Victoria, Friday, February 23, 1894.

BREACHES OF PRIVILEGE.

On Wednesday morning last the Colonist issued the following bold challenge: Perhaps the Times will kindly produce the resolution formally passed by the Dominion parliament expressly authorizing the government to publish the public accounts and other department reports as soon as they are printed, without waiting for their submission to parliament. If such a resolution was passed it will be very easy to produce it. We are assured that there is no such resolution in existence. Our scepticism on the point may be displeasing to our neighbor. It tion was passed by the Dominion parliament. Let us have the proof. That will

resolve all doubts.

on motion of Messrs. Charlton and Mitchell, and our amiable neighbor was so "flabbergasted" by the prompt re sponse to its challenge that it had nothing ing more to say on the subject until yesterday. Of its venture of yesterday we intended to prove that the Charlton res- admirably elsewhere.-World. olution was wholly unnecessary, on the Perhaps the Vancouver organ will exground that there was previously no press its opinion on the partial applicathe publication of blue books as soon as should Lillooet be divided into ridings and printed. It must be plain to every one not Cariboo? Why is there a similar dist two hours I received word that a Brookolution the members of the house of com- and Cowichan? The answer is obvious. is a conclusion which cannot well be ac- lective system it left the districts undicepted, and therefore the Colonist's ar- vided. gument falls to the ground. Few people in these days are so ignorant as to be unaware that in all parliamentary bodies a "practice" has all the force of a "rule," and what it requires the same power to was why a formal motion was deemed necessary at Ottawa, and that is why Premier Davie is to be condemned for his action in the absence of a similar ruling of the legislative assembly. He has, danger, perished in the flames. in fact, undertaken to ignore the authorwishes any further enlightenment on the Ottawa treatment of departmental reports, it will do well to peruse our Ottawa letter to-day, from which it will see that Dominion ministers would not think of hlawking such reports about on a stumping tour in advance of their publicaltion. That would not be a breach of would be accounted a breach of faith with the public. Such breaches of faith are very trifling matters in the estimation of Mr. Davie and the Colonist. Before taking leave of this subject we

may refer more more to the fact that a copy of the redistribution bill was given breach of privilege? Perhaps the Colonist will give us its opinion on the point. There can be no doubt as to the facts, for the World was on the streets with a two column extract from the bill about the same time as the measure was introduced, and we know that the extract could not be transmitted by telegraph, set up in type and printed in the paper without the consumption of some time in the process. Was the premier responsible, or was he not, for this breach of privilege? We should think less of these matters if Mr. Davie had not shown himself in the past a great stickler for privilegewhen it suited his purposes.

ITS BEST DEFENCE.

The local organ of the government has not yet ventured to specifically defend the payment of Dr. Davie of \$200 a month for 15 months as "chief health officer," though it has had plenty of hard things to say of those who called attention to the matter in the interests of provincial taxpayers. The organ shows more than its usual perspecacity when it thus tacitly admits that there is no good de- ed sheriff. He held the positions of minfence possible for this payment of a substantial salary on account of an office that does not legally exist, and for which but very small services were rendered, so far as can be seen. But the Vancouver "yelllow dog" is bolder than its Vicporia confrere, and heroically comes forward with an attempt at justification; which must be taken as the best within its power. It finds that Dr. Davie "was employed as provincial health officer and paid \$200 per month to look after health matters and direct affairs throughout Briltish Columbia to the end that disease might be kept out of our borders. This was principally throughout the summer of 1893, when there was a well grounded fear of Asiatic cholera making its appearance in our midst. Strongest precautions had to be taken, and Dr. Davie placed himself in communication with the various health bodies throughout the country, saw that everything was in a thorough state of cleanliness, and directed the work that was then done with such \$3,000, being at the rate of \$200 a big operations on that day, and they will month." As Dr. Davie's salary of \$200 a month commenced on October 1, 1892, It is hard to see what the alleged fear of cholera in the summer of 1893 had to do with his appointment. Has the government extraordinary prescience in such matters, or was the World only talking in this way because it could find nothing better to offer as an excuse? The idea of paying aman fifteen months' salary for a service that lasted, according to the organ's own admission, for only a few summer months would have occurred to few governments but that of Theodore to them. In other respects he carefully on Tuesday evening next.

the Vancouver organ in being brave the floor of the exchange wearing a hat enough to rush in where the Victoria organ feared to tread.

