Mediation Scouted.

Germany Intimates That the Conference Proposal Is Out of the Question.

Would Lead to Constant Foreign Interference in Internal Affairs.

Would Britain Arbitrate Irish Question or Russia Her Polish Troubles.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, June 3.-The Hague peace con ference has largely occupied public attention this week. The papers have freely comented on its doings. The news that it had really taken up the subject of international arbitration came as great surprise to many. The leading papers at first refused to believe it. The Kreutz Zeitung, often the reflector of the views of the army and upper circles, acknowledged that Sir Julian Pauncefote had played a clever game on M. De Staal, and then declared that the idea of arbitration of such a sweeping nature as Great Britain proposed was untenable and out of the question so far as Germany was concerned, as it would open the door to constant foreign intererence in the internal affairs of nations The paper also doubts the correctness of the version making M. De Staal accept the British proposal as it considers it would be going too far beyond the Ozar's instructions. It also reminds Russia of her Poland and Finland, and Great Britain her Irish question, and expresses belief that neither power is willing to accept in practice such a course as Sir Julian Pauncefote has outlined. This article has attracted much attention, and it is believed it re-flects the opinion of the government.

BOY KILLS A PEDDLER.

Got His Mother's Revolver.

Bridgeport, Conn., June 3.-The mystery concerning the alleged murder of Louis Stahlman, the Hebrew peddler, by Peter Graham, a 15-year-old boy, on Fighting Joe Boldly Defies the Wednesday, is thought to have been According to the story of the prisoner's three younger brothers. Peter discovered the man ransacking the garret and tried to drive him away, but Stahlman picked up an iron bar and struck at Graham jumped down the stairs, seized his mother's revolver and shot the peddlar as he was coming down-The boy then got the body out into the peddler's wagon and drove to a deserted lane, where he afterwards claimed to have found it.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST. Twenty-Five Lashes for a Brute-Joe Martin's Brother Takes the Field.

Winnipeg, June 3.— (Special)— This morning in the provincial gaol here. Pierre Lardou, school teacher from Notre Dame de Lourdes, who was recently convicted of indecent assault on a child VANCOUVER MINISTERS FIGHT! of tender years, received twenty-five lashes with the cat-o-nine-tails. Lardou after the first half dozen lashes began to cry out with pain and his cries increase with each succeeding lash until the final one, by which time his screams could be heard all over the building. Premier Greenway came as far as Morrison on to-day's train and then went

out to Crystal City, his home. Discussing railway matters for a moment, he said: "No arrangement regarding he extension has yet been made."

E. D. Martin announces in a letter to the press that he will accept nomination as candidate for the Winnipeg vacancy in the Dominion house.

Rev. E. D. McLaren, pastor of St. church, Vancouver, is guest of his brother here.

SAILORS' DESERTIONS.

British Consuls Report on the Allure ments at American Ports.

London, June 3.-Admiral Edward Rield (retired) brought up in the House of Commons last month the question of when Martin paid no attention to his re-'crimping" and the desertions of British sailors, chiefly in American ports, the apshot being that the British consuls were requested to report on the subject, and an interesting blue book was issued to-day, comprising the reports of the con-suls at New York, San Francisco, Phila-delphia, Baltimore and Portland, Ore., describing the operations of the boarding house keepers and shipping masters in alluring them to leave their ships. The general gist of the reports appears to be that the sailors desert in order to secure the higher rates of wages obtainable in the American ports but that the number of desertions is decreasing.

TO BUILD AUTOMOBILES.

London, June 3.-An American manu facturing company has just acquired an extensive piece of land and a plant at Coventry, including some of the proper-ties once in possession of the tire com-panies directed by Ernest Hooley, which will be fitted to meet modern, will be fitted to meet modern requirements in every respect.

The capital is said to be \$500,000 and the company, it is added, means to rush the company of automobiles, which

the construction of automobiles which has been almost neglected in England.

