# LINE FOR P. IN NORTH

USED FOR -BOUND TRAFFIC

thern & Ominec: Be Completed ne 25, 1911.

mmittee on Tuesday hill respecting the Paand Omineca Railway he afternoon reported the House. The comporated in 1900 by Capg. J. A. Mara and F. in 1905 got an extenthe completion of its next. It is now asking extension. The line. will form part of the acific system, which harter some years ago ommend that the owed an extension of its line from Kitimaat rees to build a branch by way of the Copmain line at the con-Bulkley and Telqua building of this line on of the line from opper city the comntil June 25, 1911. Copper city to the

vill effect a consider distance by the main north along the Bulk and then southwest a to Copper city. It is the G. T. P. will run ish excellent grades cut-off will open up ral country in which has been going on difficulties of getting so a great deal of fine nd. The Copper City the hands of Victoria

ARS IN NANAIMO. reague, Aged 70. One of wn Residents in oal City.

rch 2.-The death ocof John Teague, one best known residents thirty years since the Nanaimo, and he has since. He was in his hailed from Cornwa was due to heart fall aughters, all resident in who is at Nelson. The ke place on Thursday

IANIA" IS EA OF AMERICAN

### enies III-treating - Husband Also d in Charge.

2.—The police authorisily engaged with the shman, Sargent, and re arrested in Asnieres with the gross ill children whom they the developments of hat the husband alone for the ill-treatment of has been learned that and that she is an urns out that Mr. Sarto heavy drinking,

rother, who lives near wife a dressmaker inis nothing mysterious s past life. Both were ork, he said to-day, and es an allowance from is rich. He intimated r's love of children passion. It might aled as "mother manis nt of the little ones the door of the husiently was not responof his condition. rgent's lawyer, insists his client's disinteriren. During her fiven Mrs. Sargent did not her innocence of eatment.

L'S PROSPERITY.

March 2.-Bank clear ary were \$120,115,222. \$95,031,138 in the same and \$107,653,094 in 1907.

NS TO STROY AIRSHIPS

ons Loaded With Shells and Burn-Projectiles.

2.-Lieutenant Gusinder Halbach, whr hter of Herr Krupp, as contributed the sum aeronautic profess unded in Goettingen, ed an equal sum every concern has taken air engineering with rganized a section for of guns to be used The concern already ells and the other for ing projectile.

## FRUIT UNIONS ARE DISCUSSED

GROWERS CONSIDER COLD STORAGE PLANT

Think Government and C. P. R. Assistance is Needed.

As to what action the C. P. R. and the provincial government could take towards the assistance of the fruit grower and settler through the build- St. David's Day Banquet Held ing of cold storage plants at intermediate railway distributing points along the line of rail to the large markets for fruit, was the subject taken up by the delegation of fruit growers to meet the C. P. R, officials at Tuesday norning's session

It was held, on the suggestion of Capt. Tatlow, chairman, that all reso- to celebrate St. David's Day, and to lutions not dealt with be set over for marketing of fruit. Two resolutions dents, Dr. O. M. Jones, David Spencer announced by Mr. Campbell that at a consultation held last night Mr. Thomas; treasurer, Steven Court; Stout, for the company, had promised Stout, for the company, had promised to put the company at the disposal of Lewis, W. Williams and J. Bennett. the growers this season by way of exment, to see just what results can be got by both the company and the growers in regard to the shipment of soft fruit. The announcement met

with general applause. Speakers held very different views on the matter of co-operative fruit exing been named by Mr. Campbell, who brate St. David's Day. The patron saint changes, the necessity for these havof the Welsh was Archbishop of St. Davids, and was supposed to be endowed storage plants at shipping points. From the remarks of the growers it have cold storage plants established, very beneficial effect, Most nationali-Mr. Campbell held there was also a lack of satisfactory organization for of the industry. With Mr. Metcalf he agreed that fruit unions in separate later years could be enlarged to include the province under one central organization. Mr. Metcalf, however, and found the market ruined through being at the mercy of the commission who returned him what he thought fit for his goods, knowing om the box markings the seller was Japanese and could be taken advan-The fruit unions could, he hought, buy up the Japanese sup-

J. Arnold, the Chilliwack delegate, wever, while not being against co-peration, said that a disadvantage was still to be found, as in the case of man called for the first number of the his district. They could at Chilliwack, owing to their proximity to a market, handle their goods cheaper and safer and obtain a better price after cutting selling all their produce.

