Proceedings and Assembly Adjourns.

Philadelphia, May 28.-The 113th Presbyterian general assembly was dissolved at 6:15 tonight by Moderator Minton, after having been in session for

sembly convened, the equanimity of sioners was disturbed by the introduction of personalities. The troumittee. Rev. Dr. J. D. Moffatt suggest ed a change in the minutes of yester day's session so that the records would show that a new committee had been appointed to revise the creed, regardless of the old committee, of which Rev. Dr. Charles A. Dickey, of this city, was chairman. His suggestion was adopted,

satisfaction for the murder of Paul charman. His suggestion was adopted, and Rev. Dr., J. E. Moffatt. of Cumberland, Md., moved that Moderator Minton be elected chairman of the committee. This incensed the friends of Dr. Dickey, and although Dr. Moffatt. motion prevailed, the subject was revived later in the session by Rev. S. J. Nichols, of St. Louis.

Dr. Nichols moved to reconsider the motion, but as he had not been present during the early debate, he was declared out of order. The motion to reconsider was then renewed by Rev. W. D. Crockett, of Canton. Pa. Realizing the delicacy of his position, Moderator Minton relinquisited the chair to Vice-Moderator Picton. The matter was finally adjusted by Dr. Dickey, who advised the assembly against reconsidering the motion, saying he was confident there had been no attempt to cast any reflection upon him, but that the commissioners merely desired to honor his successor as moderator.

Dr. Dickey's friends wanted the election of the chairman to be made by the committee, in which event, it is conceded, Dr. Dickey would have been relected. The motion, however, was lost. There are still six members of the revision committee to be appointed, but Moderator Minton said today that he had not yet made any selection. The closing hours of the assembly were devoted to routine matters.

NEED ASSIGNANCES

NEED ASSISTANCE.

Oxford, May 28.—No satisfactory advices having yet come from the United States concerning the financial conditions of the Oxford-Cambridge, Hardison of the Oxford of the

nad to tie up to wait for ice to clear Hell Gate.

NEWFOUNDLAND QUESTIONS.

Premier Bond Reaches Home and Reports Progress.

St. John's, Nfid., May 28.—Premier Bond returned here today from his mission to England and Canada. The French shore matter is awaiting the action of the French government. The Canadian cabinet is still considering the Bond-Blaine convention. A settlement has been reachced with contractor Reid, and the whole railroad question will be re-adjusted pending the session of the legislature. Premier Bond's cabinet begins a consideration of the rnilroad problem next Thursday, when the terms of the compromise will be disclosed.

Ruf Dykes Will Prevent Serious.

CAPTURE A TOWN.

French Troops Carry Walled City by Assault.

Paris, May 28.—A despatch received here from Gen. Voyron at Tien Tsin, and dated May 26, says that a reconnoitering party came upon a walled town 19 kilometres northeast of Ting Chau. The town authorities refused to open the gates, whereupon the French artillery opened fire, the wall was breached and the town taken. One French infantryman was wounded. Gen. Balloud is scouring the country with a column of French troops and is supporting the Chinese regulars.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver. May 28.—News comes from New Westminster that the rise in the river for the last 24 heurs has been steady and with continued warm weather the water may rise as high as in 1894; but nothing like the damage done in that year is expected, owing to the number of substantial dykes constructed since that time.

BLOWN TO PIECES.

Three Men Killed by Explosion of Dy-

Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 28.—Three men employed on the new electric canal being constructed between Canton and Wilkesbarre, were instantly killed by an explosion of dynamite today. They were employed in the blacksmith shop, and without any warning a big box of dynamite exploded. The frame shanty was blown to pieces and the three men hurled bigh in the air and killed.

OBJECTS OF INTEREST.

China Would Pay Indemnity but Not Four per Cent, Pekin, May 28.—The Chinese plenipotentiaries have informed the ministers of the powers that the court has notified their willingness to pay indemnity to amount to 450,000,000 taels, but

CHANGED COMMANDER.

Resigns from the Guards in Favor of Rosie Booth.

London, Mov 28.—The resignation is gazetted of the Marquis of Headfort, a lieutenant in the First Life Guards, presumably because he married Rosie Booth, the actress.

