FRANK FLETCHER, Agent

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the fol-lowing described land, situated on the west ide of Kootenay river, and covering all Stewart's abandoned pre-emption No. 759 and about one-eighth of a mile north of Angus Curry's pre-emption: commencing at a post marked "Sidney J.
Cummings' southeast corner post," thence orth 40 chains; thence west 60 chains; hence south 40 chains; thence east 60 aining 240 acres more or less. Dated this 28th day of February, 1907.

SIDNEY J. CUMMINGS. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands situated on the south, shore of the West Arm of Kootenay lake, nin iles from Nelson, and joining lot 4401: ommencing at a post marked "M. M. Vinter's N.W. corner post," thence e chains, more or less; thence south 20 chains, more or less; thence west to the lake shore and thence following the lake

ore to the point of commencement.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1907... M. M. WINTER. NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chi ner of Lands and Works for pered lands, situate in the West Kootenay strict: Commencing at a post about 20 chains north of the S.E. corner post of tot 2542, thence south 40 chains; thence east chains: thence north 40 chains; thence west 20 chains, to point of commencement,

HAROLD SELOUS. Nelson, Feb. 8, 1907.

ontaining 80 acres more or less

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works pission to purchase the following escribed lands, situate in West Kootenay district: Commencing at the southween rner of Lot 4682, thence south 60 chains thence west 40 chains, more or less to the Kootenay river; thence following the shore of same river northeasterly to point of mmencement , comprising 160 acres, more Dated March 6, 1907

PATRICK SHERAN.

OTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the hief commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "T. W. Savary's N.E. post," and planted at the south boundary of K. and S. block 823, on the west shore of South bay of Howser lake, thence 4 hains west; thence 80 chains south; thence 40 chains, more or less east to shore of bay; thence along shore of bay to point nmencement, the whole containing

T. W. SAVARY.
J. R. EDMONDSON, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days af-ter date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the folowing described lands in Kootenay disrict, B.C.: Commencing at a post marked "J. Cameron's S.E. corner post," said post eing on the west side of Upper Arrow lake, opposite Nakusp, and at the N.E. corner of lot 7310, running thence west 16 chains; thence north 60 chains; thence east 7 chains; thence following the lake shore in a southerly direction 60 chains, nore or less, to point of commencement, ontaining 60 acres, more or less.

Dated this 11th day of March, 190

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief ommissioner of Lands and Works at Vicria, for permission to purchase the folowing described lands in West Kootenay listrict: Commencing at a post marked " Burgess' N.E. corner, situated 100 feet ine of timber license 7821, thence east 40 hains, more or less, to J. A. Sullivan's pre-emption line; thence north along said line to right of way of B. C. Southern ailway; thence west to place of com-

Staked this 15th day of February, 1907. J. T. BURGESS, Locator, GEO. A. HUNT, Agent.

er date I intend to apply to the Hon he Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following of Lands and wing described lands, situate on the east ide of the Columbia river, adjoining Bur-on City on the south: Beginning at a post arked "J. G. Billings' S.W. corne running east 80 chains; thence north 40 hains; thence west 80 chains; thence outh 40 chains to point of commencement. Dated March 22nd, 1907.

J. G. BILLINGS, Locator.

J. CAMERON, Agent.

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LORD AYLMER

Colonel Vidal Succeeds Him as Inspector General

Secretary of State Introduces in Senate Bill to Provide for Establishment of Juvenile Court

(Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, April 5.—In the house this morning, Talbot, (Bellechase), asked the speaker, pointedly, if it was not usual for seats to the right of the chair. o be reserved for supporters of the goverament. The reference was clearly to Sourassa and Lavergne.

Fielding stopped the question at the outset by stating that the arrangement of seats was a matter of friendly arangement and no direction in the mater could be given. Gayreau liberal formally denied the

press reports that he was to be ap-pointed assistant clerk of the senate. Macpherson made a strong plea, when the question of the construction of a new fishery cruiser for the Pacific coast, at a cost of \$225,000 came up, that tenders should be received only from Pacific coast shipyards. In answer to Foster's taunt that only "punts" were built there Macpherson pointed to the boats of the P. R. fleet constructed on the coast pleman admitted in the discussion that several more cruisers would be quired to meet the demand for the protion of Pacific coast fisheries.

