# HALIFAX FESTIVAL

LARGE AUDIENCE

#### A Committee Will Investigate Charges Against Hon, J. E. Whear in Prince Edward Island.

a complete success. The house was filled with an appreciative audience. Each number, orenestral and vocal, went splendidly, and was heartily received. Sir Alexander MacKenzie received an ovation for the overture "The Little Minister," and also C. A. E. Harriss for his Festival Mass, the various stages be ing heartily applauded. The Orpheus' Club did excellent work with Cowen's "Coronation Ode." and the Harriss mass won hearty plaudits. Halifax has risen to the great occasion afforded, and sets the seal upon this laudable enterprise of making British music known throughout the Dominion.

To Investigate Charges.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., April 4.-There was great excitement in the legislature here yesterday when Hon. J. E. Whear asked that a commission be appointed to investigate the charges laid against him by the Guardian that he was the paid dation. agent of the Dominion Packing Company, which controls the packing trade of the island. After the debate Hon. Mr. Rogers and Messrs, Simpson and Read, of the Ministerial party, Messrs. Morrison and McLean of the opposition, were appointed a con The House then adjourned till Monday. age is about 25 with all hale and hearty.

Snow at Montreal. Montreal, April 4.-After the mildest Atlantic.' March for many years, Montrealers about four inches of snow. To-day it is ample of the deliberate protectioni quite cold and snow still remains on the policy of the British government." nd, but the weather man promises higher temperature by Sunday.

Buying Stock. Toronto, Ont., April 4 .- L. A. Paisley, secretary of the British Columbia Live stock Association, is in the city purchasing 12 carloads of stock to take Wes

Conservative Convention.

Winnipeg, April 4.-Conservatives have of candidates for the legislature. The Centre delegates meet on April 13th, the South on April 8th. Wm. Ferguson, of Hamiota, has been nominated by the ately by court martial and snot. During Conservatives of Saskatchewan.

British Immigrants. Fully 90 per cent. of immigrants reaching Winnipeg this week are of British birth.

Accepting Wheat, The secretary of the Grain Exchange has been notified by the railroad as forlows: "Please note, we are now accept ing shipments of wheat from all poin in Manitoba and the Territories to Fort William and Port Arthur elevators."

# TROUBLE OVER

Employees and Officials of the Wabash Railroad Have Reached Settlement.

St. Louis, April 4.-After four months of controversy between the employees of the wabash road and the officials of that system of the costs of the blockade in the event the costs of the blockade in the costs of the blockad tem, during which at one time a strike was that the decision at The Hague would be tem, during which at one time a strike was imminent, and was prevented only by an injunction restraining the employees from vacating their positions, and which injunction was dissolved last Wednesday, the differences were finally adjusted and the differences were finally and satisfactorily controversy effectually and satisfactorily settled to-night. Officials of the Brotherhoods representing the employees declare the settlement is eminently satisfactory and is a sweeping victory for organized The Wabash officials declare that all differences with the employees have been finally terminated in a satisfactory manner, and the future relations, if all pro bability, will be most harmonious.

The following are the main points embracing the settlement: Twelve per cent. increase for conductors, brakemen and bag-gagemen in the passenger service, and 15 cent, for conductors and brakemen in the freight service over the rates which existed on January 1st. 1902, west of the Mississippi river. reases were granted on the Canadan lines in accordance with the Canada Southern division of the Michigan Central. Other lines in the United States give material lines in the United States give material increases, and improvements in the working conditions were granted the firemen.

# CHAMBERLAIN'S DENIAL

No Truth in Rumor of Dissolution and Extension of Local Government in Ireland, a wreat hor

London, April 4.-Colonial Secretary be an enormous extension of local govern-ment in Ireland, that the Irish police would be placed under the control of a legislative mature, and probably circulated to in council, that Mr. Chamberlain warmly sup- fluence the National ported these projects of the government, and that neither Gerald Balfour. of the board of trade, nor War Secretary Brodrick will be included in the next cabinet. Mr. Chamberlain replied: "The statements are absolutely untrue, both as they regard me and the government gener-

# NOT LIABLE.

for the state government, are not liable to she Commonwealth import duties.

AT ONE HUNDRED AND TEN.

Mrs. Margaret Neve Passed Away at Her Home in Guernsey.