CARDINAL GIBBONS.

TO SCALE MOUNTAINS. Edward Whymper, the Climber, Coming to British Columbia.

Two Factions Were Pulling to Get Their Own Men Appointed.

To British Columbia.

Montreal, May 28.—(Special)—Edward Whymper, known as the champion mountain climber of the world, will arrive in Canada shortly. He had booked to sail on the Parisian on her last trip, which had to be cancelled on account of an accident. The object of Whymper's visit is to tackle Assiniboia mountain, in the Rockies, a peak mountain climbers have been trying to reach for three years. The Matterhorn was first successfully scaled by Whymper. He is the most expert climber known, and has written several books on the subject. Whymper will bring four guides with him. Besides climbing Mount Assiniboia, the climbers will prospect for mineral wealth, and it is anticipated that their work will cover three summers. Banff will, be the base of their operations.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Presbyterian Church in United States Does Not Approve of Them.

Desmoines, Iowa, May 28.—By a vote of 90 to 63, the general assembly of the United Presbyterian church this afternoon adopted the report of the judiciary committee upon the change of creed with regard to article 15. This is interpreted to mean that the admission of members of secret societies to the church is forbidden, and according to some of the delegates, it expels from the church those who are now members of secret orders.

TO GIVE SATISFACTION. But Morocco Cannot Give Back the Life She Has Taken.

Paris, May 28.—The government of Morocco has agreed to give France full satisfaction for the murder of Paul Pousett, the wealthy planter, who, with his son-in-law, was murdered by pirates

upper Yukon valley up to last Saturday. Among the fifty first-class passengers Mglish University Team Asking Aid to and C. N. Robertson. There is little

new to tell of the Klondike. On Friday morning the only obstruction to free navigation of the Yukon between Lake Bennett and Dawson was the ice jam which stopped steamers at Hell's Gate, the steamers Bailey and Zealandia being at that point waiting for the ice jam to break. It was thought then that the river would be clear by

But Dykes Will Prevent Serious Damage of Previous

ALBANY ACCIDENT.

Conductor of One of the Wrecked Cars Under Arrest.

Albany, May 28.—On a warrant issued by Coroner Meredith of Rensseler county, Charles T. Johnson, who was conductor of the southbound car wreeked in the collision on Sunday, on the Albany & Hudson railway, was tonight placed under arrest. He is in the Troy jail and will be charged with criminal negligence, resulting in death.

Locomotive Works Machinists Win

Their Fight. Dunkirk, N.Y., May 27.—The strike of the machinists employed by the Brooks locomotive works was settled tonight. All the men who struck will be taken back without discrimination, the union is recognized, a shop committee will adjust grievances and fifty-five hours shall constitute a week's work.

Young Italian Attempts Suicide and Makes Astounding Confession.

Municipal Amendments

Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken M. P. P. Offers an Explanation Which Is Criticised.

Appointment of Fire Chief Defered-McDowell to be Re-Instated.

Last night's meeting of the city council was more remarkable for a display of oratory on the part of the members than for the amount of business disposed of. A letter of explanation from Mr. Helmcken, regarding the amendments long discussion. The appointment of a new chief of the fire brigade was deferred till next Wednesday evening, as was also the consideration of the School by-law. The matter of band concerts in the park also gave rise to considerable lebating and was not finally disposed of. There were present, His Worship Mayor Hayward, Aldermen Kansman, Williams, Cameron, Stewart, Yates, Cooley, Hall Beckwith and Brydon. COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communications were H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., M. P. P.,

City of Victoria:

RE MUNICIPAL CLAUSES ACT AMEND
MENT ACT. 1901. No. 99.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to acknowledge the receivt of pour communication of the Zist instant in reply to mine of the 13th instant, and while you are good enough to thank me for the letter, you also include copy of a resolution which was passed in acknowledgment of same, viz:

