SOLEMN OCCASION FOR SOVEREIGN

ROSEBERY WRITES ON THE CORONATION

Special Services Will Be Held Throughout Land — Transforming the Metropolis

London, June 16.—Lord Rosebery touches the key-note of the coronation ceremony as the King and Queen themselves see it. He says in a letter published to-day:

"The coronation is a Christian ceremony at which the empire renews its vows and receives consecration in the person of its sovereign. We must all remember that while we celebrate with festal joy, it is the most solemn event of the reign."

There is good reason for saying it is this deeply religious aspect of what is officially called the solemnity of the coronation which predominates in the minds of King George and Queen Mary, as it did in the minds of Queen Victoria and King Edward. In accordance with their desire, expressed through the archbishop of Canterbury, every parish church throughout England will hold a solemn service on coronation day with special prayers for the divine guidance of the sovereigns in their public and private life. The rest of the day will be devoted to the old English merrymaking. Even the smallest and sleepiest village has raised its special fund for fetes with free cakes.

All London is now awaiting the gorgeous spectacle of the coronation. The present aspect of the town is rather topsy-turvy, but a day or two more of work on the decorations is expected to transform everything. As rapidly as the huge grandstands are completed they are brightly draped and flagged. Most of the private decorations, especially the costly and elaborate set pieces, have been covered with waterproof cloth to protect them from the rain.

Every day this week has seen crowds traversing the routes of the processions to view the decorations. In Trafalgar square and in some of the thoroughfares leading from that point the congestion was so great to-day that the omnibuses sometimes found it impossible to proceed.

It does not take a very observant eye to detect the fact that visitors from Canada are more numerous in London to-day than ever before. Parties from Montreal, Toronto, Halifax, Ottawa and from Winnipeg, Vancouver, Victoria and other cities of the west are to be found registered at nearly every hotel. From Saturday the parliamentary visitors, nearly all of whom are accompanied by their wives and families, become the guests of the nation, and during the ensuing three weeks they will be entertained as such. The formal luncheon of welcome will take place in Westminster Hall on Monday.

The police are taking the most elaborate precautions to prevent panics or other catastrophes on the days of the big parades. The possibility of fire in some of the mammoth grandstands along the route has been given the utmost consideration. Almost everywhere are hand grenades, while fire extinguishers are freely distributed about.

The entire route of the procession will be lined with soldiers. The usual calculation for lining streets with soldiers is ten thousand troops per mile, but this is only for a single rank on each side of the street, and the figures have to be modified where, as in the present case, there are many points of the route of which double ranks are necessary, and others where considerable bodies of troops must be massed. It is probable that 60,000 soldiers of all ranks will be required for this purpose.

ACCUSED OF USING MAILS TO DEFRAUD

New York Man Arrested at Toronto — Police Searching for His Partner

Toronto, Ont., June 16.—Robt. Barrett, of New York, is under arrest here to-day on a charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes. Operating under the name of the Mutual Brokerage company, it is alleged that Barrett and his partner purported to sell stocks and bonds on the installment plan, and although a large amount of stock had been paid for, according to the police, it had been delivered. The police are searching for Barrett's partner, Alfred Graham.

NEW AEROPLANE RECORD.

Chalons, France, June 16.—Competing in the preliminaries here to-day for the James Gordon Bennett aviation race, M. Nieport covered 145 kilometers at the rate of 129 kilometers (approximately 80 miles) an hour, beating the previous aeroplane record.

WINNIPEGGERS SCORED.

Medicine Hat, June 16.—At a special meeting of the board of trade a resolution was passed strongly scoring Winnipeg business men who are alleged to have interested in Medicine Hat affairs by accompanying a Calgary desegation which interviewed W. Whyte asking for the location of the new Canadian Pacific shops at Calgary.

CHINESE LOAN.

Heavily Oversubscribed in Both London and Berlin.