London, April 4.- Mrs. Margaret leve, King Edward's oldest subject, died to-day at her home in Guernsey. For 110 years she preserved her health, strength and even her sight, and was known throughout the United Kingdom She was a wealthy woman, lived on a APPRECIATED MUSIC charming estate, and gladly welcomed visitors who came to see this old friend of the late Queen Victoria. During the lifetime of the late Queen, Mrs. Neve ever missed sending on Her Majesty's birthday a telegram of congratulation to Queen Victoria, Her Majesty neve forgot to return the compliment, and had Mrs. Neve's portrait hung in a con-spicuous place at Osborne. Mrs. Neve lived the simple life of a country gentlewoman, and was keenly interested in her Halifax, N. S., April 4.—Last night's estate, over which she walked unaided by stick or arm. Among the many acpolishments of Mrs. Neve, who en tained Marshal Blucher shortly after the battle of Waterloo, was a translation which she made of Dante's works into French. She had been a widow for the past half century, had no children, and in May would have been 111 years of

#### ALL-BRITISH COLONISTS.

Eighteen Hundred Sailed From Liverpool on the Steamer Tunisian.

Montreal, April 3.-The Star's Lon don cable says: "The last night in England of the all-British colonists was hardly an agreeable one. No fewer than six hundred of them were sent to one Liverpool lodging housekeeper. He put up 400 and now has been fined for overcrowding his house, having taken 147 lodgers in excess of the legal accommo-

"Yesterday's party, which embarked on the Tunisian, number 1,800.
"The Liverpool Post says: 'The flower of England is beginning to depart from and these shores, as the flower of Ireland did years ago. There are few men above 50 among these emigrants. The average All steamer lines are putting on extra steamers to relieve the rush across the

"The Cobden Club's recent report inwere surprised when they awoke this stances the prohibition of the importa-morning to find the ground covered with tion of Canadian store cattle as an ex-

#### CAPTURED BY TROOPS

John Dyer, Who Is Reported to Have Proclaimed Himself Leader of Yaquis, Shot,

Tucson, Arizona, April 4.-The Mexican Herald publishes a report of the cap ture and execution of John Dyer, an Arizona newspaper man, who is reputed recently to have proclaimed himsel called a convention for the nomination the leader of the Yaquis in Sonora. The capture was made by the Fourth battalion of Mexican Regulars near Bacum, state of Sonora. Dyer was tried immedihis brief leadership of the Yaquis, Dyer earned the name of "Elregando," on account of his alleged inhuman cruelty to Mexican women and white men. He was for a time a newspaper correspond ent at Cananea for several eastern and coast papers, and he sent out many sen sational stories of alleged Yaquis upris-

# VENEZUELAN BLOCKADE.

Mr. Bowen Refuses to Accept Proposa Regarding Adjudication of Costs.

Washington, April 3 .- After a meet ing at the British embassy to-day be-tween Mr. Bowen and the allies' representatives, it was learned that Mr. Bowen absolutely declined to accept the amendment to the protocol by the allied ment The allies' representatives have applied to their home government for urther instructions.

# MACEDONIAN BANDS

Are Being Actively Pursued by Troops -Arms Seized at Sofia

Vienna, April 4.-Advices received here from Sofia say the Bulgarian gov ernment is taking active measures against the Macedonian bands and has seized a large quantity of their arms, which were hidden in Sofia. Bulgarian General Darmes on the frontier near Dubnitza has fired on insurgents who ed in pursuit, going towards the Kresha Pass.

# THE IRISH POLICY.

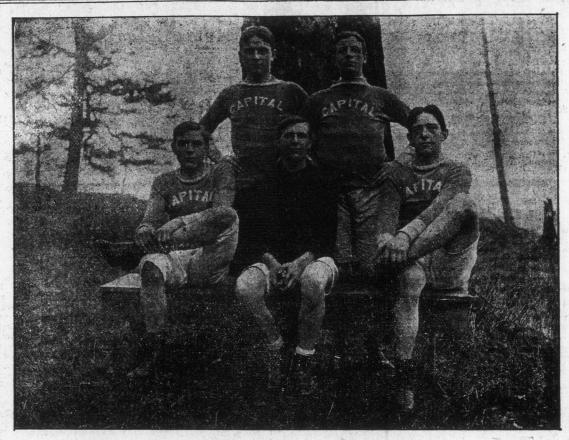
Rumors in London Clubs Regarding the Probable Action of the Government.