"Resolved, that this council expresses its regrets that strenuous efforts were not make the proposed and the cause of the city members of the assembly as the proposed and the cause of the city members. I have the honor to be, gentlemen, stage of the session, and put through a final reading." This resolution is slightly different to what one would have been led to expect by reading the newspaper accounts of the matter. In justice to the city members I must refer to this matter at a little length, for your resolution is certainly based upon an entire misconception of what took place with regard to this bill, and a milsunderstanding of the rules of the house, which is pardonable, and I am, therefore, afraid that you have been unwittingly ied into an error in passing the resolution. You will recollect that on the 19th of January last I wrote to you, advising you that the House of Assembly was called together for the 21st February, and asking you then to have whatever amendments at the first opportunity and might reach they might be placed at the comportunity and might reach they might be placed at the entry of your honorable body balaced in possession of the proposed amendments at the earliest moment. To this communication your honorable body repliced on the 20th of January informing me that your honorable body appreciated my thought files in so writing you, and incended moving shortly in the matter I had uggested.

On the 4th of March I wrote your honorable body advising you of the organization of the general proposed amendments at the earliest moment. To this communication your honorable body controled to the proposed amendments at the earliest moment. To this com

Ald. Brydon seconded the motion.

Ald. Yates, who was not present at last meeting, said he considered the council was to blame in the matter in not presenting the proposed amendments sooner, though the city members might have pressed the second reading. He moved that the letter be filed.

Ald. Stewart seconded the amendment ggested.

On the 4th of March I wrote your honorde body advising you of the organization

The petition of B. Nicholas, and others, regarding improvements to Upper Johnson street, was referred to streets, bridges and sewers committee.

Ald. Stewart moved that the council proceed to ballot on the appointment of a chief of the fire brigade to replace Chief Deasy, whose term of office expires on May 31.

Ald. Yates moved that the matter be deferred till Wednesday evening.

Ald. Kinsman and Ald. Hall supported the motion.

ACDOWELL'S REINSTATEMENT.

Up-to-Date Styles

WEILER BROS.

Our first consignment of Fall Goods in the Upholstring, Drapery and Curtain line are now on sale, and we can only say that for coloring, artistic effect

Latest Novelties From Paris, Berlin, London WEILER BROS. VICTORIA B. C.

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Clauses Amendment Bill "at an earlier stage of the session?" as stated in your resolution, when, on your own showing, your own amendments, although repeatedly asked for, were not presented till the 2nd of April, and continued to come in until the 9th of May. Surely it is only fair that this matter should be considered? Therefore, in justice to my colleagues, who have been loyal throughout, it appears to me that fair play requires that the resolution in question should after this explanation, be reconsidered forthwith and expunged from your minutes, and I trust that your honorable body will view it in the same light. I also have to say that on Monday, the 13th instant, I had a long conference with His Worship the Mayor, and explained to him exactly how it was that the bill did not become law. Furthermore, I know Alderman Cameron is familiar with all these facts. I must add my thanks to Alderman Williams, who was good enough to champion the cause of the city members.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, J. STUART YATES, H. COOLEY, JOHN HALL, J. L. BECKWITH, THOMAS A. BRYDON, R. T. WILLIAMS.

Ald. Stewart said the chief should have a permanent assistant. The efficiency of the brigade required such an officer. He moved that the report be Ald. Cameron believed the office of assistant chief should be combined with some other duty that would fully occupy his time.

his time.

Ald. Yates asked for justice to McDowell, as he considered he had been
unfairly treated.

Ald. Kinsman regretted having signed
the requisition and would like to see the
wrong done to McDowell remedied.

Ald. Yates moved that the report be
adopted, and that the fire wardens be recommended to reinstate McDowell at
assistant chief. BAND CONCERTS.

lows:

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, in Council Assembled:
Gentlemen: Your Park Committee having considered the undermentioned subject, beg to report as follows:
That the City band and Fifth Regiment band were requested to state how many concerts they would each give for \$250. The Fifth Regiment band reply that they will give six concerts on alternate Sundays for \$240, and the City band state that they will give six concerts and a complimentary one for the sum of \$250.

Your committee would therefore recommend that agreement be made with the Fifth Regiment and City bands for the giving of twelve concerts on alternate Sundays in terms of their respective offers, the first concert to be given on Sunday, June 2, 1901.

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All of which is respectfully submitted by JOHN HALL.
J. STUART YATES. Ald. Beckwith suggested that the same are engaged on Saturday afternoons.

Ald. Yates pointed on Sunday.