London, June 16.—Subscriptions to the British portion of the $30,000,000 Hukuang railway loan to China were opened to-day and immediately closed, having been largely oversubscribed. The issue was quoted at a premium of one per cent.

Berlin, June 16.—Subscriptions to the Hukuang loan to China closed at once after being opened to-day, having been heavily oversubscribed.

The Hukuang loan of $30,000,000 for railroad construction in central China was made by groups of financiers representing Great Britain, the United States, France and Germany. Provincial opposition to the loan delayed its conclusion for a year after its terms had been agreed upon between the government of China and the international bankers.

INVESTIGATING WRECK.

San Francisco, Cal., June 16.—An investigation of the loss of the Pacific Mail steamer Asia, which was wrecked on Finger Rock, on the southern coast of China, April 23 last, was begun to-day by British Consul-General R. Hearn, assisted by Capts. McKenzie and Howe, of the British steamers Strathberg and Hornby Castle, respectively.

The inquiry is being conducted by the British authorities, as the Asia was under British registry. Capt. Harry Gaukroger, of the lost vessel, will be an important witness.

HELD BY TRIBESMEN.

London, June 16.—Advices from Fez, Morocco, under date of June 12, state that George Reed, of Weeping Water, Nebraska, the secretary of the Moroccan Mission of the Gospel Union, is safe, but still a prisoner of the rebellious tribesmen in the mountains near Ssfroo.

COLONEL'S PARDON ARRIVED TOO LATE

EXILE TELLS OF REBEL LEADER'S FATE

Condemned Insurgent Officer Directed Details of His Own Execution

Los Angeles, Cal., June 16.—Revealing to-day for the first time the details of the execution of Col. Morelos by the rebels at Culiacan, Diego Redo, the exiled governor of Sinaloa, pictured the slain federal commander as a gallant victim of fate, who died a few moments before a pardon arrived.

According to Redo, a spirit of revenge harbored by some of the victorious rebel chieftains at Culiacan caused them to violate a pledge to safeguard the lives of Morelos and his lieutenant, Major Del Coral. At the last moment the insurrecto firing squad hesitated and Morelos directed the details of his own execution.

"There was no false bravery in Col. Morelos," said Redo. "He permitted the bandage to be pinned over his eyes and stood waiting for the volley of bullets. There was some delay. The squad of men assigned to the duty of executing was unused to such a scene. Col. Morelos, knowing there was some confusion, raised his hand and removed the bandage. 'There is no necessity for making a mistake,' he said to the commanding officer, 'select a certain number of men of your firing squad and then direct them to fire as you drop your sabre. Why should my body be filled full of bullets by indiscriminate firing, when one or three or six will do the work?' Having so instructed the officer, Col. Morelos dropped the bandage over his eyes again, placed his two hands upon his breast and said: 'I'm ready.' A moment later came the orders from headquarters for the preservation of Col. Morelos' life. But it was too late.

"Two days before he was shot Col. Morelos had been granted the great cross of the first military order. Only four men had been accorded such honor. Col. Morelos never knew he had been so honored.

ONLY DECK HANDS ARE ON STRIKE

Canadian Pacific Grants Increase to Crew of Empress of Ireland

London, June 16.—The shipping strike has developed largely into a squabble over wages and outside of a few mail steamers the shipowners generally are not suffering appreciable inconvenience. The number of strikers is limited strictly to deck hands.

Despite the concession of $2.50 a month in wages made by the Canadian Pacific railway yesterday, when the time came for the signing of a crew for the Empress of Ireland to-day, the company was forced to concede an additional $1.25. The original demand of the men was for an advance of $5 a month.

GIVEN TEN YEARS.

San Francisco, Cal., June 16.—Credit for the heaviest sentence ever passed here in the women's slave law went to Superior Judge Lawlor this morning when Haruso Nitta, a Japanese, received ten years in the Folsom penitentiary. Nitta had a "photographic marriage" performed in Japan with a woman named Finoye. On her arrival here the ceremony was repeated in accordance with the local laws. Nitta then sold the girl into slavery for $350.