MUST BACK DOWN.

Ottawa, June 3.—It is safe to say that if the British Columbia government does not in the next few days intimate that steps will be taken to exempt the Japan-ese from the labor legislation the subese from the labor legislation the subject of recent complaints, the act will be lowed. Action must be taken before the 7th instant.

MARINE SUBSIDIES.

Washington, June 3-Chairman Payne of the house ways and means committee in an interview to-day expressed the opinion that the next congress would pass a bill for the encouragement of the merchant marine by granting subsidies. He also expressed the opinion that a suffrency bill would be passed.

A FORGIVING CLERGYMAN. No Ill Will to the Methodist Conference

Expelling Him for Heresy. Toronto, June 3.-(special)-Rev. Dr. lege, who was deposed from the ministry of the Methodist church by the London conference at Windsor on Thursday, arrived here yesterday and discusse briefly the finding of the committee on the charges of heresy preferred agains

"I have not yet decided whether I will "I have not yet decided whether I will exercise my right of appeal to the general conference court," continued Mr. Austin. "I have already received many letters expressing sympathy, both from those in and out of the church, and some of these have even contained offers of money. I am, however, engaged in literary work, and I have a business connection, and in this connection I will spend the greater part of the summer in the West. I leave the Methodist con ference with the greatest amount of good

A STUBBORN GARRISON. Spanish Soldiers Refuse to Evacuate

Philippine Post Though Facing Starvation. Manila, June 3.—The steamer Uran is has returned from Baler off the east already made formal protest to the Docoast of the island of Luzon, whither

they went to get the Spanish garrison behalf of some two hundred American which the Filipinos have been unable to subdue.

The garrison is commanded by Lieut. Martinez, and of 54 men originally comprising it there are only 33 left. Lient. Martinez refusd to leave. He said he had supplies sufficient to last him three months and he declared he would stay where he was until he starved.

where he was until he starved.
Col. Aguilar, secretary to Gen. Rios, the Spanish representative in the Philip-pines, took with him an order for Marti-nez to evacuate Baler, but the best reply to it he could get was that Martine was to quit when Gen. Rios came per-sonally to tell him to leave. Col. Aguilar thinks that Martinez has become crazed by the long hardships of his struggle against the Filipinos.

Mr. Semlin's Happy Family.

Found Him Ransacking the Garret and Private Life of Executive Revealed to Vancouver Delegation.

> Referee and Severely Punishes His Rival.

From Our Own Correspondent

Vancouver, June 3.-On the way home the members of the delegation who were the members of the delegation who were the things of the delegation who were the delegati sent to Victoria to interview the government regarding Deadman's island promised that they would allow nothing to leak out regarding what took place leave Montreal the first week in Novemduring the interview-but there were rather too many of them to expect that there would be no leakage whatever. In fact one member of the deputation went so far as to give the headings or subheadings of what happened to the Colonist representative direct. They would read as follows:

"Martin has a rag time with Cottonlighted witnesses-Martin takes advantage of presence of twenty-six prominent Vancouver men to make

tton is unmercifully handled by Attorney-General-Whose moderate views he interprets as waning loyalty to Vancouver.

Martin outlines the policy of the gov-ernment which lives, breathes and has its being for Vancouver only.

"It is he, Martin, not Cotton, who wil as Premier make Vancouver the real of government of the prov-

Referee Semlin repeatedly warned Martin for infringing the rules, and begged him to be more temperate and monstrances. The delegation awarded the round to Martin on points.

THIRTY INDIANS DROWN IN LAKE.

Frail Boats Collide and Sink With Men, Women and

Children.

Winnipeg, June 3-A Laggan, Alberta, lespatch says: "Between 25 and 30 Indians, men, women and children, were drowned yesterday in the Lake of the Clouds, near the Canadian Pacific rail-

way, while coming to a reservation near this place to attend the spring potlatch "They were travelling in boats rudely nanufactured of caribou and skins of other animals, when the two long boats collided. Both were rendered useless and the entire party were lost.