Ald. Yates pointed on Sunday should not be allowed to interfere with Sunday school or church services.

Ald. Beckwith suggested that the same are week-day afternoons.

Ald. Kensman agreed with Ald. Beckwith, and seconders he hands are engaged on Saturday afternoons.

The mayor considered that, as all the concerts, and many objected to Sunday amusements, it was only fair that some of the concerts should be given on week days.

The report was withdrawn to permit the committee to carry out the amendment.

ment.

Ald. Beckwith accepted the amendment, but Ald. Brydon, who seconded, declined to acquiesce. He insisted that the legislative committee of the council presented the proposed amendments early in the session, and not at the close as stated in Mr. Helmcken's letter.

Ald. Williams moved an amendment to the amendment,

That Mr. Helmcken's letter be acknowledged and the writer be thanked for his concise explanation as to why the amendments to the Municipal Clauses act were not passed by the legislature.

Ald. Yates withdrew his amendment.

Ald. Beckwith accused Ald. Williams of misrepresenting him. He had not criticised Mr. Helmcken's letter, but he wished the public to understand that the city's amendments had been presented in ample time.

Ald. Cameron wished to put himself right. He repeated what he had said before, that there had been too many cooks. He did not blame the city members, it was one of those unfortunate affairs where the city's interest had been sacrificed in the press of business.

Ald. Williams amendment was lost,

Accounts aggregating \$7,502.89, were ecommended for payment.
The council then adjourned.

GOLDEN ASSIZE.

Recommendations Made by the Grand Jury to Chief Justice. At the recent assizes at Golden the grand jury made the following presentment to the Chief Justice:
To the Honorable A. J. McColl, Chief

Justice:
May it please Your Lordship: We the grand jury of North East Kootenay beg to extend to you a hearty welcome on this the occasion of your first visit to our district in an official capacity and hope you may long be spared to fill the high office which you so much adorn.
We desire to bring before Your Lordship's notice the following recommendations:

tions:
1. That a registrar of cattle and horse brands be appointed for North East Kootenay, as the district has long been without one.

Kootenay, as the district has long been without one.

2. That the court room be provided with a proper system of ventilation, which it at present entirely lacks.

3. That the present jail be enlarged and some accommodation be provided for female prisoners. Also that a kitchen be added, as at present all the prisoners' meals have to be cooked in the corridor adjoining the cells.

4. That a resident doctor be appointed health officer for Golden.

5. That a constable, without other duties, be provided for the town. In view of the rapid growth of Golden, we consider this absolutely necessary in the interests of law and order.

6. We further humbly beg to recommend that our present sheriff, Mr. S. S. Redgrave, be granted a superannation pension by the government, he having reached the age of 70, and having for the past 17 years faithfully and truly performed the duties of sheriff in this district to the entire satisfaction of the community, by which he is held in the highest esteem.

And we, your petitioners, shall ever pray.

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His Lordship expressed his appreciation of the personal references in the presentment, and informed Mr. Innes, who was present that he would take great pleasure in doing something he had never done before, to wit: He would write personally to the Attorney-General fully endorsing the views of the grand jury in every particular.

Frederick McIllmoyle, Abraham Roberts second.

Bicycle races—2 mile, free for all, won by Abraham Roberts, Edgar Brethour second, Joseph Lawson third.

Bun-eating contest, won by Wr. Simpson, jr., Archey John second.

Tug of war between North and South Saanich, best two out of three. After many struggles North Saanich pulled the boys from the south across the mark twice in succession, thereby winning the contest.

contest.

Boat races— Men's ¾-mile, one rower and one steerer, 1st, Wm. Dernberger, puller; Joseph Lawson, steerer. Second, Wm. Young, puller; George Reid, steer-

Boat race, 4-mile, boys 16 and under, one rower and one steerer: First, Harry Musgrave, rower; George John, steerer. Second, George Reid, rower; Jock Rob-

Second, George Reid, rower; Jock Roberts, steerer.
Football game for boys under sixteen, won by picked team.
After the sports, all present sat down to a very sumptuous supper prepared by the ladies, the evening ending with dancing, music being given very kindly by J. McNeil of the steamer Iroquois.
Byerybody went home hoping soon to have the pleasure of being with the members of Court Saanich, I. O. F. upon as an enjoyable day as that spent on the 24th day of May, 1901.

