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gan Central engineer re Flora-street, this city ar Waterford this mo

of the cab window and high rate of speed. was such that the man ed.

ER FAST ASLEEP. of Fatal Collision Didn't

E. N.B. Aug. 2.-(Speration shows that Driver whose engine collided near here yesterday, doage and fatally injuring was asleep in his cab.
orders to proceed from
the yard a few miles on occurred, and when the other train entered

and engine were going the impact wasn't hard.

He Did Know. Episcopal Church, in has under its jurisdicide chapel. One of the chapel is a gymnasium, are trained in all o physical culture. Some quicker in this sort o they are in the mon St. Thomas, the Rev the charel frequently talking with the ork. He said to one

h, they tell me you won of a rival school."

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### TIME HAS COME T Senate Reading Room FOR A CLEANER CURRENCY AND DISTINCTIVE COINAGE

Complaint is General That the NATIONAL CURRENCY. Prevalence of Disreputable Mediums of Exchange is a National Disgrace.

Canada is now more than ready for tiean currency. The dirty bills and defaced coins which are circulating among the people of this country add no credit to the good name of the Dominion. If sanitary considerations do not suggest something better, then pride of country should rise to the oc-

reputable medium of exchange of any nation which pretends to civilization. In this the government itself is the chief offender and has been during the changing administrations since confederation. Dominion dollar and two dollar notes are permitted to circulate until they reek with dirt and scarcely conform in size to the newer notes with which they are counted from time

It is where silver is used in greatest quantities, however, that the debauching of the currency is most noticeable. Plugged half dollars, flattened dimes, worn quarters and crumpled five cent pieces are shoved on in the channels of business. The church collection of business. The church collection plates and street railway boxes have become receptacles for much of the smallest of it. The plugged half dollar given in change by one street car conductor to a passenger is refused by the company's man on another car. So long as defaced money was accepted freely, it caused no inconvenience, no loss or embarrassment. It was simply unsightly. In the larger centres no loss or embarrassment. It was simply unsightly. In the larger centres all that is changing. People will not accept defaced money—if they know it. It is a positive handicap to business and a constant jar to the self-respect of the man who tries to pass it along. In the meantime there is laxity at many of the gateways to tourist travel from the south. This results in the infrom the south. This results in the in-fusion of a great amount of United States currency into Canadian trade channels, which may or may not be objectionable, according to the point of view, but which also brings along a deluge of defaced United States coin and this cannot be circulated south of

The design on Canada's silver money is commonplace. It lacks distinctiveness and it is wanting in Canadian sentiment. There is plenty of material upon which to base a design which means more and looks better than the present issue. The beaver, maple leaf, the shield of the provinces, the flag and many other things thight be made to play a part in a new design. The World wants to know what the people of Canada think of this, and the columns of this paper are freely thrown

Bad Habit Sticks. PARRY SOUND, Aug. 3.—(Special.)

—A great amount of defaced coin and dirty Canadian and American bank bills are freely circulated here and are A dull, lowering sky which threatend rain, did not deter the Toronto
bills are freely circulated here and are
freely accepted. In the old days before
the railways, the people got into the
habit of taking anything in the shape
of money and the habit stays, notwithstanding there is a good deal of complaint of the amount of defaced coins
and filthy notes in circulation.

Haron Lepine Abit scandal, which
came within one of putting the ministry on the rocks at the time of the famous Prevost-Asselin law suit at Quebec.

The trial disclosed the fact that important witnesses were in Belgium, so
it is presumed that Bourassa has secured the missing threads of the case,
and filthy notes in circulation.

A dull, lowering sky which threatend rain, did not deter the Toronto
public from sallying forth, pleasure
bent, on civic holiday. The cheery optimism of the throngs was shown in
the general disdain with which umbrellas were regarded, but the weather
was indulgent and no one had occasion
to regret his temerity.

Nelson raised \$2000 yesterday, and
sent Alderman McMorris and two
carloads of food and clothing to the
scandal, which
irons to Cranbrook, and will be brought
on here. The other prisoners were
given their liberty.
Two hundred refugees will reach
there this evening, and will be housed
and looked after.

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to regret his temerity.