New York, April 4.-The London clubs Chamberlain was asked to day if there was any truth in the statement made by a Dublin correspondent of the Daily Chronicle yesterday to the effect that the government intends to dissolve parliament at the end of the present session; the leading published of a scheme which the govern-plank of the Conservative platform would ment is supposed to have adopted for the ably on the land bill.

# POSTAGE.

New Rates on Third and Fourth Class Matter Go Into Effect To-Day.

Ottawa, April 4 .- On and after to-day the rate of postage on third class matter ding plants and grafts, shall be one cent Sydney, N. S. W., April 3.—The Supreme for each two ounces or fraction thereof, court has decided that the goods imported and on fourth class matter the rate shall be one cent for each ounce or frac tion thereof.



#### CAPITAL BASKETBALL TEAM.

The names of the players from left to right follow: Standing, J. Temple, M. L. Sweeney; sitting, T. Gawley (capt.), A. Mulcahy, H. Roskamp.

The junior Capital basketball team established an enviable record this season. There had been no thought of such an organization until a proposal was made that a junior series of games should be brought off. Then the boys got down to work, and the result was the formation of the above team. Out of six league games the team met with only one defeat, and that was administered by the Victoria West five. The total number of games played during the season was seven, one of which was an exhibition match with the Victoria Athletic Club, in which the Capitals proved victorious. With this record, the Capitals claim the championship of the city and are open to challenges from any team wishing to contest their right to this honor. There were four teams in the junior league as follows: The Capitals, Fernwoods, V. A. C. and Work Estate.

# ENGAGED FIGHTING

LEADER PREDICTS A GENERAL LABOR WAR

#### Strike Throughout Holland of Men Engaged in Transportation-Troops Are Guarding Property.

Chicago, April 6 .- Frank Buchanan, who is leader of the bridge and iron workers in their struggle with the Unit ed States Steel Corporation, predicted a general labor war throughout the coun try in an address made last night before the Chicago Federation of Labor. Mr. Buchanan is in Chicago to look over the western end of the strike, and will reach to New York within a few days, for the general strike will be managed from that city.

Strike in Holland.

Amsterdam, April 6 .- A meeting of the workmen's committee has proclaimed a general strike throughout Holland of all abor engaged in transportation by land and water. The meeting lasted until 4 o'clock this morning. All the railroad ines, stations and wharves are guarded by troops. The administration of the railroads has taken steps to secure the running of the foreign expresses under nilitary protection.

A workman was wounded by a revoler shot fired by a soldier this morning. The man was walking on the railroad. and was not aware that the strike had been proclaimed, and failed to reply to the soldier's challenge.

The president of the workmen's committee of defence, in an interview, said to Victoria, and will return here for mathe strike proclamation involves the entire railroad system and other land transports of Holland and the water transportation of the important ports, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Dordrecht and Zaandam. The strike, he added, was intended as a protest against the antistrike laws as well as to support the demands of the railroad men for an inrease of wages before they passed into laws and made an improvement in their sition impossible. He declares the strike will spread to other branches of labor. The staffs of shipping companies trading with London and Hull have stopped work in sympathy with the strikers. Only one train left Amsterdam this

#### rived to-day could not be unloaded. At Rotterdam.

rning, and it was protected by troops.

All business is at a standstill on the

charves, and the mail boats which ar-

Rotterdam, April 6 .- The dock laborers, wagon drivers and all others engaged in industries connected with the ort, have joined in the general strike. A formal declaration was issued by the strike leaders here to the effect that the strike was not connected with the guestrawal is demanded. The railroad staon here is guarded by marines, and a sufficient number of employees have remained at work to enable the running of few trains to-day between Rotterdam and Amsterdam.

The Labor Bills

Amsterdam, April 6.-The Premier of the Netherlands, Dr. Kuyper, introduced in the second chamber of the States General on February 25th three hills in con-Holland. He explained that the governent considered it necessary to oppose any unreasonable attack on society which would sacrifice the well being of the people to the desire of a certain class for influence and to political tyranny. The government, therefore, proposed to form a railroad brigade to insure a regular service of trains in case of need.

