Pacific states. I am very thankful to report that the new government is quite as anxious to support the board of horticulture as its predecessor was, and is co-operating most cordially in every possible way in the enforcement of the horticultural act and quarantine regulations there

As stated in my last, the eastern fruit growers and the entire staff of the varions experimental stations in Canada and the United States, without a single exception, endorse our British Columbia porticulture legislation, and are co-operating with the board to such an extent as to be almost embarrassing. We are receiving regularly valuable shipments of predacious insects from the United ntes: I put out thirteen colonies of such within the last few weeks, and am daily expecting fresh arrivals. The other members of the board are similarly engaged in their respective districts, while the old derelict is drifting aimlessly and hopelessly, without chart, compass or helm around the shores of Moresby Island, and when not occupied in readng Van Benden on "Parasites Messmates." (mark the title and judge for yourself if I did not diagnose the old man pretty accurately-one would imagine that a desultory rancher would find more useful and congenial employ ment in reading up on horticulture. stock-breeding and kindred subjects,) he spreads himself alternately as a critic on river conservatory and political economy. I find now, when too late to save from abject humiliation, that the only practical knowledge he has on the former subject is what he gained in odging in and out of the rivers which flow into the Yellow Set. Did you no tice particularly his mechanical metaphor while dilating on the tyrannical opression and political trickery of the British and Canadian governments, contrasted with the purity and patriotism of the Japanese. Our statesmen have been "driving square pins in round holes," I acknowledge the corn, for the wooden walls of Britain which planted colonies in every quarter of the globe, and gave peace and security to the oppressed in all lands where the meteor flag of Britain floats, were thus con structed. Square pins for round holes is mechanically correct; but round pine cal mechanical principles: If a desultory rancher can bore square holes with such rude appliances as are found at the ordinary British Columbia ranch,

he has achieved xtraordinary mechani cal distinction. If Captain Robertson will show me how this is done I can guarantee a fortune for both. My friend seems to be concerne about my "pathological degeneracy." (I wonder whose scientific plumag was sporting when he got that off.) I am real well, thanks, and am determ to give the Captain an ocular de stration of the fact, for I am coming to ee him as soon as the season closes, not with any hostile intentions, I ass you, but I am a student and anxious to earn all about boring square holes, and if the captain will demonstrate to me its practicability, I shall confess to you and your amused clients that he is not the sciolist of low degree that his meta-

phorical flights would indicate. I challenge him to show wherein the Horticultural Act is mischievous or to point out a single instance of der of duty or oppression by those having charge of the enforcement of the act, but he has failed utterly in producing an atom of proof, and has revealed himself as the most dishonest; impractical hu bug that ever wrote a line in the public press of this country, and no one better than yourself that we have had regimen's of such all through our his-

He complains of my having abuse him. I abuse no man, not even a China-

But there goes the Empress' midnight eight bells, and I must close. I thank you most sincerely for giving me an opportunity to criticize a critic who has been to see the end of the control of the contr had too much rope since he made his but in this afflicted country. The Cap tain evinces a righteous abhorrence of "political parasites." This must be recently acquired virtue, for I am in position to prove that less than one rear ago he had no objection to see a para sitical barnacle of the most worthle character attached to the bottom of tight little Liberal craft, which had han been safely off the ways. The hu tion which afflicts me is the that I was a consenting party, but I am consoled by the fact that the sugar plum did not drop into the open mouth, that my afflicted neighbors, who been beggared by other engineering ! bugs, have been spared a worse tion, and may live long enough to ive investigation now in progress on the Fraser river. Thanking you most heartily, I am yours, with prefound respective.

Vancouver, Oct. 2.

The bark Colorade is expected be tons of provisions that a company, presented by Col. Smith, propose to a to Dawson City. They will go in a the Dalton trail, and it is said that will be taken through. Should this ex dition prove a success, it will, to a latextent, relieve the condition of affairs. Dawson, City, The goods are being scielly packed, for the trip, and the parts going well equipped. THE SEALING DISPUTE

Officials of the British Foreign Office Astonished at Sherman's "Tone of Surprise."

