CAMPBELL RIVER AS POWER SOURCE

Water Commissioner Receives the Report of Engineer as Result of Application for Water Record

That Vancouver Island has in the Campbell river, at the Falls, a natural resource of very important character and great value is the conclusion formed by Mr. Gray Donald, the expert despatched to the spot to make independent investigations and report by Chief Water Commissioner W. S. Drewry, by whom the application for record of 100,000 inches by the Campbell River Power Co. (Michael King and others) is now being very carefully considered.

The applicants stated in their interview with the chief water commissioner a week or ten days ago, that the available water was capable of giving a dependable source of 30,000 horse-power. Mr. Donald, although he has not yet officially reported, is understood to have found this statement well within the mark; indeed his own estimate is a minimum of 27,000 h. p.

When one is told that the cost of power is from $15 to $18 per h. p. per annum, including interest, sinking fund, operation, and all other charges, and the selling price from $30 to $40, some approximate conception may be had of the worth of this natural power-generation source, 37,000 h. p. thus representing, should the continuous demand equal the maximum supply, no less than half a million dollars profit per year. And Mr. Donald's estimates are based on the minimum low water flow, while with storage, the capacity of the power of Campbell river may easily be doubled.

Of course there is no probability of a demand for such a maximum existing for many future years, but the figures give one an idea of the immense potentialities of wealth in latent water powers of the first class.

Mr. Donald, who has experted the Campbell River falls as a power site, is one of the acknowledged authorities on such matters, having been very prominent in connection with construction of the Assuan dam on the Nile, and also having had a large experience in similar works for Russia and other European governments.

The bill of the Campbell River Power Co. is now before the legislature, and rival interests promise to contest its passage at every possible stage.

ELECTRIC COMPANY TAKES UP OPTION

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property has been put through the market four times within the last month. On the first occasion it was sold for $5,000, so that it has trebled in value within a month.

Grant & Lineham report the sale of two lots on Bank street.

A lot on Menzies street has been put through for $2,000.

A portion of the Tai Yune property on Cormorant street is reported to have been sold at a good figure.

E. C. Bagshawe reports the sale of twelve lots in the Oak Bay district, the acreage from which these lots are parcelled off sold three years ago for $1,100 an acre. Today the price being obtained is $3,500 per acre. Mr. Bagshawe also during the week put through a number of lots on Hillside avenue. He states there is a great increase in the inquiry for acreage in this neighborhood, while the demand for income producing business property is also growing.

Coal Measures Sold

A. T. Frampton reports considerable activity in timber and coal lands on the Queen Charlotte Islands and in the Prnice Rupert district. His sales for January include a tract of timber comprising 10,240 acres, near Prince Rupert, owned by Hanbury Evans & Co., and another of 10,300 acres on Graham Island, both to Chicago buyers for a combined price of $32,500. Mr. Frampton was also responsible for the sale of sixteen sections of coal lands on Graham Island to a Vancouver syndicate, and he has several other important sales pending.

DEATH OF COLONEL CHURCH

Was Distinguished Geographer and Had Broad Experience as Engineer and Explorer.

News of the death of Colonel George Earl Church, in London, Eng., has been received in the city. Col. Church was a friend of one closely connected with the Colonist, and we sincerely regret to learn of his death. The following obituary notice appears in the Times under date of Jan. 6th:

Colonel George Earl Church, whose death was announced in The Times yesterday, possessed probably a wider and more complete knowledge of the history, the geography, and the resources of tropical South America than any other authority. For many years he travelled extensively in the heart of the continent, and the information thus acquired was supplemented by a life-time of study of the experiences of other travellers, both past and present. By birth a citizen of the United States, Colonel Church resided during the later years of his life in London. He devoted much of his spare time to the affairs of the Royal Geographical Society, of which he became a Fellow in 1872 and in which he served for many years as a member of the council, becoming in due course a vice-president of the Society.