Macpherson then called attention to the fact that often poachers get away from the single cruiser now in commission, showing the need of increased pro

Hon. R. W. Scott introduced in the enate today a bill for a special court or trying juvenile offenders. The bill will only be passed as far as the second

Lord Aylmer against his wishes, has been retired as inspector general of Can-adian militia. Col. Vidal will succeed

Lord Aylmer expressed regret that he had not been permitted to hold the post of inspector general for a couple of years onger. It was the duty of an officer, he mphatically declared, to obey orders and he would do so in this case without complaint. He had looked forward enjoying the summer's work which had been outlined and now was rather worried by the thought that he had nothing to do. Lord Aylmer said that for officers and could not anticipate be ing relieved of his post until he had served at least four years. For his suc-cessor, colonel Vidal, he had nothing but good wishes. He knew him as a fine

A deputation including senator Cox nant-colonel Thompson, ex-M. P., W. V. Soper, of Ottawa; T. A Russell, of and others, waited on Richard Cartwright, minister of trade and commerce, yesterday, to support the application of the Imperial Export comthat further government assistance be given towards establishing trade communication between Australia,

Atlantic ports. It is probable the matter will be taken up in London by sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues, with the representatives of the Australian government

EDUCATION OF INDIANS

Protestant Churches Want . Change of

Policy-To Interview Oliver. Toronto, April 5.—Representative om various Protestant hodies, headed by Hon. S. H. Blake, K.C., will meet the minister of the interior at Ottawa nex Tuesday, regarding the change of policy for the education of the native northwest Indians 'Ine aim is to have the government undertake the whole secular education, leaving the purely religious teachings to denominational missionries. Should the government be averse to the idea the churches will unite to ask that the grants be increased.

P. E. I. FINANCES

Charlottetown, P.E.I., April 5.—Esti Islature today. On current account it estimated that \$328,499 will be required; on capital account \$21,500. The largest ms are: Administration of justice, \$21,000; education, \$125,000; legislation, \$9000; public works, \$58,000. As only alf the increased subsidy from the dominion will be available next year, there will likely be a deficit. When all of the \$70,000 is paid a surpus is expected.

TORNADO WRECKS ASYLUM New Orleans, April 5-A despatch from Jackson says a tornado swept the town tolay, wrecking the s ate insane asylum and killing three inmates. Several residences were destroyed, and Miss M. Lea, a young woman, is said to have been among th

GANANOQUE INN BURNED Cananoque, Ont., April 5-As a result of fire in the Gananoque Inn, one of the finest summer hotels in Canada, al! that remains of the building are a wing on Stone

reet and the bare walls. The hotel proberty and furniture were valued at \$80,000, partly covered by insurance. The building was owned and conducted by Arch. Walsh. ffects and narrowly escaped with their ives, being asleep with others nouse, when the fire broke out.

SAILS FOR LONDON.

St. John, N.B., April 5-A special train pearing sir Wilfrid Laurier, sir Frederick Borden and Hon. Mr. Brodeur, reached Sandpoint at noon. The ministerial party went at once on board the Empress of Britain, and the premier, who was quite fatigued, retired to his room. He would not receive anyone during the

a reporter, but declined to make any statement concerning lord Alymer's retirement. He simply said that the public knew affairs almost as soon as he did, and he was not prepared to give infor-mation. The Empress sailed at

BLOCKING V.W. & Y. PLANS

DOUBTFUL COURSE OF VANCOU VER'S CITY SOLICITOR

MAY DISCOURAGE RAILWAYS SEEK ING OUTLET THERE.

(Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, April 5.-City solicitor Gowan f Vancouver, states that he appealed to the supreme court against permission for railway extension of the V. W. & Y. railway in Vancouver because he was unexpectedly faced with a number of w applications, involving the construction of parallel lines which would completely block access to the basin at the head of False creek. He said these parallel roads were admittedly to be parallel roads were admittedly to be built for purposes of sale to a large

Vancouver, April 5.—Public interest nere is intense of the above question as the wisdom of the city solicitor as noted above. Many claim that the tem-porary blocking of the railway extenion scheme will disconrage railways seeing an outlet here. Others praise the solicitor as the valiant defende he city's rights.