The Daily News Thinks a Scheme of Compensating Canadian Sealers Probable.

London, Oct. 13.—Officials of the British foreign office reiterate that the Marquis of Salisbury agreed to join in a conference of sealing experts, representing the United States, Canada and Great Britain, but, they add, he did not agree to take part in a conference on the subject with Russia and Japan. The foreign officials are unable to say what the ernment is prepared to do until Secreery Sherman's latest dispatch on the conference question is received. But hey express astonishment at what they term "the tone of surprise" assumed by Secretary Sherman in his reply to the Marquis of Salisbury.

The Daily Graphic says editorially: "With the characteristic ill grace, Sec-retary Sherman had at last climbed down and agreed to Lord Salisbury's view on the Behring sea conference. If the proposed collateral conference with Japan and Russia ever meets it will leave the

question just where it is to-day."

The Times says: "Allowing for the peculiarities of American diplomacy, there is no reason to quarrel with Secretary Sherman's reply on the subject of the Behring sea conference. We entiredisbelieve that Lord Salisbury in his oral communications with Ambassador Hay ever departed from the position adopted in his final note of July 28. But is unnecessary to deal seriously with the expressions of astonishment obviously intended to cover the failure of an atempt to bluff the British government in a manner disapproved by the leading organs of American opinion." The editorial continues: "When we have settled our relations with the United States on the basis of the Paris award it may practicable to establish a wider agree ent for the protection of seal life by land as well as by sea; but meanwhile a much more urgent matter that Saturday's cabinet council will have to deal with is the reply to the Wolcott com-

The Standard says: "We hope that the withdrawal of Secretary Sherman's sition augurs favorably and the Amican reference will improve instead of embitter the relations between England

and the United States." The Daily News says: "It is not denied by the English experts that unless something is done the fur seals will be exterminated, though probably they will fix the date of extinction further in the future than the American experts. Englishment of appellant in accordance with the judgment pronounced against him; that the appeal in this case prevents the representation of the state and this proceeding delays punishment of appellant in accordance with the judgment pronounced against him; that the appeal in this case prevents the proposed against land has a greater interest in averting such a result than America has. Somehing must be done. What that somemay be, however, is a question for the governments and not experts to decide. It is probable that a settlement be arrived at by compensating the Canadian sealers in a lump sum for abandoning their rights under the Baris ward. There is reason to believe that

The Daily News says further: "Once his principle is admitted it is not likely there will be any difficulty in fixing amount of compensation, and if this sted interest were cleared away there United States for say five years' time on both land and sea. thousand seals of course could be ed annually to supply the Indians h food, but the immense slaughter for ake of skins would cease until 1903. should not be surprised if Lord Salhis return to Washington to negotiate

such a basis." CABLE DISPATCHES.

A Conspiracy to Kill in Servia-Against Bi-Metallism.

London, Oct. 14.-The Vienna correse proceedings of the trial of two hunbrigands and receivers of stolen perty, now in progress at Tschai hak, Servia, says it has developed plot for the systematic plundering murdering of members of the Libparty at the instigation of the Rads, prominent among whom is Deputy sitch. A well known member of the embly says: The leader of the brigds, a man named Barkitsch, testified at he killed a school master named ckevitch, who was also a political ter, at the instigation of Deputy Tapch, and deposed that the latter promisto assist him to escape into Montegro, where, according to the deputy, Nicholas, who also desired the eath of Backovitch, was to reward him Deputy Tajsitch then nded Barkitsch as to the possibility

ssassinating King Alexander of Ser-When this stage of the proceedwas reached the brigand leader denly stopped the disclosures and deed his previous testimony false, but retraction is said to be due to a bribe

n Deputy Tajsitch.

dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from istantinople says the Sultan is makstrenuous efforts to obtain the withawal of the American missionaries om the interior of Asia Minor. If the forts are successful, the policy of exrminating the Armenians will be acmplished without European witnesses. At Liverpool at 12:30 to-day whear, ot, was firm; corn, the same. The ank of England has advanced the rate

discount from 21 to 3 per cent. There was a heavy snow fall this rning over the Westmoreland hills. All the afternoon papers to-day publish itorials urging the British cabinet at meeting to-mogrow to give the coup grace to all rumors of any intention n the part of the government to

er with the currency. The Westminster Gazette, in a linan

aroused untold anxiety in business circles, which have been voiced in a let-ter of protest signed by a majority of the leading men of the city, expressing grave objections to any movement by the government in the direction of bimetallism." The paper remarks in con-clusion: "It is inconceivable that the government should prove fatuous enough to yield to Yankee silver agitators without consulting and taking the weighty advice of the business community."
Paris, Oct. 14.—President Faure of
France to-day signed the appointment of M. J. Petenotre, the retiring French am-bassador at Washington, as French am-bassador at Madrid, and that of M. Jules Cambon, the retiring governor-gene Algeria, as French ambassador at Wash-

FANATIOS LOST HEART When They Learned That Their Leader

Was Dead. Buenos Ayres, Oct. 13 .- Advices from the Herald correspondent in Rio Jan-eiro, Brazil, says the details of the last big battle at Canudos have reached that

city. There is no longer any doubt of the death of Antonio Conselheiro, the fan-atic leader. He was killed early in the battle, but the fact of his death did not become generally known until after the fighting had been going on for several hours. When they learned of it the fanaties, who, up to that time had been fighting savagely, lost heart and were

killed by the hundreds. Conselheiro's body was found in one of the streets of Canudos. Around him were the bodies of about a hundred of his personal guard, who had died in a last desperate fight to save their chief. The bodies were fearfully backed and

Beside the body of Conselheiro lay an mperial flag, a red cross on a white background. The capture of the city was accomplished by the government troops with the aid of torch and dynamite.

they applied the torch to many houses burned to death, preferring that to surrender. The government troops burned the remaining houses.

have been taken prisoners and now the rebellion may be said to be over.

THE DURRANT CASE. Reasons Urged For Its Speedy Determination.

sents the following reasons:

That the case involves the prompt ad ministration of the criminal laws of Cali-fornia; that appellant has been convicted of murder in the first degree, judgment of the prompt administration of the criminal laws of California; that by reason of this proceeding, and others of like character pending in this court the enforcement of the criminal laws of California is hampened and thwarted and the laws of that state for the administration of justice and the punishment of crime are rendered largely nugatory and are brought into derision and contempt; that, therefore, a speedy determination of the case is in the interton is not indisposed to enter- ests of justice, law and order, and is a matof the utmost importance to the people of California.

CHAMBERLAIN AND TUPPER.

court took the motion under advise-

uld be no difficulty in arranging with Doubt Expressed as to the Gennineness Recent Compliments.

Toronto, Oct. 14.—The following is dated from London: In Canadian circles here considerable talk has arisen over the cable gram of a Montreal newspaper, in which son of Joseph Chamberlain was credited ury instructed Sir Julian Pauncefote with making a complimentary reference to from taking part in the jubilee festivities. Further reference was said to have been mous success for all schemes associated with Sir Charles Tupper's name. Well-informed people are disposed to doubt the accuracy of these remarks put in the mouth ndent of the Daily Mail, describing of Mr. Chamberlain and refuse to believe that he ever made any such statements.

> A RACE WAR. Tennessee Whitecapps Killed by a Negro Defending His Life.

Milan, Tenn., Oct. 14.-A large party f whitecaps went to the home of Do Price, negro, and riddled the doors and windows with bullets. The negro. through the window, fired repeatedly into the gang, and groans and yells testified to his deadly aim. William Scies was found dead surrounded by four of his mpanions dying from mortal wound The bodies were soon spirited away, but it is learned that three of the wounded men will die. Intense excitement is reported, and a race war is predicted, as

BORN LUCKY

A Seattle Fireman One of Four Heirs to a Million.