Colonel Church was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, in December, 1835. He was educated as a civil engineer, and at an early age took part in the construction of the great Hoosac Tunnel. This tunnel, which pierces the Hoosac mountain in the northwest corner of Massachusetts and is 5 3-4 miles in elngth, was built between the years 1855 and 1874 at a cost of $9,000,000. In 1868 the young engineer engaged in a scientific exploring expedition to South America—an expedition which was prophetic of the course of his future career. Before devoting himself to the opening up of tropical South America he served with distinction through the American Civil War, rising to the rank of colonel and acting at one time as brigadier in command of the United States Volunteers. In 1866-67 he served in the Mexican campaign, and in 1868 he turned his attention again to South America. In a series of journeys he explored a large part of the upper basin of the Amazon. He descended that river from its Bolivian source, and was engaged for a number of years in opening up new channels for trade between Bolivia and Brazil.

In 1880 Colonel Church was appointed United States Commissioner to visit and report on Ecuador. Afterwards he was interested in the construction of some of the Argentine railways; and in 1895 he effected a settlement of the debt of Costa Rica, visiting that Republic for the purpose, and at the same time reporting on its railway.

Reference has already been made to his connexion, during the later years of his life, with the Royal Geographical Society. He was a frequent contributor to the Society's Journal, and took part in most of the discussions at the Socety's meetings on papers dealing with South American subjects. At the Bristol meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science in 1898 he was president of the Geographical Section, and took as the subject of his presidential address the Pampean Sea of South America. He was also a member of the Council of the Hakluyt Society. He followed closely the development of the Panama Canal scheme, and was strongly of opinion that the construction of the canal was not justified on commercial grounds. A few years ago, when various projects were under consideration for the building of a new railway across Canada, he was actively interested in a scheme for a line to follow a more northerly route than that of the Grand Trunk Railway.

Colonel Church was twice married; the second time to the widow of Mr. Frederick Chapman, a daughter of Sir Robert Harding, who survives him.

The funeral will take place at noon tomorrow in Brompton Cemetery.

AGRICULTURISTS TO GATHER HERE

This Week Sees Inception of Conventions of Farmers' Institutes, Stock-Breeders and Dairymen

This week will see brought together in Victoria probably the greatest number of progressive agriculturists, stock-breeders, dairymen, fruit-growers and practical farmers generally ever assembled in one city of this province for the consideration of matters appertaining to the farming industry. The convention of the Provincial Horticultural Society brought to the city the vanguard of the farmers. A series of meetings has been arranged by the department interested to follow one another in close sequence, so that those who may represent more than one of the central bodies may without inconvenience be present also at the others. Tomorrow the representatives of all the agricultural societies which hold autumnal fairs will gather here, this being the inaugural meeting of these representatives, called for the purpose of securing if possible more effective co-operation and better system generally in the arrangement of dates and the supply of judges. Following this meeting the Central Farmer's Institute holds its annual convention on Tuesday and Wednesday, while Thursday witnesses the annual convention of the British Columbia Dairymen's Association, for which the appended programme has been arranged:

9.30 a.m.—Directors' meeting.

10.00 a.m.—President's address; directors' report; secretary-treasurer's report; address of welcome, Mayor; business.

1.30 p.m.—"Bovine Diseases and Post-Mortem," Dr. A. Knight.

3.00 p.m.—Dr. Hadwen.

4.15 p.m.—"Practical Dairy Feeding," W. J. Langdon, Sumner, Wn.

5.00 p.m.—Milking machine in operation.

6.00 p.m.—Banquet.

8.30 p.m.—C. Marker, Calgary, Alta.

9.30 p.m.—"Dairying on the Coast and Raising of the $100 Cow," E. T. Judd.

On Friday, the B. C. Stock Breeders will hold their annual meeting. The programme will be as follows:

9.30 a.m.—Directors' meeting.

