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whole celebration was the crown- the May Queen this afternoon at in Hill park. Shortly after noon this procession, which was to escort the Queen to the grounds, lined up at ark's building and started for the led by Chief Deary and the first- and the Fifth Regiment band. Behind the band was a card- drawn by four horses, with gay- nese, hauling the Sons of St. George which was such a feature of yester- parade. In this was enthroned the Queen, surrounded by her attend- Behind this came the Young Can- nese filled with children who were take part in the May Day proceed- Following these was the mayor and

ing at the Hill the children de- ded from the carriages and passed in through roped avenues to the site May Pole. The programme which ed was the usual May Day per- nese, the Queen, whose coronation lace forthwith, being Miss Katie n, daughter of J. G. Brown. Nowing the coronation was the May in which about twenty children dicated. The event was in char- s. Dennis Harris, assisted by Mrs. Brown, Mrs. J. H. Todd, Mrs. r and Mrs. McQuade. The istic was furnished by the Warpage

crowd of people was enormous, three-quarters of those present could get a glimpse of the proceedings.  
Notes.  
Flag which floated over the police this yesterday, was perhaps the interesting of all the ensigns which in honor of the day. It was carried about the South African campaign ensign, which was the usual assort- ment of crooks in the city bent on phys- ics as pickpockets. The police, in which about twenty children dicated. The event was in char- s. Dennis Harris, assisted by Mrs. Brown, Mrs. J. H. Todd, Mrs. r and Mrs. McQuade. The istic was furnished by the Warpage

## Fight Frost With Smoke

Scientific French Agriculturists Will Turn Cannon on Approaching Hailstorms.

Grasshoppers Will Receive Similar Attention to Discourage Their Ravages.

Washington, D. C., May 28.—The French agriculturists intend to fight frost and grasshoppers as well as hail- storms with cannon and smoke, accord- ing to an interesting report received at the state department from Consul Covert at Lyons. It has just been determined to hold an international cannon congress at Lyons in November, and Consul Covert is authorized to extend an invita- tion to Americans. The success that has attended the experiment of firing at ap- proaching hailstorms to prevent their ravages upon French vineyards has prompted steps for a still further exten- sion of the use of cannon in agricul- tural and society circles. The theory in some quarters prevails that it is not the frost bite which blasts the budding, but the sunshine following a night frost which finds the grape- vines sensitive from the cold a victim to heat. Cannon fired horizontally over vineyards produced interesting results. A stretch of vineyards 500 feet wide over which the smoke from two cannons had been spread was entirely protected from the effects of the frost, while the vines on the other side were badly injured. An invasion of grasshoppers is announced to sweep this summer in southern Algeria, and the cannons months ago to be turned against them also.

## INSURGENTS BUSY.

Chinese Rebels Again Causing Trouble—Fierce Fighting Between Boxers and Catholics.  
London, May 28.—"Four thousand in- surgents from the province of Kwei that have invaded the province of Shoo Chan," says a Shanghai correspond- ent of the Standard "yesterday, caus- ing a widespread panic. It is said that three thousand Yuanmians are about to join them."  
The Chinese are again active in all districts where there are no foreign troops," says a dispatch to the Stand- ard from Tien Tsin, dated May 27th. "Recently a missionary who was going to Lu Chuan was arrested, and was forced to return to Tien Tsin, on ac- count of a fierce fighting raging between Boxers and Catholic converts. There was heavy fighting on both sides."

## SEEKING AID.

British University Teams Unable to Bear the Expense of Attending Race Meeting.  
Oxford, May 28.—No satisfactory ar- rangement having yet come from the United States concerning the financial condi- tions of the Oxford-Cambridge, Har- vard-Yale meeting, the athletic officials of the British universities will have to lose their decision as to the ultimate facility of the match on the response to an official appeal for public subscrip- tions to a guarantee fund. The treat- ment of the athletic clubs of the univer- sities are wholly unequal to the ex- penses. Though they will contribute their share they feel they must have support in order to prevent the meet- ing falling through.

## STILL SEEKING.

Beer Excess Now Appeal to the Hague Arbitration Court.  
Berlin, May 28.—Special dispatches from St. Petersburg to-day that Dr. Hendrik Muller and Dr. Leyds, repre- senting the former Boer republics, have appeared formally to The Hague arbi- tration court, promising to abide by the decision of the tribunal regarding the arbitration of the South African war, pointing out that several of the para- graphs of the constitution of the arbi- tration court signed by the powers rep- resented at the peace conference, bear directly upon the South African case.