Seattle, Oct. 14.—By the death of his father in Scotland, George Burns, until recently a fireman on the revenue cutter Grant, receiving a salary of \$28 per estate valued at \$1,000,000. He will return home and secure a portion of the

NEW YORK ELECTION:

A Report That Henry George Has Withdrawn From the Contest.

New York, Oct. 14.—The Press says that Henry George has withdrawn as the United States Democracy's candidate for mayor James O'Brien says he will run for mayor and put Peter Padian ill his own place for sheriff.

To remove the constipated habit, the only safe treatment is a si course of Aver's Pills followed by a laxative diet. Ager's Pills ifollowed by a larative diet.

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TRAINS COLLIDE NEAR OTTAWA

Three Men Killed and Several Severely Injured-An Operator at Fault.

Grenier, the Libeller of Mr. Tarte. - Sentenced to Six Months in Goal.

Ottawa, Oct. 14.—There was a collision on the C.P.R. at Stittsville, a few miles from this city, to-day. The express from Toronto ran into a freight. Engineer Rondeau, of the express train; R. Peden. mail clerk; and a tramp who was stealing a ride, were killed. McCuag, engineer or the freight, had his leg broken. Hastey. a brakeman on the freight, is seriously injured and is reported dead. The fireman of the express and Mail Clerk Birchill had narrow escapes. It is said that the operator at Stittsville failed to hold the express.

James Fleming, of Cantley, a cattleman, is now reported dead, making five. The killed in the railway accident are: Frank Laurendeau, engineer, Ottawa, body still in the wreck; Robert Peden, mail-clerk, Ottawa, killed; James Hastey, brakeman, killed, his body being found in the tank; John Kearney, cattleman, freight train, killed; James Flem-ing, Cantley, cattleman on freight, badly vage of \$1,000. The schooner was yesing, Cantley, cattleman on freight, badly injured; Birchall, mail-clerk, scalp

wounds. There is no truth in the report that Lieut. Col. Otter is to be removed from When the fanatics saw certain defeat Toronto to be deputy minister of militia they applied the torch to many houses at Ottawa. Lieut. Col. Panet is still and scores of them rushed in and were deputy and has not asked for superannuation. When he does it will require to be a French-Canadian who takes his place. There are only three French-Three thousand of the rebels who es- Canadians deputies in the service, and caped the awful slaughter at Canudos the number cannot with any fairness be

D. I. Moody arrived at noon to-day and will hold his first gospel service in Rideau rink this afternoon. Grenier, who libelled Hon. Mr. Tarte,

got six months in the common jail. It is stated upon what appears to be excellent authority that two of the ablest Washington, Oct. 13.—The motion for a lawyers of the maritime provinces are speedy hearing of the Durrant case prebia. These are Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper and Hon. Fred. Peters, who, it is British Columbia for the sealing commission these gentlemen recognized that it offered exceptional opportunities, and a few weeks will probably see them on their way back there.

Consul-General Ansell has written the emier expressing the grateful acknowedgements of President Diaz of Mexico for Canada's congratulation on his escape Chief Preventive Officer Anderson, of

Toronto, has been suspended, on the charge that he asked a United States officer to pass a package into the United Stiffes without examination.

The government has been invited to fisheries conference to be held in Florida next winter.

The formal opening of the Drumn County railway will take place on Friday, the 22nd. The year book for 1896 was issued to day. It is a splendid collection of statistical information, but the volume is greatly

reduced in size. BOARD OF TRADE.

Quarterly General Meeting to be Held

To-Morrow Afternoon Sir Charles Tupper because he abstained B. C. Board of Trade will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The first business to be taken up will be the presimade by Mr. Chamberlan, claiming enor- dent's report on the business transacted by the board during the quarter.

the opinion of the British Columbia Board of Trade is: That it is advisable and necessary for colonization and other purposes, for the promotion of commerce, for rapid and unshackling transport to the north, that an independent railway be constructed from the seat of government and chief commercial city of the province, viz., Victoria, direct to the head of Alberni canal, and thence onward to the north end of Vancouver Island: and that the British Columbia Board of Trade use its best endeavors to promote this urgent work by every fair

means. New members will be elected before the close of the meeting.