10.00 a.m. — President's address; secretary-treasurer's report; address of welcome, Mayor; report of committees, horses (light), horses (heavy), cattle, sheep, swine; Jas. Roy, manager Vancouver Fair association.

2.00 p.m.—"Sheep Raising," Aitken.

3.15 p.m.—"Poultry for Profit," M. A. Jull.

4.00 p.m.—"Bovine Diseases," Dr. Hadwen, health of animals branch, Ottawa.

5.00 p.m.—Milking machine in operation.

6.00 p.m.—Banquet.

8.30 p.m.—"The Heavy Horse," etc., E. T. Judd.

9.15 p.m.—"The Hog Industry," H. Webb.

Banquets are to be held in connection with both the stock-breeders' and the dairymens' conventions, at the Poodle Dog on Thursday and Friday evenings.

IN HANDS OF TRUST

Beef Barons Dominate the Food Supplies of the United States—Living High.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—That the increase in the price of food products is general throughout the world, and therefore is not affected by the American tariff, was the contention of Senator Lodge in a speech made in the Senate today. He found in the increase in the gold supply and in the increased demand of consumers an edequate explanation of present conditions, and urged that the tariff could not, and did not, have any effect on the price of the necessities. He also asserted that prices were lower here than in many other countries. He spoke of the so-called Beef Trust as being responsible for much of the trouble, and said he would like to find a way of getting at it.

Senator Bacon quoted newspaper articles in support of his contention that the Beef Trust was selling beef in England at from four to nine cents a pound cheaper than in the United States. Mr. Bacon also undertook to show that living in Detroit, Mich., was twenty-five per cent. dearer than in Windsor, Canada, just across from Detroit.

Senator Gallinger pointed out that since hides had been put on the free list there had been an advance in the prices of boots and shoes and of leather. He credited this condition to the manipulation of the dealers. The debate closed with remarks by Senator Bailey and Carter, the former attributing the advance in food prices largely to the rapid increase in population and the latter to the removal of the country population to the cities.

FRUIT BOARD IN ANNUAL SESSION

Wil Have Agent Again on the Prairies and Will Publish Bulletins

A meeting of the provincial Board of Horticulture was opened in the Botanical Chambers, Department of Agriculture, on Thursday last, there being present Messrs. W. Crawley Ricardo, J. C. Metcalfe, and William E. Scott, deputy minister of agriculture, the secretary of the board. Captain P. Elliston, being duly appointed to the board for the district of Vancouver Island and the islands adjacent, was sworn in and took his seat on the board. The meeting was in session from Thursday until Saturday afternoon. Mr. T. C. Cunningham, chief inspector of fruit pests, was unavoidably absent on account of sickness.

The chief business on the agenda submitted to the board consisted in the consideration of several amendments to the Horticultural Board Act and its rules and regulations, for submission to the legislature during the present session. As a result of the excellent work carried out by Mr. J. C. Metcalfe in the Northwest province during 1909, regarding the shipping and marketing of B. C. fruit there, it was decided to try and secure the services of Mr. Metcalfe to carry on similar work during the fruit season of 1910.

The essence of this work consists in watching the markets in the Northwest, inspecting the fruits from B. C. therein, and reporting to the department such conditions of affairs as may be presented to him while on tour. Bulletins will then be compiled in the department of agriculture and distributed forthwith among the fruit growers of the province; also it is intended that full publicity of such information will be given through the medium of the newspapers throughout British Columbia.

Another very important feature in conection with the fruit-growing industry is that of establishing demonstration orchards and the board has recommended that such orchards be organized in different districts throughout the mainland and the Islands. Publications on horticulture and the selection of fruit trees suitable for the different districts, as published by the department of agriculture were submitted for revision, and will be printed and ready for distribution among the residents of the province in the near future.