The just complaints of railroad employees would be adjusted by a royal then the challenger will sail for America commission, which would be entrusted at the end of May.

later with the settlement of the situation from a legal standpoint, as well as regarding the conditions of service of the employees. It also would have to decide what constituted criminal acts. The government did not desire to be reactionary. It only aimed at effecting social reforms. One of the bills provides for modification of the penal code with the object of affording a surer guarantee for e personal freedom of labor and of pre-enting state officials or persons engaged occupations affecting public interests from absenting themselves from their luties. The bill further provides that refusal to do duty on the part of em-ployees of the railroad or other public ervices may be punished by six months apprisonment. If two or more persons se in rebellion the penalty is increased

eaders or those guilty of criminal acts.
During the depate on the bill Saturday the Premier, whose speech was received with cheers mingled with hisses from the Socialists, dwelt on the danger of strikes o commerce or in the event of the mot ization of troops, and maintained the ecessity for securing uninterrupted comication with foreign countries and offering a firm front to the party dis-

to four years' imprisonment for the ring-

# BLOW-IN AT CROFTON.

Water Jacket Furnace Is Working Satisfactorily-More Ore Arrives For Smelter. Crofton, April 5 .- The large water

jacket furnace was blown in shortly after midday to-day, and is running successfully.

Steamer Selkirk arrived early this norning with a foad of Marble Bay ore, ost of which was high grade. The Transfer barge with a load of coke in cars is due at 4 a.m. on Monday norning, and will take away twelve

chinery and supplies for Quatsino.

The company will shortly acquire a broad gauge yard locomotive, which is think there will be trouble. badly needed now to handle the ore and

coke cars continually arriving at the that all who join the federation will be wharf. Quite a crowd were on hand this afternoon to see the large furnace blown in. It is expected that by Monday morning the converters will be in full blast and

copper coming regularly.

The new track from wharf to smelter and continuation through roast vard to the edge of the woods is rapidly being completed, and the copper track will then put in to the lower level. A new L'airank's copper scales is on hand and will be installed right away. The government inspector of scales has visited the works and made a special test and inspection of the track scales, which were pronounced perfect and "fit to weigh gold."

# STEAMER MISSING.

The Bamara, Carrying Powder and Dynamite, Is Believed to Have Blown Up.

London, April 4.-It is believed that the tion of wages, but was solely against the steamer Bamara, on her first trip from proposed anti-strike laws, whose with Marsellles to Baker, French South Africa, with a cargo of about 95,000 pounds of gun powder and two cases of dynamite, has been blown up at sea and foundered. Lloyds says there is reason to fear that this has occurred, although no confirmation is at hand. The Bamara has not been reported from Gibraltar, although she should have been sighted there on March 31st. The captain of the French schooner Assomption, of Marseilles, reports that on March 28th, when 60 miles off Ile du Palmiera, he saw a brilliant flash, which was followed with the recent railroad strike in by a loud explosion. The captain of the it impossible for New York correspond Nuna makes a similar report. The crew of the Bamara number thirty-five men, and she carried six passengers.

# THE CUP CHALLENGER.

Gourock, April 4.-Shamrock III. left here to-day for Weymouth in tow of the Erin. Shamrock III. will return to

#### ORGANIZATION MEETING TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY

Officials of Company Reported to Have Stated Men Enrolling Will Be Discharged.

Cumberland, April 6.-At a mass eeting of miners yesterday afternoon in the Cumberland hall the chairman read a letter from Enterprise Union, Ladysmith, detailing the troubles there, and calling on the Cumberland miners to join with them. Mr. Baker addressed The debate was then adjourned until the meeting on the aims of the Western Federation of Miners. Some discussion took place, and Mr. Baker asked those who would not join to retire. About a dozen withdrew. The work of organization then proceeded. One hundred and fifty-seven were put through, and another initiation takes place to-day.

Mr. Baker on being interviewed said ne thought it will be better for the masters and men to have a union. The Western Federation never encouraged strikes, and pays no fixed sum to strikers, but committees are appointed to relieve distress. There is no dictatorship

each union being independent. The leaders think no trouble will fol low the action of the men. They point to the fact that Union Bay is full of empty ore cars.

The Venture has discharged and gone ships waiting for coal, and say Mr.

Dunsmuir would be only cutting his own

throat. Outsiders are not so confident, and Officials of the company have stated lischarged.

# THE BOUNDARY MINES.

nall Ore Shipment Last Week-Coke Now En Route to Smelters From Fernie.