MR. DUNSMUIR TALKS. Extension Mine Coal to be Shipped From

the whitecaps are swearing vengeance on the negroes, who defiantly dare them to do their worst.

evening Mr. James Dunsmuir, accompanied by Mr. W. G. Pinder, engineer and surveyor for R. Dunsmuir & Sons, arrived by the noon train from Victoria. The entire afternoon was spent by Mr

Dunsmuir and Mr. Pinder in making a thorough inspection of the Newcastle townsite and vicinity to ascertain if it was practicable to obtain a suitable route for a line of railway from the E. & N. tracks to the proposed docks for the ship-ment of E. & N. Extension mine coal at the mouth of the Milistream.
In the evening a Free Press repres

ative called on Mr. Dunsmuir at the Hotel Wilson, and in answer to a question by the scribe, Mr. Dunsmuir stated that Mr. Pinder and himself had been out the whole afternoon on the Newcastle townsite, looking for a suitable route to enable them to ship the E. & N. Extension coal from this And what is the prospect for such ship-ments being made from Nanaimo harbor?

The present outlook for the shipping of the coal from this port is very good, replied Mr. Dunsmutr. The company proposed utilizing the E. & N. line to a point ear Mr. Phomas Kitchin's resdence lewcastle townsite. From there the pany propose to ren a Y line, making con-nection with the proposed docks to be erected immediately, adjoining the north side of the Millstream, at the intersection of Stewart avenue and Water street. The

sels to load on each side at all stages of the tides. Mr. Dunsmuir explained that this class of dock was now considered superior to any other for quick dispate in the shipment of coal.

In answer to a question as to when the work would be likely to be commenced, Mr. Dunsmuir replied, "Immediately the proposed route was settled."

Mr. Dunsmuir remarked that Nanaimo appeared to be dull, and thought the best way to brighten things up would be the establishment of other industries.

He said he had offered thirty acres of land for a proposed smelter site, free of charge, but since then had heard nothing charge, but since then had heard nothing further about the erection of the smelter.

On being told that the promoters at one time wanted a ten year guarantee of 4 per cent. per annum on \$150,000, with free water and free taxation, he remarked that the interest alone would be sufficient to erect a smelter.

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She Brings a Full Cargo of Salmon

From the Northern

Canneries.

The C. P. N. Co. Libel the Mary Taylor for Salvage-Other Shipping News.

steamer Willapa in saving the schooner Mary Taylor from running on the rocks near Hesquiot, on her way homeward from Behring Sea, the Canadian Pacific terday libelled and a marshal of the admiralty court placed in charge. The saving of the schooner took place on the morning of the 4th. The Willapa was proceeding southward, and soon after leaving Hesquiot, the fog, which had been prevailing all morning, lifted, and Captain Foot saw the schooner making every effort to save herself from getting ashore on the rock bound coast. The Willapa bore down towards her, but Captain Coles, thinking he could get his schooner off with a tow from the canoes, refused all offers of assistance. The Willapa then left her, but soon after she saw the schoner flying distress signals and heard her blowing for assistance. The Willapa then ran back to ber and found her dragging at her anchors in a very dangerous position about three-quarters of a mile from the beach. Captain Coles then asked for assistance, and the Willapa immediately placed a line aboard the schooner and towed her out to sea. Bonds will be furnished for said, will form a partnership, While in the amount of the claim until the matter

is settled in court. Theosteamer Tees arrived from northern British Columbia ports yesterday evening with a large number of passengersrand a full cargo of salmon. She had in all 2,176 cases made up as follows: From the Federation cannery, Mill Bay, 4,302 cases; from the same company's cannery at Naas harbor, 2,993 cases; Inverness cannery, Skeena river, 91,045 cases; Windsor cannery, Skeenawriver, 1,349; and Victoria cannery, Rivers Inlet, 2,487. After disbalancel of her salmon. Capt. Gosse did not go up to the Fraser on his injuries received to his leg through havbeen struck with an iron bar while the steamer was at Naas. The Tees brings bery little news from the north kagasset where there are many promisthe north again on Sunday evening.

