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Interesting Disclosures

Western Federation Were Prepared to Order Nanaimo Miners to Strike.

A Sympathetic Strike Without Reference to Merits of Mainland Dispute.

Politics at the Black Diamond City Discussed By Four Parties.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, June 6.—Nothing definite has yet occurred in the local political situation. Rumors are plentiful enough, but it can be said that not one of the four political organizations of the city has yet even seriously considered the question of choosing the standard-bearer for the coming fight. Possibly the Liberals are the nearest to a solution of the question, it being pretty generally understood that with Mr. W. W. B. McInnes himself it rests whether he will or will not contest the seat. The Socialists are in about the same position with regard to Mr. J. H. Hawthornthwaite, who has, however, as yet not given any decision as to whether he will run here or indeed anywhere. Both bodies are in good fighting trim, having long ago completed the work of organization. The Conservative party has not so far made any move, but the feeling among the rank and file is that while it may be the last to enter the field, there is much to be gained by not being in hurry, and that the chances of electing the candidate when chosen are remarkably good. There remains the Labor party, the organization which carried Messrs. Smith and Hawthornthwaite triumphantly to the House, but which the dissensions of these leaders has rent in twain, one portion going over to the Socialists, the other, although puzzled by Mr. Smith's organ's flirtations with the Liberals, remaining faithful to him and to the old idea of an independent labor party.

DANGER AHEAD.

It has been recognized by leaders of all shades of opinion that should four candidates enter the field, and possibly even should three, Nanaimo will find itself represented by a Socialist at the finish. Leading Conservatives, Liberals and Labor men are consequently trying to find some means of preventing this. It will be remembered that a few weeks ago a number of representatives of these three parties came together to devise ways and means of preventing the political ascendency here of the body to which all were more opposed than they were to each other. With the approach of the campaign it was more recently deemed advisable that some practical steps should be taken to that end, and at a meeting held last Thursday evening of those interested, who describe themselves the

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it was decided to make overtures to the leaders of the organizations with a view of reducing the number of candidates to enter the field. No concrete results have yet been accomplished along this line, but it is probable in any event that the Labor party will stay out of the contest, thus leaving the Conservative, Liberal and Socialist candidates to fight it out. An effort will probably be made to eliminate one of the two former by the Labor men, who are of all sections of the community that most bitterly opposed to the Socialists, throwing their influence into either Liberal or Conservative scale and trying to induce the other candidate to withdraw on the ground of the necessity of making the defeat of the Socialist certain. That this project will be successful is not expected by the party men. The Liberals will scarcely put up their weapons after preparing ammunition for months, and the Conservatives are most unlikely fall in meekly behind the Liberals. It is possible that a saw-off may be arranged with Newcastle, where, owing to the large number of Socialists at Ladysmith, a somewhat similar situation exists minus the Labor party complication.

POLITICAL SITUATION.

It is quite impossible to estimate accurately the political situation in Nanaimo without taking into consideration the tides and currents which move in the Miners' Union. There is just at present a growing dissatisfaction with the Western Federation of Miners, and owing to the intimate connection between that body and the Socialists as a political party, this will have a tendency to weaken their position here. Probably the fact that very little relief has yet reached the Ladysmith miners from Denver is that which influences the men in the new attitude they are assuming more than any other. There is again the example of the Crow's Nest miners, whose secession from the Federation and subsequent affiliation with the United Mine Workers has not passed unnoticed.

INTERESTING DISCLOSURES.