J. M. Robinson said the central exnot a big enough man to handle it song, "Bugail Hafod y Cwm" (The and the job was too big for small Shepherd of Hafod y Cwm), T. Robmen. In the Okanagan, he said, the erts; song, "Y Deryn Pur" (The Dove), growers were starting a fruit union A. Petch; song, selected, Miss John; plan and hiring an expert to handle song, "Dear Old Home Across the Sea." into a provincial organization. He Shepherd), Jesse Evans; quartette, "Ar insect called the Narcissus fly, which suggested that the C. P. R. might see hyd y hos" (All Through the Night), an opportunity to take a financial in- the Petch brothers; song, "Merch y terest in the establishment of cold Melinydd" (The Miller's Daughter) storage stations at fruit shipping Miss Davies; duet, "The Flower Gathndustry there would follow canning factories, said Mr. Stirling, from Kelfruit to run them in many places at

Mr. Johnston said the fault with coperative central exchanges was that the growers did not give their confiace to the undertaking. The central exchange will succeed, he said, if the confidence of the grower was to be had. Lack of support had been the cause of the downfall of the recent organization. The growers would not trust it nor subscribe. He thought government supervision and a government subsidy would be required. The freight,

he held, was not so important as the Mr. Peters introduced Mr. Proctor of the Kootenays, who in a short address reiterated what had been said about e necessity of cold storage. He held the C. P. R. might finance the project in some distributing points and that when established the plants would pravent a forced sale. He had found at Moose Jaw through this plan a good supply had been kept of first class fruit and that the sales had been

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larger. He thought the government G. T. P. CALLS FOR might take the matter up. he had found the dealers had held the goods in cold storage at New York and had it shipped when required. Pitcairn, Kelowna Board of Trade, aid he had personally lost money on through commission houses, and Capt. that Victoria, while producing the best trawberries in British Columbi (laughter) suffered from a lack of transportation facilities. He would like to see the cars loaded here and shipped to Vancouver and thence to the markets with one handling of the

WELSH RESIDENTS

FORM SOCIETY

in Sir William Wallace

About 80 natives of Wales Monday night attended the banquet held in the Sir William Wallace hall, Broad street, the present and left for a special com- form the new cymrodorion society. The mittee to handle, so that some of the banquet is the second annual one, and time at the disposal of the convention the formation of the society was could be given to the expression of carried out amid much enthusiasm. individual views on matters of the The officers elected were: Hon, presiwhich were to come up with regard to the Dominion Express Company were set over for the time, it having been vice-president, A. Petch; second vice-president, A. Petc president, C. Moses; secretary, R

Dr. O. M. Jones, who occupied the

thanks to those present for asking him to become chairman. He, however, could not speak the tongue and be lieved there were many present who would not understand it if they heard it. However, they were there to celeof the Welsh was Archbishop of St. is evident a strong desire exists to people of different nationalities had a ties had their annual gatherings, and shipment of fruit, owing to the growth The Welsh, he thought, were about as clannish as the Scotch, and are very in Wales who could not speak English, and it was strange that a nation could retain its individuality to such an extent after so many years close apanese competition, the foreigner proximity to England. However they had done so, but it was unlikely the Welsh would continue to do so in the women in Victoria, but was sure they tled. With the announce society would be formed and a word of thanks to the press for the announcements of the banquet, the chair-

After the dinner Dr. Parry's Welsh hymn, "Aberystwith," was sung, and was followed by the programme which the market. They had no difficulty in included: Song, selected, Mr. Thomas; included: Song, selected, Mr. Thomas; duet, "Clychan Aberdyfi" (Bells of ling over a body of water was the chief of line of ling over a body of water was the chief of line of Aberdovey), the Misses Jones; "Llwyn change was impractible, as there was Onn" (The Ash Grove), Edward Petch; t. Later it might of course develop Mr. Lewis; song, "Y Bugail" (The points. With the growth of the fruit erers," the Misses Jones. J. M. Morgan

acted as accompanist, owna, but there was not sufficient of the objects of the society which Dr. Leeder in a short speech spoke were to keep the Welsh together and alive to the best traditions of the old land. It was decided to hold monthly all pertaining to Wales would be taker up. An object of the society will be to relieve the distressed and to welcome strangers to the city.

