A POINT OF HONOR.

In his speech on Friday evening Sir

all public enterprises with which he had anything to do, as he felt that no one undertaking the high and responsible position of leader of Her Majesty's govposition in which his impartiality might the premier of the country should be enthese are the principles of every highminded and honest minister, and that there is no more praise due to Sir Charles Tupper for having strictly observed them than there is due to any man, no matter how humble or how high, who strictly have postulated is, of course, that all parliamentary career? We ask because, had the bitterest foe of the Turner administration desired to deal that party of PRIVATE BUSINESS AND PUBLIC politicians a blow that would wound their tenderest sensibilities and tear the covering from that which they wish to done so more trenchantly or more effec- liceman's lot, cannot be a happy one. Seltively than Sir Charles Tupper did it on dom have we met with a more frontless if any of the Turner cabinet were pres- tunate Colonist serves up this morning ent on that interesting occasion they as an apologia for the time-serving must have winced most dreadfully and gentlemen who compose that strange aswished a check on Sir Charles' too, too sortment of politicians known as the candid tongue. We do not envy their Turner administration. What the Colofeelings at that awkward moment when nist calls "the best and only answer" Canada's late premier told of his manly to the charge we made against the Turresignation of all extraneous business ner government yesterday is no answer that he might give his powers untram- at all; it is purely and simply the old meled to the service of his country, as red-herring-across-the-trail trick, at duty and honor demanded. Was Min- which the Colonist is by this time pasttive practice to enter politics unhamper- ters. If, as the Colonist says, "no one ed. Has Minister Eberts relinquished claims that ministers of the Dominion his big legal practice? Does his connec- or the Provinces should do anything of tion with the government bring any more | the sort" (relinquish private business on grist to his mill than would come if he assuming public office), how comes it were not a minister? We merely ask be- that Sir Charles Tupper considered it cause we do not know for certain; al- his duty to do so? And if he considerthough we suppose we are entitled to ed it his duty to do so the inference is shrewd suspicions, on which we claim surely perfectly clear that what is duty Liverpool and the other the London of patent rights. Was Minister Pooley for him in that connection he must look Canada; but without us, the Newcastle present? As special representative in upon as duty for all other ministers. of Canada, you can do nothing-you'd the government of a railway corporation | Surely the Colonist will admit that there how did he relish the somewhat acrid is no man in Canada to-day who should mouthful of plain facts and honest prin- know better than Sir Charles Tupper ciple Sir Charles was ladling around so what the duties of a statesman are. freely? As a lawyer with a fat practice, When the Colonist declares that "notha clientele among the "elite" of the ing Sir Charles Tupper said could be province, and high English legal connect twisted to mean anything of the kind" tions, did he have a bad quarter of an we must, in protest, ask it to read its hour just then? We are haunted by a own report Sir Charles's speech. We melancholy suspicion that a splendid ser- have seen a naughty boy, in spite of ies of snap shot studies in ministerial whackings and remonstrances, stubbornfacial expression, when the ministers ly maintain that black was white; what were under duress of Sir Charles' open | end, may we ask, does the Colonist hope confession, has been irretrievably lost to to gain, or what point make, by such the photographic world. We presume unreasonable perversions and untenthat Sir Charles had no desire to "cut up able arguments? A still graver charge rough" on his friends, the Turner min- than wilful perversion may lie against istry; but his remarks, if merely mal a the Colonist if it persists in maintaining propos, were even more crushing than that Sir Charles Tupper said he did not deliberate sarcasm or studied invective lay down all private interests on assumcould have been. We trust that the Turner government will lay to heart the words of Sir Charles and go and do likewise. As in that highest of all calls so it must be with the minister of state -"forsake all and follow me." We leave the Turner government to their own unenviable reflections.

NEW YORK'S CALAMITY.