## PREMIER BOND HOME.

Terms of Railroad Compromise Will Be Made Known on Thursday.  
St. John's, Nfld., May 28.—Premier Bond returned here to-day from his mis- sion to England and Canada. The French share matter is awaiting the decision of the French government. The Canadian cabinet is still considering the Balfour-Burns convention. A settlement has been reached with Contractor Reid, and the whole matter is awaiting the decision of the French government. The Premier Bond's cabinet has been considered pending the session of the legislature. Premier Bond's cabinet has been considered pending the session of the legislature. Premier Bond's cabinet has been considered pending the session of the legislature.

## A FRENCH VICTORY.

Recommending Party Capture a Walled Town With Little Resistance.  
Paris, May 28.—A dispatch received here from Gen. Vujoan at Tien Tsin, dated May 26th, says that a recon- noitering party came upon a walled town 10 kilometers northeast of Tien Tsin. The town authorities refused to open the gates, whereupon the French military opened fire, the wall was breached and the town taken. One French infantryman was wounded. Gen. Vujoan is securing the country with French troops and is sup- porting the Chinese regiments.

## DOWIE'S METHODS.

They Form the Subject for Investigation by State Board of Health.  
Chicago, May 28.—Preliminary steps towards establishing a coroner's office at the headquarters of John Alexander Dowie's "Zion," Twelfth street and Michigan avenue, were taken yesterday by attorney Edward J. Smejkal of the state board of health. Working in con- junction with the coroner's office Smejkal has been busy gathering a mass of evi- dence to lay before the state board of health at its meeting here to-day. The grand jury to-day will commence its in- vestigation into the methods of treat- ment that obtain in Zion, bearing espe- cially upon the death of Mrs. H. W. Judd. Dowie's attorney last night conceded that the inquisitorial body would vote an indictment, but added that an indict- ment did not mean conviction.

## LITTLE COMMENT IN LONDON.

Decision of United States Supreme Court Excites Scant Attention in British Metropolis.  
London, May 28.—The London news- papers have paid scant attention to the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Inular cases. The few comments made deal principally with the "confusing nature of the judgment." It is, however, agreed that the practical result is obvious that it leaves Congress free to deal with the annexed territories as it pleases. The St. James Gazette says: "It is one of those legal fictions which had so much to do with the de- velopment of our own institutions. It is certainly a convenient judgment for President McKinley's government, and will probably clear away many difficul- ties bequeathed to American statesmen by the Spanish war."

## A CHINESE ORATOR.

Young Mongolian Carries Off the Medal at Vanderbilt University.  
Chicago, May 28.—A special to the Tribune from Nashville, Tenn., says: "At Vanderbilt University, as a celebra- tion of Founder's day, a custom of Founder's day celebration, a custom instituted in honor of the benefactor, Cornelius Vanderbilt, the medal in veneration, the highest honor in the university, was awarded Chas. Yun Mar- shall, of Soo Chow, China, amid a great demonstration of approval by the audience. His subject was "Miracle of the Twentieth Century," and he gave an eloquent appeal for his country, destined, he argued, yet to be allowed her place among the greatest nations who so long had misused their. Marshall has returned to work forty years, but goes home to his native village in Europe."

## AN EIGHT HOUR DAY.

French Miners Will Strike If Its Legalization Is Not Expedited.  
London, May 28.—The International Miners' Conference now in session in London, and which is attended by many continental delegates, passed a resolution to-day in favor of an eight hour day. The chairman, Mr. Wm. Abraham, expressed the belief that parli- ament would pass an eight hour law in the near future.  
M. Cotte, delegate to the French min- ers, said that if the eight hour bill now before the chamber of deputies did not progress rapidly the French miners were prepared to declare a strike.

## A SHORT SITTING.

Supreme Court of U. S. Dispose of Business in Three Minutes.  
Washington, D. C., May 28.—After a session of three minutes to-day the United States Supreme court adjourned until the second Monday in October. The brief session was devoted to the formal disposition of motions. The two re- maining issues, one of them that of the 14 diamond rings, dealing with im- portations from the Philippines, and the other known as the second Dooley case, involving the question of exportations from the United States to Porto Rico, failed to receive attention to-day, and they go over until next term.

## CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.

Senator Fairbanks Will Be Supported for the Post by Indiana.  
Chicago, May 28.—Senator Fairbanks of Indiana was formally announced to-day as a candidate for president by the Republican committee of 1904. Harry S. New, Republican committeeman from Indiana, who arrived in Chicago to-day, is authority for the statement that Indiana will stand behind Mr. Fairbanks in his race for the honor.

## DESPERATE TRAMPS.

Killed One of Their Captors and Attempted to Shoot Others.  
Carrollton, Mo., May 28.—Chas. H. McKinney, son of a policeman, was killed early this morning while assisting his father in arresting a gang of tramps. Three of the gang were placed in jail, and after a lively fight, in which many shots were exchanged, two more were captured.

## WILL PAY INDEMNITY.

Chinese Plenipotentiaries Agree to Meet Demand of Powers, but Decline to Pay Interest.  
Pekin, May 28.—The Chinese plenipotentiaries have informed the ministers of the powers that the court has notified their willingness to pay indemnity amounting to 450,000,000 taels, but the court objects to four per cent. interest.

## DEATH OF CLERK HARDIE.

Ottawa, May 28.—John Harrie, chief clerk of the marine and fisheries depart- ment, died to-day. He was 30 years in the service and about 67 years of age.

## Kritzinger Checked

British Columns Stop His Advance at Vandeesburg—Boer Mobility Impaired.

General Schoeman and Daughter Killed at Pretoria by Shell Exploding.

Capetown, May 28.—The dash of Kritzinger's invaders of Cape Colony to the south was checked at Vandeesburg by the swift movement of Gorringer's and other columns. The invaders finding their way barred, swerved to the north- east towards Cloetie. The continued capture of horses by the British is ap- preciablely impairing the Boer's mobility. Gen. Schoeman Killed.

Pretoria, May 28.—The Boer General Schoeman and his daughter have been killed, and his wife and two others have been badly injured by the explosion of a shell. Gen. Schoeman and his family and some friends were examining a 4.7-inch Lyddite shell which they kept in the house as a curiosity, when the shell ex- ploded, killing the general on the spot, mortally wounding his daughter and severely injuring his wife and two other persons. Gen. Schoeman was a great Krug- erite. He led the commando of Colesberg and surrendered on the occupation of Pretoria. He was afterwards captured by the Boers and released when the British occupied Barberton. The general then went on a police mission, was re- taken by the Boers and was again re- leased when the British took Pieters- burg. Since that time Gen. Schoeman had resided in Pretoria.

## LABOR TROUBLES.

Two Hundred Machinists Out at Philadelphia—Nine-Hour Day Granted.  
Philadelphia, Pa., May 28.—Nearly 200 machinists joined the strikers' ranks to-day. One hundred and thirty men employed by the Otto Gas Engine Works quit work shortly after 10 o'clock. All the men in the testing machine works struck to-day, but a few hours later a truce was effected, and the men re- turned to work forty years, but goes home to his native village in Europe."

## RAILWAYMEN READY.

Washington, May 28.—Ninety-seven per cent. of the machinists in the employ of the Southern railway have voted to strike for the nine hour day and are now only waiting the order of Presi- dent Roosevelt. The International Association of Machinists, before going out. This was the announcement made to-day by the spokesman of a de- legation of machinists representing the shops of the system.  
Over Two Thousand Out.  
Hartford, Conn., May 28.—A strike of machinists at the Billings and Spencer shops was ordered at noon to-day with the object of enforcing recognition of the union. About 2,500 machinists are now out in the city.  
Difficulties Settled.  
Boston, May 28.—Two firms employ- ing 75 machinists were entered on the lists of union shops at the headquarters of the striking machinists to-day. Both will resume work to-morrow morning.

## DIFFERENCES ADJUSTED.

San Francisco, May 28.—Striking ma- chinists report that 22 shops in this city have signed the union agreement. The machinists reiterate their belief that an adjustment of the differences with for- mer employees will soon be effected.  
Marine Soldiers of Hawaii. Objection is made here to the bringing in of so many children, who will have to be educated at the expense of the territory, and of many men and women who are said to be unlikely to ever become healthy and strong.