DISASTER AT COLEMAN

THREE MEN MEET DEATH IN AN EXPLOSION OF COAL GAS

TIGHT OTHERS WERE OVERCOME BUT NOT SERIOUSLY INJURED

Coleman April 5-The most distressingly sad accident that has ever happened in the mines of the International Coal and Coke company occurred on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. An explosion of gas caused the death of three of the best nown and most popular men in the employ of the company while eight others were overcome and must have perished had they not been speedily found and removed. Fortunate y they were taken cut in time and revived. They are not seriously

The dead are H. Grewcutt, sr., his son H. Grewcutt, jr., and Charles Hutton. The other men affected were H. Giliett, Joe Liska, Waller Nelson, W. E. Cark, George Wilson, John Hogan, J. A. Price, and Edward Eacott. Gillett and Liska ere somewhat burned by the explosoit but the others only suffered from the ef-fects of the after damp.

Huiton, who was a fire boss, at 7 o'clock in the morning examined the place where the explosion occurred and reported it in good order. The men went on shift and less than two hours later the explosion eame. The explosion beew out some of the copings, rendering it impossible to ven-illate the place until repairs could be made nd as none of the men affected were able talk yesterday it has been impossible determine the cause of the accident a

It seems that the dead were not killed the explosion, but met death from the ffects of the deadly after damp. Hut on was not, in the mine at the time, but earing the explosion ran in and fell dead the entry. Grewcutt, sr., was in room where it is thought the explosion took lace. He escaped and was in the Main ntry, when he thought of his son and urned back. A fellow workman tried to lissuade him but he insisted and like lutton, fell dead in the entry. The body of oung Grewcutt was not found for some Evidently he had run from his place he crosscut between 58 and 59, and fell

Of the eight men taken out unconscious me were overcome trying to get out while others fell while engaged in the work of rescue. Only two of the eight were burned. Gillett and Liska, indicating that he immediate effect of the explosion was confined to a small area.

As far as can be learned the mine is

damaged to any extent. The most pitiful phase of the affair is that in the removal of the Grewcuits, a arge family is left destitute. Grewcutt, sr., leaves a wife and several small children. Grewcutt, jr., and Hutton were both oung men and single.

WHERE BLIZZARDS RAGE Regina, Sask., April 5.—Saskatchewan was again in the grip of a blizzard today, and traffic was at a standstill.

THAW TRIAL TO PROCEED

Counsel for Defence to Address Jury on Monday Morning

Jerome Will Call no More Witnesses, Being Anxious to Bring Trial to **Early Conclusion**

New York, April 5,-The trial Harry K. Thaw will proceed on Monday orning, when Delphin M. Delmas, leading counsel for the defense will begin

his summing up to the jury.

District attorney Jerome decided late today not to appeal to the appellate division of the court of appeals for a writ of prohibition or mandamus to halt the trial. He reached this decision after a tation with eminent counsel. Mr. morning against the confirmation of the report of the lunaey commission, which declared Thaw to be sane, but he is aware that justice Fitzgerald's disposi tion is to confirm the report, which was unanimous. The district attorney has many witnesses still under subpoena, but it is said he has decided not to call them, and that he will press the trial forward to an early verdict, or what is egarded as more likely, a disagr

of the jury.
When Justice Fitzgerald declined yeserday to grant district attorney Jerome coess to the minutes of the lunacy comission, Mr. Jerome threatened to carry he matter to the appel ate division on the ground that he was excluded from the inal examination of Thaw by the comr on. He said he was willing to waive the rgiht to be present, but this was with the understanding that he be allowed to have ssession of the tes.imony. He had pror ised the commission, he said, not to this testimony against the prisoner in way at this trial. Immediately after I erday's adjournment Mr. Jer me set ab eeking precedents upon which to base polication to the higher court. He v at his office again early today and then went to the appellate division building. Instead of applying for a stay of trial. however, he took counsel among his judi-cial friends and it is said to have been on rmination to press the mat.er.

Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton was on the s, and as a witness for the defence the trial proper halted, more than two weeks ago. In order that the record may be kept straight, he will probably be re-called Monday morning, a though he may ot be permitted to testify. It was agreed should have one day in summing up. was learned tonight, however, that Mr. Delmas may speak for two entire days.