"On the long blood roll of honorable achievements in Britain's proudest wars the name of Lieut.-Colonel James Baker you doing here," I asked. stands pre-eminent. His record in the Royal Horse Guards, Blue, is an untarnished one, and in the 8th Hussars he fought for Queen and country in the Crimea. Medals and a clasp are his reward ry. for gallantry displayed at the battle of bastopol." So says the Vancouver World. cation of any kind, that such a resolu- Lest there should be any mistake in identity we hasten to explain that the gentleman mentioned is also "provincial secretary, minister of education and min-On Wednesday afternoon the Times produced the resolution passed in 1887, ister of mines of British Columbia," and that he is the owner of the Cranbrook estate.

is one we have urged for years, and to us it is a maltter of satisfaction that the are two things that I am superstitions government has adopted a policy in this need say nothing more than that it is respect which has been found to work the number 13. Some months ago 1

"law," but only "practice," to prevent tion of the method which it prefers. Why mons were very foolish to agree to its Where the government thought it would adoption—that they were, in fact, as gain by division it divided, and where its ed went down three points." dense-witted as the Colonist itself. That own interests seemed to suggest the col-

CANADIAN NEWS.

The News of Eastern Canada in Shor Paragraphs.

The boiler of a grist mill at Marquette, change one as to change the other. That Man., exploded, completely demolishing the mill and instantly killing John Reid, who was running the engine.

The residence of Sam Overfield, of Durham vicinity, was burned last night. Overfield, after rescuing his children from

The bye-election for the Ontario legisity of the legislative assembly in this as lative assembly in South Lanark resultwell as in other matters. If the Colonist ed in the election of James H. Clark, Liberal, by 17 majority. Two Conserva-tives and one Patron of Industry candidate also ran. The riding has always hitherto been represented by a Conserva

It has been definitely decided by the and the Pacific cable project for Thursday, June 21. Seven Australian colonies the privilleges of parliament in the pres- and Fiji have been invited to send reence of the Charlton resolution, but it presentatives, and the Imperial government has also been urged to take part. It is not unlikely that Hawaii may be asked to participate, although for some olulu chamber of commerce to Hon. Mr. Bowell's overtures is not yet here.

About 500 sober able-bodied unemployed men marched in procession to the city hall in Toronto on Saturday and requested the representative of the Vancouver Mayor Kennedy to immediately provide night so that they could buy a dinner for sequently and authorized a special expenditure of \$5,000 to provide immediate work for the unemployed.

Miss Mary Barton, a well known lady of London, Ont., was knocked down in a runaway accident in Toronto and died of her injuries.

The frades and labor council of Toronto endorsed the resolution passed by the Dominion trades congress asking for the submission to popular vote of the following questions: The maintenance of our present colonial status, Imperial federation, Canadian independence and political union with the United States.

Adam Burwash, aged 82, father of the Rev. Chancellor Burwash of Victoria university, died at his residence at Balti-

Archibald McKellar, sheriff of the coun ty of Wentworth, died in Hamilton last week, and was buried at Chatham. Mr. McKellar was born near Inverary Castle, Argyllshire, in 1816, his parents emigrating to Canada in 1817. In 1857 he was elected to parliament by the Refor party, and represented the county of Kent until confederation. In 1876 he was elected to the provincial legislature to represent Bothwell county. He continued to do so until 1875, when he was appointister of agriculture and emigration and commissioner of public works under the

Blake and Mowat administrations. The Platrons of East Eligin have nominated R. H. Lindsay, of Malahide, for the commons, and the Patrons of East Kenit have nominated ex-Reeve James Leslie, of Harwich, for the legislature.

Ald. Pratt. of Hamilton, recently unseated for his connection with the city jail bread contract, was elected for ward one by a majority of twenty-four over W.

G. Reid, P. P. A. candidate. The ice shove in the Niagara river at Queenston and Lewiston did great damage to wharves and boat houses, and swept away everything before it situated on the river bank.