## IMMIGRANTS IN BAD FLIGHT.

Porto Ricans Taken to Honolulu Without Strength From Lock of Food.  
Honolulu, May 16, via San Francisco, May 28.—Inspection of the Porto Rican immigrants brought here by the steamer Colon shows that they are in such a state from the need of food that they must be held at the quarantine station and fed until they regain strength sufficient to enable them to bear the journey to the other islands and to the planta- tions on which they will work. A joint committee of the legislature yesterday paid a visit to Quarantine island to in- spect the immigrants. The trip is said to have ended in disagreement as to the condition of the immigrants and their value as citizens of Hawaii. Objection is made here to the bringing in of so many children, who will have to be educated at the expense of the territory, and of many men and women who are said to be unlikely to ever become healthy and strong.

## TO VISIT THE KING.

Members of New York Chamber of Com- merce Will Have an Audience With His Majesty.  
London, May 28.—The visiting mem- bers of New York Chamber of Commerce will visit Windsor Castle June 1st, and will be received by the King. A con- ference between the members of the New York Chamber of Commerce and the London Chamber of Commerce has been arranged for June 3rd. Mr. Morris K. Jessup, president of the New York Cham- ber of Commerce, will preside.

## WHITE-COLLAR HORROR.

Body of Woman Found Mutilated in "Jack the Ripper" Fashion.  
London, May 28.—A sensational murder and case of mutilation has occurred in a low lodging house in Dorset street, Whitechapel, close to the scene of the "Jack the Ripper" murders of 1888. The victim, a woman named Annie Austin, 28 years old, was found dying in a bed- room on Sunday morning, and was re- moved to a hospital, where she expired. The murderer escaped, and the police were notified of the crime until early yesterday. The murderer's long hair and the total lack of a description of him render his apprehension unlikely. The wounds on the lower part of the victim's body are too revolting for description. The woman was conscious when found, but died without making a statement. The police are apprehensive of further outrages, and a panic has been created in the neighborhood.

## London Comment

Press of the World's Metropolis Expresses Opinions on In- sular Decision.

Westminster Gazette Suggests That Force of Monroe Doctrine Has Been Weakened.

London, May 29.—"The world at large stands to gain something by this mo- mentous decision by which congress may devise for the dependencies a form of government outside the American con- stitution," says the Westminster Gazette discussing this afternoon the United States Supreme court's judgment. "With- out the decision," continues the West- minster Gazette, "the United States government would have been unable to adopt more liberal trade policy outside of America than within without disarrang- ing the whole of their continental fiscal system. The relation of America to the European world is modified by the new departure. Colonies mean a navy, a navy means naval bases and coaling stations, and naval bases are insecure unless they are backed up by the pos- session of a hinterland. This is the logic of Imperialism, and may lead the Americans as far as it has led us. More- over by stepping outside their continent the Americans undoubtedly weaken the force of the Monroe doctrine. There is a certain reciprocity in the present ar- rangement that helps to reconcile Euro- peans to their exclusion from South America, and the United States plunge into wider world war by cable, steam, and a strong navy and an American canal, enabling to concentrate on either ocean, she can hardly claim to compete on the European continent. The new de- parture, putting no limit on her expansion. "The entrance of the United States on the scene as a world power is already regarded as a highly disturbing factor by the forces of the Monroe doctrine. The new departure makes it more important than before, for the British and Americans by all possible means, to keep on good terms with each other and settle by friendly negotiations all outstanding differences."  
London, May 29.—The Daily News, which comments upon the decisions of the United States Supreme court in the insular cases as "Perhaps the most mo- mentous which this tribunal has ever called upon to make," says: "It is not progress but retrogression; not the ad- vancement of humanity but that dis- heartening product of times, the mil- litarism of democracy. We venture to think that the framers of the United States constitution would have laughed at the possibility of such a development as incredible."

## BOERS SURRENDER.

Opponents of British Rule Capitulating by the Waggon-Load in Rhodesia—Two Hundred Lay Down Arms.

Capetown, May 29.—Two hundred Boers have surrendered at Palenye, Bechnanland. Forty-two wagon loads of men, women and children have surrendered at Fort Tuli, Rhodesia.  
LOCAL WAGE ARBITRATION.  
Association of Machinists Decides Against National Action.  
Chicago, May 29.—The administrative council of the National Metal Trades Association at a meeting in the Great Northern hotel yesterday adopted resolu- tions regarding the New York agree- ment with the National Association of Machinists. The council decided that it would have no national arbitration of wage question. A committee will be appointed to confer with the local officers of the Machinists' Union to arbitrate wages in Chicago, provided President O'Con- nell shall appoint a committee from the union for the purpose. A telegram was sent to O'Connell asking him to appoint a committee. The strictest secrecy was maintained.