PEACE BROODS OVER OTTAWA HOUSE

Naval Bill to Be Considered in Two Weeks' Time—The Annual Intercolonial Statement Next Week

OTTAWA, Jan. 29.—After the storm and stress of the wrangling over the Lumsden charges which only terminated at three o'clock yesterday, the House put in a quiet day, taking up a number of miscellaneous matters and finishing with a spell of supply with Mr. Pugsley in charge of the Harbors and Rivers votes for New Brunswick.

One feature of interest before supply was reached transpired when Mr. MacKenzie King announced that he had been sounding the premiers of the various provinces as to their views regarding a royal commission to be appointed to investigate Canada's needs in respect to technical education. Mr. King had not got very far however, with his explanation when he was caught in the meshes of an elementary rule of the House that a member cannot discuss a subject already on the order paper, until that order is reached. This rule caused Mr. King to beat a hasty retreat from the centre of the stage.

Hon. Sydney Fisher also took some time with an explanation in committee of the whole of his seed control bill. Then Mr. Bradbury, of Selkirk, took the floor and dilated upon the manner in which the fisheries of Manitoba were being depleted by the American fishermen. One of Mr. Conmee's power bills also came in for much criticism, especially from the minister of public works. On the whole it was a typical Friday in parliament with good progress made, but was not spectacularly done. The general plans of the government regarding the naval policy which the premier promised he would explain on the second reading of the bill will not be laid before parliament until about two weeks since.

The continued illness of Mr. Brodeur is responsible for the delay.

Hon. Mr. Graham will make his annual Intercolonial statement on Thursday and this will provoke much discussion, as the premier is expected to give the first report of the commissioners of management. This statement is being brought forward at this early date of the session in order that Mr. Butler may be relieved as soon as possible of his official duties and be free to take up his new position with the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. Mr. Graham withdrew his bill to amend the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Employees' Improvident Act, which had first reading.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Jan. 27—After making an unsuccessful attempt to kill her seven months old baby, Mrs. John Duris, 35 years of age, escaped from her home yesterday and ran to the bridge crossing of the Cenanho river and jumped into the water and was drowned. It is believed that the woman became insane following the death of a child a few months ago.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—The Postal Savings Bank bill was favorably reported to the senate today from the senate committee on post offices and post roads, practically in the form submitted by the subcommittee. Senator Carter, who will have charge of the measure, will seek an early opportunity to obtain consideration of it by the senate.

American Invasion Indicated

CALGARY, Jan. 29.—Already Americans are responding in large numbers to the Canadian Pacific railway's "Why not go to Canada?" campaign. Although the company's advertisements have only appeared in American agricultural journals during the past few days, inquiries for literature and general information are already being received in numbers warranting the prediction that 1910 will be at least double the enviable record of 1909. Southern and Central Alberta have gained the attention of Americans and it is expected that 75 per cent of the 1910 immigration from the States will come to this district.

Dominion Bank Increases Capital

TORONTO, Jan. 27—Canadian banks are spreading our giant arms to keep pace with rapid expansion of business and commerce in this country. At the annual meeting of the Dominion Bank held yesterday here, President E. B. Hoster announced to the shareholders that the bank would increase its capitalization from $5,000,000 to $10,000,000. Application will be made immediately to provide for this by increasing the par value of shares from $50 each to $100 each. Nothing was announced with regard to any dividend changes which is now paid at the rate of twelve per cent. The shareholders ratified the proposed increase of capital which is to provide for necessary expansion in near future.

SQUARE AWAY FOR NIGHT SESSION

Over-Classification Charges of Former Chief Engineer of National Transcontinental Railway Subject of Debate

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—At midnight tonight the debate on the resignation of Mr. Hugh D. Lumsden, formerly chief engineer of the National Transcontinental, who made grave charges of overclassification on that road was proceeding with a vim and vigor which indicated that it would be well on to the early hours of the morning before the division bells clanged through the corridors. The motion before the house is that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier that a committee of five members investigate the charges of Mr. Lumsden in his letter of resignation that he had lost confidence in a portion of his staff, to investigate that and nothing more and an amendment to this motion by Mr. Lennox setting forth that in the interest of the country and to check the wanton expenditures of the building of the eastern section of the road, a committee of seven members be selected to go into the whole of the charges of overclassification unfettered and unbound. These were the issues before the house, and from early afternoon the war of words and the clash of arguments went on.

