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TWICE-A-WEEK EDITION VICTORIA, B. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1905.

THE PARLIAMENT

TO ELECT A NEW SPEAKER FOR COMMONS

Earl Grey Will Attend on Thursday to | Read the Speech From the Throne.

ment always meets on Thursday with the exception of when there is no Speakthe purpose of electing a presiding offi-

The nomines of the government for Speaker is Robert Franklin Sutherland, aber-elect for North Essex. He will he duly elected. In fact his appointment tion as the government side of the The Speaker of the Senate is Senator

the real opening takes place. and will instruct the Commons to proceed to elect a Speaker. On Thursday

Earl Grey will attend to deliver the speech from the throne. It is not often that the new Governor-General and new parliament meets to gether for the first time. That will be the experience of the government of The Czar Said to Be Reluctant About Thursday. For these and other reasons the attendance at the opening ceremony will be larger than has been the case for years past. Every seat has been taken, and more tickets have been issued than there is accommodation for. The Gen-tlemen Usher of the Black Rod has had

and Senators in the city to-day for the Mr. Borden will consent to remain at the head of the party, and will come to

Ottawa to reside. Temporary Leader. It is said that Hon. J. Hazgart will be temporary leader of the opposition until such time as Mr. Borden gets a

WINNIPEG NOTES.

Factory on Fire—Special Meeting of Synod of Rupert's Land.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10 .- Last year Manitoba spent \$247,000 on education according to the department reports. The diocesan synod of Rupert's Land met in special session this morning to elect a bishop of Rupert's Land. Bishop Matheson called the gathering to order. Rev. L. M. Tucker, general secretary of the Church Missionary Society, at 10.30 livered an address.

The big warehouse and factory of the Hoover Manufacturing Company, a fourstory brick block, burst into flames at 10 o'clock this morning. Seventy-five hands, mostly girls, got out in safety.
Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—In the destruction

of the Hoover manufacturing block on James street this morning the loss aggregates \$80,000. The structure was gutted and thirty-five hands are thrown out of employment. The building cost \$40,000 and is damaged \$10,000. The stock and otal loss, \$35,000; the British Importing & Jobbing Co., \$25,000, Simon Varo-vlausiev being of the firm. The company will rebuild at once. By noon the fire was 60 years of age.

Tychener was 60 years of age. ered by insurance to two-thirds of the total.

Proposed Open Voting. The Manitoba legislature is now discussing seriously a bill to abolish the ballot and return to open voting.

C. P. R. Trainmen. The C. P. R. are instituting a course of instruction for trainmen on western lines and in future these must pass a rigid examination. The intention is to educate the men to the highest point of efficiency, enabling any one of them to take charge of a train in an emergency.

Nominees. The Anglican synod of Rupert's Land nation the name of Canon Pentreath of Vancouver to be submitted to the house of bishops along with that of Bishop Matheson, the present administrator of the diocese, as the nominees for the position of archbishop succeeding the late primate, Archbishop Machray. Canon Pentreath was proffered the honor and the house of bishops will meet in Regina about the 25th inst., to make the appointment. It is regarded here as probable that Bishop Matheson will be the

next archbishop. Unurch Burned.

The Roman Catholie church at St. Norbert was burned this morning entailing a loss of \$12,000.

FIGHT WITH MOROS.

United States Officer and Private Killed -Three Officers and Three Privates Wounded.

Manila, Jan. 10.-In an engagement which took place on January 8th with refractory Moros on the island on Jolo, Lieut Jewell and one private of 17th United States Infantry; Capt. Hal-stead Dory, of the 4th United States Inand Lieut. Richardson, of the 14th United States Cavalry, and three

cure by peaceful means several months cure recruits on the island, the kindly means taken by Major Scott were misaken by the surrounding Moros, and rouble brewing necessitated forcible acion. The Moro leader has been killed and the fort has been destroyed. The American troops were assisted by

Walker. RAILROAD MEN SPOKE

At Anniversary Meeting of Railroad Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

New York, Jan. 11 .- The 29th anni-

ersary of the railroad branch of the Young Men's Christian Association was elebrated last night at the branch build-Ottawa. Jan. 10.—The tenth parliament of the Dominion of Canada meets dent of the New York Central & Hudson to-morrow to elect a Speaker. Parlia- River railroad, the president of the Louis, Chicago and Montreal. The prinfor the railroad man. No two roads in the country were better examples of faithfulness than the New York Central and the New York, New Haven & Hartford, in which, he added, nearly every Dandurand. He is now at work preparing for the function of Thursday, when hard work, faithfulness and arduous study, starting with the lowest rung of Sir Elzear Taschereau, deputy-governor, will attend in the Senate to-morrow the ladder and rising only by worth to his present position.

