pay rolls, explaining that he could get ted at Lachine-not implied knowledge, vesterday, and that furnished the only

incident of the ocean voyage. The At that date all that had been paid to weather throughout the trip was simply

His hands were behind his and he was wrapped in thought and for All exile's pace with their hands behind their backs. Napoleon did it at St. He Lieut. Charles Crawford, R.N., a

Lieut. H. R. Veale, R.N., have been de ordered home for other service. Charles W. Collier is a New York merchant in the silk trade, and has probably mad more trips to the Orient than any living traveler.

Count Henry de la Vaulx is traveli with F. Lutcher and is returning to Par is after a tour around the world. Chirol is correspondent in India for t London Times and is on his way to Lon don. Dr. K. Usui is in the Japanes naval service.

A number of disabled seamen and ma ines from the Asiatic squadron, princi pally from H. M. S. Edgar, arrived or their way home to England. They let the ship here and reported at Esqui malt last night. They will leave for Halifax in a day or so.

The ship brought about two hundr Chinese passengers and 36 of them landed here. The cargo amounted to 2000 tons, principally tea and silk. The vessel remained at William Head nearly all night. but the hour of her departure cannot be learned. She had not reached Vancouver up to a late hour to-day, and it is quite likely that she anchored in some safe place. Captain Lee, since hi morning, but it was last night before her visit to the shore between Macaulay passengers were landed. She was re- Point and the head at the entrance he gets in these waters with his ship. It was learned late this afternoon that it was 2:30 o'clock when the steamship Empress of Japan left William Head for Vancouver. The fog and smoke lifted cated her above the Race and off toward somewhat, and she could be seen from

DECEIVED HIS WORKMEN

Contractor Fullerton Leaves the City With a Round Sum of Money.

John Fullerton, the contractor, has le the city suddenly, and work on the alte ations to the Helmcken building at temporarily suspended. On Saturda, Fullerton received a progress payment of was in the form of a cheque, which Fu asked for their pay on Saturday eve men are Messrs. Schermerhorn At p that of late he has been hard up.

-Mr. Natanael Mortonson, known citizen of Ishpeming, Mich., and editor of Superior Posten, who, for long time, suffered from the most cruciating pains of rheumatism, was cured eight years ago, by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla, having never felt a twinge of it since.

Her-John, I do believe the baby has swallowed your collar button. Him-It wouldn't take long to find out If he has he will be trying to crawl under the burgen in a few minutes the bureau in a few minutes