In this connection it may be mentioned that it has just begun to be recognized here that the officials of the Western Federation at Denver were quite prepared to precipitate a strike in Nanaimo had the local mines been supplying coal to the C. P. R. last March, and this without reference to the views of the men here as to the merits of the dispute on the Mainland. It is not too much to say that when the newspapers published the statement of Estes, that he would stop work in the Vancouver mines, it was regarded in Nanaimo as an idle threat. Nanaimo was not supplying coal to the C. P. R., and the Dunsmuir mines were not then organized. It has only recently developed that through the investigations of the Royal commission that Estes had telegram from Moyer, of the Western Federation, assuring him that the miners would be called out. About the same time Shenton, the local secretary, received a telegram instructing him to use every effort to prevent the C. P. R. from getting coal from Nanaimo. The local officers understand this to mean that they were to use their influence with the company, and beyond ascertaining that the local collieries were sending no coal to Vancouver, took no action. It is only now when these other telegrams have been produced that they see reason to believe that the efforts which Moyer meant to be taken were not to stop short of boycotting the coal, and even striking, should it be necessary. Further evidence along this line is supplied by the correspondence between Chief Arthur of the locomotive engineers, and Moyer, in which the former refuses the request of the latter, that he order his men to cease hauling certain ore cars, a boycott which would have meant a strike.

EVIDENCE OF RECKLESSNESS.

There is nothing surprising therefore in the fact that if Moyer would ask another head of an international organization to bring on a sympathetic strike, he would bring one on in his own organization when a similar request was preferred by Estes. These evidences of the recklessness of the head of the Western Federation and his declaration at the convention last week against time contracts which would interfere with the calling out of men at a moment's notice, have given the Nanaimo men pause and considerable reconsideration of the position is going on amongst them. It is doubtful if Moyer could have got the men out here in any case, as they would in all probability have respected their contract with the company, a habit which has grown strong with them in process of years, but the fact that at Estes' request Moyer was willing to use them as a prawn in the struggle between the U. B. R. E. and the C. P. R., is a most disquieting one, not only to them, but to the citizens generally. Prophets are not wanting who assert that within a very few weeks the connection between the Nanaimo miners and the Federation will be exchanged for one with the organization over which Mitchell holds sway.

SMALLPOX AT BRANDON.

Brandon, June 6.—A case of smallpox was discovered today at the Royal hotel, which has been put in quarantine in consequence.

No Intention To Expel Gamey

Premier Ross Suggests That a Resignation Should be Forthcoming.

Report Characterized as a Special Pleading by Judge Boyd.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, June 5.—"The government has no intention of taking steps with a view of having Gamey expelled from the House," said Premier Ross, when seen today. He added that it was not their intention to make a martyr of the member for Manitoulin by moving to expell him, and, further, he doubted very much if the legislature had power to do so, even if it wanted to. "The proper course for a member to take, situated as Gamey was, was to resign his seat," suggested Mr. Ross. Hon. Mr. Stratton had nothing whatever to say. He had not read the report through, and even if he had, it would not be proper to express an opinion at the present juncture. He promised, however, that he would digest it at his earliest opportunity and make a statement in the House.

The Mail and Empire says: "The report of the royal commission on the Stratton bribery case is obviously the production of Sir John Boyd. That it was not prepared by Mr. Johnston, counsel for the defence, is made clear by the fact that Mr. Johnston's argument in favor of his client was not nearly so strong as the 'judgment.' The Chancellor has kindly volunteered to give it, but it would have been infinitely better if it had come from Mr. Johnston instead of from the Chancellor. From beginning to end, Sir John Boyd's report is a special pleading. It sets out to pull Mr. Stratton through and to push Gamey down, and it accomplishes these purposes in so far as a written document can be effective. But it will not convince the province of anything excepting that judges should not be called upon to interfere in politics. Ontario knows well enough what has happened, and a hundred carefully prepared reports from Judge Boyd will not change public opinion, which is founded upon common sense and an intelligent regard for propriety in conduct of public affairs. No judge, however eminent, should be permitted to influence the people upon a grave matter of state. No judge should be allowed to say for the electorate or for the legislature what the conduct of ministers towards legislators and to the affairs they have to administer, shall be."

FOURTEEN TO THREE AGAINST VICTORIA

Lacrosse at Royal City Good Natured Match But Poor Exhibition

From Our Own Correspondent.