> MINISTER'S RESIGNATION NOT YET ACCEPTED

Placing Power in Hands of M. Witte.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 11.-(2.15 a.m.)a busy time of it in issuing invitations.

The Associated Press can state positive—
There are a large number of members

In the Associated Press can state positive—
In the Associated Press can state ly that Emperor Nicholas has not yet accepted Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky's resig-Conservative members are expected to nation of the ministry of the interior. be on hand to-night for a caucus, which will reaffirm its confidence in R. L. Borden and refuse to accept his resignation. did not go far enough to meet his views. but the Emperor so far has persuaded him to remain in the ministry.

the present crisis.

MRS. A. V. B. TYCHENER DEAD. MORE RUSSIAN SHIPS Was Widow of Former President of the

B. C. Copper Company.

New York, Jan. 11.—Alice Valentine
Burke Tychener, widow of the late
James Frederic Tychener, former president of the B. C. Copper Company and
mother of Lady Curard, died early yesterday at her apartment in First 1774. terday at her apartment in East 117th machinery of the company, which is a street, says the Herald. Her daughter, who has been her constant attendant

RESCITED AT SEA.

Captain and Twelve of Crew of American Steamer Saved-Three Lives Were

Lost. Waterford, Ireland, Jan. 11.-The steamer Zeno arrived here to-day with the captain and twelve members of the American steam dredger Texas, which foundered in a storm off the Hebrides. The crew enered the small boats, but one containing the chief officer and two men sank immediately and all its occupants were drowned. The survivors drifted for several days before being picked up.

The survivors, who suffered terribly from cold and hunger, say that just prior to sighting the Zeno they had drawn lots to decide who should be killed to provide food

KONDRATENKO THE HERO.

Prisoners Say Had General Lived Fortress

Would Never Have Been Surrendered. London, Jan. 11.-The Daily Telegraph's Port Arthur correspondent says that, ac- kin and that the Russian situation around ording to stories by prisoners, the real de- Mukden is a serious one. It is feared fender of the fortress was Major-General that if Kouropatkin attacks the Japan-Kondratenko, commander of the 7th East ese position along the Shahke river, he Siberian Rifle Brigade (who was killed December 15th) and had he lived it is prob- retreat will mean the demoralization of able the fortress would never have been surrendered. Gen. Stoessel, the correspondent adds, was inclined to surrender there is constant bickering at Russian as early as last August. The garrison, he Manchurian headquarters, and that the oncluded, included 10,000, Poles who were

ndifferent fighters.

STRUCK BY TRAIN. the city to-day, a hose cart was struck by Shakhe river, following Kouropatkin' the Pennsylvania railroad, and William ward movement, dated October The action was an incident in connection with the capture of a fort held by Moro outlaws, which Major Scott, gover- a loss of about \$20,000.

The action was an incident in connection with the capture of a fort held by textile hall over Kensington theatre, caused this is undermining the morale of the Russian army, and it is pointed out that

f the island, had attempted to seby peaceful means several months. Recently wante attempting to se-

the gunboat Ouros, in command of Lieut. DISCORD RIFE AMONG RUSSIAN GENERALS

> Serious-Soldiers Are Becoming Discontented.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese Army at Port Arthur, Jan. 6, via Yinkow and Tientsin, Jan. 9.-Five thoubranch, presided. The annual report sand men of the Russian garrison at showed that the branch has 3,000 mem- Port Arthur to-day were marched from the exception of when there is no Speak-er, and then it meets on Wednesday for falo, Boston and as far away as St. cipal address of the evening was that of George H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the New York Central. Faith-during the night, will be taken on special detachment was accompanied by six Japan.