If he wishes this time it will undoubted y

e given him. District attorney Jerome has said tha his summing up will not require n then three or four hours. He has exp essed a desire to be permitted to make his argu-ment without any sort of interruption even for luncheon or adjournment. He will ask the jury to convict the prisoner of murder in the first degree. No reference will be made by, or be allowed to either side as to the appointment of the lunacy commission or the nature of its findings. Mr. Jerome will argue that Thaw was sane nough to know the nature and quality of his act when he killed Stanford White, and to know that the act was wrong. This is the definition in this state of legal santy. Regardless of his expressed personal onviction in the matter Mr. Jerome told the court yesterday that it would be his uty to press the prosecution of the defen

dant to the utmost.

On Monday the trial will enter its 12th and it is confidential v expected, the final week. The long delays which characterized the proceedings from the first have imsed upon the attorneys who are to su the extra task of making a resume o the testimony, so as to freshen the memory of the jury, who, for two weeks will have en out of touch of the trial. thought that a verdict may be

PONIT GREY IMPROVEMENTS Vancouver, April 5-J. F. Helliwe I and J G. Woodworth, representing the Point Grey Improvement association, have re-

turned from Victoria, where they inter-viewed the government regarding Point Grey affairs. The executive promised con-sderaition of the suggestions made. The chief request made was that at least \$250,000 be put in the estimates this year to clear and build roads, make surveys and therwise beautify the government reserve. Attention was drawn to the fact that with udicious handling the 4000 acres of land at Point Grey should not the governmen from eight to ten million dollars. The resu't of the sale would be the es abl shent of a community of about ten thous hese burdens on the state. and persons and the wiping out of the pre-Consequently senator Tom Kennedy says vincial debt from the proceeds of the sale. Stress was laid upon the importance of having a complete landscape survey made

by a competent artist in the present year. by a competent arcist in the present year.

It was urged that this autumn there would
be an insistent demand for another sale
of land and in view of this the survey should be completed before that time.

It is pointed out that if the government not wish to expend the sum mentioned this year—a quarter of a milion dollars—a syndicate can easily be formed to advance the money, to be paid for in

MACDONALD ENGINEERING BUILD-ING COMPLETELY DESTROYED

THE ORIGINATED ON THIRD FLOOR-CAUSE UNKNOWN

Montreal, April 5.-The Macdonald engineering building of McGill university, equipped and endowed mainly by sir William Macdonald, was totally descroyed by fire today. The total loss will be \$750,000, insurance, \$420,000.

The magnificent pile of native lime stone and brick, probably the most per-fectly equipped science building on the continent, is tonight a complete ruin, with its thousands upon thousands of dollars worth of valuable machinery

and laboratories destroyed.

The workmen's mechanical building, an annex to the Macdonald building, was saved by the fire doors, but the loss from smoke and water will be very heavy. The burned building was five storie high with immense glass fixtures on the upper story, where "Italian sun baths" were enjoyed, particularly by the first year students.

It was on the third floor, about center of the flat, that the fire or ginated. From just what cause will probably never be known, for when the alarm rung in by a policeman, the entire cen-tre of the building seemed to be in flames, and when the caretakers of other McGill buildings awoke, names were already coming through

The flames lit up the entire city. The ouilding contained, among other trea ires, the famous Rouleaux collection of On the ground floor and in the b ent of the structure was a mass of expensive machinery, all of which is, course practically a heap of ruins. it were thoroughly equipped electrical and magnetic laboratories, dynamo rooms, lighting station for the entire university, accumulator rooms, laboratories of mathematics, dynamics, mechanics, mecha anics, modelling, testing and thermodynamic. The structure was first opened by lord Stanley in 1893, and has since

WANT TO JOIN MANITOBA

MOVEMENT FOR SECESSION TATING NEW ONTARIO

HAS STRONGER BACKING THAN WAS AT FIRST SUPPOSED.

Toronto, April 5.-The moven ecession in New Ontario with the express view of creating a new province s attracting not a little interest in par liamentary circles. From reports received it would seem that the movement has greater backing than was at first suppos-ed. Dr. Smellie, member for Fort Wil-liam and Lake of the Woods, expressed the belief that in the event of the form ing of a new province, Fort William and Port Arthur would be most centrally located and the choice of the capital would fall between them. He was unable to see how Emo could expect the honor. number in Fort William and Port Arhur were inclined to think that if any change took place, it should be in the line of annexation to Manitoba. While it was true, Dr. Smellie pointed out, that there were advantages in this course, h thought a majority of the people realized that they would fare better by remaining in Ontario than by joining Manitoba

VANCOUVER'S NEW CHIEF!