RECORDS PASSED IN REALTY MARKET

ONE FIRM HAS HANDLED OVER $400,000 WORTH

Great Rush in Business Section of the City — Outer Wharf Property Advances

June, the month of roses, has been a rosy month for Victoria if the healthy condition of the realty market is any reflex at all. Only half of the month has elapsed and yet, it is asserted, record figures have been scored in the sale of property in the city. This mid-season revival of activity is welcomed as a good omen for the real estate business in the fall, at which time it generally assumes an aspect of renewed activity.

The principal feature about this mid-year development is the great rush for business sites on the principal thoroughfares of the city. Douglas street experienced an unprecedented rush of buyers, whose enthusiasm took the form of very substantial prices for the lots obtained; and Yates, Fort and Government, together with several of the connecting streets, attained unusual prominence.

From the magnitude of several of the sales effected on Douglas street it may be gathered that in the near future this thoroughfare will assume a much more central position in a business connection. The centrifugal force of a city is its business houses. Douglas street appears to have realized the fact and is getting itself into line to be the very vortex. The advantages of this thoroughfare for business purposes are so manifest and manifold that to repeat them inspires tedium—save, of course, to a real estate agent—and this recognition of its potentialities is more than due, it is overdue.

In order to give some idea of the tremendous activity round the central parts of the city it may be stated that one firm alone, that of F. Landsberg, has effected sales aggregating in value the sum of $400,000. Other firms operating the business section in the city have also put through large deals, and it is confidently asserted that a combination of sales would place the present month of June far ahead of any previous month in the history of the city in the sale of real estate.

Another portion of the city that has come in for considerable attention is that located at the outer wharf. Possibly the harbor railway project has stimulated interest in this section. At any rate it is certain that large prices are now being demanded for land in that vicinity which could have been obtained before for about a quarter of its present market price.

WILL REDUCE THE SUPPLY OF LOGS

Camps in Washington Will Be Closed Two Weeks Longer Than Usual

Seattle, Wash., June 16.—Loggers representing nearly one half of the logging operators on Puget Sound, at a meeting in the assembly hall of the Henry building, yesterday decided on suspending logging operations this year two weeks longer than usual in an effort to save the large surplus of fir logs now in the water, and which loggers declare will be an absolute loss if loggers keep dumping fresh logs into the water.

Instead of the usual week or two weeks shut-down, the first of the camps will be kept closed until August 1. By that time loggers hope that the surplus logs will have been so used up that logging operations can be resumed. Yesterday's meeting was said to have been the largest meeting of its kind ever held in the northwest. It was a mass meeting of large and small loggers, of loggers affiliated with the Washington Logging & Brokerage Company, and of millmen who do their own logging. Forty-five representative loggers were present. D. E. Skinner, president of the Port Blakeley Mill Co., presided, and T. Jerome, of the Merrill Ring Bliss Company, acted as secretary.

The discussion brought out the information that the demand for logs has fallen off materially since the mills commenced to curtail, and that logs have been going into the water much faster than the demand warranted. The sentiment of loggers was that unless quick action was taken to curtail the supply, millions of feet of valuable logs would become a total loss and bring disaster to owners.

With the exception of two or three loggers who have contracts calling for the delivery of logs during July, every logger present at the meeting expressed a willingness to co-operate in cutting down the supply of logs.

REPORTS ON WHEAT PROSPECTS.

Washington, D. C., June 16.—A bumper harvest of wheat in British India, estimated at 369,000,000 bushels, surpassing all previous yields, and a record area sown of the spring wheat in Western Canada where 90 per cent. of the winter wheat is grown, are features of the world's review of May agricultural news announced by the department of agriculture to-day. In Argentina, the wheat exporter of the southern hemisphere, the autumn crops have failed. The recently gathered corn crop there turned out badly, and little surplus will be available for export. The corn crop of South America also is reported to be damaged by drought, and practically will be none for export.