The long procession of the remnants of the gallant Russian garrison was a Changlingtzi were four droskies drawn an invincible fleet for a future effort. by sorry-looking horses. These contained the staff officers who had refused to ADMIRAL'S STATEMENT give their parole. All wore their swords, as they were allowed to do under the terms of the capitulation compact. A few minutes later the first detachment their men, their heads bowed and their faces seamed with lines, showing the re-

their faces, like those of the officers, indicated the awful physical strain they heir swords, but had them carried be-

hind them by orderlies. The prisoners were treated with the greatest respect and kindness, though they were regarded with much natural The minister has informed His Majesty of his desire to be relieved of the office cigarettes and beer, and the correspondent of the Associated Press even saw Japanese soldiers voluntarily carrying the effects of prisoners when they were overcome by fatigue.

accepted as accounting for his reluctance to give up Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky so long as M. Witte stands as the only alternative.

The navy department says that the district covered with submarine mines had a radius of forty miles outside of M. Witte's friends, however, do not Port Anthur. It reports the destruction believe that he will accept the ministry and explosion of 395 of those mines to of the interior, being of the opinion that date. Ten additional survivors of the nothing less than the post of chancellor, third expedition of the Japanese to which would give him official dignity as blockade the entrance to Port Arthur well as power, would satisfy him if the have been found in Russian hospitals. Emperor should call him to the helm at They have been transferred to the Japanese.

> TO SAIL THIS MONTH. St. Petersburg, Jan. 10.-The Russ to

koff and Nicholas I., the cruiser Vladi-mir Monomach, and several torpedo boat destroyers and torpedo boats.

In a lengthy review of the milita during her long illness, was present, and situation, the Novoe Vremya regards the is now ill from grief and shock. Mrs. stock, the Island of Sakhalien and Kamchatka as necessary. The paper says: "There is little probability of the Russians being caught as unprepared at Vladivostock as at Port Arthur, but the moral responsibility rests upon the government to see that nothing in the way of defence preparation is overlooked. Sakhalien and Kamchatka are both harder to defend and have a scantier population, but both are rich in mineral and other resources, especially tempting to the Japanese, to whose scheme for national expansion they are necessary."

Continuing, the Novoe Vremya points out that it is possible to send reinforcements and supplies to Sakhaliem and Kamchatka while the ice lasts, indeendent of sea power, and begs that this should be done at once.

Touching on the general peace talk in

the foreign press, the Novoe Vremya summarizes the list of Russian reverses in the present war and asks if it is possible to consider the question of peace without substantial Russian victoriaes. Tokio, Jan. 10.-6 p. m.-Information has reached certain reliable quarters here that the Russian generals in Manchuria are losing confidence in Gen. Kouropat-

will court disaster, and that his furthe

This information goes on to say that soldiers are discontented. The dissatis- and was instrumental in the formation of faction began with the series of retreats after the battle of Telissu (Vafango), and the withdrawal from Liao Yang, when it was believed possible to settle Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 11.—While proceed at that place. The climax came with ing to a fire in the northeastern section of the Russian defeat at the battle of a train at the Trenton avenue crossing of strongly worded order directing the for-Robinson, a fireman, was fatally injured, This defeat brought a storm of criticism Thomas Thompson, another fireman, was upon the commander-in-chief, and result-

recent skirmishes and outpost brushes indicate that the Russian soldiers are becoming disheartened as they do not show their former fighting capacity or quali-The siege guns to be sent to Man

churia from Port Arthur will probably be placed in advanced positions for the purpose of enabling the Japanese to shell far into the Russian lines.

JAPANESE KILLED BY

EXPLOSION OF MINE. London, Jan. 11 .- The correspondent t Port Arthur of the Daily Mail says Situation Around Mukden Said to Be | that on January 8th, twenty Japanese | Full Court Decides in Favor of Centre were killed by the explosion of a mine inside the forts, and two mines in the town also exploded.