OTTAWA POLICE OFFICER OFFERED THE JOB.

CHIEF CHISHOLM EXPECTED TO RESIGN SHORTLY.

(Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, April 5.—It is reported of good authority that inspector Chamber lain, of this city, second in command the dominion police, has a tentative offer of the position of chief of police of Vancouver.

Vancouver, April 5 .- Inquiry at the ocal offices here this afternoon developed that fact that the above statement well founded. The resignation of chief Chisholm is expected at the next meet ing of the police commissioners.

TO CHLOROFORM IDIOTS

Proposal of San Francisco State Senat San Francisco, April 5-Should all idiots

and imbeciles be ch'oroformed and put to death? Sate senator Tom Kennedy of San Francisco says they should. He gets his idea from his inspection of the home for the feeble minded at Eldridge, near Glen Ellen. So his may be said to be the view of a statesman. He sees no economical value in the unfortunates, bereft of all ason, who occupy the home. He notes large expense for the care and keep of

he idio's should be chloroformed and put to death, just as stray dogs are freaten when unreclaimed at modern pounds. Kennedy wants to become the Dr. Osler of the west and as he has another legisla-tive session assured ahead of him and as he has been given a piace in the office of district attorney Langdon, he has a sort 91st street home of Andrew Carnegie. Sevor coign of vantage from which to secure. eral hundred persons identified with, or district attorney Later which to secure eral hundred persons identified with, or his desired fame. Kennedy says that at otherwise interested in, industrial affairs the next sessoin he will introduce a law had responded to an invitation to spend providing for the humans chloroforming

MCGILL'S HEAVY LOSS LOCATE NEW GOLD FIELD

Claims Staked in East End Residance District of Vancouver City

Laborer Encounters Pay Dirt Whilst Digging a Sewer Connection Great **Excitement Prevails**

(Special to The Daily News) Vancouver, April 5.-An unusual in dent occurred here today when seven mining claims were staken in a pop esidence district in the east end of the ity. Behind the action was the story of he finding of gold in considerable quan ities in the vicinity several days ago. Tuesday morning Phil Harner digging a sewer connection to a Keefe

street residence when he was struck, pard-pan. Securing a basin from a near by house he washed out a shovelfull of lirt and was rewarded by the discover of several small nuggets. He continue operations and was shortly surprised by turning out a nugget which proved to b worth \$15. Seven other nuggets, rang value from \$6 down were the

Harner at once told his employer Murray brothers, and his fellow work ien. The crowd organized a syndicat and kept the news secret until miners ertificates were secured.

Early this morning plans were con and the neighborhood was sur prised by seeing private property stal or mining claims. The story leaked ou and tonight the entire east end of th city is talking about prospect holes, as ligging in back yards.

MURDER OF STEUNENBERG

May Have Been Due to His Participation in Land Frauds.

, locho, April 5. On last J. F. Nugent, one of the local coul sel for Moyer and Haywood, received an anonymous note through the mall that excites his curiosity. It is written in capital letters to prevent the writer beng identified, but purports to be written one of the federal grand jurymen

The note follows:
"If you will look into the grand jury nvestigation you will find why and who cilled Frank Steunenberg. Treat this as

onfidential. (Sgd.) Juryman." The federal grand jury, in session here or some time, has ben engaged the pas week in probing land frauds, and parti-cularly conditions surrounding the acqui sition of large tracts of timber lands b the Barber Lumber company This in vestigation and the testimony of wit lesses has given rise to persistent run ors connecting the late governor Steur enberg with some of the transaction The latter, in his lifetime sold larger tracts of land to this corporation. It is probably from that fact that rumo onnects his name with the disclosur said to have been made before the gran

John Kinkaid, a former Denver law yer, has been arraigned, the charges growing out of the grand jury disclos-ures. Rumor also connects Kinkaid's iame with Ste transactions. It is said that Steunen perg owned Kinkald a large sum of money at the time of his death which Steun

nberg refused to pay. ugh Moyer and Haywood will no be tried until some time in May, active preparations for the trial are already in progress. It is believed that the ante-cedents and blas of every male citizen of the county who is liable to jury duty of the county who is hable to will be fully canvassed and known by both sides before the day of trial. Bets are freely offered that there will hung jury in the case, and in view of th decided stand taken one way or the other by nearly everybody in this counly, any other result seems improbable

FIFTY MILES AN HOUR.