Tammany triumphs once more. Van Wyck, the high-minded patriot who achieved the lofty distinction of devouring twenty-three beefsteaks at a sitting, is the choice of the intelligent electorate of New York city, Van Wyck was a fitting representative of Tammany. Tammany wants no mere philosopher or philanthropist who has written a book that has materially influenced the thought of the world's best men; it and life-the blood-pure, rich, red blood. wants no man who has shown a dangerous and degrading sympathy for the poor, and betrayed an alarming desire to mitigate the evils and injustice from which they suffer. No, what Tammany wants is a man whose stomach is more capacious than his soul; a man who can be made a tool of, and who has plenty of hooks about him to which controlling Hood's Pills curellverills, easy to take, wires can be attached. And Tammany

in such a responsible position as that of their unconvicted fellows. Europeans could go no farther. may well pause in amazement to concumbered with duties of any other nature. We may remark in passing that anywhere on the globe. It might be thought that the bitter fruits of experience, which is said to teach fools, would have been sufficient for the New Yorkers. The Empire City knows full well that Tammany rule means municipal does his duty. The corollary of what we shake herself free of that gang of unprincipled spoilsmen it is astonishing ministers ought to be high-minded and that she should not have seized it. honorable, and that no praise is due to Greater New York has made a deplorany minister for doing his manifest and ably bad start of it; the consequences let bounden duty. To return to the main her rue at her leisure. The most imquestion, we may ask: Is it possible placable foe of the city could have wishvating to a still greater degree that again cursed by the rotten rule of Boss faculty of biting satire for which he has | Croker and his piratical crew. They will | and juicy, but Greater New York is a dripping roast.

OFFICE.

ed by few other men in the prov- that is not a bad proportion, we think,

induced by the use of coca, opiate or narcotic compounds is bad, decidedly bad. They undermine health and shatter the constitution and the patient is steadily growing into a worse condition -often resulting in the terrible slavery and misery of the cocaine and opium habit. Sleep induced by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla does not perhaps come as quickly, but it comes more surely and more per manently through nature's great restoring and rejuvenating channel - purified vitalized and enriched blood. This feeds the nerves with life-giving energy and builds up the system and constitution from the very foundation of all health

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New York. Those who have made even the Colonist is trying to foist upon the by the name of St. Mungo! Prodigious! a superficial study of the history and pol- issue, but it cannot mislead us. Let the Charles Tupper touched upon a matter ities of New York city may be pardoned Colonist read its own report of the that very nearly concerns the gentlemen for standing aghast at the blind infatua- speech and see if the hypothesis upon composing the cabinet of the Hon. Mr. tion of the New Yorkers. It seems al- which it has expended so much pains is Turner. Sir Charles said that when he most incredible that an intelligent peo not utterly factitious; quite foreign to ple would deliberately pass into the the question under consideration. The was called upon to form an administration keeping of a gang of convicted scoun. Colonist's concluding sentence is an he at once resigned his connection with drels the government of their city. New amazing instance of its incorrigible York has for years literally groaned un- propensity to throw dust in the eyes of der the Tammany yoke; the shameful its readers: "That the members of the machinations of the ring have been ex- provincial government have large private posed again and again; members of that interest gives the people of British Colernment should allow himself to retain a ring have been convicted of malfeas umbia an additional guarantee that they ance in office and have been sent to jail, have a ministry composed of practica be influenced. He also felt that no one leaving a heavy suspicion resting ou and reliable (sic) men." Sycophancy