ADMITS PROVISIONAL

PEACE PROBABLE. Paris, Jan. 11.-Vice-Admiral Doubasoff, the Russian member of the North Sea commission, is quoted by the Echo de Paris as having stated in an interview de Paris as having stated in an interview that he had submitted to Emperor Nicholas a programme for a reorganization of the appeal arising was the termination of the appeal arising was the termination of the appeal arising the fractional transfer of the fact. They can more properly be described as rivals and opponents than detachments follow soon after. Each tion of the navy, which is absolutely in- out of the celebrated action of Centre mit them to withdraw the accusations, dispensable for success in the war Star Mining Company vs. the Rossland against Japan. Twenty months will be Star Mining Company vs. the Rossland necessary for its execution. Admiral Miners' Union. The mining company neither repudiations nor withdrawals necessary for its execution. Admiral Doubassoff thought the prospect for fulness, he said, was the prime necessity trains or open trucks to Dalny, and Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron there they will immediately embark for was hopeless. He unhestratingly declared that he considered a provisional to have certain property of the defendpeace would shortly be probable. Japan retaining Port Arthur and the cities which she has occupied. Russia, meanpathetic spectacle. The first arrivals at while, the admiral said, would prepare

IS SIGNIFICANT.

Paris, Jan. 11.-The declaration made few minutes later the first detachment by Vice-Admiral Doubassoff, one of the arrived. The other officers marched with ommittee to inquire into the North Sea ncident, in an interview to the effect sult of the mental and physical strain that an honorable peace between Russia they had undergone during the long de- and Japan is likely to be made, is considered to be highly significant. Hereto-The men looked to be well fed, but fore the members of the Russian embassy and all other Russian officials have resented suggestions of peace as humiliating. According to Admiral Doubass-In many cases officers refused to wear off the peace would be broken as soon as the Russian navy was rehabilitated and powerful invincible navy and army. "This peace will be but temporary, and ed," said the admiral.

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS ENTER SUEZ CANAL.

Port Said, Jan. 11.—Rear-Admiral Botrovsky's division of the second Russian Pacific squadron entered the canal

RETURNED TO FRONT.

Huanchang via Mukden), Jan. 9.-The received unofficially from the Japanese, who let loose numerous paper kites bearing letters and triumphal inscripions. These kites were picked up by Russian soldiers long before the telegraph gave them the news. The army received the announcement doggedly, regret being expressed that the troops had been unable to relieve the garrison, but confidence is felt that ultimately the Russians will be able to push back the Japanese and result in the forteers from the north. and reach the fortress from the north.
Russian artillery is steadily pounding the section of the Japanese line west of Sinchinpu and about the villages of Ban Tosham and Sin Tingun.

able offence and of contempt of court.
The transaction was illegal in common law, and had been so since the statute of Elizabeth. He could conceive of no clearer instance of its violation than this day confirms the Paris Temps report of yesterday that the first division of the Ban Tosham and Sin Tingun.

great annovance.

The past two days the Japanese have made two unsuccessful attempts to break through the Russian advance lines. General Stackelberg, who has been ill, has recovered sufficiently to return to

springlike for some days, and overcoats have been discarded by many.

arms of warriors and not the knife of an modern war vessels soon to form the Pacific proposed amalgamation.

COMPELLED TO RETIRE.

econd Accidentally Threw Ammonia Water in Pugilist's Face, Which Ended Fight.

Philadelphia, Jan. 10.—The bout be-ween "Buddy" Ryan, of Chicago, and Fred Douglass, of Savannah, which was scheduled to go six rounds last night at the Washington Sporting Club, was abruptly ended at the conclusion of the fourth round through a mistake made by one of Douglass's seconds.

The men had been putting up a good fight until the fourth round, when Ryan assumed the aggressive and sent the ammonia water in his face, thinking it was impossible for him to continue the

SUDDEN DEATH. Henry Metzger Died of Apoplexy While

Watching a Hockey Match. Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Jan. 10,-While heering the Soo team last night at a hockey game with Portage Lake, Henry F. Metzger fell dead of apoplexy. Metzger formerly managed the Soo hockey team the international hockey league. On account of his death the game was called with stood 5 to 2 in favor of the Soo.

IN RECOGNITION OF BRAVERY.