At the close of the gathering Mr Petch expressed thanks to the chair. man, who, he said, had done much to make the society a success, and the committee was accorded a vote of thanks. In closing the gathering sang the Welsh and English national an thems, Those present were: Dr. O. M. Jones, David Spencer, sr., K. E. Jones, W. T. Williams, Mrs. M. M. Perkins, Trevor Bennett, Eveline Lewis, Benjamin Lewis, Mary Jones, Annie H. Jones, W. Jones, J. Maurice Thomas, M. E. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. A. Petch, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Leigh, Mrs. E. Devereux, J. Devereux, Wm Vaughan, J. M. Morgan, Frank L. M Owen, Mr. and Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. Jenkins, John Evans, Hugh Williams Miss Davies, E. Stapleton, John S Gray, Mrs. L. W. Evans, Archibald King, C. F. Beaven, Mrs. Tucker, W. Tucker, Thomas Roberts, J. T. Evans, J. A. Williams, Dr. F. Leeder Mary K. Jones, Esther G. Thomas. W. H. Price, William Jones, Mrs. E. Davies, L. Thomas, E. Court Mr and Mrs. B. H. John, Miss Hazel D. John, Miss Ethel Thomas, R. Thomas, Kinsey, David Spencer, jr., G. R. Hughes, T. R. Davis, D. D. Moses, T. G. Williams, F. E. Petch, E. Pueford Lewis, Hugh Roach, Edwin John, A. J. Thomas, W. H. Clayards, T. Petch, H. Griffith, A. E. Armbruster, Petch, Thomas Kinsey, N. Pugh, T. H. Davies, W. A. Davies, J Dennis, W. H. Rivers, J. W. Petch. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hancock, E. L. Davies and S. W. Evans.

EMPIRE CABLES.

Liverpool, March 2.-The incorporated son and Henniker Heaton.

-W. Marchant will deliver a lecture on principles of free trade in Emmannext Monday, March 8th, at 8 p. m. He support.

**BIG SUPPLY OF TIES** 

Company Will Rush Work on Coast Section of Rail-

Vancouver, March 1.-C. A. McNichol purchasing agent of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, with headquarters in to heart failure. She leaves behind her 4,000 telegraph poles for use on the first 100 miles section between the terminus Geo. E. Norris. and Kitsalas canyon, on the Skeena river Vancouver, as well as up-coast firms, ONE GRAIN CHARTER have been invited to submit bids.

Mr. McNicholl stated to-day that deliv ery this summer will be required, owing to the intention of the company to rush construction without a moment's delay He is confident that the coast section to the canyon will be built and in operation

Prince Rupert is showing healthy activity. The installation of a sewerage system has just been started by Mr. Grant, atly secured the contract In order to provide for the immediate equirements, the railway company has just established a pumping plant at Hays creek, near Prince Rupert, and is building two storage tanks each with a storage capacity of fifty thousand gal-

#### LOCAL SCIENTIST READS INTERESTING PAPER

Illustrated Before Natural **History Society.** 

An unusually interesting and instruc tive paper was given Monday before the Natural History Society on the subject of lake and ocean undulations illustrated by a large number of fine slides, which added much to the en- to Valparaiso for orders at 42s 6d and joyment of the members.

Mr. Denison gave a graphic account of various undulations recorded upon his instrument set up on Lake Ontario, proud of their nationality. Ten years and pointed out that all confined bodies districts should be formed, which in ago there were half a million persons of water such as lakes, when disturbed, have a definte time of oscillation These are called "seiches," and for Lake Ontario the longitudinal seiche is to Freemantle, 37s 6d; to Japan ports far been very satisfactory, and the 4 hours and 50 minutes, and across the (steamers), 30s; Callao, 38s 9d to 40s; lake in 45 minutes. Lake Erie, which is very shallow,

> deeper and has a period of 11 hours and | Santa Rosalia, \$7. made good citizens wherever they set- 30 minutes, and even during the finest rent that the types of weather well marked.
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> Mr. Denison referred to the study of time provinces, and concluded with a 23s 6d for U. K. or continent. description of his special instrument both the water undulation and atmos- nent at 22s, wheat. pheric waves, which proved that the sudden changes of air pressure in pass-

> > ed a hearty and well deserved vote of, 17s. During the evening Messrs. J. K. Rebbeck and R. P. Bishop were elected members. Mr. Peters exhibited a destructive

attacks the bulbs of the narcissus and daffodils and causes great destruction to growers of these bulbs where the pest gains a foothold.