HON, MR. SIFTON IN VICTORIA

the British Columbia Board of Trade

In the course of his reply to the ad-

the Hon. Mr. Sifton gave a most lucid strangulation; and with the chance to with regard to the rapidly developing west. The minister of the interior, tak ing up the items of the address seriatim. said much upon each point that was eminently satisfactory to the large and rethat in his old age Sir Charles is culti- ed her nothing more terrific than to be statement as to why he travelled north, namely, to find out for himself on the spot exactly the conditions with which been distinguished throughout his long now be in clover; New York was fat the department would have to deal, was general and unstinted. The announcement made by the minister that the 100 pounds exemption concession made at the special request of the United States government would be abolished, and that Another "explanation" from the Col- all goods not purchased in Canada would keep hidden from the public gaze and the onist. The post of apologist-in-general have to pay duty, was hailed with unpublic examination he could not have for the Turner government, like the po- qualified pleasure by the meeting; as also was the statement regarding the very thorough manner in which the govern-Friday evening. We rather fancy that sophistry than that which the unforment is going about the establishment of customs posts and effective police supervision of the whole district. Mr. Sifton frankly declared that he could not see eye to eye with Victorians in the matter of the sale of mining licenses, which he thought might not be found to work quite as smoothly as the people here thought. The matter, he assured his hearers, will receive the most careful consideration. Mr. Sifton's note of warning respecting the alleged carelessness of packing miners' supplies was referred to ister Col. Baker there, the gentleman master. Sir Charles Tupper, as is well-by Mr. Ker, who pointed out very clearly rancher and victim of the insatiable known, and by none better than the the conditions governing those supplies land hunger; the railway and coal lands | Colonist, is the pattern followed by Mr. | and assured the minister that the matspeculator? What did he think of Sir Turner and his merry men in the cab- ter was one to which the merchants of Charles Tupper's remarks about keep- inet. In the jaunty parlance of the Victoria were fully alive. Mr. Sifton ing clean hands when in office? Was turf, what Sir Charles says "goes every could hold out no hope of the mining Minister G. B. Martin there? The ranch- time" with his disciples, except on one royalties being abolished or of any prosing properties and development, and When Sir Charles begins to talk about appropriating alternate claims to the govknows a choice piece of land when he highfalutin principles and self-abnega- ernment. Respecting the arrangements sees it. Did he sit at ease in his chair tion for his country's good Mr. Turner for banking at Dawson, gold escorts and when Sir Charles mentioned the minis- & Co. put their fingers in their ears and other vital questions, he had much that terial white hands? Was Premier Tur- can't hear a single word of those Spar- was encouraging to say. The weighty ner there? The man who violates the tan renunciations. The Colonist ady matter of a British Columbia mint is to principle enunciated by Sir Charles, vio- duces two cases of federal ministers be duly considered, and the outlook in the power had been turned off for ten inlilates it every day of his life by engaging who maintain their connection with priregard to the Songhees reserve is very utes to adjust some portion of the main private husiness to an extent survate husiness two out of fourteen Well satisfactory. The popular to the adjust some portion of the main private business to an extent sur- vate business; two out of fourteen. Well, satisfactory. The reply to the address satisfactory. The reply to the address two seconds the engine room was a heap was eminently satisfactory to all the of steaming runs. Fortunately it was ince. Was Minister Eberts there? Sir Twelve ministers are entirely at the ser- gentlemen present, and the unanimous Charles was a medical man; he relin- vice of the country; two are in the con- expressions of approval to which they quished what must have been a lucra- dition of Mr. Turner and all his minis- frequently gave way throughout the speech proved conclusively that the Hon. Mr. Sifton has the full confidence of our business men in all that he has done and is doing in regard to opening up and improving the routes to and the trade of

> Nanaimo Review: "Go it, Vancouver and Victoria! One of you may be the freeze.'

the Jersey Lily, who has all along pretended she supported him, is left an income of \$1,500, a year. She has now the means of living securely in luxury to the end of her days and no excuse left for defaming the memory of a man who was too good for her.

"Two years ago," says the Hamilton Times, "Ogilvie, the flour mill man, was busy trying to make the people believe that Grit rule meant ruin to the Northwest. He has just returned from a trip through that part of the country, and is delighted with what he saw. 'It was truly wonderful,' he told an interviewer, 'everything up there seems to be improved, and I don't believe I ever saw and ploughed big holes in the wharf, litgeneral business look so solid and pros- tering the yards with iron tubing perous as I did on this trip." Ogilvie

had to retract. Naturally enough the Vancouver World sees nothing amiss in what Lieut.-Governor Dewdney did the other day at the government buildings. Of course not; a newspaper that cracks a solemn pledge fiesh was burning when a fellow-workman of honor as nonchalantly as a monkey cracks a nut must necessarily have a somewhat foggy notion of what honor and dignity mean. The only clever, "right smart" men in the World's oblique view are those who hoodwink and dupe their fellows. Hence its boost to Governor Dewdney; at which he ought to feel highly honored.

The Vancouver Word is not a paper from which we expect much in the way of accuracy, but when it undertakes to copy from our columns we wish it would not make quite so ludicrous a hash of things as it has done in regard to our articles on Glasgow as a municipality. The World, so long as it keeps to the lines laid down by us is all right, but when it attempts to air its own views it displays an abyssmal depth of ignorance. In a brief discourse urging Vancouver to imitate Glascow's example it winds up by remarking that a little ers.

has got him; he is now mayor of Greater ing public office. This is a petty quibble over 100 years ago Glasgow was known 'COFFIN AS A GRUBBOX New York. Those who have made even the Colonist is trying to foist upon the by the name of St. Mungo! Prodigious!