Government Speaker.

The only speaker on the government side up to midnight was Mr. F. B. Carvel, who played such a prominent part in the Hodgins inquiry and who in his speech today declared that these charges were dead and buried and that there was really nothing to investigate. It took Mr. Carvel upwards of an hour and a half to demonstrate this fact to his own satisfaction, however, and the greater part of his speech was devoted to a fine spun argument that it was impossible for any engineers to make accurate estimates of classification.

On the opposition side, the chief burden on the shoulders of Mr. Middlebro, of North Grey, who characterized the proposed Laurier committee as merely "a whitewashing proposition." And Mr. Meighen of Portage la Prairie, who went into the whole question of overclassification as contained in the letters furnished in the return brought down by the government at the request of Mr. Borden. After Mr. Meighen finished at 11:30 tonight, the government sat tight evidently considering that their case had been fully made by the premier. Mr. Graham and Mr. Macdonald on Tuesday, and Mr. Carvel today.

Ministers Absent.

A curious incident occurred tonight while Mr. Meighen was speaking. The government side was almost deserted, there being only one minister present, Mr. Sydney Fisher, who was studiously reading a newspaper. Mr. Foster rose and called the attention of the speaker to the fact that the minister of railways, who of all the ministers should be present to answer questions, which might come up in the course of opposition speeches, had been absent from the chamber for some time. Mr. Foster thought this was a dereliction of duty and he moved the house rise. Mr. Fisher warmly defended Mr. Graham, who, he said, was always attentive to his duties, and while one of the Liberal members went round to the ministers rooms, Mr. Fisher reproved Mr. Foster for his attitude. The minister of agriculture kept speaking until Mr. Graham walked in and then there was an influx of ministers, Messrs. Fielding, Lemieux, King and Pugsley. The arrival of each of these was hailed with loud cheers.

The News of Newton.

Leo Mitchell spent Sunday with Arthur Brooks.

Wood Brooks, wife and children were at R. L. Brooks' Sunday.

J. H. Brooks, wife and children were visiting at Oblong Friday.

Misses Edith Brooks and Iva Curnutt spent Sunday with Lilleth Brooks.

Raymond Brooks, who went north to gather corn, returned home Sunday.

Harry Cummins and Howard Brooks spent Sunday afternoon with Dennis Brooks.

Jeff Brooks and family spent Sunday with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Willie King.

Miss Ada Brooks is over at Ira King's staying with Mrs. King while Ira is up north gathering corn.

Ed. Reisner and family took dinner at R. L. Brooks' Sunday, as did also Mrs. Emma Brooks and children.—Newton (Ill.) Mentor.

Editor SamuelL. Landers, of the "Weekly Bulletin of the Clothing Trades," official publication of the garment workers, has resigned his office. For the present, General Secretary B. A. Larger is to assume control of the editorial department. Mr. Landers has a long and enviable career in the trade-union journalistic field, and will continue to contribute to the "Weekly Bulletin."

SALT SPRING ISLAND JUSTICE APPEALED FROM

Counsel for Prisoner Claims Action of Presiding Magistrates Was High Handed and Seeks Release of Client

In a small room dignified by the name of court room at Settlement, near Vesuvius Bay on Salt Spring Island two days ago Justices of the peace A. Walter and Colonel Layard, found H. O. Allen, a rancher of Salt Spring, guilty of shooting a sheep belonging to J. Maxwell, another rancher, and sentenced him to two months' imprisonment at hard labor without option of fine and without any explanation of the sentence or comment on the evidence. C. L. Harrison, who appeared at the hearing on behalf of Allen obtained bail for him yesterday and will appeal to Judge Lampman in the county court at the earliest date possible.