Wall Street Superstition.

Luck does not rule Wall street so completely as the unitiated suppose. theless, it exercises considerable influence, and consequently, many brokers and speculators have all the superstitions that mark the gambler. It would be difficult to find among them a man who has not something unpleasant to say about Fridays. Even financiers who are pillars frequently suffer inconvenience, if not actual loss, rather than do so. Men who can look at the tape when it runs out of the ficker and see fortunes slipping out of their grasp without a change of expression will turn pale when they remomber that they forgot to tip a beggar beothers who will not sit down to luncheon without first-walking round their chair, style.

There is a hatter in New York who has a block that was made for a certain Wall street man many years ago. It is the Liberal club, and a small admission ness man and an ill terate woman, which still in use. Styles have changed a will be charged. Over 100 new members the former seeks to enflorce, requires very hundred times since it was made, but the joined the Liberal Club ou Thursday strict proof, and here such proof is wantman who ordered it has naid no attention night and as many are expand to them. In other respects he carefully on Tuesday evening next.

Davie. If any man can find in the follows the mandates of fashion, but "is World's detail of Dr. Davie's services a antique headgear he wears through winsufficient justification for his grab in the ters and summers. He is a wealthy banker and broker, a man of practical treasury bag he must have as facile a mind, unhampered by the theories on any conscience as the premier himself. In subject but this; yet not for a thousand the meantime we are free to congratulate' dollars could he be induced to walk upon

of any other style or make. Nearly every dabbler in stocks has a mascot of some kind which is priceless. I remember meeting a well known speculator up town during one of the exciting days of the panic. "Why, what are "Why are you not in the street?"

"I am on my way home," he said, "I forgot my mascot, and I wouldn't touch anything in the street until I get it. I'm going for it now, and am in a great nur-

Good-bye." I have met another operator, a man Tchernaya and the siege and fall of Se of very practical and unromantic mind, who set great store by a peculiar scarf

pin. He admits that it is merciy a su-

into speculation on a day when he did

not wear it. about. One is Friday and the other is came down to my office on Friday and tore the leaf off my calendar. To my there, had gone up in smoke. Then some stock in which we were heavily interest-

"HANDS UP."

Timber Cruiser Mc Conald's Unpleasant Experience-Cold Weather,

Vancouver, Feb. 19.-G. E. Berteaux, ex-president of the board of trade, died on Sunday morning. He was moving about as usual on Saturday. The cause of death was hemorrhage of the liver.
Richard MicDonald, a timber cruiser. was robbed this morning at 10 while walking on the C. P. R. track about a mile from the city, by two well dressed men with revolvers. They took his waltch. He had no money with him. The K. of P. blanquet this evening is in honor of the 31st anniversary of the

stablishment of the order. The creditors of Charles Spring have put in a claim of \$26,000 against the The thermometer last night reached the lowest notch for this winter.

NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Feb.-19.-Sergeant-Hart has succeeded in enlisting quite a number government to summon the Inter-Colonial succeeded in enlisting quite a number Conference to consider Australian trade of men for the Nanaimo militia. Steps are shortly to be taken to change the volunteer infantry company into an artillery corps. No doubt the men will be allowed to use the big guns, for practice, which will be part of the defences to b erected here some day. It is understood a petition is to be circulated in the city inexplicable reason the reply of the Hon- and then placed in the hands of our member for presentation to the Dominion gov ernment, and thence to the Imperial par liament, begging the respective governments to carry out the suggestions of the London Times in all haste to fortify

city would be allowed to return two mem-Sunday. The board of works mot sub- bers, although those who are familiar with the work of the Davie government draim they knew the bill would only be another of Theo Davie's schemes. person would now be surprised if the election was sprung next week.

The New Vancouver coal company are boring for coal in what is known as J. Brown's land. It is claimed that there are on that property two of the best seams of coal to be met with on the island, and they extend to Departure Bay, directly through the company's property. It is for the purpose of finding out how deep they are that the boring is being underitaken. Amy favorable report of finding good coal seams is always welcome to the people of this city.