THE HASTINGS FIRE.

Spontaneous Combustion the Cause Mill Saved by Vancouver Brigade.

Vancouver, June 3 .- Spontaneous con ustion was the cause of the fire at Mc-Nair's mill yesterday. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, being on drying kiln \$3,500 and shingles \$1,500. The mill was certainly saved by the Vancotver firemen. A loaded and empty C. P. R. car were also destroyed, Several other cars were saved by the work train cngine.

Deloraine Conservatives for the legislaure, and J. H. Riddell by the Morden opposition convention.

Chas. W. James, if Killarney district, was killed by lightning yesterday.

Rev. H. P. Lowe, rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Calgary, died suddenly resterday.

Veto of the Alien Law.

Ottawa Government Gives Heed to Remonstrances by the United States.

Objectionable in That It Has **Forfeited Miners' Rights** Legally Acquired.

Paris Exhibition Space Still To Let---Bank Accountant's Huge Haul.

rom Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, June 3-The anti-alien mining law of British Columbia is likely to lead to considerable friction with the United States authorities. Indeed, it is said that the United States government has minion in reference to the measure on miners who have been deprived of their rights in the Atlin country. These miners, it appears, took out Canadian mining licenses anterior to the adoption of the alien law, and with these in their possession duly recorded their claims, of which they found themselves sudden-ly deprived of rights to which they had legolly become entitled. In many cases these men held licenses from the Dominion government issued before it was discovered that Atlin was in British Cocovered that Atlin was in British Columbia, so that the federal authorities are directly interested in protecting them. The United States government maintains that it is not fair to these men to invalidate their claims as has been done. Hon, Mr. Martin, who is regarded here as the instigator of the law exempted from its overation than law, exempted from its operation those who had taken out their licenses and recorded their claims in good faith, there would have been no ground for the present objection. It would not be a matter of surprise if under the circumstances the Dominion were to disallow the mea-

Railway Belt Lands.

An order-in-council has been passed reducing the price of lands within the railway belt in British Columbia from \$5 to \$1 per acre, when the lands are not fit for agriculture nor contain

Exhibits for Paris.

The Paris exposition commissioners. have been in session here for the last two days, adjourned yesterday to meet again on Wednesday next. Their deliberations had reference to a revision of the regulations governing the space for Canadian exhibitors. A large numticipated, and accordingly the time limit, which expired on June 1, has been extended for a week or two. The steamer conveying the exhibits to Paris is to ber, calling at Halifax before crossing the Atlantic.

Dominion Finances.

The deficit on account of the post of-\$70,000. For the five month amounted to \$70,000. For the five months since the establishment of the "Vaster Empire than has been" rate of postage, the deficit has reached a total of \$164,000. The increase in general Dominion revenue for the past eleven months is \$5,500,000 and the expenditure has been augmented \$2,500,000 compared with the period last year.

Defaulter of First Class.

J. H. Henderson, accountant of the local branch of the Union Bank, who skipped on Monday last, has defrauded the bank of nearly \$30,000 by manipulat-The money was used in ing drafts. stock speculations.

TARTE BEARDS METHODISTS.

Has No Apology to Make for His Reflections on Anticosti Mission.

Montreal, June 3.—(Special)—Hon. Mr. Tarte, interviewed here regarding the demands of Methodists that he apologize for his statement in the House of Commons concerning the Anticosti Metho-lists, said he had no apology to offer, for he simply repeated what Commander Wakeman had previously said.

REPUBLIC BURNED

Business Part of the Mining Town Wiped Out In a Few Hours.