Allen, who was brought to Victoria and lodged in the provincial jail Friday night, is a small rancher on the island owning about 160 acres of land and some stock. He was employed at work on the residence of Mr. Trench, a prominent resident of the island. According to the evidence, Mr. Trench left word with Allen and those employed with him that they might shoot one of his sheep if they ran short of meat. Accordingly Allen shot what he swore he believed to be one of Trench's sheep. It turned out, however, that the sheep in question belonged to J. Maxwell, another rancher, whose place adjoins Trench's. Allen was arrested and charged with the offence.

No counsel appeared for the crown, the two justices preferring to conduct that part of the case themselves. Mr. Harrison appeared for Allen and argued to establish the fact that the sheep had been shot in mistake for one of Trench's sheep. Allen was willing to pay for the sheep, but Maxwell refused to accept payment. Thereupon the two justices sentenced Allen. They declined to give reasons for the judgment.

TESTIFIES AGAINST CABINET MINISTER

Proceedings in Ballinger-Pinchot Inquiry Places Secretary of Interior in an Adverse Light

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The proceedings in the Ballinger-Pinchot, inquiry, which up to this time have consisted largely of reading into the records of the inquiry of the various letters, telegrams, etc., which heretofore have been published in a message transmitted to the senate by President Taft, took a livelier aspect yesterday when Louis R. Glavis, continuing his testimony against Secretary Ballinger, told of various interviews he had had with the secretary of the interior at various times while he was in and out of the government service. Mr. Glavis declared that in one of these interviews in October 1908 Mr. Ballinger told him he was having a hard time trying to collect campaign contributions, and that two men involved in the Cunningham Claims, who had been liberal contributors in the past, had declined to contribute because they were angry at not being granted patents for the Alaska coal lands.

Representative James of Kentucky, one of the Democratic members of the Committee, pounced upon this testimony and cross-examined the witness about it at some length.

Asked to Hold Up.

Mr. Glavis said that Mr. Ballinger asked him to hold up on the Alaska cases until after election. He agreed to do this because he had his hands full with another case.

One of the interesting developments of the day was the distribution at both sessions of a quantity of press matter which purported to point out the significance of the testimony thus far given at the inquiry. The morning matter came in an envelope of the American Conservative Association, of which Gifford Pinchot was recently chosen president. The afternoon matter began, "The important developments of the morning session were," and then went on to recite that the proceedings had placed Secretary Ballinger in an adverse light. The morning session was devoted to an endeavor by the Prosecution to show the haste in which Mr. Ballinger, as Commissioner of the Land Office had urged the Cunningham Alaska claim to clear listing for patent. The inquiry will be resumed at ten tomorrow.

RUGBY MATCH ON 26th OF FEBRUARY

VANCOUVER, Jan. 27.—The fourth game for the McKechnie cup representing the provincial Rugby championship will be played at Victoria on Saturday, Feb. 26. The Vancouver Rugby union executive decided to wait a full month to play off this postponed fixture at the regular meeting of the union held last evening. It means a lot to Vancouver, for a win or a draw for Victoria will give the Capital City not only the British Columbia championship but the privilege of defending the Keith International trophy against California next Christmas. The representative team is not in very good condition now and some new backs may be developed before the next game.

Charged With Embezzlement.

TORREN, Mexico., Jan. 27.—A. G. White an Englishman formerly employed as a bookkeeper on the ranch of Chas. P. Taft, at Mission, Texas, was taken back to that place from here today to answer a charge of embezzling $1,400 of the ranch funds.

Sentenced For Murder

ALBANY, N.Y., Jan. 27.—Lester Felici pleaded guilty in the supreme court to murder in the second degree, and was sentenced to Clinton prison for life, which may be reduced to twenty years by good behaviour. Felici killed John Lachappelle, an aged farmer, by whom he was employed on Loudenville road, near Albany several months ago.