TREATMENT OF ORE.

Toronto, June 16.—A meeting of the shareholders of the Island Smelter Co. will be held on June 29, to ratify the sale of secret processes and assets to Sir Donald Mann, who offered $6,000,000 to Dr. Island and associates provided the process discovered by Dr. Island will treat refractory ores in British Columbia. Sir Donald will also organize a new $10,000,000 company and give the present shareholders share for share in the new company.

ELECTION PROTEST.

London, June 16.—A hearing of the petition to unseat Mr. Charles F. C. Masterman, under secretary of state in the Home Office, and member of the House of Commons for the North Division of West Ham, is in progress in the law courts. Irregularities are alleged in respect to payments for election expenses at the last election.

FAVORS FREER TRADE RELATIONS

F. T. CONGDON, M. P., SPEAKS AT SEATTLE

Believes Reciprocity Pact Will Advance Cause of World Peace

Seattle, Wash., June 16.—"Having lived in peace for a century without a gun turned either way, or a fortress along our entire boundary, and suffered reciprocity in disadvantages, we should now have reciprocity in advantages," said Fred T. Congdon, member of the Canadian parliament, and former governor of the Yukon territory, addressing a meeting held in the Arctic Club last night, on the occasion of the club's observance of ladies' night.

Mr. Congdon said that the proposed reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada was by no means a new question, that in the original agreement for peace between Great Britain and the United States there was a provision inserted for reciprocity with Canada, but that it was found to be beyond the scope given the arbitrators of the two countries and the restricted reciprocal relations were provided by the Joy treaty adopted by the two countries in 1794.

"Nations, like individuals, are interdependent," said Mr. Congdon. "The United States has now become one of the great world powers. Canada is a young nation. Both are virtually republics, because after all we have a democracy as you have a democracy, and it is for the mutual benefit of the two countries that they should have freer trade relations.

"We should have from you what we are willing to extend, and the best trade is that which promotes mutual advantages. You have received some of our people, and now Canada is receiving some of your people, and the two countries are becoming fast united by bonds of common interests, and so step by step we should advance for the common welfare.

"But the economic aspect of the question is not as great, in my judgment," continued Mr. Congdon, "as its moral side, for I look forward to its being the means of ensuring enlargement of the great treaty and eventually world peace."

Mr. Congdon then said that annexation was not necessary, that the United States was large enough, but that there was not a fairer pact than that now before the two countries for ratification and that its adoption would be a great step in advance for two countries whose positions now so well correspond.

Falcon Jostin spoke briefly, approved of the proposed agreement and said that a lesson or two taken from Canada might relieve the United States of the new-fangled questions that forged them to the front during the last few years, vain efforts, almost, to maintain responsible government.

SOLDIER KICKED TO DEATH BY HORSES

Member of Army Service Corps Killed at Military Camp at Calgary

Calgary June 16.—Alexander Gibson, of No. 4 army service corps, was killed at the military camp here yesterday. He was bringing a load of hay into camp when several of the bales became dislodged and fell upon him, throwing him under the horses' hoofs. The animals began to lash out, and before Gibson could be rescued he was dead, his head and body being literally kicked to a jelly. His parent live at 53 Frances street west, Fort William.

AVOIDING THE ISSUE.

Samuel Gompers Criticizes Recent Action of United States Supreme Court.

Washington, D. C., June 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, last night declared that the United States Supreme court in its recent decision quashing the joint sentence of himself, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, in contempt proceedings, avoided the issue and decided the cases against the labor leaders in academic fashion. Mr. Gompers was one of the speakers at a banquet in honor of the executive council of the federation and of the fifteen members of the House of Representatives who carry union cards. The speaker said if the rule of reason applies when vast wealth is concerned it should not be omitted when activity is at issue.