Klondike pilgrims who think they need shooting-irons will be interested to learn that a benefactor of the human race, re- The Body of an Indian Child Dump. joicing in the name of Bridgmaun, and hailing from Bavaria, has invented a revolver which, when the trigger is pulled, fires six shots in two seconds, sending 42 calibre steel bullets through a six-inch hardwood plank at 300 yards. The only thing capable of stopping those balls will be the brazen cheek of the man who asks during the Yukon winter: "Is it cold enough for you?"

Field Marshal Lord Wolseley has instituted another reform in army matters which has dismayed not a few young men in Britain. It is to the effect that small, wiry man, who do not come up to the new standard of weight dress presented to him this morning by cannot be accepted as recruits for the British army. It is amazing to see the perexposition of the government's intentions | petuation of the antiquated notion that a big man must be a strong man or Canadian voyageurs are mostly short.

For bald crudity and want of tact, the ney's faux pas last Thursday beats anything we have ever seen. The paragraph begins by admitting the fact hitherto disputed by the Colonist, that absurd manner as described) for the exwhose name shall be put upon it." We wish the Colonist better luck "explanations."

Engine Room of the Royal City Mills, Vancouver, Is Blown to Atoms.

of Men Are Seriously Injured.

Vancouver, Nov. 3 .- A terrific boiler exthe men's dinner time, and but three men were buried in the wreck. Four workmen were in the boiler room, and their escape from instant death was miraculous. blackened and bleeding forms of George Scully, a Salvation Army soldier, George Forbes and George Griffiths were carried to the hospital, on boards. Their prompt rescue from beneath the hot bricks and iron gave them a fighting chance for life. In seven minutes, from the time of the accident the fire brigade had extinguished the flames and the work of clearing wreck in search for other bodies had com-

The first intimation had by anyone of impending danger was the loud report, heard all over the city, and those living in the vicinity of the mills saw a huge upheaval of flame, smoke, splintered wood, and iron. The fire bells rang throughout the city, and all the doctors were immedi-By the will of the late Mr. Langtry ately telephoned for; the wildest rumors prevailed, and not until this evening could the actual results of the accident be ob-

One hundred men were just entering the yards from their dinners up town and saw the accident. Ten minutes later, and the fatality would have been awful. Mr. Fer guson, the manager of the mills, said that he could give no cause for the bursting of Several workmen expressed their orinion, but it was only an oninion. No facts could be obtained. One workman said the boiler was comparatively new, built by the British Columbia Iron only last spring, and at the time of the accident the engine had but a moderate head of steam on. Another workman said the boiler was overworked. Still another said the boiler was old and rickety. men coming back to work describe the accident as follows: "There was a great crash. A huge mass

splinters. The roof and side of the is not the only Tory prophet who has on the tool house, flattening it to the earth. One man was inside and ran to the creek, escaping. The engineer was walking to-wards the boiler room door when the explosion occurred. He was struck on the leg with a brick, but escaped further injuries. Sully fell under the almost red-hot seized the plate and lifted it off, burning his hands terribly. The fourth man in the boiler room was J. Martin. He was stand-

> has a compound fracture of the leg and is very badly burned. U. S. MINISTER WHITE.

Vienna, Nov. 3.-The Tageblatt to-day publishes a report of an interview with the United States ambassador to Ger-

ed From Its Resting-Place by a Prospector.

The Phonograph Man Strikes Dawson City-Valuable Nuggets Found in the Tailings.

Dawson City; N.W.T., Sept. 13.-To

the Klondike excitement is due a new

phase in the art of purloining. An in-

stance has been seldom, if ever, recorded utilized as a grub box, but such a grue- fortunate voyage down the river. Con some incident occurred the other day on gratulating themselves on their good the trail between Lakes Bennett and luck and having tired of camp cooking, Linderman, not far from Dyea, at the having a good supper. The proposition head of Lynn canal, Alaska. A party was accepted, and, entering the first of four or five prospectors who were prehave more endurance than a little man. ceding the grand rush to the Klondike and napkins, they ordered a full course The reverse is nearer the truth. Our were in camp near Lake Bennett, port- and a small bottle of wine. The menu aging their supplies around a wicked little stream that forms the outlet for and moose steaks and the usual assort light, wiry men; and experience has Lake Linderman. One of the men, by ment of side dishes. There is hardly shown that in an 'arduous' campaign the name of Dan McPherson, a farmer any doubt but what they greatly en presentative gathering of Victoria merchants who filled the board rooms. The
applause which greeted the minister's
and that the men who come
to have been endowed with more intelto ligence, wandered off up on the lower bench of one of the mountains which dollar gold piece and taking a toothpick overlooks the lakes that so clearly re- said: explanation now offered by the Colonist flect the glaciers and summits of snow regarding Lieutenant-Governor Dewd- of the peaks which are sharply profiled against an azure tinted sky. His path led along a wild and picturesque trail to which closely resembled a bridal veil.