## A NEW PRESIDENT.

New York, May 29.—The Tribune says the presidency of the New York Central to succeed Samuel R. Callaway has been offered to W. H. Newman, president of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway. It is understood that he will accept.

## Declaratory Statement

Presbyterian General Assembly Approves of One Explaining Confession of Faith.

Members Express Their Satisfaction by Raising and Singing the Doxology.

Philadelphia, May 27.—The amend- ment of Rev. Dr. Moffatt to the revision committee's report was carried at the ses- sion of the Presbyterian General Assem- bly to-day. The last clause of the amendment was as follows: "We further recommend that this committee be instructed to prepare a revision of chapter III, chapter X, section 3, chapter XVI, section 7, chapter XXIII, section 3 and chapter XXV, section 6 of our Confession of Faith, either by modification of the text or by declaratory statement, but so far as possible by declaratory statement so as more clearly to express the mind of the church with additional statements concerning the love of God for all men, missions and the Holy Spirit. It being under- stood that the revision shall in no way impair the integrity of the system of doctrine set forth in our confession and taught in the Holy Scripture."  
The amendment was adopted by a two- thirds vote, not one voice being raised in opposition to it. The question was then on the adoption of the majority report, and Dr. Johnson moved that three recommendations contained in the report be taken up separately and the vote on each carried. The recommendations which called for the appointment of a revision committee was adopted with only a few voices against it. A ques- tion then arose on the adoption of the report as a whole. Then the moderator put the question, and there was one great roar of "Aye!" Instantly the assembly rose and sang the Doxology. The moderator then led in prayer.  
The end of the great discussion, which had continued into the fourth day, came so quickly that it took everyone by sur- prise.  
Dr. Baker offered a resolution that the present revision commission be contin- ued; that the committee be increased to 215; that the moderator be given the right thereof, and that he appoint the addi- tional members. This was adopted.  
The assembly decided to continue as secretary of the revision committee Dr. W. H. Roberts of Philadelphia, who is also the stated clerk of the assembly.  
The recommendations were amended and finally adopted by the general assem- bly, and which will be the basis of the report for the revision committee in its work of revising the Confession of Faith, are as follows: "We recommend that a committee as provided for by the form of government, chapter XII, section 3, be appointed by this assembly."  
The assembly proceeded to the con- sideration of the report of the estab- lishment of a court of last resort, to be styled the permanent judicial commis- sion of the general assembly, for the hearing and determination of judicial cases. Under the existing system a special committee is appointed by the gen- eral assembly to try each case sent up from the synods of presbyteries.  
The intention is to abolish "as plan by establishing an ecclesiastical supreme court which would be composed of three members, and from the decision of which there shall be no appeal.  
The principal paragraph of the report was amended slightly by inserting the words "and the general assembly shall not elect to try before its whole body," and is as follows:  
"The court of last resort for the hear- ing and determination of judicial cases, which the general assembly shall elect to try before its whole body shall be styled 'the permanent judicial commis- sion of the general assembly,' and shall be composed of eight ministers and sev- eral ruling elders, who shall be elected by the general assembly."  
"At the first election five persons shall be elected, annually to serve for one year, five for two years, and five for three years, and thereafter five persons shall be elected annually to serve for three years, and thereafter five persons shall be elected annually to serve for three years; any vacancy may be filled by the general assembly at any meeting thereof by the election of a person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term."  
The report was adopted.  
Philadelphia, May 28.—The 112th Presbyterian General Assembly was dissolved at 6:15 to-night by Moderator Minton, after having been in session for nearly two weeks.  
To-day for the first time since the as- sembly convened, the equanimity of the members of personalities. The trou- ble occurred during the discussion on the chairmanship of the revision com- mittee. Rev. Dr. J. D. Moffatt suggest- ed a change in the minutes of yester- day's session so that the records would show that a new committee had been appointed to revise the creed, regardless of the old committee, of which Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Dickey, of this city, was chairman. His suggestion was adopted, and Rev. Dr. J. E. Moffatt, of Cum- berland, Md., moved that Moderator Minton be elected chairman of the com- mittee. This incensed the friends of Dr. Dickey, and although Dr. Moffatt's motion prevailed, the subject was re- referred later in the session by Rev. S. J. Nichols, of St. Louis.  
Dr. Nichols moved to reconsider the motion, but as he had not been present during the early debate, he was declar- ed out of order. The motion to recon- sider was then renewed by W. D. Crockett, of Canton, Pa. Realizing the

## Will Pay the Indemnity

China at Last Accepts the Terms Imposed by Great Britain.