The Nanaimo "Swifts" were bleaten match with the Wellington U. F. B. C., nder Association rules, on Saturday. In the first half the home team scored two goals to the visitors' nil. In the second alf the visitors scored three goals to nil for the home team, thus winning the match by one goal.

B. H. Smith, collector of customs, re urned from Comox on Saturday, and in reply to several questions saild he decind to make any statement as to the cause of Alexander Fraser's attempt to commit suicide. G. Roe has been installed as customs officer at Comox.

Nanaimo, Feb. 17.-From reports received from Comox yesterday by the steamer Joan it appears that when Alex Fraser took the dose of carbolic acid he did it with suicidal intent. He had previously endeavored to borrow a rifle, and failing this secured a shotgun with the apparent intention of using it upon himself, but evidently concluded not to take his life in this manner. Then he went to a local drug store and purchased the acid, which he took a good dose. Dr. Laurence fears he will succumb from the effects of it. No cause so far has been assigned for the attempted suicide.

Provincial Constable McNeill arrested two Indians yesterday in a half drunken condition and while handcuffing them one got away. He left the one handcuffed in the care of a 'langshoreman while he hunted for the other, but failed to find him. On returning he discovered that the other had made good his escape

with the "bracelets." Arrangements are being made for musical entertainment to be given in the opera house at an early date, and the choirs at Victoria and the Mainland will be asked to participate in the contest creditable results. For this he got in all of the church hesitate about beginning It is not yet stated what prize will be The services of a competent offered. judge will be sought.

T. Kitchen apparently intends to on with his libel suit against, the Free Press; yesterday a detailed claim for damages was served.

Arrangements are being discussed for a wrestling match to take place in the fore entering the exchange. There are opera house between Peter Douglas and William Murdock, catch-as-carch-can hire agreement was declared not proved,

lectures in the city under the anguines of to understand, and made between a busi-

THE SEALER HUNRIETTA C

Back From Alaska-She Will be the Subject of Litigation. The sealing schooner Henrietta is

back in port after an absence of two

years. She was released by the United

States authorities at Sitka after an al-

most endless amount of litigation growing out of her seizure, and as she is an asset in the Spring estate and the wages of her crew have only been paid in part, she will very likely be heard of in the local courts. The Henrietta was seized in Behring Sea in September, 1892, by the United States steamer Yorktown for violation of the modus vivendi. She had never been warned that the modus vicials that the Henrietta had transferred her spring catchi of 152 skins to the schooner Kate, which came here disabled, and she was charged with an infraction of the United States customs perstition, but he would not dare to enter regulations. After a long wait, during which the facts of the case were for-The fear of Friday is, however, the warded to Ottawa, then to London, and most universal superstition of the street. finally to Sir Julian Pauncefote at Wash-The great panic of 1869, when scores of ington, the secretary of state admitted wealthy men were ruined in a day, has that there were no grounds for her seizbeen known in Wall street ever since as ure and that the United States naval Black Friday. The other day a broker officers had erred in not turning her over The introduction of the riding system who is a partner in one of the biggest to a British warship immediately after houses in the street, declared: There her seizure, as the modus vivendi act are two things that I am superstitions provided. An order was then made to turn the schooner over to the British authorities. This caused another long dehorror the figure 13 stared me in the tion to act. It would have required a face. It was Friday and the 13th f the steamer and a journey of one thousand month. 'Great Heavens!' I thought to miles. There was no law, no precedent but she was in debt, and again a serious state of affairs presented itself. pawning 105 of the 420 sealskins aboard. This was done, and on February 21 she sailed out of Sitka. In nine days she was in Hesquoit, where she lay for fourteen days windbound. She arrived in the harbor on Saturday, and Capitain Pinckney and the crew immediately attached her for their wages. Some of the men remained on the ship all the time she was in Alaska, and their combined wages will make quite an impression on the value of the schooner.