New Westminster, June 6.—The Victoria lacrosse team was defeated here this afternoon by a score of 14 goals to three. Premier McBride, who received an ovation on entering the enclosure, faced the ball off, and made a short address to the players. The game was not a good exhibition, but a very good-natured contest. The only display of enthusiasm was when the visitors scored. The large audience was very generous of applause.

Hon. Mr. McBride is being given a public reception this evening.

THE DOMINION ALLIANCE.

Former Members Pointed Criticism of the Organization.

Toronto, June 6.—The expulsion of Premier Ross from the vice-presidency and executive of the Ontario Alliance by unanimous vote, by the recent prohibition convention, has caused John A. Patterson, K. C., to resign. In his letter of resignation, Mr. Patterson says: "Great temperance problems and far-reaching aims are larger than the alliance. They are broad, based upon the peoples' will, and the Dominion Alliance is not the people, and their nominating committee is only a vibrating, gaseous molecule in the vast space occupied by temperance opinion."

DECAPITATED BY TRAIN.

Toronto, June 6.—The disappearance of Richard Rutherford, salesman in Oak Hall, was reported today. He left the store at 6 o'clock last night, but did not go to his home, 29 Borden street. His lifeless body was found beside the railway track just west of the city this evening. He had been struck by a train and decapitated.

MANY WOMEN ARE NOT ATTRACTIVE because of the repulsive looking Warts on the hands. They can be painlessly removed in one day by Putnam's Corn and Wart Extractor. Putnam's is the best Corn and Wart Cure. Try it.

Twenty cases fine imported Straw Hats 50c., 75c., and $1.00. F. Williams & Co. *

Investigating The Trouble

Commission Still Taking Evidence on C. P. R. Strike at Vancouver.

Negotiations Through Conciliation Committee are Going Forward.

Dictation to Canadian Laborers by Foreign Executive Admittedly Questionable.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 5.—Negotiations for a settlement brought on by the conciliation committee in the C. P. R. strike are still in progress. A wire has been received in answer to the proposition drafted by the conciliation committee asking for an elucidation of one of the clauses and inferring that the proposition was under consideration in Montreal.

Two witnesses were examined today by the labor commission, which promises to be drawn out at length. W. J. McMillan testified that he heard that the C. P. R. had an agreement with other companies that men on strike could not be employed on any other road. Harry W. Wilson, an ex-employee, was on the stand nearly all day. Mr. Wilson said he was discharged for causing to be published in a newspaper a denial that U. B. R. E. strikers were returning to work. He was then in Montreal. Among the interesting points in Wilson's evidence was the statement brought out by Mr. Bird, the U. B. R. E. counsel, that he (Wilson) believed that if there was employment for a man on the railroad, and he applied for it, that he should get it.

The Chief Justice asked Mr. Bird if he thought that a man had a right to demand work and get it if there was work for him? Mr. Bird said that this state of affairs should exist, but did not. The Chief Justice asked Mr. Bird to suggest a remedy, and Mr. Bird said that his mind was too finite to solve the problem. The Chief Justice said that he took it that labor was something that a man had to sell, and if no one would buy it, he must starve. Mr. Bird said it was so, but a way should be found by which a man could demand a living. The Chief Justice asked the witness if the C. P. R. did not have a right to feel alarmed at an organization like the U. B. R. E., whose aim was to unite all the unions on the road, so that a committee of a few men from these unions would be able to tie up the road and throw the commerce of the country into a deplorable condition? The witness said that the committee would have sufficient common sense to prevent such a catastrophe. On being questioned, witness said it was possible. Witness was asked by the Chief Justice if it was a fact that the U. B. R. E. were not trying to force the C. P. R. to take them back as a body? Witness said he supposed it was. The Chief Justice asked the witness if he thought it right that a union in Canada should be dictated to by an executive of a parent union in the United States as to what they should not do? Witness admitted that it did not seem right, but only some constitutions admitted this.

