above provisions appear as section 3 of chapter 38 of the Provincial Voters Act. It was after 1888 that the Jap-

wincial legislation.

My London agents inform me that this case will probably not be heard until November. You will, therefore, have ample time to prepare your argument.

Such a proposition is not law, and that the legislature of this province has the right to confer or withhold the electoral franchise in any way it deems fit.

4. "An Act respecting Liquor Licentical agents are called the right to confer or withhold the electoral franchise in any way it deems fit.

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Mr. A. E. Waterhouse is erecting a large hall at New Alberni, and it is expected that the building will be finished in January next.

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Inondon, Dec. 27.—Advices have been received here today that the British steamer Mombassa, bound from Calcutta for New York, was abandoned on file on December 23, in latitude 45 N., longitude 86 E. The crew was saved and landed at Colombo. The Mombassa was owned by the Glasgow Navigation Limited (MacClay & MacIntyre), of Glasgow. She was built in 1899 at Port Glasgow, was of 2,539 tons net register, was 344 feet long, had 49 feet 9 inches beam, and was 17 feet 9 inches deep.

THE CASE FOR

RICHARD ADDRESS

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Boston, Mass., Dec. 27.—Dr. D. E. Salmon, chief of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, has issued a statement regarding the prosecution of the work of exterminating the foot and mouth disease, and especially in answer to the efforts of certain persons who have systematically tried to work up a sentiment against the killing of herds infected. He says: We are the foot and infected. He says: We are the foot and infected in Popular Mechanics:

Busing is tabooed by the scientists as a means of spreading contagious disease, and the saking of hands is now placed in the same category by Dr. J. M. Hirsch, of Ohicago. He says, as quoted in Popular Mechanics:

"The most delicate perfume upon the hand is neither a sign of freedom from germs nor a protection and the foot and in the coal at the mines has been pretty well cleared up. During the past week the shipments have been the smallest since resumption took place. It is not believed that they amounted to over 90,000 tons, as compared with 275,-000 tons last week. Today's coal run amounted to less than 400 cars, and the same number were sent down yesterday, compared with a daily average of 1,600 cars last week. Cleveland. O

IN THE HOUSE Funeral of Frederick Miller a Pioneer of the City. The funeral of the late Frederick Miller took place yesterday afternoon from Mr. Hanna's parlors. Deceased, who was 65 years of age, died rather suddenly last Sunday at his residence, Pendray street. He was a member of the Royal Engineers, and had resided for many years in Victoria, working at his trade as a tailor.

Minister of Justice in the Bond cabinate, was re-elected without opposition in today's byc-election in St. John's city, which was rendered necessary by his acceptance of the portfolio of justice.

THE SEALERS.

Victoria Sealing Company Make Arrangements for Season's Work.

Former St. Catharines residents now numbered among the people of British Columbia, says the Vancouver World. Will learn with extreme regret of the sudden death on the 20th instant of W. W. Greenwood, a leading druggist and prominent figure in the exploitation of numerous special interests of the Garden City, not the least among which was the introduction of the popular minwas the introduction of the popular mineral water "Mack," so called from the late Dr. Mack, who first analyzed its medicinal properties. The late Mr. Greenwood passed away with extreme widenways and be a beginning the state of the late of the lat suddenness, as had his father before him. He had gone to Niagara Falls on some business, and died at that place less than an hour from the seizure, of heart failure. A widow and four chilheart failure. A widow and four cundren are more particularly bereaved, while among the others, Mr. A. J. and Dr. F. W. Greenwood, and Col. Holmes, D. O. C., Victoria, who is a

Victoria Ladies Win at Hockey

They Beat Their Vancouver Rivals By Two Goals to One.

The Vanquished Entertain The

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 27.-The Hon. Edward Morris, the newly appointed Minister of Justice in the Bond cabi-

The Victoria Sealing Co. held an im-

THE "INVISIBLE FLEET."