Fierce Gale Struck Victoria Yesterday-Yacht Blown Ashore. Victoria, April 5.—During a gal

which raged throughout the the yacht Maple Leaf, belonging to Mr. McLaren, of Vancouver, which lay at anchor, near Oak Bay, was swept from its moorings and driven on Bowker's Beach. Luckily none of the crew were injured.

The wind had been blowing at the rate of 25 miles an hour since 5 o'clock yes terday afternoon. It continued stea until 2.30 a.m. today when it suddenly increased in fury. Intermittent gusts of terrific velocity came up from the south east. Snortly after 3 a.m. the gale reached its height. then 47 miles an hour, and with five minute intervals it reached 50 miles. This velocity is the highest recorded in Victoria this year,

"PEACE EVENING" AT CARNEGIE'S New York, April 5-There was a unique and no able gathering tonight at the east at the residence what the host termed a "peace evening." The affair was arrang-

ation, and was intended to a forerunner of the peace ing to be held next week. The guests included representatives of labor orconcerned themselves with labor coblems were received by Mr and Mrs. Andrew Carbegun. The speechmaking which was begun by Mr. Carnegie, was in the great half of the house.

federation, explained the purpose of the meeting to be an "informal talk, that we may the better understand one another." ********

DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO

New Orleans, April 5.-A score New Oriceans, April 5.—A score of persons were killed today by a tornado which swept for 300 miles across portions of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Parts of four towns were devastated, with damage exceeding \$55,000. The wind caused loss of property crops and telegraph property, crops and telegraph wires. The tornado began at Alexandria, Alabama, soon after 1 o'clock this morning, killing four persons there.

CZAR'S MIND FAILING

LONDON PAPER SAYS HE IS ABOUT TO ABDICATE. MILITARY DICTATORSHIP TO BE

ESTABLISHED.

London April 5.-The Daily Mirror claims to be in a position to announce upon the "highest authority" that the imperor of Russia proposes to abdicate vithin a month and that grand duke Michael will be appointed regent during

he infancy of the czarevitch. For the past three or four weeks, the paper says, the events in this direction have been proceeding with lightning rapidity in St. Petersburg, but the sec-ret has been well kept.—Continuing the

Daily Mirror says:

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"Lately the emperor's mind has given way even more completely and he has shown himself incapable of performing the smallest duties of his rank."

The lower house of parliament is to be abolished and there will be formed a military dictatorship with the object of stamping out revolution and putting an end to anarchy in Russia. The paper further declares that a marriage has further declares that a marriage habeen arranged between grand duk Michael, and princess Victoria, of Schles wig-Holstein, and that the visit to London of the dowager empress of Russia was chiefly for the purposes of negotiating this marriage.

Count Breckendorff, the Russian amount of the count of the Russian amount of the Rus

ador to Great Britain, in an inter view regarding the story punblished in the Daily Mirror expressed surprise therewith, and said he had heard nothing officially or otherwise to confirm

NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

he Great Northern ral way, will shore cus, where with a staff of three despatchers, a train master, a road master, and the superintendent of buildings and bridges Mr. Morgan will occupy the Corbin hetel building, which has been rented by the ompany for headquarters' business,

Tomorrow at the church of Mary Im naculate, Rev. Father Althoff, assisted by number of visiting priests, will commer a 40-hours devotional service, beginning at 8 a.m. In addition to Father Althof here will be present tomorrow Rev Father O.Reilly, S.J., of the Spokane col ege and Rev. Father Hartmann, G wood. On Monday Rev. Father Coo lege and Rev. Father Har the famous missonariy priest, and Rev. Father Jeanotte of Sandon, will join in the services. After high mass tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. there will be a procession wi the litany of The Sayings, and private de-votions throughout the day until the evening service at 7:30 p.m. At high mass an at the evening service tomorrow and also on Monday and Tuesday, morning and evening, Rev. Father O.Reilly will preach he sermons. On Monday and Tuesday th services will commence at 6 a.m. and con-tinue till the evening closing on Tuesday night with a procession and Solemn Bene-

SNOWSTORM IN MONTREAL. Montreal, April 5.-The lingering winter in the lap of spring was forcibly demonstrated to Montrealers today when they awoke to find themselves in the midst of a snow storm. A rainstorm set in through the night, during the progress of which the temperature droppe o a sufficient extent to change the rain into snow. 'I ne storm ha gress for several hours and the "beaut ful" is promptly transferred into slush on reaching the ground. Spring prom-ises to be one of the most backward in