we as we've just arrived and are not No spot in all the cragged vales of this Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney did de- great ocean of wild volcanic formation "That's not enough yet, my friend, sire to open the buildings (in the could add to the beauties of nature's Your bill is \$52." handiwork in this charming little nook, press purpose of having his name put Up in one corner, where the unseen hand nestling so closely between the rocks. upon the mural plate of brass; and had artistically built a natural bier, winds up with the childish and utterly rested a coffin -that of an Indian child, inconsequent remark that "his name is one of the few bright and natural flow-ers of this wild and inhospitable mounnot yet upon the plate," and that "no tainous country. The parents had been instructions have been yet sent as to subjected to the refining influences of missionary teachings and had reared the ment of the expense?" meekly asked the Ther is in that paragraph an almost only blossom of their household in a young Tacoma gold hunter, as he and pathetic imperception of the facts in the manner calculated to eliminate the elements of savagery from the systems of between them could only produce \$48.65 their future generations. When their The restaurant keeper made out a slip little girl baby died and crossed the which read: divide the snows were deep on the moun- 1 can eastern oysters for two....\$1500 tain passes, and the northern winds down 1 roast duck for two....... 400 from the Arctic circle made the trip to 2 porterhouse moose steaks..... 300 Dyea, a distance of 40 miles across a 1 pint bottle of champagne.... 30 00 trailless range of wild mountains, a most hazardous undertaking. Though used to such scenes, the mother would not consent to their little one being carried across, but expressed a desire that it should be placed in a coffin and left near the lakes and in the summer to come they sence of a dozen miners, who were would return and take the remains to or who feels "deeply interested" in minpoint—that which touches their pockets. pect of the abrogation of the provision.

No Lives Lost, but a Number The father made the trip to Dyea and thence to Juneau, where he purchased the finest coffin that money could buy and returned with it on his back to the tepee of his helpmate, and there found nickels. her keeping a faithful vigil over the The next morning I passed their camp dead. Tenderly and with care only as they were getting ready for breakknown to the hands of fond parents, they fast. The meal consisted of fried bacon, carefully laid the corpse in the coffin and placed it on the bier in a little nook not far from the camp. It was late in after a few preliminary remarks incithe fall and they went away to their dental to th

McPherson headed by C. C. Burns, more commonly restaurants after having been subjected known as "Little" Burns, of Seattle, to a bacon and black coffee diet for a and was of a roving disposition, and in one of his meanderings he chanced to find the coffin and concluded that, inas- a sickly attempt to smile and a sly glance much as the party was without a provis- at his comrade. "We took supper at a ion box, it would be just the proper thing restaurant last night and the bill was for such a purpose. Without fear of the dead, the lid was carefully removed and the withered form of the little girl was rudely dumped out on the cruel, sharp rocks, and he carried the coffin back to

camp Oh, it was only an Indian coffin, and in this wild country what was the difference, and who would be the wiser?

A few nails, a hinge or two, and the littlecasket, which was so neatly lined inside with white velvet, was the receptacle for food and cooking utensils. That evening a party of Indians arrived and camped close by on the banks of the lake. The next morning they were about at an early hour and as the sun was peeping over the summit, there came. scream, a howl of lamentation from the mountain, side above and presently a large and faithful dog came bounding down the decline into Burns' camp. A moment later an Indian and his wife followed and a dozen others came along in their wake. They had discovered the crime of the vandal and putting their dog on the trail, the animal, with almost the instinct of a human being, led them to where the coffin was.