Oriental Government Will Give Powers Over Three Hundred Million Dollars.

London, May 29.—Dr. Morrison, wir- ing to the Times from Peking, says: "M. De Giers has announced that Russia agrees to the formation of a mixed com- mission such as is provided for in the British proposal. It is expected that Russia will also agree to Great Britain's indemnity proposal."  
"Count von Walderssee has written to the ministers of the powers proposing that the provisional government of Tien Tsin shall continue until the last troops have been withdrawn, but the ministers are generally in favor of permitting the Chinese to resume the government forth- with."  
China Yields.  
Washington, May 29.—The department of state has been informed reliably that the Chinese government has issued a de- cree agreeing to pay an indemnity of \$500,000,000, the equivalent to about \$387,000,000, at the present rate of ex- change.  
It is known now the whole subject of indemnity will be closed up before the end of the present month. If that is not done and evacuation is not under way on a large scale, then the Chinese government must be assessed \$1,000,000 each day after June 1st next to com- pensate the powers for the maintenance of their military forces in China.  
Under this whip the Chinese govern- ment has been forced to yield. It is not known that the powers have agreed on the extent of the guarantee, but now that the amount of the indemnity is fixed not much difficulty is expected on this score.  
The United States government has not taken part in the selection of a military commandant to succeed Field Marshal von Walderssee in the supreme command at Peking. The American legation guard will be answerable to the United States minister in charge.

## ISLANDER AT VANCOUVER.

Steamer Reaches Terminal City on Her Return From Alaska—Yukon Navigation.  
Vancouver, May 29.—Steamer Islander arrived at noon, completing her first round trip in five and a half days. She brought news that the steamer Zea- landian arrived at Dawson on Friday, and would be back at White Horse to- day. It will be the 15th of June before navigation opens at LeBarge.  
John Dolan was drowned at Dawson last Friday, and T. Delaney died from hydrophobia, resulting from the bite of a dog. J. McKee came down from Ath- len, and has put through a deal for the sale of his claims to Lord Hamilton's syndi- cate.  
A meeting of fishermen will be held this evening to protest against the pro- vince taking over the fisheries.

## HALF PILOTAGE ABOLISHED.

New Rule Applying to Nanaimo—Great Increase in Population of Montreal and Toronto.  
Ottawa, May 29.—It is said that when all the returns for Montreal and suburbs are in, the population will be shown to be 310,000. Toronto will be about 222-000.  
Judge Clark and Drinkwater of the Canadian Pacific railway had a long in- terview with Sir Louis Davies to-day about foreshore grants around Burrard Inlet.  
An Order-in-Council has been passed abolishing half-pilotage at Nanaimo. This means that no pilot is used, no fees will be paid. Formerly in such cases half pilotage was exacted.

## TO SURVEY NEW PASS.

Nanaimoites Raising Money to Ascertain Feasibility of New Route for Railway—Death of Pioneer.  
Nanaimo, May 29.—Wm. Morgan, one of the oldest mining pioneers of British Columbia, died last night at Northfield, aged 77 years. He was a native of Wales. He came to this country over 30 years ago. He was once manager of a silver mine in Mexico. He was prominent in Orange circles.  
Nanaimo board of trade has voted \$100 to make a preliminary survey of the newly discovered passes between Na- naimo and China creek, on the route of the proposed Nanaimo-Alberni railway. The balance required will be made up by public subscription.

## ONLY A NAME.

Cuba's Nationality Merged in That of the United States.  
Havana, May 29.—The Cuban constitu- tional convention will not hold further sessions until after the municipal elec- tions. President Capote visited Gov- ernor-General Poo this morning, taking over the proposed election law which will be the next work of the convention. The general intention is that the United States would ask that some changes be made in the constitution. El Mundo says: "By the vote of yesterday, Cuba's independence and nationality were made subjects of the United States. In fu- ture we shall be only a name on the map of the world."

## THE FRASER.

Yale, May 28.—River 34 feet above low water at 7 o'clock this morning. It rose 2 feet since 2 o'clock yesterday after- noon.