Baseball Opening.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 27.—The joint schedule committee of the two major baseball leagues ended their work last night, and the members left for home. It was formally announced that the both long and short schedules will be presented to the National league meeting next month. Bal. Johnson, president of the American league, said that either schedule could be made to fit satisfactorily with his league. The season will open in the west on April 13. Pittsburg will open at St. Louis. New York will play the first game at the Polo grounds, April 22, and the first game at Forbes Field will be with Cincinnati, April 20 or 21. The American league will open in the east a day later than the National.

LOWERY'S LEVITY

It is a long time since we read about a hobo being operated upon for appendicitis.

A whale was recently seen in Prince Rupert harbor. Probably in search of a Jonah.

In Prince Rupert the people have some difficulty to tell whiskey from wood alcohol.

Some people in Prince Rupert complain because they have to pack water some distance in a bucket. They should set the bucket in the backyard and wait a few minutes.

Dr. Cook received $60,000 from American newspapers for writing his fake story about the north pole. As a loss liar he has the outside newspaper correspondents of Victoria backed clear over the divide.

A thin and lone apparition floated through the keyhole in our editorial palace one day last week and asked for a drink of water. "What are you?" said we: "I'm the only survivor of a long list of New Year resolutions," said the spectre as it floated away on the ozone.

In Toronto there are more churches than bar-rooms, and more hypocrites than drunks. It is a city filled with so-called good people, most of whom die from wrong thinking or intemperance of some kind. The hobo does not love Toronto, for its charity is kept on ice, and its booze is too full of water.

Plenty of Chances to Save Money Here

OGILVIE'S MOUNT ROYAL FLOUR—The finest of all bread flours. Per sack $1.75
GOOD COOKING APPLES. Per box, $1.50 and .. $1.25
"DIXI" PASTRY FLOUR. Per sack $1.75
NORTHERN SPY APPLES. Per box $2.15
WHITE MEALY POTATOES. Per sack $1.50
NEW AUSTRALIAN BUTTER. Per lb. ..... 35¢
"DIX" CEYLON TEA. 3 lbs. $1.00
AUBURN CREAMERY BUTTER. 3 lbs. $1.00

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RIPE TOMATOES, per lb. ..... 20¢
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NATIONAL COMMERCE CLUB

Organization to Promote British Trade Throughout Empire Is Started

The board of trade is in receipt of a communication from London, Eng., giving information of the establishment there of a National Commerce club, which is being started with a view to promoting and furthering British trade and commerce throughout the British Isles and overseas dominions. In brief, the objects of the new club are: To promote the best interests of commerce; to provide all the conveniences and comforts of a first-class non-political club for business men; and to arrange for periodical dinners and discussions on leading subjects of interest to commerce and trade. These discussions are to be opened by prominent men in the business world.

The personnel of the club's executive is a criterion of the wide field which it hopes to cover. The Right Hon. Sir G. W. Truscott, Bt., J. P., Lord Mayor of London, is the president. Among the vice presidents is the Hon. Sir Frederick Borden, K. C. M. G., minister of militia and defence in Canada. The other vice presidents comprise men from Australia and New Zealand, as well as lord mayors of some of the principal cities in England, Scotland, and Ireland. The present club house, a temporary one, pending the erection of a new building, is on Oxford street, and contains one hundred bedrooms, a coffee room, dining rooms for private luncheons or dinners, a large smoking room, a billiard room, etc.

The men engaged in the printing industry in England are agitating for the eight-hour work-day. It is proposed to introduce it by the gradual process, as did San Francisco craftsmen, as well as those of the iron trade.

The photo-engraver's strike, which began January 1st, has been settled and the men went back to work after they had been promised that they would be paid the flat rate of $21 a week at the expiration of eight months. Until that time, the men will work under the old scale of $21 a week for half-tone men, and $11 for linemen.