NEW LIGHTS FOR B. C. WATERS

Provision Made for Additional Aids to Navigation in This Province.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, June 6.—Revenue of the Dominion from various sources for 11 months of the current fiscal year up to the close of May, amounted to $57,723,383, an increase of $6,446,037 over last year. The expenditure amounted to $38,959,971, an increase of $954,359 over last year.

New lights are to be established in British Columbia this year at Portier Pass, Dock Island at the mouth of the Fraser, two lights at Coffin island, Danger reef.

The revenue for May shows an increase of $685,000.

The Independent, as well as the Conservative press, condemn the finding of the commission on the Gamey charges.

AFTER FORTY DAYS.

Mrs. Loo Lin to Be Shipped From 'Frisco Bound For Montreal.

San Francisco, June 5.—Mrs. Loo Lin, whose case has excited so much attention in the papers was released today from the shed at the mail dock after 40 days of detention in transit to Montreal via Vancouver. She will sail on the Canadian S. S. Company steamer Valencia, June 10 for Victoria.

CHLOROFORMED AND THEN ROBBED

Seattle Lady Overpowered in Her Apartments and Large Sum Stolen.

Seattle, June 5.—Mrs. Robt. Seater, wife of a furniture dealer, was chloroformed and robbed of about $1,900 in her apartments in the McCombs block on Pike street shortly before noon today. The men entered the room and Mrs. Seater, thinking they had come to pay a bill walked to the opposite side of the room to get an account book. While she was looking for a name one of the men had given her, she was seized and a gag placed in her mouth. Mrs. Seater tried to summon assistance, but was overpowered, and a cloth saturated with chloroform placed to her nostrils. In a very few seconds she was unconscious, in which condition she was found by her husband about an hour later. Mrs. Seater says that the robbers were strangers to her, and that when they first entered the room she did not suspect them. They seemed to be aware that there was a large sum of money in the house, and were probably advised that the money was kept on Mrs. Seater's person. When she was found by her husband it was discovered that the robbers had torn open the front of her dress and removed the money from a small cloth in which she had kept it sewed up. Several buttons were lying about the floor which showed that she had struggled with her assistants before the drug had taken effect.

STORMING A MONASTERY.

Detachment of Engineers Scale Barricades and Monks Are Ejected.

Paris, June 5.—A number of gendarmes and a detachment of engineers have dispossessed the monks of the monastery of La Blancere. A crowd of 6,000 persons engaged in a demonstration for and against the authorities. The monks barricaded the gates and doors of the monastery with paving stones, but the soldiers climbed the walls and gained access to the building. They then cleared away the barricades and arrested the monks and a number of manifestants.

NEW ENGLAND BUSH FIRES.

Summer Cottages and Camping Resorts Burnt in Adirondacks.

New York, June 5.—The forest fires in the Adirondacks and New England are spreading at an alarming rate, and destroying millions in timber and hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of summer cottages and camping resorts.

Fires are reported in Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine. All the regions around this city are covered with smoke from fires. So dense is the smoke that the sun is obscured. Big ocean-going vessels felt their way in and out of the harbor, or else remained at anchor to avoid collisions. Most serious fires are in the vicinity of Long Lake, east towards Newcombe Lake and Mount Marcy.

Wirings From Winnipeg City

General Manager McNicoll on His Annual Inspection Tour.

Archbishop Mackray Returns After a Prolonged Absence Abroad.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Winnipeg, June 6.—General Manager McNicoll, of the C. P. R., is expected here tomorrow on his annual tour of inspection. It is announced that one of the largest and most important objects of his trip will be the adoption of the enlarged equipment to the growing requirements of the next season's traffic, which, owing to the increased acreage under crop, will be larger than it has ever been before. Other matters that will occupy the general manager's attention, such as the equipment of new branches, the utilization of new accommodation at various Western centres, the question of a new hotel and terminals at Winnipeg, the railway facilities required for the revival of the lumber industry of British Columbia, which seems to synchronize with the decline of the lead mining of the province. Mr. McNicoll expects to be away from six weeks to two months.