First Ship to Arrive at Portland With-

The British ship County of Linlithgow, which arrived in Saturday, is the first of the "invisible fleet" to arrive this season, says the Portland Oregonian. Nearly every year, especially when freights are demoralized, a few ships turn up without any previous notice, and to distinguish them from the vessels which are listed or known to be on the way, they are classed as an invisible fleet. Every ship that is added to the idle fleet in a port when business is dull makes matters worse for rates, and it is for this reason that owners sometimes endeavor to keep the whereabouts of their vessels a secret until they can secure a charter a secret until they can secure a charter for them. The first intimation of the presence of the County of Liallingow prior to her arrival was a cable from Liverpool intimating that she might accept business for January loading. This was a clew which indicated plainly that was a ciew which indicated plainly that the ship was nearly due at this port, and two days later she surprised the most of the shipping fraternity by her arrival at Astoria.

There are a number of other vessels

which have arrived over in the Orient, and have been there for a suspiciously long period, and it is believed that some of them may be on their way across to

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AM not personal the above render the name of a fan La Legion Etran only really efficient at the disposal of temperary makes evi-"govern" makes ex possible to the unor Indo-China.

The phrase belongs ner Stevenson, of t of Artillery, and as reproduce the rest own words, I think to give it a title in him literally. He to his experiences as I in the hospital in an he clawed my cigaret he clawed my cigaret in his large, unaccus was a nice-looking you alert and upstanding form, and since he he see, and a mind capa his impressions, he that was worth listen In the beginning, here a fool. The dier in a garrison dull to a degree tely be expressed welle at 5, paradours of coolness la erly-room later for and then the long, eduring which men ca during which men cots, kicking their their luck, or bicket cots, kicking their luck, or bin which meals pections and fati breaks in the inte

noon brings co expensive, and their llowing them to But even the relief from the the soldier's life forage-cap too short, and sounds "Lights day ends, to be which is its exact posed wholly of da you will begin to that the more in minded of our sol occasionally pos madness, which di trate apparently in Gunner Stevenso life for some two himself described He had lat when hi irritation had nearly point, and in a bar athered with three com steam-tramps cads. These men heir lives in the sto pwned craft about eight-day clock and a sago-factory, swe 'twixt grilling climat naces, saw fit to pi soldier on account of In unendurah trasted his servitude -save the mark! about the "leave" he ere he could even sp tavern of the town.
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Stevenson, after suit of clothes fi down to the docks away on board a French colonies.

He awoke next head, a sinking sens his stomach, and an viction that he was seldom seen. Also the few dollars that thereafter gave him and the agonies of The ship reached son, gaunt and mis mentary beard spro sneaked ashore unob four hours from the four hours from the tinecessity, combined imagination, had driv nearest Freuch recruice was promptly enrowhich he ever afterw "The Legion of Strauguitted the British a hind him a spotless deprospects of early promissioned rank, be sadding had approach. soldier had proved grinding monotony, a moment or two Disci to him as a Spectre in less than a week h motion entered himsel a regiment which offer of a career, and is ru with an iron hand.

Lea Legion Etrangel lLa Legion Etrange knows, is composed of of white folk, and of ruffianism and villainy erally, the soldiers in sweepings of the Cont "casters" and loafers left stranded in the i of Eastern Asia or of The Legion serves only as the police, judge, tioner in the lawless h French colonies; its French colonies: its earn or obtain leave of transferred to other discharge can be wo ten years' continuous to enjoy their freedo and the native folk, designate collectively a up the legionaries v rapidity. Cosmopolit composed of desper men, engaged constan struggles with the et which her colonial a such an unhappy kna-Legion Etrangere bea-tation, but this is alto that boasted by the society, gentlemen w under," men whom ill bittered, whom vice made savage—Frenchn longer to see France boulevards of Paris. Yet Gunner Steven

ninded person, had a g for his comrades of charity was not large clude the Italians or but he pronounced the Germans, Belgians and be good fellows, who be good fellows, who peace when once he had his ability to stand up to officers, although they codefaulters "like a cart struck him as fine s leaders, and very just in with the men. The proof drumhead courtsmartic which they ordered care out for instant execution appealed forcibly to his ternal fitness of thing matters, of which he