The steamer Olympia, of the Northern Pacific line, left Yokohama for this The quarterly general meeting of the port on Saturday last. She had a large enger list and a full cargo. She is due here on or about Oct. 23.

FORMAL OPENING.

Hon, J. S. Helmcken will move: That The Kennel Club's Show Now Open to the Public.

The inaugural show of the Victoria Kennel Club, the first really good dog show held in British Columbia, was opened to-day at Assembly Hall, Fort

considerable interest being taken in the affair by Victorians. The entries-there are 135 dogs in the show—are quite numerous enough to justify a very large attendance of visitors during the week. There are a large number of entries in all classes, making the competition very keen. Cocker spaniels are especially well represented and a very good locking lot there are, some with pedigrees a yard long, and others although not registered look to the amateur to be just as good as their blue-blooded neighbors. English, Irish and Gordon setters are also numerous. Among the fanciers of the English setters there is much culation as to how the Victoria dogs will compare, in the opinion of the judges, with Count Harold, the property of H. F. Payne, of San Francisco. Count Harold has taken first place, in both open and challenge classes, at all the big California shows in recent Against him are such dogs as Hon. D. M. Eberts' "Drake," bred by R. L. Purcell Liellwyn, the great English breeder of setters, and members of the other local English setter families, which have won fame in shows here and There are a few Great Danes, St. Bernards, Newfoundlands, American fox hounds. bulldogs, bull terriers, field miels, Scotch, Irish and toy terriers and Italian greyhounds and any num-ber of fox terriers and sable collies. unt of the non-arrival of Mr. Davis, the judge of most of the classes, the judging could not be com-menced to-day. He will, however, be the Liberal party to support, in all the Assembly Hall has been plainly but

prettily decorated, and made just as comfortable as possible for visitors and dogs. Refreshments are served in an

Semi-Annual Meeting of Stockholders-A Surplus of \$13,000 Shown.

ment to More Economical Management, Etc.

London, Oct. 14.—The annual meeting

the accounts showed a surplus of \$13,sion, the revenue therefrom declined but enue, the president further explained, was due to reforms, decreased working expenses, improved management and the establishment of permanent economies in the operation of the road. The agree ment with the Chicago & Grand Trunk railroad, said Sir Charles, was less favorable than the agreement of 1896. The same ratio was not expected for the coming six months, but, he added, Canada and the United States are undoubtedly entering upon a period of increas-Referring to clause 22 of the Dingley bill, the president said he was happy to announce that Attorney-General McKenna had declared it to be unconstitutional, thus removing a cause of friction. The president then expressed the hope that his proposal to the Central Vermont bondholders would be accepted and that a permanent alliance with the Wabash railroad would be effected. The president praised the management of the Grand Trunk railroad and emphasized the importance of encouraging factories along the line.

Mr. Baker, a shareholder, attacked the board of directors, saying it did not show any qualifications for managing an Am-The condition of the erican railroad. Grand Trunk, Mr. Baker continued, was due to the reckless acquisition of sub-sidiary lines. He was surprised at the president for presenting so incomplete a statement and denounced the appointment of an American, Mr. Charles M. Hayes, as general manager, as he claimed the management of American railroads was notoriously rotten.

THE LIBERAL CONVENTION.