Archbishop Machray, primate of all Canada, returned to the city today after a long absence in England, where he has been detained by illness.

Winnipeg clearing house returns for the week ending June 4, 1903, were: Clearings, $3,081,389; for the corresponding week in 1902, clearances, $3,197,554; for the same period in 1901, clearances, $2,313,812.

The express from the East brought in another contingent of delegates to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church; John Charlton, M.P., wife and daughter, were among the noted arrivals.

COALING STATIONS IN CUBA.

Havana, June 6.—President Palma has submitted to United States Minister Squiers, the tentative terms offered by Cuba of the agreement covering the leases of the naval coaling stations to the United States. It is now believed that the agreement will be signed next week.

FIRE IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, June 5.—The stables of Joseph Quinn & Co., cartage agents, were destroyed by fire together with 28 horses, early today.

Fast Atlantic Service Again

Tenders Now Made Public Show Great Increase Over Former Ones.

Lively Liberal Caucus Held on Grand Trunk Pacific Scheme.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, June 5.—The long expected fast Atlantic service tenders are public at last, and they show that the government has muddled the matter again. Had the present ministry not refused the arrangement made by Sir Chas. Tupper with the Allans in 1896 for a 20-knot weekly service for $1,125,000, that service would have been in operation three years ago, and Canada would have been reaping the benefit. But no, the wiseacres who had just attained office knew it all. They were sure they could get a service per Peterson of Newcastle on Tyne for $750,000 per annum. Seven years have elapsed, and a fast service of 21 knots cannot be got for less than several hundred thousand dollars over the Allan tender of 1896. There are offers with a string attached on each. The Dominion line, alias British and North American Steamship Company, alias Morgan Merger, £250,000 per an-

HURRICANE IN PHILIPPINES.

United States Vessels Wrecked and Many Lives Lost.

Manila, June 5.—A hurricane swept over the Philippines and great damage has been done to shipping. The United States transport Shamshus is reported to have been wrecked. This, however, has not been confirmed.

The United States steamer Pearl, on her way to the Visayas, has been totally lost off Tamatos Island. Part of her crew were saved. The United States steamer Haurafeland, the schooner Mayflower, have been driven ashore off Ormoc, West Leyte, and will prove a total loss. All on board were saved.

Washington, June 5.—The War Department has no record of the transport Shamshus, but there is a small vessel in the service in the Philippines named the Samshui.

Torrential Rain Storm

Downpour in One Night Causes Great Destruction in the South.

Cotton Mills Washed Away With the Loss of Twenty Odd Lives.

Twelve Hundred Operatives Out of Work and in Absolute Need.

Spartanburg, S. C., June 6.—A torrential rain storm visited this region last midnight and at dawn today resulting in general devastating of life and property. All the bridges and trestles on the main line of the Southern Railroad were washed away. The greatest destruction of life and property occurred at the Pacolet and Clifton, and Glendale cotton mills. The wires are down, and reports are conflicting, but it seems certain that 25 or 30 persons were drowned, mostly mill operatives.

The heaviest property loss was at the ill-fated Pacolet mills, where President Victor Montgomery estimates the damage at $1,350,000.

About 1,200 operatives in these mills are thrown out of employment, and within a few days will be in need of daily bread. Soon after the mill began operations this morning, the water pressure at Mill No. 1 became dangerous, the boiler rooms were submerged, and the workmen were ordered back. A little later the fury of the raging river struck Mill No. 1. The strong current then swept against No. 2 demolishing that mill, and leaving only the cloth room standing. The big bridge over the Pacolet river, a steel structure, was then carried away by the flood, which had burst through the dams. The cotton room, containing nearly 4,000 bales of cotton, and 400 bales of domestic cloth, followed, all the cotton being carried down stream. At Mill No. 3, one-half of the picker room and five stories on the left side of the main building were washed away. The main building supported by a thick wall, is still standing, but may collapse at any time. The boiler room has gone, but the smokestack is yet standing. The dam at No. 3 is still intact.