United States for the illegal seizure of

LAW INTELLIGENCE. In Cooley et al. v. Fitzstubbs Mr. Justice Walkem heard argument this morning on the point of law ordered to be disposed of before the trial. The main

reviewable by the court. ers: it simply stated that a right of entry was applied for, but did not state to what extent or for how long, whereas under the act the time and extent must be set out. The deposit required to be made was alleged not to have been made. A. L. Belyea, for the plaintiffs, endeavored to show that the question as to discretion being the point ordered to be argued, could not be spoken to on this motion. It was the only point raised by

paragraph 5 of the defence, and the order had reference only to that part. The question as to whether or not the plaintiffs were free miners was not raised by paragraph 5, and on all others issue has been joined. As to the discretion, submitted that the granting of rights by the gold commissioner is a ministerial act and reviewable by the court.

The learned judge held that the gold commissioner's discretion is reviewable by the court, and said that it could never be intended that he could act whimsically with public property, and that no public officer could assume an autocratic power in cases of this kind. He further said that whether or not the discretion was properly exercised must be disposed of at the trial. The other parts of the claim objected to were held had, the court holding that it can adjudicate on parts that may suggest themselves to the judge or judges, although not raised or no no tice given. The demurrer was allowed and the plaintiff allowed to amend. Costs

Mr. Justice Drake has handed out his decision in Smith v. Fletcher, tried at the last county court. The plaintiff, Mat-Smith, of View street, sued Thomas Fletcher, piano seller, for the return of a piano or its value and \$50 damages for its detention. The story of the trouble is briefly this: In 1891, the plaintiff claims, she bought the plano from the defendant for \$500, and paid \$50 cash and agreed to pay the balance at the rate of \$15 a month. The defendant alleges that a hire agreement was given to him, under which the property in the instrument should not pass until all the money was paid. The plaintiff also signed notes in favor of the defendant for \$450. The plaintiff not having room in her house sent the piano to Fletcher's for storage. and it was then sent to the house of Major Burroughs on the Esquimalt road at a rental, Miss Smith claimed, was inadequate, and she demanded it back. his, as default had been made in the payment of the monthly rent under the agreement. The agreement and notes were feet on the hanging wall gives \$50 in not signed by Miss Smith, who can nei- gold to the ton. ther read nor write, but by a friend for her, and the contents were not known to Miss Smith at the time of signing.

Under the judgment the paintiff gets possession of the piano on payment of \$104 and interest, or if the defendant refuses to return she gets \$175, and the notes due and becoming due must be given up to be cancelled. No costs, The the learned judge in his judgment say-W. Marchant will shortly deliver two ing that a contract of this nature, hard new names. By advertisement in an-



TO RAISE MONEY.