VICTORIA'S DEBENTURES HAVE SOLD HIGH

meetings when matters of interest to Good Figures Have Been Obtained From Toronto Underwriters.

> The credit of Victoria stands high ARRESTED FOR on the money market. Monday \$265,000 worth of debentures were placed which netted the city 98.17. The purchases were the Wood-Grundy company, of Toronto.

LUMBER CAMP TO BE RE-OPENED.

(Special Correspondence.) Chemainus, March 2.—There are no vessels loading at the mills here, and the Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Co. is taking advantage of the quiet spell to make some repairs to their mill. Only one side of the mill is running. The company is loading about four cars per day for the prairie provinces, and is also tting some lumber for Prince Rupert. The company is preparing to start up camp 5, back of Ladysmith, about April Orders for new rolling stock for us fore the logs have been trailed, but in future will be handled on trucks.

Mrs. and Miss Davitt, of Crofton, sailed as passengers on the barkentine Laihaina

-A. E. McPhillips, K. C., has intro duced a bill for the protection of wageearners in the matter of assignmen of wages. If the legislature adopts it, it will make it impossible for workney to mortgage their wages in ad rance for other purposes than the necessaries of life except an order, to which the imber of commerce has arranged for wife must be a party by her signature addresses to be delivered on the sub- is signed by the employer and file i ject of cable communication with the the office of the clerk of the munic re by Marconi, Sir Edward Sas- pality, or government agent in unorganized districts. The object of the bill is to prevent a man assigning his which has nothing to do with the support of his family and perhaps making uel church lecture hall, Spring Ridge, it necessary for them to be given pub-

on a voyage to Callao. The vessel recent-ly cleared from Chemainus with a cargo

of lumber.

DEATHS AT NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, March 2.-Three deaths were reported in town yesterday. Mrs. Martha Higham passed away at North Gabriola Island. The deceased, who was in her sixty-fourth year, was a native of Hendley, Lanceshire, England. She came to Nanaimo in 1876. She is survived by two married daughters and four sons, and quite a number of grandchildren. Mrs. Geo. Ashworth died at her residence on the Five Acres. The deceased, who was in her fiftieth year, had been in failing health for the last two years, and her death was due this city, is calling for tenders for the two sons and a daughter. The death supply of 300,000 cross and switch ties and was also announced of the thirteenmonth-old baby girl of Mr. and Mrs.

DURING PRESENT WEEK

Owners of Idle Vessels Not Disposed to Accept Offers for Lumber Loading.

The charter of the French barque Le Perouse a week ago to load barley at this port for the United Kingdom at 15s is the only recent grain fixture on the coast, says the San Francisco Commercial News. The local market for barley has advanced sharply during the any further export business, Planting is still in progress, and if the weather olds good for a couple of weeks more, a large acreage will have been sown, The floods did practically no damage Lake and Ocean Undulations to grain, and, under favorable conditions of weather, the crop will be fully up to the normal.

There are a number of idle vessels on the coast, but they do not seem disspot lumber chartering Puget Sound to a direct nitrate port has been done for a small vessel at 38s, and Puget Sound subject of lake and ocean undulations by F. Napier Denison. The paper was by F. Napier Denison. The paper was en done at 41s 3d, and Puget Sound 43s 9d, with 2s 6d less for direct port. One steamer, to arrive, has been taken to load at Portland for the Orient at about 3s 9d on gross register, a very low rate.

Sydney, 27s 6d @ 30s; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 30s; Port Pirie, 30s @ 32s 6d; direct nitrate ports, 38s @ 40s; Valparaiso for orders, 42s 6d @ 43s 9d; 2s future. The Welsh are a patriotic and a courageous nation. He had no idea most always well marked, while Lake most always well marked, while Lake the content of the courage of the courag

> Weddel, Turner & Co.'s Australasian freight report, dated London, February 9th, says:

months, time charter, at about 2s 9d on out of three falls. At the close the lecturer was tender- 15s 6d, Iquiqu 16s and Valparaiso at

#### EARLY NAVIGATION ON GREAT LAKES

Detroit, Mich., March 2.-Reports to BOXING CONTESTS the weather bureau from its stations about the Great Lakes indicate that there is much less ice in all of the lakes and connecting channels than this time last year and an early open ing of navigation probably will be possible. The central and eastern part of Lake Superior have but small fields. Lake Michigan's ice fields are small and broken up, Lake Huron has no ice fields in the southern portion, and the fields in Lake Erie are neither large nor heavy, and there have been prac tically no fields this winter in Lake Ontario. Detroit river is open.