Grand Forks, B. C., April 5 .- Owing the coal miners' strike at Fernie re ulting in the closing down of all the Boundary district smelters with the exception of the Granby plant, the ore ship ments during the past week were the ment. In Madrid, the agitation is gaining smallest for any similar period during the past year. Four thousand five hundred and twelve tons of ore were shipped by the Granby mines. This makes the | the Bourbon" are frequently heard in the ore shipments of the Boundary mines for the year to date aggregate a total of 132,762 tons. Coke shipments from Fernie, now that the strike is settled. were resumed yesterday. Eleven car oads are in transit to the Granby

# AMERICAN MAILS.

ostmaster-General Chamberlain Replies to Member in the Imperial House of Commons.

London, April 6 .- The question of the de

lay in the delivery of the American mails was brought up by Sir John Long, Liberal, in the House of Commons to-day. He complained that under the shipping combina tion's regime, Wednesday's mails for New York were carried on slow boats, making ents to send their replies by boats leavin on the Saturday of the week following Sir John wanted the conditions of th White Star line's contract fulfilled before the line was transferred to the combine. Postmaster-General Austen Chamberlai explained that the Cedric, Celtie and Cym ric were only employed in carrying mails while the fastest White Star line steamer were withdrawn for their annual overhau ing, but they would resume running regu larly after April 15th.

# ROMANTIC MARRIAGE.

Was Wooed and Won by Deputy, Who ANNUAL INTERVIEW Afterwards Became Bride of a Baronet.

New York, April 6.-The Herald publishes

he following from its London correspond

"After experiencing more than the ordin ary vicissitudes of life, Sir William Gordon Macgregor, recently an inmate of the Westham workhouse, yesterday was married a

"Publicity being given to his presence in

a workhouse, Sir William Macgregor, when his plight became known, received many offers of marriage, and a Bristol lady sucessfully sought an interview on behalf of her sister, the companion of a wealthy spinster living a few miles out of the city Sir William was wood and won by deputy and the deputy herself became his bride. "How the marriage was eventually ar ranged for is a chapter of romantic inter-est. Miss Alice Gulliver, who is now Lady Macgregor, induced the baronet to take his lischarge from the workhouse and travel ive bride, and the party drove to their days, the matter rested, until the lady who nad acted as deputy, renewed the acquaintance and agreed to marry the baronet her-Gulliver next sought the superintendent registrar, and arrangements were made for the marriage to be solemnized, and as Sir William and Miss Gulliver respectively declared they knew of no impediment to their \$1.20 per day. The delegates made a mion they were married."

#### MESSAGE FROM POPE

Everybody in Holy Orders Should Abstain From Interference in Political Matters.

Havana, April 6.-An encyclical from he Pope was received at the Cathedral esterday. It sets forth that because of e vastness of the territories in the lioceses of Cavina and Santiago, and be-Santiago will remain the See and Porto Rico is severed from the See of Santiago, and becomes immediately subject to Sir Rome for the present.

erence in political matters. No man being a soldier of God entangleth himself. he threw out the suggestion of having a secular faatters."

The encyclical provides for the restoration of the schools and chapters in Havana and Santiago under the special care of the church. Archbishop Chapell will call a provincial council as soon as the new bishops are appointed.

#### ANOTHER STORM.

Work of Clearing Railway Lines in Newfoundland Has Been Stopped.

St. Johns. Nfld., April 6.-Another severe blizzard, with the thermometer registering twelve degrees below zero, has frustrated the efforts of railroad employees who have been trying to clear the snow from the been trying to clear the snow from the House to-day, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said blocked lines and release the trains which that he had received a protest from the were snowed up in the interior of the isl- Dawson Board of Trade against the and. From present appearances several Treadgold concession being allowed. Sir weeks must elapse before the cross country service is resumed.

The sealing fleet has been sighted along the coast chasing herds of seals. There have to look at both. were no arrivals of sealing vessels here today.

#### CHARGED WITH MURDER. Young Woman Will Be Tried For Shoot

ing Her Father-in-Law.

Albany, N. Y., April 4.-The death to night of Silas Fator, in the Albany hospital, adds another murder to the recent history of Albany, and holds Fator's daughter-in-law in jail on the charge of killing him. She claims that she shot him in self-defence, and that Fator was attempting to assault her while her hus band was absent from home, on Thursday night. In the scuffle she drew a pistol and shot Fator. He has been lingering ever since, and Mrs. Fator has been held on a charge of assault in the first degree. She will now be put or

#### trial for murder. She is 21 years old. DISORDER SPREADING.

Outbreaks Are Reported From a Number of University Towns in Spain.