BEATS THE WORLD.

Irishman Makes Long Jump That is a London, May 27.—In the Irish Championship games at Dublin today, P. O'Connor, of Waterford, covered 24 feet, 9 inches in the jump, beating all previous records.

AGREED.

With the Union. Utica, May 27.—The machinists who struck at Stafford and Holts' knitting machine manufactory in Little Falls a week ago, returned to work today, the firm having signed the union agreement

Railway Agent Is Missing

George Leightner of Northern Pacific Left City on Friday Night.

Travelling Auditor of Company Is Now in Charge of Office.

George Leightner, general agent for the Northern Pacific railway in this city, has been missing since Saturday, and his office is in charge of Mr. W. P. Bird, travelling auditor of the company. Mr. Bird and another official from the auditor's department at Tacoma, arrived in the city on Friday evening rather unexpectedly, the auditor having been over but a short time becoma, arrived in the city on Friday evening rather unexpectedly, the auditor having been over but a short time before on his regular visit. That night

the general agent went over to Vancouver and was seen in the Terminal City of Saturday. Where he went from company's officials are now trained a company's officials are now trained in some a rule of hunting down those of their clients.

nished his bonds and who make a rule of hunting down those of their clients with whom he had associated, would be hardly correct. Since coming to Victoria some six months ago, he has led a fast life, associating with a set who keep "all night sessions," and who stint themselves in nothing. He was ensily led, and in fact was one of those who are their own worst enemies, spending money with a lavish hand. The large amount he spent was accounted for by the report that he had a private income, but the developments of the last few days go to show that he had nothing beyond his salary, which, would hardly allow of the extravagances included in.

The amount of his shortage is not known. When spoken to yesterday morning, Mr. Bird said he was not yet in a position to make a statement, but that one would no doubt be forthcoming in a few days. He had been sent over to make an examination of the office, and had charge until this work was completed.

There were all kinds of rumors on

The Line To France

Contract Signed For Steamship Service For Which Bonus Is Given.

Additional Vessels Chartered to Carry Canadian Hay to South Africa.

P. E. I. Population Shows Decrease, New Brunswick and N. 8. Increases.

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From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, May 28.-F. H. Clergue, of Sault Ste. Marie, today signed the contract for a steamship service to France for which a subsidy of \$100,000 was voted by parliament last session. For the first year Clergue's line will make

Mr. Blair leaves for England next week on private business.

Mr. Mullen, ex-M.P., was in town today. He had an interview with Sir Richard Cartwright, at which it is understood he pressed his claims for the next vacant Ontario senatorship.

The department of militia was notified by Lord Strathcona today that Trooper Another Firm Accepts the Agreement W. J. C. Brown died of dysentry at Bloemfontein on the 21st May. His next of kin is Samuel Brown, of Kirk-town, Ont.

Seven additional vessels are charter-ed to carry Canadian hay to South Af-

Prince Edward Island will show a decrease in population, and New Brunswick and Nova Scotia an increase, by

the census.

John Hardie, chief clerk of the marine department, died today.

The department of labor last month investigated seven complaints of violation of the alien labor law. In three cases the violation was not proven; the other four cases are pending.

ELECTION PROTESTS.

A Number of Trials in Ontario Fixed for Hearing.

Toronto. May 28.—(Special)—The house having risen, the following election trials have been posted:

West Durham, June 7, at Whitby, before Chief Justice Falconbridge and Judge Street, against Thornton, Conservative

VANCOUVER GUARANTEE FUND.

Four Thousand Dollars Has Been Promised For Gold Purchase. Vancouver, Msy 28.—(Special.)—There was a special meeting of the Board of Trade last night to hear the free assay canyassing compilities.

RHODE ISLAND MURDERER. Killed His Wife, a Farm Hand and

CUBAN CONVENTION.

Platt Amendment Carries by a Majority of Only One Vote.

ADMIRAL SEYMOUR NOW.

London, May 28.—Vice-Admiral Sir Edward H. Seymour, who has been commander in chief of the China station since 1898, has been promoted to the rank of admiral.



Your Horse