In the election of Mr. William Temple man as president of the Provincial Liberal Association of British Columbia, by the convention held last week in this city, the convention made the wisest and most fitting choice, and at the same time paid a deserved tribute o a man who, personally, through his journal, the Victoria Times, has been the staunch and courageous champion, in this province, of true Liberal principles, in both the provincial and federal spheres, from a charging her passengers and a portion of her freight here, the Tees proceeded to time when such principles had very few send a representative to the international Steveston, where she will discharge the advocates. In honoring William Templeman the Provincial Liberal Associa-

tion has honored itself. steamer, being confined to his house by The choice of Mr. Templeman by the convention as first president of the Provincial Liberal Association has, besides being most fiting, personally, much significance, politically from the fact that save that much quartz mining is being Mr. Templeman and his paper are, not done ab he head of the Skeena. A new only leading consistent champions of mining camp has been formed at Kit- Liberalism in the province, but leading champions of the provincial opposition ing properties. The Tees will leave for as well; and, furthermore, through his paper he has unmistakably opposed the introduction of Dominion party lines in Provincial politics. Mr. Templeman's election to the chief place of honor is significant, again, of thorough approval of his course in calling the convention and just as emphatic disapproval of the so-called Liberalism of the Vancouver World, which belittled the convention beforehand, and vented much spite and

spleen against Mr. Templeman.

We need hardly point out the significance of the two short, sharp, positive resolutions-regular shoulder strikerson provincial politics, passed, practically Mayor Redfern. There was a fairly good attendance of dog fanciers and others, considerable interest being taken at the same of the speak for themselves. But some of the things which the convention did not do unanimously and with overwhelming enless significant. In the first place as to its treatment of the insignificant Turner Government elment in the convention represented by the Vancouver World. Mr. J. C. McLagan, managing editor of the World, was not mentioned for any office in the Association. Mr. J. M. O'Brien, of the World, was nominated as a member of the executive committee of the Association, and got, officially, 11 votes, as compared with 60, 58, and 57 for the successful cardidates. Thosa who were, unofficially, watching the standing vote, in this particular instance, consider the official matter of courtesy, as it was not apparent that Mr. O'Brien got more than 5 votes, or 7 at the most. Most significant instances of what the convention refused to do were the emphatic, nearly unanimous, negative votes on the two amendments to the second resolution on provincial politics. One of these amendments sought to pledge the Liberal Association to support, in the forthcoming provincial gen eral elections, only Liberal candidates, who subscribed to the Liberal platform: the other eliminated the words "Liberal candidates," but sought to limit the sup-port of Liberals to candidates who subscribed to the Liberal platform. So determined, however, (and wisely) was the convention to avoid even the appearance of introducing Dominion party lines, that it rejected both these amendments, by sweeping majorities, and confined its ac-tion in the premises to this truly liberal resolution? That in the opinion of this lidates as declare themselves to be fully in accord with the resolution just pass comfortable as possible for visitors and dogs. Refreshments are served in an ante-room by Mr. J. A. Lawrence, and in fact Supt. Matson and the committee have overlooked nothing in their efforts of the have overlooked nothing in their efforts of the show a complete success.

the executive, and they are of the opinion that their continuance in office is detrimental to the general welfare of

the province.

Says the Colonist: "Honor to J. C. McLagan, of the World. He fought the battle of the press manfully at the Liberal convention, for which he deserves thanks." It would be churlish, perhaps, to grudge this little crumb of comfort to the Colonist and the World; then need comfort these days. But the truth is that there was no battle to fight. Every body of men, meeting for deliberation, has an absolute right to say whether the detail, or the result only, of its proceedings shall be pub-lished. The convention decided (wisely, as the result showed,) to allow free pu lication of its proceedings on Friday. On Saturday, wisely again, since there was no time for elaboration, it decided of the stockholders of the Grand Trunk railway of Canada was held to-day. that there should be no publication of The attendance was large and har the suggested "plank" of the platform monious. Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, until these were planed into shape, president of the road, congratulated the Every reporter left the room at the stockholders on the announcement that close, under pledge not to publish; and the accounts showed a surplus of will. Mr. J. C. McLagan, of the World, went straight home and broke his pledge 540. He said the prospects of the road This was a real attack on the liberty were brighter than for years, adding and honor of the press; a plain advertise that while the passenger traffic was ment of the fact that there is one particularly than the passenger traffic was ment of the fact that there is one particularly than the passenger traffic. greatly decreased, owing to the depression, the revenue therefrom declined but as an informer and a spy. We hope little because of greater care being taken to find every self-respecting journal in in collecting tickets. The increased rev- the province, of whatever political complexion, denouncing in plain terms the base dishonor of the World's conducti in this matter.-Columbian.