# SMUGGLING CHINAMEN

Buffalo, N. Y., March 2.-United States pany, of Toronto.

The debentures were distributed as follows: \$150,000 under surface drainage loan by-law; \$50,000 under the sewer loan by-law, and \$65,000 under the sewer loan by-law.

Marshal Conkling to-day arrested Wm. Riley, who was indicted by a federal jury at Elmira in connection with the smuggling of a number of Chinamen into the United States from Canada several months ago, when six of them were the catalytic deliance.

The debentures were distributed as follows: \$150,000 under the sewer loan by-law; \$50,000 under the sewer loan by-law, and \$65,000 under the sewer loan by-law, and \$65,000 under the sewer loan by-law.

The board asked for suggestions, and the several loan by-law are stablishment of a juvenile deliance.



Steedman's Soothing Powders

CONTAIN NO POISON

ARREST! IF HE GOES

BACK TO VENEZUELA

in Dangerous Demon-

Caracas, Venezuela, March 1, via Wilemstad, Curacao, March 2.-Should Cipriano Castro, former president of this republic, attempt to return to the coun try he will face the possibility of arrest by the government the moment he disembarks, because he has been criminally indicted in the federal court on the charge of having conspired to effect the assassination of Juan Vicente Gomez, the pre sent president. In consequence of this contingency, the report that Castro pur-poses to embark at Bordeaux on March 8th for La Guayra has been received here with much interest. It is feared that Castro's presence in Venezuela would result in dangerous demonstrations against nim, which the police and troops would have much difficulty in putting down. is thought that Castro may go first to Nicaragua, because of his strong friend-ship with President Zelaya, of that re-

NANAIMO TO HAVE PUBLICITY BUREAU

week, and there is no probability of Secretary Will Be Engaged and Fermanent Office Established.

(Special Correspondence.)

Nanaimo, March 2.-Nanaimo is determined to keep abreast of the other posed to accept offers for lumber load- cities and towns on the island in the R., the telephone system to be installed ng, and, as a consequence, shippers are effort to attract capital and develop by the B. C. Telephone Company, also picking up tonnage at other ports. In the resources of the island. The Citi- the necessity of establishing a daily zens' League, which has done splendid work for the city since it was formed, at once affiliated with the newly established Island Development League, and has taken a leading part in the formulation of suggestions for the building up of island trade. However, while only too willing to join in the general work of the island develop-ment, the local branch is not loosing sight of its own particular interests. For the last couple of weeks, a committee has been making a canvass to mately as follows: Lumber, from find out what support could be got for Puget Sound or British Columbia to the establishment of a permanent publicity office and the engagement of a salaried secretary. The result has so plan will be carried out.

The Orpheus Glee Club, which under the conductorship of J. M. Mor-

A challenge, issued by a Hindu wrestler, who is at present at South Wellington, has been taken up by Sinc Swanson. The articles will Sinc Swanson. The articles will be signed to-night for \$100 a side, the ocean secondary undulation he had carried on in the harbors of the mari- eral sailers fixed for wheat at 22s @ match to take place at the Athletic Club on Saturday. One peculiar con-New South Wales and Sydney- dition of the match is that the Hindu set upon Victoria harbor for recording February ship fixed for U. K. or conti-stipulated for one fall. He is willing to wrestle a week for that one fall, Newcastle—Steamer fixed for four but he will have none of the best two

Boston, Mass., March 2.-The New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad must dispose of all its trolley holdings in Massachusetts before July 1st, ecording to a decision of the Massachusetts Supreme court handed down

# MUST BE UNDER CLUBS

Police Commissioners Deal With Question of Pugilism.

At a meeting of the police comm sioners held on Monday afternoon the uestion of pugilistic encounters was brought up. A deputation from Citizens' League waited upon the board to protest against prize fights.

The decision of the board was that my encounters to be brought on would have to be under the auspices of either the Victoria West Athletic Association

drowned by the boat in which they were the establishment of a juvenile delinbeing brought across the Niagara river quent court was suggested. It was sugbeing forced on to the breakwall in a gested that the city council should be storm. Riley had been deported from Canada and was arrested as he landed carrying out of this.