Suit Against Harriman Roads

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Taft has determined to press to a conclusion the pending suit against the Union and Southern Pacific railroads looking to a dissolution of the merger, and today concluded to deny the application of Judge Lovett, Mr. Harriman's successor, to disallow the suit.

Crisis in Hungary.

BUDA PESTH, Jan. 28.—An early rebuff was met by the recently formed Hedervary Cabinet when the Chamber this afternoon by a large majority voted a want of confidence in the ministry. The premier informed the deputies he was unable to decide immediately to dissolve parliament or resign. He then drew from his pocket an imperial rescript adjourning the house until March 4. The usual scenes of disorder accompanied the departure of the ministry from the house.

Calgary Waterworks.

CALGARY, Jan. 28.—The city commissioners recommend that an additional 20 miles be added to the present water works system. The cost of this extension will be close to $250,000. This recommendation will be passed upon when the council meets next Monday night as there is a desire to immediately place the orders for the necessary material. The council will also consider a proposal to grant the general hospital and site to the government for use as a military hospital.

Tuesday, February 1, 1910

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r Suffering Tortures For Years his Lady Found Happy Relief in Fruit-a-tives."

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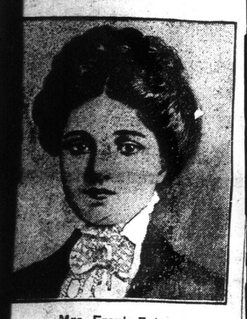

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AYS HE VIOLATED MINERS' CONTRACT

ternational President Lewis Accused of Protecting Coal Companies — Hot Words Among the Leaders

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—"International President Lewis protected coal companies, not the miners, in ding off the recent strike in the Kisburg district," said Francis Feehan, president of the Western Pennsylnia district of the United Mine workrs of America in the convention of the ganization today. Vice-President Bitter of the Pittsburg district, supporting chan, charged Lewis with having ought about a settlement of the rike, in violation of the miners' contact with the Pittsburg Coal Company. "That is untrue," shouted Lewis.

"I challenge the president," retorted n Bittner, "to resign if I prove my arge. If I cannot prove it I will reign."

Van Bittner has perjured himself in e Pittsburg district," said Lewis, "and this being shown to the convention it ould put him where he belongs, outide."

An excited debate ensued.

FIGHTING IN NICARAGUA

umored Battle With Heavy Loses Between Madriz and Estrada Forces

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—An official legram to the State Department from anagua says that it is rumored there at a battle has been fought between e Madriz and the Estrada forces ear La Libertad, with heavy losses. Consul Olivares, at Managua, reports at the consular messenger carrying espatches from Managua to Admiral imball with Corinto, has been subjected ill treatment. On one occasion he as threatened by the train conductor nd also the commandant of the port Corinto. On several occasions he as met with threats and rough treatent.

In a telegram from Managua, dated oday, it was stated that in the trial f the members of the court martial hich condemned the Americans, Cannon and Grace, to death, orders were hibited which the magistrates held o be proof that Zelaya himself was esponsible for the execution of the two men. On that ground the accused were discharged.

Crisis in Hungary.

BUDA PESTH, Jan. 28.—An early rebuff was met by the recently formed Hedervary Cabinet when the Chamber this afternoon by a large majority voted a want of confidence in the ministry. The premier informed the deputies he was unable to decide immediately to dissolve parliament or resign. He then drew from his pocket an imperial rescript adjourning the house until March 4. The usual scenes of disorder accompanied the departure of the ministry from the house.

Calgary Waterworks.

CALGARY, Jan. 28.—The city commissioners recommend that an additional 20 miles be added to the present water works system. The cost of this extension will be close to $250,000. This recommendation will be passed upon when the council meets next Monday night as there is a desire to immediately place the orders for the necessary material. The council will also consider a proposal to grant the general hospital and site to the government for use as a military hospital.