Berlin, Jan. 10.-Emperor William has onferred on General Stoessel and General Nogi the order of "Pour Le Merite" in recognition of the bravery of themselves

S. S. TAYLOR RECEIVES A JUDICIAL ROAST

Star Mining Company in Appeal Case.

Chief Justice Hunter in the Full court | at once and for all. Wednesday delivered a judgment which should make reading of a specially interesting nature to a certain rather prominthrough their counsel, A. C. Galt, sought to set aside a decision of Mr. Justice Irving in an action instituted by them ants, notably the plant of the Rossland Evening World, turned over to the secured by them in the original case, quieted." which was heard here before Mr. Justice Duff last July.

It will be remembered that in the ever was not entered until a month or so afterwards. In the meantime, how-cal form and will act.". ever, S. S. Taylor, K. C., counsel for the Miners' Union, took over the plant as security for his costs, giving his clients, the union, credit for five hundred dollars. He sold the plant for the sum of \$575. written a circular letter to each of his clients advising them to make a transfer of property, as judgment was going to be | self. entered against them.

The Centre Star Mining Company then began an action to have this prothe next time we shall be amply prepar perty handed over to the sheriff. This was the case that came before Mr. Justice Irving, who dismissed the application, pointing out that the plaintiffs' pro cedure should have been to go after Mr.

In the appeal which has just been dis

posed of by the Full court, Mr. Galt argued on behalf of the Centre Star Minhim to remain in the ministry.

Prince Eviatopolk-Mirsky's retirement soon, however, is regarded as certain, and M. Witte, apparently, is equally certain of becoming the Bismarek of Russian despite the fact that he is cordally hated as well as feared at court. Even the amperor seems to shrink from the influence of this strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of this strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of this strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man, which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is accepted as accounting for his reluctance of the strong man which is a strong man which is at noon. Its destination is uncertain, but it is probably Madagascar by way of Jibutil, French Somaliand. The warrant was immediately given, and as far as the Chief Justice was concerned to ships, besides taking on soard provisions.

STACKELBERG HAS ever handed out to a lawyer in many a day. His Lordship trenchantly remarked that the solicitor (Mr. Taylor) had been guilty of misconduct in the defence of his case from beginning the defence of his case from the defence of was arst of his case from beginning to end. He (the solicitor) must indeed have a poor notion of the dictates of professional honor; he must be floundering in the quagmire of ignorance, not to know that it was a crime for a debtor to transfer property for the purpose of defrauding The Japanese are using balloons and transference on the part of a debtor of searchlights in efforts to locate Russian property with the object of defrauding a the quarterly gathering on Friday after- he did not think that a fifteen stronger patteries which have been causing them | creditor. The judgment was that the property either be restored to the sheriff

In closing, His Lordship quoted the re-The weather has been warm and ed out that the latter should "wield the

Mr Justice Morrison concurred in the judgment of the Chief Justice, but Mr. This morning Mr. Boggs stated some and Nanaimo made no opposition, Capt

THOUSANDS ARE IDLE

Union Leaders Unable to Check the Spread of the Strike in Westphalian Coal Fields.

Berlin, Jan. 11.-The conditions of labor n the Westphalian coal fields, which have induced the growing strike, will be made the subject of an interpellation in the assumed the aggressive and sent the preparing to demonstrate that the southern man to his corner in a groggy tion of the men workers is most miserable, provided for under the regulations introduced by Sir John Fisher, the first sea preparing to demonstrate that the condiwas water. Douglass was temporarily shift after shift unanimously stopping to curtail its visit to Esquimalt unless blinded. His condition was such that it work. There are 30,000 persons now out the dock was improved. On the other disturbances Thirty-Five Thousand Strike.

Cologne, Germany, Jan. 11.-The coal

niners' strike has spread to all diggers in seventeen other mines, who did not go to work this morning. The number idle about 35,000, or one-eighth of the total. Divisions exist among the miners, minori ties disapproving of a strike and refusing to quit work, so that the proprietors of ome of the striking mines continue to work them.

DOUBLE MURDER.

Cook Killed Wife and Infant Daughter and Attempted to End His Own Life.

Chicago, Jan. 11.-With a pistel and a

THE CHARGES AGAINST BISHOP. FIGHTING OVER THE Members of Board of Inquiry Will Meet Again on Friday.