A TRAITOR UNMASKED.

What must the Turner government think of that well nourished organ, the Vancouver World, whose managing editor sought occasion, in the Liberal convention, to knife his provincial patrons, whom he has been lauding as paragons, "types of our best life," etc., all these years? The managing editor aforesaid did not even wait to see whether the convention would make the serious mistake of drawing party lines, but hastened to offer the inducement that the World would be with them-would go back on Turner, and support the new party—if they did so. In other words, the World's managing editor played his trump card in the endeavor to bring about a condition of things that would enable him to play traitor to the Turner government, which he is shrewd enough to see is "a goner." A case of rats leav-

ing the sinking ship. The Liberals of the province, in con vention assembled, did not, apparently, place much value on the World's offer to betray its masters and assistion the deplorable work of obscuring vital local issues beneath imported and artificial party lines; for the convention, a few moments after this overture, decided, hy an overwhelming vote, not to draw party lines. Logically speaking, the World's offer of betrayal having been rejected, it falls back into its old place as a supporter of the Turner government. But what a dreary chilliness must creep over the erstwhile close and confidential relations of patron and organ, when the recollection occurs ever and anon to both, that the organ diligently sought og-casion to betray the patron, and was, only prevented doing so by its offer of betrayal being rejected.-New Westmin ster Columbian.

BOTTOM OF THE SEA.

Away Beyond the Effects of Light

Heat and Sound. The bottom of the deep sea is, indeed, entirely screened from the warmth and light of the sun by the intervening mass of water. On land we ofter experience that the intervention of clouds; which are simply steam or divided masses of water, results in gloom and a fall of temperature, says a writer in Chambers' Journal. This effect is infinitely more intense at the bottom of the ocean, between which and the sun there is interposed, not only for a day or two, but forever, a layer of clouds, a volume of water often several miles thick. Even at 15 fathoms from the surface the light is much subdued, producing more the appearance of pale moonlight than of sunlight, and experiments made with very nsitive photographic plates in the clear water of the lake of Geneva have shown that sunlight does not penetrate to greater depth than 155 fathoms. In the ocean and in the tropics, where sunshine is most intense, no light penetrates beyond a depth of 200 fathoms. Below

The sun's heat, like its light, is also cut off from the ocean depths in the same manner. A cousin of the writer found that in the Bay of Bengal there is a fall of temperature amounting to about 1 degree Fahrenheit for every ten fathoms from the surface that the thermometer sinks. At 200 fathoms he has found that the thermometer stands all the year round at 55 degrees Fahrenheit, and at 2,000 fathoms it constantly registers about 35 degrees Fahrenheit, or close upon the freezing point. It is curious to note that as we rise in the air, in balloons or on mountain slopes, the temperature falls as we rise, and the same occurs as we dive into the depths. of the ocean. But in mines the heat increases as we descend.

A NATURAL PHENOMENA.

St. Louis, Oct. 13 .- A local commis sion merchant has brought to light a phenomena which is attracting the attention of scientists here. While one of the employes of the commission house was dressing a turkey hen, he was dumbfounded to find in its interior a live, well formed young turkey as large as a full grown pigeon. It is perfect in every way except that the head, which was attached to the mother, has a fatty growth. The little turkey died as soon as it was severed from its dead mother. It was preserved in alcohol, and is now in the collection of the Missouri Medical College, where it is httracting the attention of the Medical fraternity.

The German ship Kehreweider, laden with salmon for Liverpool, on account of Bell-Irving & Co., sailed from Steves on on Tuesday. She carried in all 57,471 cases.