Republic, Wash., June 3-The business part of this flourishing town was to-day totally wiped out by fire, and great loss has resulted, the wooden buildings going like match-wood, in spite of every effort to stay the fury of the flames. The fire started in a defective flue, and before it was noticed had got a strong hold which the firemen, assisted by the people could not check until the main business blocks of the town were destroyed. The loss is fully \$200,000.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST. Calgary Rector's Sudden Death-Banff Bye-Election-Real Estate in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, June 5 .- (Special)-The writ for a new election in Banff constituency has been issued. The nominations are fixed for June 17 and election June 27. Robt. Jaffray, president of the Globe Printing Company of Toronto, is in the city on his way to Fernie, B.C., where he has large interests in the coal mines and the manufacture of coke. Mr. Jaf-fray said he believed British Columbia was destined to become much more important than at present appeared owing to its undoubted mineral wealth.

Two big sales of Winnipeg Main street property, one for \$60,000 and the other for \$30,000, took place on Satur

day. W. J. Essery, a C. & E. railway brake man, was killed in the Macleod yards on Man, was kined in the Macreod yards on Saturday.

Mr. Kerr has been nominated by the Deloraine Conservatives for the legisla-aure, and J. H. Riddell by the Morden CARPETS, RUGS, ART SQUARES



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ROBBERY ON MAIL STEAMER. Alameda Reports Loss of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars Worth of Aus-

tralian Gold. San Francisco, June 3.-There was great excitement on board the Alameda, which arrived from Australia yesterday, which arrived from Australia yesterday, when it was discovered a box containing 5,000 sovereigns was missing. Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars in gold had been sent by the steamer from Sydney. The money was shipped in 30 steel boxes, each containing \$25,000. One of these boxes was abstracted from the streamer's treasure record divisor by the steamer's treasure room during the voyage. The theft is shrouded in deep

Bennett City Is Booming.

No Difficulty in Putting Men and Freight Through by the White Pass Road.

Preparations Advanced for the Opening of the River-Drowning Fatality.

Lake Bennett, May 26.—With prepara tions for the spring influx of miners to the various northern camps well under way, and guilding operations being vigprously prosecuted here at whatever side one may turn, the situation for Bennett City at this writing is most gratifying hours. and encouraging to the promoters of the town and to those who have come to share their belief in its future. Population increases daily; substantial investments by thoughtful, far-seeing men are being made almost every day also; the advent of the newspaper-these and many other equally certain signs indicate

the future of the town to be assured.

There are several hundred miners her now, perhaps a thousand in all, with their outfits, on their way to the Atlin district, to Klondike, or some other of the newer gold centres, and each lay tain prompt and reliable transportation of both people and freight. Opponents to the White Pass route have been very active of late in the circulation of reports to the effect that the road was stalledthat freight was piling up at the Summit, and that the wagon road was langerous and difficult. As a matter of fact there is not, and has not been any blockade of freight—there could not be with the rapid forwarding that has been the rule of the road—and the wagon road is in as fine condition as any of the pretty drives leading from Victoria into the country roundabout. It is a favorite run for the bicyclists, and ridable all the way, which gives a fair idea of its

Of course everything is now waiting for the opening of navigation, which is not far distant now. The lake is break ing fast and accidents to foolhardy travellers are matters of daily record. The police have for some little time past forbidden the handling of freight on Linderman, and using the ice on other neighboring bodies of water is equally dangerous. It will not be a matter of fore than a fortnight now at latest whe

the season of steamboat navigation will be open, the steamers being ready and waiting for their day to dawn.

The advent of a Canadian customs officer at Skagway is hailed with pleas ure by all having interests or business in the North, as it will greatly facilitate the extension of bonding privileges, and enable freight to be sent through from Victoria or Vancouver, to Dawson or Atlin, as conveniently and expeditional as it could be sent to Nelson or Toronto

via the American routes. Word has just been received here of Word has just been received here of the drowning of A. Harmon, who lost his life while trying to cross Otter Lake, He had interests in the Atlin country, and had come out to invest in spring stocks, which he had bought and was returning with. He had camped at the side of the lake, and while his son cooked supper the father went out to try the ice He was very deaf and did not hear the ice crack its warning, advancing so far that when it opened he had no chance to save himself. The deceased leaves a wife and child at Atlin City.