All the machinery in this mill is ruined.

At Glendale four warehouses filled with cotton and cotton products, were swept away with the dam across Lawson Fork, and the trestle of the City Electric Railway. The mill at Glendale was not materially damaged. At Converse, the main building of the Clifton factory, collapsed and the flood rose till the second floor of the mill was under 4 feet of water, 40 or 50 feet above the ordinary stage. The converse mill is utterly demolished, nothing standing except the picker room building, which is badly wrecked. Clifton Mill No. 3, also lost its boiler room, engine room, and smokestack.

DEUTSCHLAND AFLOAT.

New York, June 5.—The S. S. Deutschland has been floated, and has proceeded to sea.

DROWNED IN THE KICKING HORSE

Logger and Little Boy Fall Into Floods and are Swept Away.

Special to the Colonist.

Golden, June 5.—Two lives were lost here by drowning yesterday. Thomas O'Brien, while employed stream-driving, was breaking up a log jam. The current is swift and very deep on account of recent hot weather melting the mountain snow. He fell in among the logs. There was no chance of rescue, and it is feared that not even the body can be recovered.

The other victim claimed by the rushing waters of the Kicking Horse river was a little boy, about seven years old, a son of Mr. B. Miller. He was playing with sticks at the river's edge, just above the bridge. Reaching out for a log which was rushing past, he fell in and was swept away. The body floated for a short distance, but soon disappeared.

Cooler weather has succeeded the two or three warm days, and the water has receded slightly.

Snowslides and washouts are delaying the trains.

A gang of Japs are at work here building an additional siding.

The C. P. R. are reported to be arranging for the entertainment of tourists here. It is said that mountain guides and pack horses are to be provided.

TO DIVIDE SURPLUS WITH CIVIL SERVICE

Nelson Liberals Ask that Country's Employees Share in its Prosperity.

Nelson, B. C., June 6.—At a largely attended meeting of the Nelson district Liberal Association last night, the following resolution was unanimously passed, a copy being forwarded to the Premier through the local member: "That in view of the fact that all the leading financial and mercantile institutions of Canada have on account of the unprecented prosperous times which have attended them during the last few years, seen fit to grant to their employees a substantial bonus, we are of the opinion that the Dominion government should follow in their footsteps and grant to the civil servants on the permanent list a similar bonus, or an increase in salary on account of the large surplus acquired through the country's prosperity."

ATROCITIES DENOUNCED.

Washington, June 6.—A mass meeting attended by about 1,200 representative citizens of Washington was held in the Columbia Theatre this afternoon to consider the recent outrages perpetrated on the Jews of Kirschineff. Men and women of all classes and creeds united in denouncing the atrocities and in expressing their horror and indignation that they should have been permitted to occur in a civilized country at the dawn of the twentieth century. The meeting in no sense was of an official character.

CURBING OLD FATHER NILE.

London, June 6.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Cairo, learns that the opening of the Assouam dam has resulted in the doubling of the Nile's summer supply, on which the cotton and sugar crops depend.

STRANGE DEATH.

German in Custody of Police Dies Suddenly at Saskatoon.

Saskatoon, N.W.T., June 6.—A young German named Jiebel has been arrested at Battleford for issuing checks on the Bank of Hamilton. There were no funds in the bank, and he was being brought here by the police when he died suddenly at the Central station. An inquest will be held, as it is thought he committed suicide.

TO SIR JOHN'S MEMORY.

Annual Decoration of Monument at Toronto Yesterday.

Toronto, June 6.—This afternoon the annual decoration of Sir John A. Macdonald's monument in Queen's Park took place under the auspices of the Toronto Liberal-Conservative Club. The monument was properly decorated with flowers. Addresses were delivered by Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Messrs. Mark, Montague, Whitney, Clark and others.