MANY HAPPY RETURNS Ottawa, April 5 .- John R. Booth, one of the industrial kings of whom Canada is justly proud, celebrated his eightieth birthday today. He bears the burden of his years lightly and is still in personal charge of the vast industries out which he has made many millions

Government Bill Amended to Meet Suggestions of Opposition Leader

Premier McBride to Leave for Lendon Next Wednesday-Corbin's Railway Bill

(Special to The Daily News)

Press Gallery, Legislative Assembly, Victoria, April 5.—The time of the legislature today was taken up almost en-tirely with the discussion in commit-tee on the university endowment bill. The government had amended this in line with opposition leader Macdonald's suggestion and made it more definite. They will not make an actual grant of land to the university, but set it aside for endowment purposes. or endowment purposes. It will be open

to pre-emption and also to lo timber, coal and minerals. Macdonald is pressing a section which will insure that royalties, rents, licenses, etc., in case of timber, minerals or coal, located on the lands, go to the genera revenues of the province and not to the university. The government practically admitted today before adjournment that this was their intention.

Hawthorthwaite proposed to cut-down

the grant to 150,000 acres, and Macdon ald proposed one million and suggeste-that the other million might go to com mon school purposes. Both su were refused.

were refused.

The opposition wanted the bill held over until the other university bill was brought down, but this was refused.

The premier expects to leave Wednesday for London.

An effort is being made on behalf of Corbin to have the Kootenay Southern Rallway bill reconsidered by committee,

To offset it the rallway committee, before adjournment, brought in a report-

fore adjournment, brought in a reportgiving the reasons why the section a
was reached to throw it out. This was
that the route was the same as the
Southeast Kootenay company, which had
compiled with the terms of its charter
so far

Dr. King gave notice of asking that the report of the railway committee by withdrawn and that the bill to incorcompany be placed on the order papers for second reading, on Wednesday next, and Macdonald gave notice to move in and Macdonaid gave notice to move in going into supply that, "This house re-grets that the government has not seen fit to introduce legislation providing that mineral taxes collected, and to be col-lected in the future from owners of mines situated within the corporated limits of the city of Rossland be divided with the said much limits as a contract. with the said municipality, so as to give the said municipality a fair share there-of for school and other municipal pur-

CARNEGIE NEVER GAMBLED

Thomas W. Lawson's Sarcastic to Carnegie's Statement

New York, April 5.—In reply to the statement of Andrew Carnegie that he never made a dollar gambling with stocks, that speculation in Wall street is as bad as gaming with cards and that it is time for business men to ecognize stock speculators, Thomas W. awson sends the following:

Boston, March 31.-To be sure, Wall treet gamblers play with marked cards, eal from the bottom and the middle and have both sleeves stuffed with extra aces, but the Wall street gamblers do play with cards, first passing to every deacon and every member of his flock their "business card." They ain't no law compels you to sit into the game—but

when you do, remember it's a game. But Carnegie and his tribe of Home-stead sports, who manufacture the paste-boards, covering each telltale nick with a commandment and each sure-thing trick with a prayer, who lease the cards without which the gamblers could have no game, for 99 9-10 per cent rake-off, and who collect the loot with a rubbersided, false bottom vestry-box—from these sports and their kind, merciful heaven, protect the American people and Wall street gamblers!

If there should be a doubting Thomas let him get from a certain Pittsburg celebrity the name of a certain American warship yet afloat, then let him in-spect a few of her armor-plates, for which the American people paid for-tunes, and in the inspection let him ram a tallow dip through the "putty" plates and he will hasten to join the crowd-

"Carnegie, he never gambled."

The Steel Trust's annual statement showing net profit paid by the American people to a single coropration sup-plying them with one of the hundreds of sities in the sum of \$650,000,000 in a single year, and that corporation employing a legitimate capital of less than \$300,000,000—I repeat: "Thank God! Carnegie never gambled." THOMAS W. LAWSON.

THE EMPRESS HOTEL Victoria, April 5.—It is expected that the new C. P. R. hotel, the Empress, will be opened to the public on or about September 1 next. Stuart Gordon, formerly manager of the C. P. R. Banff hotel will be in charge.