Guy Lamont leaves for Linderman to-day to prepare for the opening of navi-gation. As agent of the Pacific Clipper ine he will manage the steamer Mabl which is now running on Linderman out will hereafter ply on Atlin Lake S. Macaulay, who came up on the last City of Seattle, is now here, and will go down to White Horse as soon as the

THE HESSIAN FLY. Geneva, June 2.—Already nine-tenths of the wheat crop in this section has been destroyed by the work of the hessian fly, one of the worst wheat destroying insects known. It is thought that within a week's time a much larger part of the wheat in this section will be entirely laid to waste.

SUDDEN DEATH. Chatham, Ont., June 3.-Robert Martin, pump and windmill manufacturer, dropped dead, -

DOMINION NEWS NOTES.

Special to the Colonist.

Soldiers' Graves. Toronto, June 2.-The annual decoration of monuments in Queen's park to the memory of the soldiers who fell at Ridgeway in 1866 and in the Northwest rebellion of 1885 took place this after-

Galicians for Ontario Toronto, June 2.—Premier Hardy was waited upon to-day by a deputation from New Ontario, who expressed a desire that provision should be made for sheltering and sustaining a contingent of some 2,000 Galicians to be settled in the near future, it is expected, in the valley of Whitefish river, in the townships of Blake and Papeaunge, and other districts west of Fort William.

Mr. Geoffrion III. Montreal, June 2.—Hon. C. A. Geoffrion, minister without portfolio in the Laurier cabinet, has just passed the crisis of an illness of three week's duration,

Alex. Milloy Dead. Montreal, June 2.-Alex. Milloy, many years traffic manager of the R. & O. Navigation Co., died yesterday, aged 77 years.

A Miner's Fatal Fall Winnipeg, June 2.-Henry Lampshire a miner, fell a distance of 45 feet in the Regina gold mine near Rat Portige yesterday and was instantly killed. The deceased was 45 years of age and leaves an invalid wife and five small children.

Over Cliff at Quebec. Quebec, June 2.-Yesterday afternoon Loretto, aged eight, daughter of Dr. Lanthier, fell off the cliff from Rampart street opposite Laval University, in rear of Sault Au Matelot street, some 25 or The girl lived but a couple of

Flour Mill Burned.

Ruthven, June 2.—The large three story building owned by Edgar Mc-Latchey, Lemington, and used by him for the manufacture of pumpkin flour, was burned this morning. Loss, \$6,000, insurance, \$2,000. Like a Murder. Moncton, June 2.—Jas. Hamill, 25 years of age, who was charged with killng his brother at Point du Chene a year igo, disappeared last Saturday. Yester-

day a vessel moved out from a dock at the Point, and his body was found. the newer gold centres, and each lay brings other Argonauts in from the outside—for the railway company are thorself of the railway compan DROWNED IN KOOTENAY LAKE. Young Man from Winnipeg Meets Death

While Sailing a Canoe. Winnipeg, June 5-(Special)-Mr. Nev-Winnipeg, June 5—(Special)—Mr. Nev-ille, C. P. R. tie inspector, received the decided to resist. On arriving on their sad news last night of the death of his special car at Bainsville the Detective and constables were assailed by a hail of stones, breaking the greater part of the car windows. Gaudry received one of the projectiles on his shoulder, and squall caught them and the canoe with

COL. OSWALD DEAD.

Montreal, June 3.-A cablegram from ondon announces the death there of Col. Oswald, stockbroker of this city.

PAUL KRUGER ADVISED TO QUIT

Peace With British and Grant Reform.