Rev. Principal Caven is somewhat improved today.

The legislature will probably take up the debate on the Gamey commission's findings on Tuesday.

London Labor Bureau's Work

Many Applications for Men Desirous of Settling in Canada.

French Views of Results of Scheme for Preferential Imperialism.

Toronto, June 5.—The News' London cable says: London labor bureau at Charing Cross, now has applications from Canadian employers for 17,000 men. Almost every kind of work is represented in the list. The bureau is now connected with continental centres, and draws the best men from a multitude of sources. Six hundred men have already been sent to Ontario, principally common laborers. The bureau charges no fees nor premiums. It is killing the "farm pupil" game.

Le Petit Journal newspaper, with the greatest circulation in France, says that the scheme for preferential imperialism would be a serious blow to France. It believes that Canada could supply England with butter, cheese, eggs and meat. Such a tariff on British imports would cripple France's exports. One-third of the French agricultural export is sent to England. The writer goes on to suggest a union of self interest among agricultural export countries in Europe as an offset to the British customs union.

The Birmingham Post, Mr. Chamberlain's personal organ, states on the authority of a French diplomat, that France has proposed to the British government the formation of an Anglo-French commission for the settlement of the Newfoundland shore question as soon as the Alaskan boundary dispute is settled. The diplomat in question stated that there was an earnest feeling in France for a permanent settlement of that long-standing question.

Arthur Laurence Haliburton, G. C. B., son of the late Justice Haliburton, Nova Scotia, better known as "Sam Slick," and a keen Canadian, has written a letter to the Times on the political results of Mr. Chamberlain's policy if it should prove commercially successful. He claims that community of interest would spring up in the Empire ensuring an increase in wealth and power beyond the dreams of United Empire Loyalists.

DOMINION DAY AT COWICHAN

Sports and Games Committee Preparing a Very Fine Programme.

Special to the Colonist.

Duncans, June 5.—Wednesday night the sports committee of the Agricultural Association got to work on the programme for the First of July. It is the desire of the committee to hold a grand chopping tournament, if sufficient funds can be raised for substantial prizes, as they feel that such a contest would be an invaluable object lesson in this timbered country.

There will be a great baseball match, if the Duncan Diehards can find any combination which dare enter the lists against them. The struggle in the five-mile bicycle race for the handsome silver challenge cup presented by Mr. F. H. Maitland-Dougall, promises to be an exciting one. At present it is held by J. Mearns, but must be won again this year before he becomes absolute owner. Handsome prizes are offered for the hundred yards sprint, pole jumping and running high jump; nor are the ladies and boys and girls forgotten. Altogether the agricultural grounds, Duncans, will be a pleasant place in which to spend Dominion Day.

TROUBLES IN ALGERIA.

French Government Promise to Take Vigorous Steps to Chastise Guilty.

Paris, June 5.—In the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, M. Firmin Pauer, Nationalist, asked leave to interpellate the government on the subject of the measures taken for the security of Algeria. Premier Combes thereupon requested him to accept a simple declaration, which was in effect that the government had determined to take vigorous steps, that troops had been sent to chastise the guilty, that more policing was sanctioned by the treaty with Morocco of 1845, and that there was no question of conquest or even of the temporary occupation of Moorish territory. This was closely understood by Morocco, and also by the powers interested in maintaining the status quo. M. Pauer replied that he regretted the steps had not been taken sooner, and then withdrew his interpellation.

TOOTHACHE CURED IN ONE MINUTE.

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Mainland Happenings

Brakeman Falls From Train at Spence's Bridge and is Killed.

Vancouver Votes a Sum For Entertainment of Chamber of Commerce.

Interesting County Court Brokerage Case Settled--New Methodist Parsonage.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 6.—A new issue of city and school debentures will be put on the market at once. They will be made up of blocks of $1,000 each.