Ald, Wilson's Motion to Authorize the

Raising of \$6000. There is a long notice of motion on the bulletin board at the city hall, signed by Ald. Keith Wilson. It sets forth that the provisions of the city of Victoria vendi had been renewed for that year, act, 1892, did not permit the borrowing but was nevertheless held. Later it of more than \$254,000 for the purposes was learned by the United States offi- of paying off the indebtedness incurred by previous councils, and that a portion of these moneys amounting to \$176,000 had been raised and applied to paying off the debts of the councils prior to the year 1892, in the sum of \$140,604.96; to replace moneys already taken from the current revenue for '1892, in order to discharge liabilities incurred by the councils prior to the 18th January, 1892, and to pay the costs and expenses connected with the passage of the said act, the sum of \$5,732.29; to provide funds sufficient to replace to the credit of the corporation the amount of all moneys which under the provisions of the said act are to be refunded to the taxpayers in respect of the rates and taxes levied in the lay, for the nearest British officials were year 1891 upon improvements as distinat Victoria, and they were not in a position to act. It would have required a sum of \$27,153.55; to provide for the sum of \$27,153.55; to provide for the payment of the costs of the Royal Commission the sum of \$2,509.20, aggregamonth. 'Great Heavens: I thought to make was no precent the case. In the ting in all \$176,000; and whereas debentwo hours I received word that a Broke meantime Charles Spring had failed, and tures of the corporation have been isthat if there was no necessity for the rest inction made between Nanaimo district lyn elevator had burned, and that 50,000 an effort was made to get the creditors sued for a further sum of \$6,000, makbushels of grain, which we had stored to take the matter up and send for the ing a total of \$182,000 borrowed under vessel. They did not see fit to put up authority of the said act; and whereas any more money, and after a time Capt. it is necessary and expedient to borrow Pinckney went to Alaska. After rustial a further sum of \$6,000 in respect of the cating at Sitka for several months an indebetedness mentioned in the said act, order came from Washington to surren- and to issue debentures of the corporader the schooner to him, to his sole control and unconditionally. He got her, payable at the Bank of B. N. A., either in Montreal or New York, on the 15th The December, 1918, bearing interest at 5 schooner needed tackle as well. Capt. Pinckney finally hit on the scheme of as it is expedient to provide for the payment of interest on redemption of the said debentures, for which purpose it will be necessary to raise \$445 annually by special rate; and whereas according to the last revised assessment roll, for the purpose of raising the said yearly sum of \$445, on equal special rate of three one-hundredths of a mill in the dollar on all the ratable property of Victoria is, according to the last revised as-sessment roll, \$1,509,000, of which none of the principal or interest is in arrears; therefore be it resolved that the mayor of the corporation of the city of Victoria be, and he is hereby, authorized to issue for the purpose aforesaid three debentures of the said corporation for the aforesaid sum of \$6,000, in sums of \$2,000 each, payable at the times and places mentioned, with interest also as above mentioned; that the payment of question was whether or not the gold interest upon and the redemption of the commissioner had vested in him such dis- said debentures be provided in accordcretion as to making grants as were not ance with scheme 1 of section 5 of said act; that the council and their successors Hon. Theodore Davie, Q. C., for the de- may for the purpose of providing a sinkfendant, combended that as the action is ing fund for the payment of the said debrought concerning matters within the bentures in full as they shall become official scope of the defendant, and as he due and the interest on the same as under the act is a judicial officer, his dis- aforesaid, raise annually a sum of \$445, cretion is such as may be reviewed by the and for that purpose shall impose each powers appointing him, but not by the year a sufficient rate (the rate calculated court. He further claimed that the state on the basis of the present assessment World on Friday before the bill was in them with work. Many safe their fam the disappointment here; show that the plaintiffs at he tide on the basis of the present assessment being the on the basis of the present assessment being the court. He further claimed that the state on the basis of the present assessment being the court. He further claimed that the state on the basis of the present assessment being three one-hundredths of a mill on being three one-hundredths of a mill on being three one-hundredths of a mill on the dollar on all the graph that the same as many were in hopes that Nanaimo as many were in hopes that Nanaimo municipality which under the proof any statute or by-law for the time being in force shall be liable to and shall be actually assessed for the corporate purposes during the year; and that the said debentures shall have coupons attached thereto.

INTERIOR INTELLIGENCE. Notes From the Columns of the Uppe Country Press.

(Inland Sentinel.) H. B. Smith, of the firm of Keefer & Smith, civil engineers, Victoria, came up on Friday morning to prepare the data from which to estimate the practicability and probable cost of a bridge acress the Thompson river at the point of the present ferry. He comes under instructions from the lands and works department in accordance with the letter of Hon. F. G. vernon to the Kamloops council.

E. C. Davison left on Sunday night for Ashcroft from whence he will go up the Cariboo road as far as Quesnelle. The stage road is now blocked with snow beyond that point, and the mails are taken into Barkerville by dog train. In Douglas camp, one and a half miles northwest of Boundary creek, the Mabel

has a rich streak one foot in width, csrrying \$100 per ton in gold. The copper properties of Copper creek are lying idle this winter, but Messrs. Moran and Hammer intend to start work again in the spring. This vast body of ore is destined to have a place in the front rank of copper producers. The ore is a red oxide and melts easily and when

better transportation facilities are afforded can be worked at a great profit.
On Tuesday as J. Kinnear was riding on the Thompson river on the ice, when opposite the Shuswap mills, his horse broke through the ice. He had not much difficulty getting ashore himself, but it took half a dozen men almost an hour to get the horse safe to land, with the aid of planks and other appliances. The ice on the Thompson river has been safe at some places for traffic, but not all. Quite a town is springing up at the mouth of Boundary creek, and as its promoters are giving their attention to getting the mining property in the vicinity