Berlin, June 3.-The correspondent of the Associated Press learns from an will be attached to the regular passenger excellent source that the interview this train leaving Winnipeg on Tuesday, foreign affairs, was not of a very cordial nature. The foreign minister emphatically told the Transvaal representative that the wisest and best course for the Boer government was peace with Great Britain and above all o speedily grant reforms.

zette makes a forecast of the negotia-tions between President Kruger and Sir Alfred Milner at Bloemfontaine, which t bases upon information obtained from high official at Pretoria. President Kruger was prepared, with the concurrence of the burghers, to re-duce still further the term of residence ecessary to the qualifications of a voter, out on an inconsiderate vote the upper raad allowed the Uitlanders to make a compromise on the education question, which will give an improved municipality Johannesburg and grant to the Uit inders a full measure of control over

London, June 3.-The Pall Mall Ga-

Still the declaration in regard to the Cape "boys" and natives will hold good. President Kruger dan impose upon them differential laws, which he says the London convention gives him the right to do. The question of the dynamite monopoly, the Gazette says, will prove the hardest.

SUING FOR RECIPROCITY. British Islands Off Southeastern Coas All Looking to Washington

New York, June 2.-Included in the passengers by the steamer Britannic, which arrived here to-day, were Sir Cavendish Bolye, K. C. M. G., and Sir R. T. and Lady Musgrave. Sir Caven- Sirdar Receives Substantial Redish Boyle, who is government secretary of British Guiana, comes to this country to assist Reginald Tower, charge d'affaires of the British embassy at Washington, in negotiating a reciprocity treaty with Commissioner Kasson, covering British Guiana. Before leaving London Sir Cavendish Boyle conferred with the colonial office authorities regarding the affairs of his colony. Mr. Tower will endeavor to secure a similar measure. will endeavor to secure a similar measure covering Barbadoes, apart from one in the interest of Jamaica now under

Washington, June 2.—The British authorities are at a loss to account for the tariff commission from Jamaica which will start for Washington within the next two weeks. No word has been received from the London foreign office, although this may come at any time. In the meantime the status of the Jamaican commission is somewhat in doubt, as the government officials here are not in the habit of recognizing colonial officers unless they come to speak with the authority of the home government. The state department has received some tele-grams from Kingston, but these have not disclosed the authority of the com-

The reciprocity delegation from Jamaica sails for the United States on Tuesday. The scope of the commission The is restricted to representing Jamaica's position and securing the best possible erms. But the delegates have not the power to enter into an agreement, owing to the proviso of the secretary of state for the colonies that the project cannot be entertained should there be an appreciable loss of revenue involved under the new tariff. Nevertheless the colonial public are confident that in view of the positive alternative of Canadian annexa-tion, the United States will accept Jamaica's terms as the only means of etaining the West Indian trad

G.T.R. Strikers Stand Off Police.

Threatened to Burn Them in Their Car So Constables Did Nothing.

Management Assures the Public That Track Keeps in Good Condition.

Special to the Colonist. Montreal, June 2.-The Grand Trunk management do not think that the time has yet come to present their case to the public concerning the strike, but in view of the fact that a sworn declaration regarding the roadbed has been made by several men before a police magistrate, the officials state in justice to them-selves, that the Grand Trunk line at the present time is in excellent condition, and not a day is allowed to pass without its being thoroughly inspected by persons on whose competency the com-

pany can rely.

Detective Gaudry has returned from specials from Bainsville, this side of A New Political Organization in the Lancaster, from which nad been telegraphed that fifty strikers had decided to run things to their own liking. All his men were well equipped with revolvers, as it was known the On arriving on their a friend on Sunday morning when a squall caught them and the canoe was upset. Mr. Neville was drowned but his companion was saved. The deceased was companion was saved. The deceased was the revolvers. This had the effect of disbanding the mob of strikers. They fire to the car and make a holocaust of the detectives and the police. In face of these assertions the police, finding no help in the place, had to drop the mat-ter until they returned with reinforcements. The trouble, however, did not

PRESSMEN'S EXCURSION. Will Start on Tuesday of Next Week

and Take Up a Fortnight.