The city have been offered $150 for the summer for the Crescent pavilion that they expropriated at English Bay. It is likely the offer will be accepted.

The fast summer transcontinental C. P. R. will be inaugurated on Sunday.

W. Knight, one of the crew of brakemen of a freight train, fell from the train yesterday and was killed. The accident happened at Spences Bridge. Mr. Knight was well known in Vancouver. He ran from Vancouver to Kamloops.

An interesting brokerage case was settled in the County Court yesterday. A man named Myers informed a broker named John Rankin that he had the Board of Trade saloon for sale at $1,000 cash down and $3,000 more on time, and that if Mr. Rankin could find a customer for him there would be $200 commission in it.

Mr. Rankin promptly found a customer, who told Rankin he would buy the saloon and pay $1,000 down and $3,000 on time.

Mr. Myers, however, then stated that the local creditors of Smith, the man who ran away from town, who was proprietor of the saloon, would listen to nothing but an all-cash transaction. The deal did not go through. Myers did not own the whole or part of the saloon, or was not the creditors' agent. But as he was offered $200 by Myers if he got him a customer who would pay a certain figure for the premises, and he (Rankin) got the customer, Rankin was entitled to the commission.

The Finance committee have recommended that $500 be given to the Board of Trade towards the expenses of entertaining the 100 members of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, to visit Vancouver.

The Wesley church board of management have purchased the Kent residence on Burrard street for a parsonage.

It is said that 500 emigrants headed by Mr. Baxter Bishop are heading for Bulkley Valley to found a colony. The steamer Meteor, bound for Nome, was in port last night. She took on cargo at the sugar refinery.

The steamer Tees, after taking on cargo here, got away for Northern ports at midnight last night.

P. Burns shipped this week to the Yukon by steamer Venture 100 sheep, 126 cattle and 70 calves.

ROSSLAND'S ORE SHIPMENTS GROW

Total for Past Week Larger Than for Some Time Past.

Rossland, June 6.—Steady advances are recorded in connection with the mining industry here for the past week. At the Spitzee and Jumbo mines, important progress was made in connection with placing these properties on a producing basis. The former's new works are almost completed, and a crew is engaged in cutting the sump to continue work. At the White Bear arrangements are also being made to sink to the 950-foot level at once.

The contract was let today for the buildings to house the Le Roi No. 2's Elmore milling plant. The buildings will cost $7,000, and the work starts next week. Part of the machinery is now in transit from Montreal.

The White Bear sent a car of ore to Denver for tests in concentration. The Centre Star continues to work steadily at the Silica concentrator. It is intimated that their plans for larger works are rapidly approaching the stage where concentration will start. The shipments are greater this week than for several weeks past: Le Roi, 3,570; Centre Star, 1,440; War Eagle, 1,380; Le Roi No. 2, 725; White Bear, 30; Velvet, 100; Kootenay 200. Total for the week, 7,555 tons; total for the year to date, 156,707 tons.

FIGHT OF RANCHERS AND CATTLEMEN

Kansas Militia Ready to Prevent Lynching of Farmers Accused of Murder.

Topeka, June 6.—Governor Bailey today received a telegram from the sheriff of Cheyenne county, Kansas, that he could not protect the Dewey ranchmen under arrest there for the alleged murder of the occupants of the Berry ranch three days ago. Acting on this information, Governor Bailey tonight ordered the militia at Osborne to hold themselves in readiness to go to St. Francis tonight at a moment's notice. The Deweys are now under arrest at their ranch. The sheriff says he can protect them there, but that when he attempts to move the men to Cheyenne county jail, a mob will be sure to kill them. The settlers are much angered at the Deweys, and the lives of the latter are in great danger.

The Deweys are charged with killing E. M. Berry and his two sons, during a quarrel regarding the possession of some land.

This is only another chapter of the ever-present fight between the settlers and the cattlemen. Both sides are exerting every energy to get full possession of the Western country, and fights are of almost daily occurrence.

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