town, the probabilities are that it will become a thriving town. Messrs. Douglas and Schofield are driv-The defendant refused, claiming it was ing a tunnel to tap the bottom of the shaft of the Stemwinder and find the ore body 60 feet in width. An average of five

developed in place of trying to boom the

A young man, signing himself A. H. Lynne-Browne, has been in town for the past fortnight representing himself as an agent of Kennedy Bros., publishers of the New Westminster Daily and Weekly Co lumbian. He stated that he proposed giving the city a write up in the columns of that paper and made a feeble effort to collect some of the facts required. He also collected a few subscriptions and is said to have secured some other column it will be seen that the Kennedy Brothers deny that he has any authority to act for them in any capacity and caution the public not to pay

EMULSION.

speaking youth, but one who is desirable addition to the citizen Mission City News

G. W. Henry, president of the Mi City fruit growing and canning tion, left last Tuesday for Spokane tend the fruit growers' convention Pacific northwest F. S. Roper, of Victoria, the province

inspector of animal diseases. through here yesterday on his way Chilliwack. Mr. Roper is a genial tleman, and understands his well, and is always on hand when

tal officer. (Kootenay Star.) The bridge over the Illecillewaet being constructed by the Revelstoke ber company, was expected to be finish

presence is required. He makes a

on Saturday.

We have got all we 'Rah for Kellie! 'Rah for D and the government! What's the ter with celebrating our victory with a torchlight procession, head the remnant of the Revelstoke

From reports the boys at the Sil Cup have struck it richer than ever w found in the claim before. She is a v table "Silver King," and if the o are given a chance by a wagon road Trout Lake she will be one of greatest ore shippers in the district. Four or five prospectors in search the yellow metal have gone up to South Fork of Lardeau creek. (Vernon News.)

The weather has been much colder during the last week than it has been some time six degrees below zero. We have six inches of snow, and the old timers say they never saw it long on the bottoms as at present. Mountain sheep are down very low large bands. Some very fine heads are to be seen amongst them, and the two sportsmen's guides are busy locating the coming season. It would be well for those who intend to make a hunt in the district to make arrangements with them

Mr. Gantrell, Trout creek, lately trapp. ed a fine specimen of a wild cat, which can be seen at the Penticton hotel. is the third cat caught in this district The city council have forwarded Professor Saunders, public analyst at Ot tawa, samples of water from Long Lake and the B.X. creek for examination. We are in receipt of authentic informa tion to the effect that the Deep creek road will be pushed forward this summer, and that large gangs will start work on the Boundary creek road at the earliest possible date.

Old timers predict an early spring. Madi Gras was celebrated in Lumby by a dance at the Ram's Horn. His Honor Judge Spinks, president of the Vernon Gun club, has received from Mr. G. B. Martin, M. P. P., a reply to his letter re the proposed amendment to the game laws. Mr. Martin's letter is highly satisfactory, and gives assurance that the suggested changes will be fa-

The mean of several measurements of snow depth in an open field here is 21

vorably considered.

FROM THE ORIENT.

steamship Victoria Arrived in Last Evening From Yohohama. The steamship Victoria arrived here 11:30 o'clock last night, a little over 1 days from Yokohama. She left that port hour before the Empress of Chir and brought no news not covered by the advices received by the latter. brought 1800 tons of cargo of which Vi toria got 450 tons, and 65 steerage pass engers. Purser Galt furnished the fo

lowing statement of the trip: Left Hong Kong 23rd January at noon Woosung, 27th January at 2:30 a.m.; Mozi, 29th January at 6:30 p.m.; Kobe 31st January at 6:30 p.m. and arrived at Yokohama Feb. 1st at midnight, having had fresh northerly and north-easterly winds and thick rainy weather while ou the China coast.

Left Yokohama Feb. 2nd at 11:15 m. After leaving Yokohama northerly and northwesterly winds prevailed u til the 7th instant when a heavy 3d from the north was experienced heavy sea, which continued until the 9 instant. Crossed the meridian in 49 grees north latitude on the 9th to port fresh westerly winds and his following sea was experienced. Cape Carmanah 6 p.m., Feb. 16th, arriv ing in Victoria 11:15 p.m. Time of voy age, 15 days 51-2 hours. The steamer left for Tacoma at 3 this afternoon. Lost in Alaskan Wilds.