"I don't think the traffic was very

BRAMPTON, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—Not for many years have complaints against the circulation of disfigured silver and dirty and mutilated bills been so gen-eral as during the present year. The eral as during the present year. The local banks have recently done their duty and the germ-conveying bills are being replaced by crisp new notes and recently coined silver. If banks can prevent the evil, they should do so.

There is a growing reluctance in Canada to accept anything that is offered in the name of money. As a result the dirty and torn bills and the defaced Canadian and United States silver with which this country is flooded, has become a positive impediment to business.

The design of the silver that is in good condition is commonplace and does not reflect national sentiment or stimulate national pride. Practical men say that the one cent pieces are too large; the five cent pieces too small. Notes are issued and re-issued until reeking with dirt or in tatters.

It is time for the Canadian Government to take up the whole question of the national currency. Correspondents of The World all over Canada to-day tell what they think about it.

larly to silver altho there are a lot of defaced bills going the rounds. The banks, however, withdraw most of them from circulation and will not handle solled bills to any extent.

Hills a Nulsance at Halifax.

HALIFAX, Aug. 3.—(Special.)—Dirty bills, more especially ones and twos, are much in circulation here, and are considered a menace to public health. As a general rule chartered bank notes are not subject to complaint: Defaced coins are not so much in evidence as formerly the case, probably owing to the action of the postoffice and tramways authorities refusing their acceptance.

Redeeming Defaced Coin.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Aug. 3.—(Special.)—
There is large quantity of defaced coin and dirty bills, especially the latter, circulating in this district.

Savings banks are trying to redeem defaced coin and have practically succeeded, so far as coppers are concerned, but are making slow headway in re-

but are making slow headway in re-gard to silver. Defaced coin is not ac-cepted by the majority of business houses in the Maritime Provinces, but is taken freely in the Intercolonial railway diners, etc.

BOURASSA GETS EVIDENCE. Has Looked Up Some Scandal Wit-nesses in Belgium, It's Said.

MONTREAL, Aug. 3 .- (Special.)-There was something like consternaumns of this paper are freely thrown open to suggestions which should not exceed a hundred words in length.

Special correspondents of The World in various parts of Canada deal with the situation as they found it.

Standard think of this, and the collecting like constelling the constelling like to-day when it leaked out that Henri To St. Catharines..... ditional information in the famous Baron Lepine-Abitti scandal which

> and their production will no doubt form a series of interesting debates the next session in the Quebec Legislature.

> > ALL OFF.

Lord Roberts Has Definitely Decided on the Simple Life.

OTTAWA, Aug. 3.-(Special.)-Lord Roberts is spending his time quietly at

Board of Control Likely to Close With Expert Electical Engineer at An Increased Figure.

The appointment of William G. Chace to the position of electrical engineer in charge of the civic electrical distrioution plant at a salary of \$5000 a year will probably be made within the next few days by the board of control.

Mr. Chace has offered to devote his whole time to the work at the salary nentioned and has also promised that mentioned and has also promised that the advice of Cecil B. Smith, senior member of the firm of Smith, Kerry and Chace will be available without expense to the city. The city engineer is very desirous of securing Mr. Chace's services, and the board of control is also inclined in that direction, but as the salary originally determined upon was only \$3500, the city will be compelled to meet Mr. Chace half-way. Mr. Rust approached Mr. Chace with the \$3500 offer some weeks ago, but it was declined, and several other prominent local electrical engineers were negotiated with with a like result. Since then the position has been advertised and a number of applications have been received. From information obtained, however, it appears that the board of control is disposed to give Mr. Chace's offer very serious consideration, especially in the light of the suggestion that C. B. Smith's valuable advice could be drawn upon. The firm had the contract of preparing plans for the distribution plant, and the controllers feel that it would be a distinct advantage to secure Mr. Chace, with the practical knowledge he possesses of the lines upon which the civic plant is to be built, a knowledge which peculiarly qualifies him for superintending the construction. the advice of Cecil B. Smith, senior

Transportation Services Suffered Because of the Roberts Reception Arrangements.

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heavy," said Mr. Fleming last night.
"It may be equal to last year's, but we can't tell for a day or so. We had a "It may be equal to last year's, but we can't tell for a day or so. We had a larger number of cars out than usual, as our schedule in expectation of 'Bobs' visit was drawn up several days ago and had to be carried out. It may have been the presence of these

Roberts is spending his time quietly at Roberts say that many people who had planned to stay in the city to see the earl learned that he wasn't coming at too late an hour to alter their plans, and hence the morning business houses in this city reveals the fact that there is a considerable amount of defaced bills and coins in circulation here.