BRANCH LINE TO COWICHAN LAKE

CANADIAN PACIFIC CALLS FOR TENDERS

Big Sawmill Will Be Erected on East Coast of the Island

Vancouver, June 16.—The Canadian Pacific railway has just called for tenders for the construction of the proposed Cowichan branch to extend from Duncan, on the E. & N. line, to Cowichan Lake, a distance of 25 miles. It is expected that the work will be rushed to completion within six months, as no engineering difficulties will be encountered.

The route follows a water grade all the way and traverses a region containing billions of feet of the finest timber on the island, most of it being in the E. & N. land grant now owned by the C. P. R.

The building of this railway will also stimulate tourist travel to Cowichan Lake, which has unrivalled fishing, and which is now reached by stage. The right-of-way has already been slashed.

Last year the American Finance & Securities Company of New York, through its president, E. R. Kurtz, purchased 54,000 acres of timber lands in the vicinity of the lake, the C. P. R. being the vendor. Ownership of this large tract is now vested in a subsidiary corporation organized by Mr. Kurtz and styled the Empire Lumber Co., which intends to operate on a large scale. The company will also undertake the construction of a big sawmill on the east coast of Vancouver Island. A branch line will be extended from Duncan to the proposed plant. The Cowichan branch will also afford transportation facilities to other large lumber operators.

FIVE PROBABLY DROWNED.

New York, June 16.—Relatives and friends of the five persons who left Berne Pont, N. J., in the sloop yacht Vayu Saturday night last, before a terrific storm broke, and who have never since been heard from, have given up hope for the safety of the party.

SIR D. MANN'S FATHER DEAD.

Acton, Ont., June 16.—Hugh Mann, father of Sir Donald Mann, and of Contractor Alex. R. Mann, of Victoria, died yesterday after three days' illness in his 94th year. Sir Donald Mann is in England.

DIAZ WILL PAY VISIT TO FRANCE

Former President of Mexico Will Later Return to Spain for Indefinite Stay

Vigo, Spain, June 16.—Gen. Porfiro Diaz, former president of Mexico, arrived in the harbor to-day on the steamer Ypiranga, on which he sailed from Vera Cruz, Mexico, on May 31. The steamer reached the bay at 6.30 o'clock this morning.

According to such of his plans as were made public prior to his departure from Mexico, General Diaz will continue to Havre, France, later returning to Spain for an indefinite stay.

Last night's cable despatches from Vigo stated that members of the Progressive party and workmen were organizing an unfriendly demonstration against Diaz in the event he landed. The Mexican minister to Portugal is at Vigo to receive his former chief.

The Ypiranga, after a stop of two hours proceeded to Corunnia. President Diaz did not land and during the stay of the vessel in the harbor no unpleasant incident occurred.

It was reported last night that members of the Progressive party and workingmen had arranged to express their unfavorable opposition toward the former president in the event that he came ashore.

A MARTIAL MUDDLE.

Woman Three Times Married is Still Legally the Wife of Her First Husband.

Vancouver, June 15.—That Mrs. Eubank, twice divorced, is still the wife of her first husband, J. P. McFarlane, whom she married in Tacoma, Washington, is the opinion of Mr. Justice Clement. The facts came out over an application made in chambers in which Mrs. Eubank claimed the possession of a boy by her second husband Oliver. Oliver refused to give up the boy and Mrs. Eubank claimed that he had no right to hold him as her marriage to Oliver took place within six months of her divorce from McFarlane, which made the marriage illegal under the Washington law.

Mr. Justice Clement stated that after looking into the facts he had come to the conclusion that Mrs. Eubank was still legally the wife of her first husband, McFarlane. It appeared at the time she applied for the divorce McFarlane was in the Philippines, and therefore the divorce should never have been granted under the state laws of Washington.

A. L. Belyea, who appeared for the plaintiff, asked for time to look into this phase of the action, and further hearing was adjourned till Friday.