Madrid. April 6 .- The situation has become graver in the university towns, where the brutal treatment of students has creat ed intense resentment against the govern ground. The workmen in the tobacco fac tories have joined in the movement against the authorities, and shouts of "Down with streets, intermingled with bitter cries against the government and lauding the re-

#### SEEKING EASTERN OUTLET. The Object of William Mackenzie's Visit to New Brunswick.

St. John, N. B., April 4.—Before leav ing for Montreal last evening Wm. Mackenzie, of Mackenzie & Mann, said that they proposed obtaining a Canadian outlet for their transcontinental railway system on the Atlantic coast and was coming through New Brunswick to do this. They will construct a railway from Quebec province to Moncton, with a branch from the most convenient point to St. John.

# WHEAT IMPORTS.

Liverpool, April 6.-The imports of wheat into Liverpool last week were 49,400 quar ters from Atlantic ports, none from the Pacific, and 35,000 from other ports.

# SHAMROCK AT WEYMOUTH.

Weymouth Eng. April 6.-The Am erica's Cup challenger, Shamrock III., arrived here to-day, having been preceded during the night by Shamrock 1.

# WITH GOVERNMENT

SIR W. MULOCK'S REPLY TO THE DELEGATES

#### A Suggestion as to How Government Assistance Might Be Invoked in Labor Disputes.

Ottawa. April 6.-The annual delegation from the Trades and Labor Congress waited on the government to-day. o Bristol with her. On arriving at the R. Smith, M. P., and A. W. Puttee, M. tation he was introduced to the prospec- P., were present as members of the delelive bride, and the party those to the gation. The interview took place in one lodgings, but they separated a few hours Wilfrid Laurier's office. There were gation. The interview took place in Sir of not entering into the engagement. How- also present Hon. A. G. Blair and Sir ever, Sir William's expenses were guaran- William Mulock. The delegates preseed for a fortnight in order that he might sented the proposed anti-contract bill, rest before returning. There, for a few which did not satisfy any one. The proposed bill will apply against everybody outside of Canada, including British subself. An effort last Friday to have the marriage performed at the Bristol registry from the Cowichan Indians, B. C., askoffice proved futile. Sir William and Miss ing a commission to investigate the encroachments on their lands by white set-

The checkers and truckers on the

strong kick on this, and say. General Manager Pottinger was treating them badly, and making the government unopular in the Maritime Provinces. Sir Wilfrid Mulock made a reply. Hetook up all the resolutions one by one and disposed of them. Some of the matters, he said could be better dealt with through the department of labor than by the delegation. In regard to the union label, he practically promised that it would be registered by the government as desired. As for the letter carriers, he cause the increase in the Catholic popu- | could not promise them any more salary ation renders the visitations of the obshops difficult, the number of prelates could promise them that the fair wage will be increased; the dioceses of Pinar clause would be inserted in all govern-del Rio and Cienfueges being added. ment contracts. It was now used in the ment contracts. It was now used in the post office and labor departments. Speaking of the proposed anti-Contract Act William said that it would interfere with the farmers getting labor, and that was a very important matter. It might It concludes: "Let everybody in sacred orders wholly abstain from intercountry. As for compulsory arbitration, registration act so that industries could

> putes the government could interfere. Ministers and Gowns. In the Dominion Methodist church yesrday Dr. Rose walked into the pulpit with his gown on him, and after reading the judgment of the church court, against his wearing it, dramatically untied the strings and let it drop behind the pulpit, where it lay during the whole sermon. The Doctor said he would abide by the decision of the church.

register, and then in case of labor dis-

Treadgold Concession. Replying to R. L. Borden, in the Wilfrid said that while he had received this protest there were two sides to the question, and the government would

May Appoint Commission, The government will likely appoint a commission to inquire into strikes and labor troubles in British Columbia on the lines suggested by Ralph Smith, M. P., in the House a few days ago. The commission will in all probability commence with an inquiry into the trouble

#### at Extension coal mines. Left For Home.

Sir Hibbert Tupper left for home on-Saturday, and will not likely return this-

# STEAMER REMODELLED.

The New York Sails This Week After \$1,000,000 Has Been Spent on Alterations.