Reading, Jan. 10.-Despite the lack of quorum, seven members of the board of inquiry appointed to probe the charges made against Bishop Ethelbert Talbot, of the Central Pennsylvania diocese of the Central Episcopal church, by I. N. W Irvine, the deposed priest, met in this city to-day, and after a three hours' conference adjourned to meet here on Friday. The members of the committee in-formally considered the case in many of was the general opinion that the case must be settled to save the good name of the church as well as injustice the board were of the opinion that there the contest waging over the question of can be no withdrawal of the grave interior reforms. charges and the case ought to be settled

Wm. Butler, of Mauch Chunk, a layman of the board, who was elected secretary of the board, said that notwithstanding the Huntingdon signers had re- highest sources that exactly the opposite the charges stand as prominently as ever could avail while the reputation of the

bishop is assailed. 'All the members of the board and the presenters agree in one paragraph of the withdraw paper, which reads: "We earnestly desire that the long existing sheriff in consequence of the judgment scandal in the church shall be forever

"There was some discussion to-day regarding the legality of the board. In this connection Mr. Butler said: "Bishop action for damages heard here the jury Tuttle has not questioned the power of returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff company, the damages awarded being fixed at \$12,500. Judgment, how-has no authority to consider the charges.

AGAIN A CANDIDATE

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 10.-At the Republican legislative caucus to-day, It appears also that Mr. Taylor had | Senator Nathan B. Cox was unanimously chosen a candidate of the caucus for United States senator, to succeed him-

> RECONSTRUCTION OF DRY DOCK PROPOSED

> Will Come Before Meeting of Board of Trade - Council Met This Morning.

Wednesday a meeting of the council of the board of trade was heid, when a report was received from the committee appointed to investigate the working of the Assessment Act. A number of recommendations were included, and arof one of the warmest judicial roasts rangements were made to lay these, to

of trade's request that an appropriation | Concluding, Mr. Woodward says: be granted by the government to provide | club must have \$75 expenses and half a British Columbia exhibit at the Portland exhibition. He announced that Yesterday Capt. Macrae, of the Vica creditor who had a claim against him. after careful consideration it had been toria club, was asked whether he had decided not to send an exhibit to this exposition. It was received and filed. quarterly gathering, which takes place ment of a match between representative on Friday, the meeting adjourned. Besides the reception of the usual re- ed, however, whether such a game wo ports, it is expected that there will be take place. It was improbable that an interesting discussion regarding the Annaimo would fall in with the sugges-

the Dominion government asking that im- that particular. It was the back divis mediate steps be taken to reconstruct the ions of the Island teams that were weak. marks of Sir Alexander Cockburn on the duties of solicitors, in which it was point-duties of solicitors, in which it was point-feeling and the feeling of th facilities may be afforded to any steamers coming to our ports, as well as to the

Justice Martin desired to examine into the authorities cited before he came to a conclusion.

of the reasons which prompted him to take this step. He pointed out that the future development of Oriental trade and should the Islanders favor a match meant much to Victoria. In his opinion | the necessary arrangements will h one of the best methods of encouraging for a game with the Terminal City stalthe large freighting steamers of the Blue | warts some time next month. Funnel line and other transportation companies was by providing adequate docking facilities. The limited dimensions of the present dock prevented the handling of heavy draught vessels. Another advantage that would follow the reconstruction of the present Esquimalt dock was that first class warships, of the battleship or cruiser type, would b Reichstag this week. The Socialists are able to go into dock for repairs. He claimed that the new Pacific squadron day by the discovery of what appeared ers of the union the strike is spreading, lord of the admiralty, would be forced work. There are 30,000 persons now out the dock was improved. On the other of Germany and erected in the arsenal arms, and there is not the slightest hand if it was enlarged these ships grounds. However, investigation by the hope of preventing the strike from becomling general. Thus far there have been no without inconvenience. C. H. Lugrin either an utter hoax or a decidedly

large attendance on this occasion, as the business for consideration is of exceptional importance.

WILL REDUCE WAGES. Lumber Carriers' Association Reported to Have Decided on Line of

Action.