The total cost of the world's armament for 1910 was $1,651,000,000.

ARMS SEIZED.

Shipment Destined For Use of Portuguese Monarchists Stopped By Spanish Authorities.

Villa Garcia, Spain, June 16.—Advices from Pontevedra state that the Spanish authorities stopped and seized at the railroad station three cars filled with arms and ammunition destined for the use of Portuguese Monarchists. The supplies had been unloaded from a steamer and forwarded by rail on the strength of the shipper's affidavit that they consisted of machinery.

FIRE AT ALBERNI.

Alberni, June 15.—There was an alarm of fire in Alberni the other afternoon and the equipment of the volunteer brigade was brought into use with good effect. The scene of the blaze was an old barn on Margaret street, adjoining a Chinese laundry, north of the Royal Bank building. Soon after the fire was discovered the whole building was in flames and the Chinese laundry was in imminent danger. There was a spontaneous turnout of active young men, and a well-organized fight was immediately begun, E. M. Whyte, chief of the brigade being prominent in the organization. All the fire buckets were brought into use, water was quickly drawn from the nearest wells and thrown on the Chinese building, half a dozen Chinamen being busy in the meantime rescuing the contents of the endangered laundry. The fire was confined to the building in which it originated, and the loss was trifling. The blaze was caused by the lighting of a small rubbish fire inside the barn. Had the flames not been checked the bank building would also have been in danger.

URGES INCREASES FOR MINISTERS

REPORT SUBMITTED TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Committee Named to Present Address of Welcome to Duke of Connaught

Ottawa, June 16.—The Presbyterian General Assembly held the closing session to-day. Action to make effective the stand on the Ne Temere decree was taken. The resolution previously passed was augmented by a motion of Rev. G. A. Wilson, Vancouver, and Dr. Duval, Winnipeg, to name a committee.

The Moderator Rev. Dr. MacKay, and Rev. Dr. Somerville will prepare and present an address to the Duke of Connaught on his arrival as Governor-General. The report of the committee finances deals strongly with the salary question. The report says salaries paid ministers and missionaries of church are inadequate and that the time has come when substantial increases should be made.

Prof. Pidgeon, Vancouver, spoke on systematic giving. The assembly also approved Prof. Pidgeon's resolution expressing gratification at the measures taken by the Imperial government against the opium traffic.

FIRE AT SWIFT CURRENT.

Swift Current, Sask., June 16.—A big fire is raging here. The blaze started in the Great Northern Supply Company's building in the heart of the business section and it looks bad for a big area. The International lumber yards close by are not on fire yet. There is much gasoline and oil in the big hardware building which cause much danger.

BORDEN'S TOUR.

Ottawa, June 16.—R. L. Borden, accompanied by George Perley, chief whip, and Andrew Broder, M. P., left for the West last night to inaugurate his Western campaign.

HIGHWAY FROM LAKES TO PACIFIC

Alberta Government Urged by Boards of Trade to Assist in Scheme

Lethbridge, June 16.—The Associated Boards of Trade of Western Canada closed the annual convention here to-day. Moose Jaw was chosen as the next place of meeting. A resolution was passed urging the government to use its power to settle the coal strike, also giving support to Lethbridge in its effort to secure the dry farming congress. All the boards were urged to use their influence to discourage the exploitation of worthless subdivision property. The local government was urged to construct a highway from the Great Lakes to the Pacific Coast.

STRIKE AT TACOMA.

Tacoma, Wash., June 16.—Sixty non-union warehouse men employed by the Milwaukee Railroad walked out this afternoon because of the company's refusal to pay them at the rate of 30 cents an hour. They have been receiving 25 cents. As a result of the strike, the discharging of cargo of the Tacoma Maru of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha line which arrived in port this afternoon, came to an abrupt halt. The men on strike always have refused to consider joining a union.