To say that the party was badly scared is a mild way of expressing a fact that requires considerable emphasis. They were terrified and offered no resistance when the Indians took possession of the casket and emptied the contents out on the ground. Then came wow and the consideration of damages and restitution. Burns and the others threw the blame on McPherson and the Indians immediately rounded him up and demanded satisfaction.

east, and had often heard pioneers tell of experiences in crossing the great American desert in the days of '49, and tance of 20 or 25 feet, holes will be visions came before him of tomahawking, running the gauntlet and bloody scalps dangling at the waists of blood- are started to thaw the ice out of the thirsty savages. He was so completely ground. Workmen immediately pick and terrified and pleaded so hard for mercy that the Indians scorcely had time to get it up on the dumps. The drift or tunnel a word in edgewise. In the course of follows the paystreak along on the bed-an hour the matter was amicably ar- rock and in most instances runs off in ranged by McPherson giving to the wronged parents all of his blankets and tunnels are dark and candles are used. supplies, and the party lost no time in | The men work in their shirt sleeves getting out of the country. Arriving at while down in the drifts and do not Dawson City in almost a destitute con- feel the cold. The man above who dition, McPherson sought employment istands by the winch and hauls up the as steward on one of the river steamers.

A phonograph man struck town recent ly and opened up his stock of amuse ments. Many of the eldtimers who have been in the wilds of the Yukon for the humanity and commercial interests will compel them to intervene.

The receil of General Weyler, Mr.

The receil of the diditions who had below with the didition of the lide of the winter only two on three of the winter only two on three of the w as steward on one of the river steamers, beravel has the coldest job of them all,

operator \$500 for his box of amuse bargain was closed. Then old fellow soon realized that he was incapable of making the "gol derned thing go," as he pressed it, and then for \$20 a day he hired the former owner to do nothing else except to operate the machine for the edification of his friends in a saloon, For several days the new owner was busily occupied in rounding up his friends and bringing them in to hear "a whole how of band music and them actors acting and them thar electioneering fellars,"

he called it. The phenograph was unstand the strain and in the course of a month it was non compos mentis and the owner promptly started the operator back to civilization with sufficient stake to buy another. He has not returned. Some one arrived and reported that he was in an asylum for in ebriates at Portland.

Two young men arrived from Taco where a grave was robbed and the coffin ma the other evening after a quick and consisted of eastern oysters, roast duck to the counter, one of them threw a 20.

"Take out for two." "You'll have to come again," said the proprietor

"Oh, isn't that enough; well, here's anfamiliar with frotier prices."

"W-h-a-t, you don't mean to say you're going to charge us f-i-f-t-y - t-w-o d-o-l I-a-r-s for our supper? Why, in Tama it wouldn't cost over \$7 or \$8." "Yes, but you're not in Tacoma, and besides \$52 is what it'd cost you in any other restaurant in Dawson,"

"Will you please make out a statehis partner emptied their purses and

Observing the depressed condition of their finances and tenderly appreciating their embarrassed condition in the preamused at the predicament of the newcomers, the restaurant keeper said:

"Oh, never mind, boys, that's near enough. Here, keep this odd change; we've no use for it up here," and he handed them back \$1.15 in dimes and

beans, pancakes and coffee. Their countenance bore a serious expression and home at Dyea, intending to return this and the chilly condition of the weather, I remarked that most of the new arrivals was one of the party preferred to board a few days at the month.

> "It's different with us," said one with over \$50 and it broke the two of us to pay it.

Some very large and valuable nuggets are being found in the tailings of the sluices. On Berry's claim the other day one of the richest in the district, a 78dollar nugget was picked up. The tailings are being re-worked, and several other pieces of gold ranging in value from \$2 to \$18 were found. The abandoned tailings of other claims are equally as rich and many of the owners are calculating on working over the old ground next year. As I have stated elsewhere, the sluice boxes are adapted for saving fine gold, and it sometimes occurs, as is often the case in other places, where large nuggets are carried off in the swift water with the gravel. The finest gold that is now being saved is about one-third as large as a grain of corn, or the size of a kernel of wheat All the miners agree that much fine gold escapes and that it will be a profitable undertaking to put in more expensive and ingenious devices for saving the finer particles of the metal which is now lost. One disadvantage which the owners are now suffering from is the inability of the local saw mills to furnish enough lumber to make sluice boxes. The demand exceeds the supply by fully 40 or 50 per cent., and it may be the means of preventing several of the dumps on the largest mines being slufced early next ring. The only inconvenience will be the delay, as the dumps can be worked

later in the season.

engaged in cutting cordwood and erect-McPherson was just out from the ing cabins for the accommodation of workmen this winter. As soon as the heavy frosts freeze the earth to a dissunk and the work of drifting commenced. Reaching bedrock, large fires. shovel the gravel into buckets and haul three or four directions. Naturally, the

At present the mine owners are busily

VAN WYCK'S

Mighty Host of Office Hold manded by the Mayor of er New York.