Winnipeg, June 5-(Special)-The committee in charge of the proposed excursion of members of the Western Canada Press Association have about completed all arrangements. The party will embrace representatives of about fifty lead- system. ing papers of Western Ontario, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. Two sleeping cars have been chartered and week between Dr. W. J. Leyds, the June 13. The first stop will be at ainister of the Transvaal here, and Banff, where a day will be spent; then strung to the party will proceed to Seattle, Tacoma and Portland and return via Victoria, Vancouver and the Kootenay country, visiting Spokane from Rossland, :hen back to Nelson and home over the Crow's Nest road, reaching Winnipeg June 30th.

> DEATHS BY ACCIDENT. 'armer's Wife Thrown From a Wagon-Boy Falls on Circular Saw.

Hamilton, Ont., June 3.—(Special)—At Lowville a farmer named Thomas, with his wife, was driving on the Waterdown road this morning, when their team became frightened and ran away, with another rig driven by Mrs. Rob-Mrs. Thomas erts, of Freelton. thrown out and killed instantly.

GIVING UP THEIR GUNS.

Both Factions in Samoa Have Becom Tired of the Warfare.

Samoan Islands, May 23, via Auckland, N. Z., June 5.—Both native fac-tions, the Malietoans and the Mataafans, are disarming. Mataafa has surren

Kitchener's Fortune.

ward for Success in Crushing Mahdism.

Praised for Genius With Which He Conducted the Difficult Campaign.

Treatment of the Mahdi's Re. mains the Subject of Opposition Criticism.

By Associated Press.

London, June 5.-Mr. Balfour in introducing the vote of \$150,000 for Lord Kitchener in the House of Commons said the fact that the power of Mahdism was crushed was due to the genius of the man they desired to honor and reward. The government leader expressed the hope that those who objected to the policy of the Soudan advance would not think that was a reason for resisting the vote, as such a course would be introlucing politics into military matters. He then dwelt with admiration on the way the Sirdar had armounted difficulties and organized victories by "his unswery ing and almost superhuman industry." Gen. Kitchener deserved a signal nark of gratitude and honor, and he believed that in supporting the vote he was only carrying out the wishes of the house

the country.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the opposition leader, cordially supported the motion, while expressing regret at the treatment of the Mahdi's body, which h regarded as an error of taste and judg

Mr. Balfour did not refer to the inci dent of the Mahdi's head excepting indi rectly, when he said he conceived that there was only one question before the house, namely, military merit. In connection with his reference to mixing politics in military matters, Mr. Balfour declared that those who wished to with hold from a policy of which they dis approved were virtually telling Kitche er and his soldiers who had fated death that they would have not only to obey orders but to know whose orders they were obeying. Mr. Balfour added that the country whose army concerned itself with politics was on the verge of mi

tary despotism.

Mr. John Morley, the former Liberal chief secretary for Ireland, opposed the vote on the ground of the treatment of the Mahdi's head, to which Mr. Bal four replied that he did not believe the element of vengeance had influenced General Kitchener in the smallest de-gree, pointing out that he had treated the Mahdi's family with the utmost consideration. The removal of the body, he also said, had been public, as publicity was one essential part of the policy dictating the act. It was the first duty of the man responsible for the safety the man responsible for the safety of the men and officers left in charge of Omdurman, to root out the fanatical superstition which had been the strength of Mahdism for years. Mr. Baltour admitted, however, that perhaps the reinterment of the remains might have been conducted in a better manner.

General Lord Kitchener General Lord General Lord Kitchener, General Lord oberts of Kandahar, and the Duke of Marlborough were in the gallery of the House of Commons during the debate.