IN THE COURTS

(From Tuesday's Daily.) In the Supreme court to-day the case of Boniface vs. B. C. Marine Railway Company is being heard before Chief Justice Hunter and a special jury composed as follows: A. St. G. Flint (foreman), George Gillespie, Geo. Russell, R. J. Janion, Simon Leiser, Jas. Murray, A. B. his opinion was to prevent Asiatics mayor will use his discretion as to the The plaintiff, who is a joiner, claims \$369.60 for injuries received while employ-

ed in the defendant company's works. A finger was out off, the cause, as alleged Richard Lane appears for the plaintiff in favor of a line which would and Harold Robertson for the defence The case is still in progress this after- on the Island. Sikh Case.

Before Mr. Justice Irving, the action or damages against Boota Singh, a Sikh, for alleged malicious prosecution, is being argued. Fred. Peters, K. C., appears as counsel in the case for the prosecution. The case is continuing this afternoon

-The commissioner of lands gives in council of August 26th last, reserving and island Nos. 1 to 8 inclusive.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Increase in Receipts Over Last Mont

The customs returns for the month of February show an increase over last month, but almost the same figures as for February of last year. Three Chinamen paid the five hundred dollar tax, and a few registered on leaving for China. The following are Duty .....\$86,953.25

COMOX HAS BRANCH OF DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

Railway Construction and Mail Service Discussed at Organization Meeting.

Comox, Feb. 27.-As a result of his rected with the interests of the district, Joseph McPhee, of Courtnay, called a meeting to form a local branch of the Vancouver Island Development League. That his work was appreciated was shown by the large attendance at the meeting held Thursday night at Courtenay. Among those present were Messrs Joseph McPhee, W. and J. Urquhart, W. Robb, J. Halliday Clinton, McDonald J. B. Holmes Wilson, J. Shopland, Duncan, and ex-Mayor Wil-

W. Duncan took the chair. Officers were elected as follows: W. Duncan, president; A. Urquhart, vice-president;

J. P. Shopland, treasurer. The subjects for discussion were the new railway construction by the C. P.

mail service to Comox. The chairman speke generally on the necessity of establishing better co nication between the district and Victoria. The resources of Comox district were not understood in Victoria, chiefhe said, because this magnificent district was unfairly treated in the matter of mail serand communication ally. He spoke strongly in favor of the new railway, at the same time would be a matter of years and that in the meantime better facilities in the way of steamboat communication must

be established. The chairman then put the followng motion to the meeting: "That this association be called the Comox Branch of the Vancouver Isl-

and Development League." W. Robb, whose life experience of the district gives him authority, gave might be due to some other strange an interesting speech on old times in alteration of telegrams in the trans Comox. He had no doubt that the railway would be of immense benefit to way would be of immense benefit to Comox by bringing it into nearer touch with the rest of the Island and espewhole edifice of charges made against whole edifice of charges made against the immediate necessity of improved escape of Miner. Mr. Bourke said Mr. communication, pointing out that, pending the construction of the rail- at an investigation all the facts which way, it was the duty of the league to agitate for an improved steamboat ser-

J. B. Holmes, of Comox, made reference to a meeting of the local Farm-ers' Institute, which had taken a count for the receipt of the telegram stand for mixed farming as the best for the district under the conditions obtaining.

pointed out that it might give Comox | matter should be brought up again in the Island. He had said that Comox was out of competition in the market ture. by prohibitive freight rates. The pos ion would not be improved unless residents fostered a healthy competition in the carrying trade. The way to do this now was to agitate for more frequent and better steamer service. He was in favor of the railway, but pointed ou that there would be no immediate benefit to the district.

The following resolutions were then out before the meeting and carried: "That the Canadian Pacific Railway compelling them to complete the line the time stipulated for in that agree-

"That the meeting is in favor of the opposed to any further concess Alec. Urquhart then took up the subject of the new telephone system now doing that by refusing the renewal being installed by the B. C. Telephone Co. He stated that it was his belief for an infraction of the by-law. that the rate charged would include ection with Union Bay and Cumberland. He moved: "That this meeting is of opinion that Union and Cum- known what was in it. Ald, Shepherd berland should be connected with the resented the tone of the criticism and local telephone system without further made rather a heated reply in the charge, the opinion being founded on remarks by the B. C. Telephone Co.'s Planta as an "insignificant creature." ecretary.