A leading business man said that his firm had to handle a lot of the stuff and altho much of it was extremely doubtful they had to take it in whether mutillated or not. This applies particu
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MICHEL.—A typical western Canadian coal mining town. The mountain side is covered with timber.

FERNIE, B. C.-Wiped out by great forest fires. In foreground of picture will be seen the coke ovens of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., which have been destroyed.

## 80 DEAD AND 7000 HOMELESS THREE TOWNS ARE WIPED OUT

Fernie, Michel and Coal Creek Destroyed and M Hosmer Badly Scorched—Losses Will Exceed \$5,000,000 - Prisoners in Jail Set Free-Bush Fire in Progress for Month Past

NELSON, B.C., Aug. 3.-The latest news from the Crow's Nest Pass disaster shows a death list of 62, which vill probably be increased to 70 or

The property loss exceeds five million dollars. About seven thousand people are

ed out. Coal Creek, five miles east from

Fernie, is also destroyed. Hosmer lost some ten houses, and 3,000 the Coal Company's surface works 1,500 were destroyed.

The powder magazine at Hosmer exploded, killing one man.
The five black hand suspects were in Fernie jall were brought in irons to Cranbrook, and will be brought

scene. Vancouver wired \$5000, and Spoltane

It may have been the presence of these extra cars which gave the appearance of lightness to the holiday traffic,"

The steamboat agents say that many known as yet whether any lives were but the finding.

ed early in the morning with the force of a cyclone and revived the fire

spread to the goat ranch.

"The fire jumped the river about 3 of hose poured tons of water on the structure.

"The large new court-house and the Steele brewery was the first to go, and from there the sparks carried the were directly opposite and it was while the provincial government for relief these were burning that the greatest companies in the world, and its sending of \$1000 yester-day to the Fernie sufferers is in keeping with its record.

The large new court-house and the were directly opposite and it was while the provincial government for relief Steele brewery was the first to go, and from there the sparks carried the fire into the old town, which was soon a pall of smoking embers. At the same time the Elk Lumber Company's mill and the Cedar Valley mills caught fire, and in an incredibly short time West Fernie was a seething mass of flames, the people fleeing for their lives. The conflagration jumped the river by the wagon bridge, and inside half an hour the entire business section was in flames, owing to the high wind scattering the burning shingles in all directions, and for long distances.

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"Again and again swirling masses of sparks found entrance to the attic and a bucket brigade did yeoman work in due caught, and despite the efforts on the part of the fire fighters they fell one by one, until not a building of any description or kind remains standing north of Walmsleystreet save the residences of W. R. Ross, M.L.A., D. V. Mott, the Catholic priests', Coal Company office, residence

The provincial government for relief for western sufferers.

Regina wired \$500 without delay on Sunday.

Premier McBride, of British Columbia, when apprised of the conflagration telegraphed to the government agent at Cranbrook and other nearby points instructing them to do all in their power to relieve the situation.

Calgary Council held a special meeting Sunday afternoon and forwarded a train load of supplies in the evening which included 15 tons of flour, half a ton of oatmeal and cornmeal, ton of potatoes, five thousand pounds of

ary shelters for the homeless and in many cases naked refugees.

"Hundreds slept Sunday night in the open without blankets or covering of any sort. Relief committees have been organized and food is being supplied to all. Special constables have been sworn in and the town or what is left of it is orderly.

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"The relief committee organized by Mayor Fink has got away two trains filled with provisions of every kind—blankets, stoves, flour and all the staple requirements. There are many mouths to feed and every one here is taking a practical hand at trying to alleviate the sufferings of those who have come to us in their dire necessity.

sity.

"According to reports, sixty-one men and two women have been burned to death at the number four camp of the Elk River Lumber Company. Four

the Elk River Lumber Company. Four men were found burned to a crisp on the C.P.R. tracks near Hosmer."

Losses in Figures.

"The damage cannot fall short of five mildons of dollars, the greater losses falling on the C. P. R., which lost the coal tipple, coal bunkers, depot, freight store, water tower and over one hunstore, water tower and over one hun-dred cars; the Trites Wood Co., which lost its magnificent store and stock, and the lumber companies, whose mills, limits and stock are wiped out. Fully twenty-five million feet of manufactured lumber is gone.

ufactured lumber is gone.