TO WORK THE LABOR VOTE

Name of the Laboring Classes. Toronto, June 5 .- (Special)-A new Canadian political party has been organ ized in Toronto which promises to take an active part in Provincial and Do a certain extent to take the place of the Patrons of Industry, will not confine its membership, as the defunct organization did, to the laboring or farming classes alone, but will admit any worthy person

regardless of position or rank provided he is independent in political views. GRAND TRUNK TROUBLES. Trackmen Resume Work But Are Som Ordered Out by Railway Man-

agement. Toronto, June 5-(Special)-The Grand Trunk trackmen's strike is apparently not over so completely as supposed. The men went to work on the Toronto di vision, as on other divisions, this morning, but had not been working more than a couple of hours when word came from the roadmaster ordering them to quit No explanation was given but Superintendent Jones stated the order was from headquarters and was sent all over the

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS

London, June 5 .- At the close of play co-day in the match between the Maryle bone Cricket Club and the Australian eleven at Lord's, the former had scored 245 runs and the Australians had 110



LONDONE W. GILLETT CHICAGO, ENG. E.W. GILL,

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Suicides Born of **Cold and Starva** Many Vict

Grim indeed are the t like milestones, the Ed the Klondike, on wh thousand or more peop hopes a year or two a not yet delivered one of ed to it at the northern stead of finding the gold to the northernmost found disappointment can say how many s

All yesterday the p from the horrors of th down by the Danube, the Dominion their land this party consisted of ing in twos and threes ing in twos and threes McDame, Dease creek other points in the con united in one company first down trip of the se Each of these has son of death or dire distr having come under his tion—the stories merge, common record of failu death.

One party of twelve Hutton and Jack Payne and including three m Taylor and Leighton panions, all from thi neighboring states of Montana, are known to the mountains. Ano equal size had started a ber from a point about Liard river, and 200 m Mackenzie, their obje Upper Liard post.

Indian guides could accompany the expediti reluctance, as the route little known Hay moun vance party got throug Cole river, three mi destination aimed at. In the meanwhile t expedition had endeavor without Indians. They until Hay mountain divi

and heavy snowfalls

beaten way. Then they less in the desolate mou admitted must have per The Indians sent back dition returned with exp of the heads and the ve Bud Cole and his par Pelican Rapids, Minn., a Autenbring, of Winnipe Dominion guests, are another tragedy of the last year, the scene of Arm, an affluent of the John Sayers were making ing side trip to the Grand stock their party's lard found in a wooded ra beaten prospector's ten the flap, they discovere

a dead man, frozen star

stretched between the

body had here lain for the by the intense cold. corpse was a little diary which had been made 1898, as follows: " My hands and feet do not think I can stan much longer. I am h chum Graham, with wh words, talks of leaving i The diary itself show name to have been P. ently from Sault S There were ample suppling the tent, with some explanation of the trag that, deserted by his McNeely was unable to and so froze to death known to have succeed through to good gold gr is doing well; the sto tion of his partner has fire, however, and his unwritten gold land law

will bring its own swift

Near Mud lake a de

found by a party of mir Sandy Morris, this being months ago. A lifeless I floor, and a glance at it place was sufficient to tion-" starvation." A note pencilled picked up on the floor, the nearest government nature of this was in part of the name reading At still another point skeleton was discovered ture at the foot of a gian which a scrap of paper tened bearing the signific "Here the trail ends." On another tree not ther on had been cut a ing of the suicide of a de" If hell's any worse

it read. "I'm taking a

The signature was "J. M. Smith and J. W who went into Upper Cas Albert over fifteen me that many lives have be Slave lake, the miners's boats and rafts being under the squalls comminiand sea. One party inland sea. One party drowned in plain view Irving party, who were

At Mud lake there we ago, 40 frost-bitten, scu pectors, with a shortage them in the face, to add their position. At Dease were running short, and the prospect was anythin From the latter point wo finding of a body ident Valentine Wendler, from He had perished in his cold or of hunger—perhan Relief has been sent authorities and the Cas the latter having been es in hearing the cry of dis probable that the situat time very materially rethree points referred to All the new-comers is only as an hydrauli

the Edmonton route distr a gold-producer.