The steamship City of Topeka, which has reached the Sound, brings news of the loss and probable death from expos ure of M. Gross, a Canadian surveyo Gross, with four companions, left F Wrangel on the 20th of last month. party intending to hunt, fish and per haps do some prospecting. When got to Portage bay they made permanen camp. It was early in the morning, and Gross told his companions that h tended to dive a little into the interio and would be back before night. was cautioned against going out as it was known that he was not fami iar with the surrounding country and was feared that he might get lost i woods. He disregarded the advice of companions, however, and at six the same evening the other members the party heard a shot in the brush few miles distant. They hailed and other signs tried to giude Gross ba the camp, but were unsuccessful. whole of the next day was spent search, which had finally to be given u Gross is said to have been from Victoria and also that he was last year a member of the Canadian survey party sent up to Alaska to officially determine the ter ritory's boundary.

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Grand Rally of Reforme Last Nigh

PROTECTION ON DISS

Stirring Speeches by Me The Utter Folly of Pr The Curse of Can

Nanaimo, Feb. 16.-Th cert given by the Libera ive Hall last night was coss. The cattendance fa most sanguine expectati regret and inabilinty to read from Dr. Milne, M leman, T. Keith, M. Jebn Hilbert.

W. Marchant, being c he was glad the Libera Victoria was flourishin He eulogised Senator I work for the new assoc T. R. McInnes a complin e would carry on the his father. He then dea trade policy he spoke of irg. Already good had nipeg from such a polic hearers that the Times and I hope you will al lished a very good report nipeg board of trade, them to read. The visit inct ministers and their ridiculed unmercifully. the tariff policy as expla visitors, quoted the state Mr. Angers and showed and referred to the stat A. Haslam, M. P., that

up wages. If protection why has it not done so in admitted that neither pr trade kept up the was paid in British Columb than in any other part of He asked how it was th higher wages than any country, even those sid her. Free trade made fore more labor, con-wages, He denied that money out of the countr on the tariff on imports applauded. He dwelt hu exchange of commodities labor. He pointed out the United States under iff. Protection, he claim moral policy and caused among the different nati sion he urged them to us tien, against keeping which now bound them.

take a stand in the com Senator McInnes excus delivering a lengthy add only after sending a let inability to be present two urgent letters and Another reason for not itics was because the a ready listened to Mr. M was pleased to say Mr. the political orator of B (Applause). Senator Mc to the efforts he had ma with regard to free trac glad to see they were fruit. If any city ought the protective tariff that naimo. (Applause). He action of the Tory gover to the land question and rights, and the result of task in endeavoring to He succeeded in pledgi Laurier, the coming pre legislation the squatter rinerals up to a certain itical battle would sho and "in time of peace p He believed when the D ment next met they wo to revise the tariff, and spring the election on of New Westminster and he believed they woul members at the next lieved Tory Victoria w account of itself at th They were gaining grou could be seen by the v Mr. Marchant and W. the last general election, they would return one members at the The list they went to the the last election was and he was afraid it w (cries of shame). He u select a candidate at ar notify him at once. He of the manner in which r servatives were kept promises of lucrative spite of that many rev ganizations must result

advised them strongly party which had taken cardinal policy. (Applat claimed Canada could no free trade with the Un gressly insult every near). He pointed to the by the great manufact England and Scotland off the fetters, and the sult to Canada if she wall between her and Nanaimo with her 5 would increase to about years under a free tr plause). He showed manufactures were del ander the 35 per cent. ator was loudly applaud The election of an exe

then took place. R. Smith hoped the ion would join hands and together work to ends. Practically they their common demands, fident the meeting to-ni them closer together. Labor Bureau bill and t a good bill he feared drawn. He referred to the working men and to the workers was fo themselves together and they most earnestly ne (Applause). He ad not the knowledge of some had, but as far as loyal subjects of Canad to the protective class, led to believe before country. He dealt wit effects of the protective working classes and urg de their utmost to thr