"The extent of the disaster can be measured better by the recital of the few buildings left standing than by a detailed list of the widespread destruction. There remain of what once was Fernie and the erection that housed a population of about seven thousand souls, ten or eleven small cottages and five or six residences, all situated near the park. For the rest there is not a store, bank, hotel or business concern store, bank, hotel or business concern of any sort or description left standing except the offices of the coal company. the Great Northern depot and water tank and the big concrete warehouse of the Trites Wood Co.

"On Baker-avenue and the park determined effort was made to stay the conflagration, and to the heroic work of the residents and the firemen the few remaining houses owe their

preservation.

Sceking Refuge.

"About three hundred men, women and children fled to the coal company's office. The fact of that building being Isolated and surrounded by spacious lawns, suggested it to the panic-stricken people as the only place in town that offered the slightest hope of refuge. Willing volunteers ascended to the roof and fought like heroes for hours amid the scorching heat and force of a cyclone and revived the fire that was supposed to be quenched. By about 11 in the forenoon it had spread to the goat ranch.

"The fire jumped the river about 3

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Response to Fire Sufferers He manoeuvered in and around, in all From Cities and From Firms-The Need is Urgent.

all tents, military blankets, etc., in British Columbia, belonging to the militia department, at the disposal of the fire sufferers. Militia authorities have been ordered to do everything possible to assist those rendered homeless.

HELIEF POURS IN. Cash Subscriptions and Trains of Supplies Rushed in.

He who gives quickly gives half s dozen times. Mayor Oliver is to be praised for 21 1-2 knots. the speed with which he sent Toronto's

contribution to the relief of Fernie, The T. Eaton Co. is one of the most finely organized companies in the world. and its sending of \$1000 yester-day to the Fernie sufferers is in keep-

river by the wagon bridge, and inside half an hour the entire business section was in flames, owing to
the high wind scattering the burning
shingles in all directions, and for long
distances.

"When at its worst the fire was
taking springs of over a hundred
yards in length, and sizagging in all
directions.

"Having seen the results of the calamity at Fernie, I must say that it
is more entirely extensive than any
report gave reason to believe.

"It is a disaster not paralleled in
the interior of British Columbia, and
one that calls for the promptest action
on the part of the public.

"Some three thousand people, mostly women and children, have- to be
housed and cared for until they shall
have time to look about them. These
every public and nearly all the pirivate houses are being used as tempor-

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Capt. Beachey Interests Thousands of People With a Real Exhibition of Aerial Navigation-The Machine.

If "Bobs" disappointed, Beachey the air, across the bay, around the city hall and then returning to its place of beginning at the Island

at the advertised time, but as soon as the breeze had quieted, close to

and awed gasps of the multitude, who had rushed into the ball grounds when Capt. Beachey's airship was being towgas bag with its intrepid operator first slowly arose and then taking an up-ward tilt rushed up until it had reach-ed the height of the ball tower, some

Then with a dexterity born of many flights the captain pulled a lever, turning the nose of the ship out, at the same time throwing forward his weight, he made a long swallow-like swoop that caused a little trepidation among the onlookers. And so on, he swooped, he rose in a straight line until one wondered when he would stop. cmonstrating his thoro command of

the frail craft. Captain Beachey striking in a north-easterly direction from the Island, went east to St. James Cathedral which he mistook for the city hall, then headed northwest circling the city hall tower, and then returning in a wide sweep to

PRINCE AT COWES.

Indomitable Averaged 25 Knots From Shore to Shore. OTTAWA, Aug. 3.-(Special.)-Earl

Grey this evening received a message from the Prince of Wales announcing his safe arrival in England.

The message read: "Arrived safely at Cowes after most successful voyage. We averaged over 25 knots from land to land." The average from port to port was

GENERAL LIKES TORONTO. Sir Reginald and Lady Pole-Carew Ex-tending Their Stay Here.

General Sir Reginald Pole-Carew and Lady Pole-Carew, who are at the Queen's, are so much interested in their visit that they have decided to defer their departure west until Wednesday or Thursday.

Sir John Barrin, of Yorkshire, England, is another notable English guest at the Queen's.

SLASHED WITH RAZOR.