Thirty-Three Thousand Regul aried Officials-As Much as the President.

New York, Nov. .- The He "More than 50,000 persons v or indirectly draw pay from the first administration of the Greater New York. The 33,000 of these, whose names ly be on the city's pay-roll. gate \$33,000,000. Part of the represents the salaries and of the officers elected on Tu this is comparatively small, r total representing the s pa Greater New York's first may A. Van Wyck. A conservative of those who will draw pay from city contracts and the 000. Mayor Strong at the tim city charter was passed estin force was equal to, if not exc and second only to the president United States in value as Mr. Van Wyck can lead an office holders and those indir ployed by the city as great as of the Potomac."

CANADIAN BRIEF

Montreal, Nov. 2.-General Alger, secretary of war in the cabinet, arrived to-day on pri ness. He paid an informal United States warship Yantic, on her way to Detroit. Montreal, Nov. 2.-Mary I 26. committed suicide this n taking carbolic acid. The two-year-old hoy were terr by the acid, showing that had attempted to kill the chil-

herself. Hamilton, Nov. 2.-The W ford manufacturing company made a reduction of 10 per wages, but yesterday Senato announced that owing to pr improvement in trade he had restore wages to the figures

year ago. Montreal, Nov. 2.-Rolan Israel Barnett, known as o wreckers of the Central bank, to, in connection with which a term in Kingston, was th convicted of stealing a \$750 no ed with him as security on an He will be sentenced to-morn Toronto, Nov. 2.-David Nelson, B.C., was married th to Miss Caroline Hall, daught John Hall, formerly of Britis bia. The ceremony was per the Church of the Redeemer Septimus Jones.

Newcastle, Ont., Nov. 2.ney, the Conservative leader, r tour to-day, but owing to a he of rain his meetings had to be Norwood, Ont., Nov. 3 .- Th drien, of this place, has been

Gnll Lake Owen Sound, Ont., Nov. Lucas, of Brooklyn, has been Conservative dandidate for t ture for East Grev.

Newmarket, Ont., Nov. 3.-1 win and a hired girl were near iated by coal gas. They were in the house nearly three da Irwin is in a very critical co Toronto, Nov. 3 .- The coro in the case of John Hutton ceased had died from a stab f of shears in the hands of but held that the latter had I

vocation. Montreal, One., Nov. 3.train containing 200 Chiname West Indies left here yeste Vancouver.

Toronto, Nov. 3 .- There was at Havelock, on the C.P.R., by a freight train running i engine. Both engines and were smashed. Brakeman Fireman Curtis were slightly Engineer Hatton seriously, p tally hurt. R. Peck, C.P.R. coupler. wa

Applehill, near Smith's Falls, Dr. Bessy, charged with a procuring abortion, and Jame charged with murdering his committed for trial by the pol trate this morning.

Clerk of the Presbytery R Tibb has received from R Clements, of Pittston, accept call to Chalmers' Church past The Beaver line of steams! practically have the contract for antic mail service from the Can ernment from the 20th inst., p curing two new steamers to assi keeping up the weekly service. be put on from St. John and one in the spring when the turns to Montreal.

The government had before it the matter of the proposed insolve lation, especially because it is British merchants and financial Hon. Mr. Rielding at the present Ottawa, Nov. 3.-Instructions issued from the government to ments urging them to expedite t ation of annual rports, so as to l ness for an early session of parl Kingston, Nov. 4 .- Archbi Mrs. Lewis have returned her year's absence.

Brantford, Nov. 4.-The Gra Railway Company have sent of Brantford amounting to \$33,500 ing the car works' bonus with A deputation from Brantford v Grand Trunk management yes Montreal to protest against the of the shops to London. Gene ager Hayes spoke of the necess hange in the interests of the but declared that Brantford in would not be at any disadvantag Montreal, Nov. 4.-The Royal Hospital which Lord Mount Sto ona presented to Mont cost of \$2,000,000, has alread lood small, and the governors ng plans for a \$100,000 Toronto, Nov. 4.-At the civic ee on legislation yesterday the tion to pass a by-law making it

able offence to spit on the sidev