Carriers' Association at its annual meet- used had not sufficient strength to wreck ing to-day chose a board of managers cluding John J. Boland, Buffalo, and

J. W. Robinson, Tonawanda. is still alive. Jealousy is believed to be the not agree to this a fight will be made for the principle of the open shop.

QUESTION OF REFORM

NO. 79.

Appointment of Witte as Sviatopolk-Mirsky's Successor May Follow the Present Struggle.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 9 .- M. Witte, as Interior Minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky's successor and holding a position in the its phases, and after its adjournment it councils of Emperor Nicholas, approaching General Loris Melikoff's during the trying Nihilistic days of Alexander II .. to the accused prelate. The members of may be one of the startling results of interior reforms.

> The popular idea has been that Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky and M. Witte were acting in harmony in this matter, but

as friends. Despite the difficulty of Minister Sviaopolk-Mirsky's role since he assumed office owing to the powerful influence arayed against him, he has been able to hold his own with continued marks of the Emperor's confidence and approval. With M. Witte's advent upon the scene, however, the situation changed. Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky stuck manfully by his guns, defending the policy on which he accepted office, but he found Witte antagonizing the very best principles which he considered vital, thus rallying his oponents on his side, and the Prince found the ground slipping from under him. M. Witte prevailed in the matter of the imperial manifesto, the hazy terms of which did not meet with Prince Sviato-

polk-Mirsky's views. According to the latter's friends the contest was resumed immediately upon the convening of the committee of ministers, the Prince finding that Witte opposed the proposition to invite in a con ultative capacity the various classes inerested in the reforms. The Prince's friends believe that Witte at heart would go farther than the former, but that it suits his present purpose to adopt a reins of government power are firmly in is hands. Under the circumstances the Prince, whose health is really greatly impaired, and who is a plain spoken man nimself unequal to the task of continuing he contest, and has confided to his friends within twenty-four hours that he refers to retire. Whether he has actually tendered his resignation the Associated Press is not in a position to say, out that it may come any minute is cer

A RUGBY MATCH Botween Representative Island and Mainland Teams Proposed-Van-

couver's Challenge A challenge has oeen received by the sporting editor of the Times from R. W. Other business of importance was dis- club, for a match with a Vancouver Islcussed, a communication being read from and fifteen at Oak Bay on some Satur-Premier McBride replying to the board day in February, to be agreed upon.

effect. He replied that there had been After considering arrangements for the some discussion regarding the arrange-Mainland and Island teams He doubt reconstruction of the Esquimalt dock at | tion. Even if the Coal City team agreed noon. Beaumont Boggs will introduce than that of Victoria could be form from the subject by moving the appended reso the suggested combination. Nanaimo ution:

Was fast on the forward division only,
and the Victoria team also was strong in

If it is the desire of the local teams,

BOMB OUTRAGE.

Little Damage Resulted. From Explosion Near Statue of Frederick the

Washington, D. C., Jan. 10 .- Some what of a sensation was caused here toto be a definite attempt to blow up the statue of Frederick the Great, given to the United States by Emperor William police developed that the affair was secretary Elworthy looks forward to tion. There is no clue to the perpetrators. A hole in the soft mud about six inches deep by six inches wide and twelve inches long, shattered window panes in near-by buildings and five or six splotches of yellow clay on as many granite steps, summed up the damage done by the bomb, which had been placed in a dress suit case and hung on a high picket fence surrounding the statue by a man who disappeared immediately afterwards. An analysis and examin-Detroit, Mich., Jan. 10.-The Lumber ation of the bomb shows the substance the fences.

On application of his father, R. A imbued with morbid ideas through read-

The Tribune will say to-morrow that Salvatore, of Shelton, an Italian aged 19 there is an understanding among the lumrazor, John Miller, a cook, killed his wife ber carriers on the union labor question, ing preparations to go to Washington to and infant daughter Annie to-day, fatally and that they will insist on a reduction kill President Roosevelt, was committed wounded another daughter, Martha, 2½ of wages in any agreement for the ensu-years old, and cut his own throat. Miller ing year, and that if the unions should Conn., dispatch. The youth had become ing anarchistic books.