GUNNER ALLEN A LIFE SENTENCE

CONVICTED MEN ARE SENTENCED TO-DAY

Statement by Allen Before Sentence — Prince Rupert Rioters Up to Three Years

(From Friday's Daily.)

Prisoners found guilty at the spring assizes were sentenced this morning by Mr. Justice Murphy as follows:

Thomas Allen, manslaughter, natural life.

J. Vujovich, shooting with intent, three years in the penitentiary.

Mike Burich, Dan Mulovich, Mike Secovich, Antone Sevich and Mike Savich, unlawful assembly and rioting, two years in the penitentiary.

Noah Palovich, Vuck Sandralovich, Steve Brudo, unlawful assembly and rioting, with recommendation to mercy, one year hard labor.

Jura Radulovich, unlawful assembly and rioting, strong recommendation to mercy, six months' hard labor.

Allen, asked if he had anything to say, made a long, rambling statement, saying he could not remember what happened on August 1 last, but wished to point out some defects in the evidence. He believed a struggle took place in the room between Bryan and Corrigan, and that Capt. Elliston was killed as a result. He held the evidence was wrong in connection with the looking-glass and the position in which he was seen at the window by Bryan. Bryan was afarid, said Allen, to report the matter, but his scare evaporated as soon as he heard of Allen's arrest. He believed the shells found in the room and the one in the gun were obtained by Bryan and Corrigan at the rifle ranges in Vancouver. The shells were of English make, such as used at the Vancouver rifle meeting, while those at the barracks were of Canadian manufacture. He identified them by the letter K on the outside of the shell, and said it would be easy for Corrigan to slip a few rounds in Allen's pocket. He only remembered the explosion.

Mr. Justice Murphy told Allen that the jury had taken a very merciful view of his crime, and one with which his lordship did not agree. He believed Allen to be guilty of wilful murder.

H. A. Maclean, K. C., for W. E. Williams, counsel for the Prince Rupert prisoners, made an appeal for mercy for the men on account of their being foreigners. Vujovich, maintained he was not guilty and had no gun. The other men said they had brought witnesses to prove they were not guilty. They were addressed through an interpreter whose knowledge of English was imperfect. His lordship said it was an outrage that the crown had not provided a proper and competent interpreter.

CHICAGO EXPLOSION.

Chicago, June 16.—For the third time within a month an explosion occurred today in a cable conduit of the Commonwealth Edison Company under the subway of a railroad track. It shattered windows in buildings within a radius of a block and threw several families from their beds.

The police believe the explosion was caused by a bomb set off by labor agitators. Officials of the Edison Company, however, say they have had no recent trouble with their employees and are unable to solve the cause of the mysterious explosions.

STABBED HORSE TO DEATH.

Chicago, June 16.—John O'Brien, a teamster, was sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary by Judge Kavanaugh here for stabbing a horse to death because it would not stand.

WOMEN SEND ADDRESS TO QUEEN MARY

Adopted at National Council Meeting—Teaching Home Marketing

Port Arthur, June 16.—The convention of the National Council of Women is gliding smoothly, the following reports being received: Treasurer's, corresponding secretary, local councils, nationally organized societies, and standing committees.

A loyal address to Queen Mary from the National Council of Women of Canada was despatched to the governor-general for transmission to England. An eloquent discussion on patriotism and respect of the flag by school children followed. Mrs. McNaughton, of Vancouver, will speak in Trinity church on the way of teaching home marketing in public schools of British Columbia.

Mrs. Day's report showed British Columbia women have made a good showing.

Mrs. McCauley, Vancouver, was elected provincial vice-president for British Columbia.

NEW CHIEF TAKES OFFICE.

San Francisco, Cal., June 16.—D. A. White took possession of the office of chief of police quietly this morning following the resignation of the rival claimant of the office, John F. Seymour. There was none of the usual demonstrations. Only two police captains called to pay their respects and only one floral tribute was sent. Chief White announced that he will make no changes in the administration of his offices for some months yet.