Philadelphia, April 6.-The remodelled American line steamer New York will sail from Cramp's shipyards this week to resume service between New York and Southampton. The vessel has been at Cramp's nearly a year, and the rovements have been made at a cost of about a million.

# ORGAN RECITAL

Sixth of the Lenten Series Given at St. John's Church.

The sixth of the Lenten series of organ ecitals was given at St. John's church after evening service Sunday. The rector preached an eloquent sermon on "Christ's Betrayal." The church was again crowded. The vocal numbers on the programme had to be changed owing the indisposition of some of the sing-

Mrs. E. J. Rice, who possesses a sweet oice, gave the solo "If Ye Love Me Do My Will," in a very pleasing manner. Then in place of the passion music, Madame Laird sang "O Rest in the Lord," as only an artiste of the first rank could give it. Miss Lugrin, whose pleasng soprano voice is always heard with leasure at these recitals, sang "Palm Branches" in a very efficient manner. J. G. Brown's solo, "The Plains of Peace," was given with very good effect and rich pathos, his phrasing and articulation, which are always good, being specially on mendable.

A. Longfield's organ solos were in varied styles of composition and included (by special request) "Christ's Journey Over the Sea of Gallilee," by Dr. Spark, a work that is full of descriptive power, and was well rendered. Jesse Longfield played a viola solo, the rich tones of this dom heard instrument being brought out with good effect in a solo by Spohr. He also played the concluding organ solo, "The Pilgrim's Chorus and March." by Wagner, in a most effective manner,

# HOW STRIKE WA

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON SUCCESSFU

Manner in Which the Negotia Carried on Satisfactorily Parties Concerned

The report of the conciliat been received at headquart be read with interest by al themselves in the industrial the province.

The report which is addres executive committee of the Mining Association of British

"Your committee appointed tion assembled on February with instructions to proceed Fernie and inquire into the in progress in the colleries of Nest Pass Goal Company, I view to cleeting a settlemen same, have the honor to subm lowing report: The commission left Vi

March 2vil and 3rd and ass Fernie or Saturday, 7th of M organized for work on Monda March Oth, President Keen, o Gaunce being elected secreta situation was found to be ver over-1,300 n en being out on expressing confidence in the their position. The employing on the other hand, expressed surance of the tenability of it and no thought of concession where apparent. The gravity situation and the effect of the disturbance became daily an more impressed upon the con the receipt by telegram and oth its far reaching results. From ing and smelting industries of I Nelson, Trail and Boundary came reliable news of distress jury, mines and smelters being and large forces of men throw employment by the cessation of supply from this point. The co-early recognized the heavy resp of the task imposed upon it as to work with the conviction that patient effort alone could r situation and bring about highly desirable—a lasting peace upon equitable terms.

"The coal company afforded mission every facility to get at of the case so far as wages paid cerned, giving it free access to pany's books; while the local uni ented through their executive district union executive, met th sion in a most trustful and spirit, and pledged assistance in undertaken. Mr. G. F. Doughe sident of the district union No. of M., was present the entire vising the committees of the miners in their deliberations, showing himself the spokesm champion of organized labor, himself at the same time as the justice to all. His evident dev the cause entrusted to him mu made every member of the exec trusty admirer, even as it n

member of the commission hi "The alleged causes of the st multiplied and may be sur briefly as follows: A distrust of pany's management, quite as n of the company's inferior, as o ior officers; a failure on the company to recognize the diffe their officers and committee clination of the company to sell lands of Morrissey and Miche unions upon which to erect meeting; a system of espion various local and district un tised by the company; the sy back-hand labor in vogue and tence of a defectively arrang scale whereby the men were earn equal wages. Lesser s complaint were washhouse char of cars and conditions of man miner ineffective. The eight ar hour day required of the men ground work was also a cause

"The commission held thirty-fo sions of its entire body, had man; views through sub-con management on one hand and wi men on the other; made a visit
Coal Creek mines, and looked in
matters of complaints as to six
weight of cars and rules governing houses and lamps, and examined quest of the district executive con thirty-one witnesses under oath. "The results of the commiss vestigations justified the position by the men in some matters but

others Your commission believe

in the aggregate good wages are

paid by the company to its mine

employees outside of the coke over

and furthermore believes that amended practices in view and pro-by the company the former will be

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