The resolution was carried. Mr. Shopland then pointed out the recessity of a daily mail service between Comox, Vancouver and Victoria, laying stress on the service being best under contract

S. Piercy spoke in favor of Asiatic exholding land, as they are now doing, in the district.

W. Duncan in summing up the proeedings at this, the first meeting of his application. by the plaintiff, being that the circular saw used was not in good shape. the local branch of the league, said it was satisfactory to see such unanimity was satisfactory to see such unanimity doubtedly benefit this the finest district

ROOSEVELT'S CABINET.

Time at Last Meeting is Spent in Saying Farewells

Washington, D. C., March 2 .- The ast regular meeting of Presiden Roosevelt's cabinet was held to-day. notice of an addition to the G. T. P. There was little business, the time be bill, confirming and ratifying the order ing spent in pleasant farewells and reminiscent stories. The cabinet offirom location or alienation under the cers will follow the customary course mining laws lots Nos. 251, 443, 444, 1991, of turning in their resignations, which 1992 and 1993, range 5, Coast district, will be acted upon by the incoming Lakanian Island, Lakwilgiapsh Island president as soon as his cabinet has been confirmed by the senate.

# HON. W. TEMPLEMAN IN PARLIAMENT

B. C.'S MINISTER GIVEN ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME

57.10 Hon. Mr. Aylesworth on Bill Miner and "Altered" Telegrams.

> Ottawa, March 2.-In the Commons his afternoon Hon. W. Templeman, the new member for Comox-Atlin was formally introduced by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. W. S. Fielding and took his seat amid enthusiastic applause from the Liberal benches.

Mr. Taylor, of New Westminster, again brought up the question of derecent visit to Victoria on business con- partmental responsibility for the escape of Bill Miner. He noted the minister of justice had already given a certificate of character to Inspector Dawson and hence the government was in the embarrassing position of having already committed itself in advance of any subsequent revelations

that might be made.

Mr. Taylor then referred to the new charges made in a report published in a Vancouver paper two weeks ago of an official of the penitentiary that he could have thrown much light on the escape of Miner, but was not called to give evidence when the departmental investigation was made. Moreo er Detective-Bullock had since a recent date refuted the statement of the department of justice that he had been admitted to an interview with Mine on business of the C. P. R. to find out from Miner about the stolen bonds.

Bullock said this was not his reason and no bonds had been stolen. Quoting from British Columbia newspaper statements and interviews, Mr. Taylor said ex-Warden Bourke had also con tradicted in some important particus lars, the statements made by Mr. Aylesworth and Inspector Dawson particular he referred to the fact that Bourke had said he had addressed the telegram, notifying the department of Miner's escape to the inspectors of the penitentiary, and not to Inspector Dawson alone. These various discrepancies demanded further investigation. Mr. Aylesworth, replying, objected to a trial of the case by party newspapers which had the facts twisted. He noted that the New Westminster Columbian had not given true accounts of his statement in explanation of the facts of the case. Possibly the errors appearing in the Columbian mission, said Mr. Aylesworth (refercially with Victoria. He laid stress on the department connected with the could be given, and every official who could possibly know anything of the case had been examined as to the change in the address of the telegram. here addressed to Inspector Dawson Unfortunately the alteration of a telegram, where British Columbia was The question of the probability of a concerned, seems only too common. Exrailway being constructed in the future had been discussed, and he had warfare he knew no reason why the the "go-by" as had happened in the the house by Mr. Taylor. Miner case of other well known districts on might still be captured. No stone had been left unturned to effect his recap-

NANAIMO LIQUOR BY-LAW.

New Regulations Have Been Passed by City Council.

(Special Correspondence.) Nanaimo, March 2.-After a strenuous sitting and a rather breezy passage at arms between Aldermen Planta and Shepherd, the new liquor by-law for the regulation of licensed premises Company be approached with a view to and the issue of licenses passed its committee stage last night. Several n accordance with the terms of the clauses had been laid over from last agreement, along the route and within week and one of these had reference to the cancellation of licenses for infractions of the by-law. The proposer of the by-law had in view the reducline proposed by the C. P. R., but is tion of licenses in the town to the ratio per population recently embodied in the provincial statutes. He proposed any license which had been revoked

Ald. Planta took objection to this provision and stated that the introducer of the by-law had evidently not course of which he referred to Ald. Ald. Planta protested against his worto be made upon him, and the incident passed off.

As it now stands the hotels in town will be closed from 11 o'clock on Saturday night to 6 a. m. Monday morning. On other nights the bars will close at clusion in the district. The first step in 12 o'clock. On public holidays the closing hour. Every applicant for a renewal of license must send a plan of the ground floor of his premises with

