FACTORY ACT. Sessions of Commission Held Yesterday Afternoon and Evenind. Mr. Stevens Thinks Most of the Evidence Heard is Useless, and Hear-

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JAMES R. WARNER.

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The Factory Act Commission held its first session in the government rooms, Church street, Thursday morning. Mayor Palmer of Fredericton occupied the chair, and there were present the following commissioners: Mrs. Emma Fiske, Chas. McDonald and M. J. Kelly. Secretary James Stevens of St. Stephen was also present.

Several witnesses were heard dur ing the session, the majority of whom were employers so that naturally the evidence was favorable to existing conditions. Witnesses were not examined under oath.

W. G. SCOVIL

W. G. Scovil, who was the first to give evidence, said that he personally looked after the tailoring department of his business, and that his concern employed no boys or girls under 14 years of age. The room in which the employes work has ten windows and the floors are swept each day. The building was not supplied with fire Some of his employes take escapes. lunch at the building, there being no separate apartment for this. No accidents had ever occurred.

ABRAHAM ISAACS.

Abraham Isaacs, manufacturer of cigars, next gave evidence. The tobacco dust of his establishment, he said, had never much affected him. He is in the lumbering manufacturing His establishment is divided into three business, and is proprietor of a mill. apartments. The whole floor is 70x32 The main room is about 80 x 40 feet ft. In one room, which is 40x32, there and about the establishment are 80 are 40 workers. In another room, 10x10, there are two workers, and in of doors. None of his employes are another room, 15x15 ft., there are three boys, and none under 18 years of age workers. In the lower portion of the building he has another room with ed that his belts and machinery are about ten workers. His employes are well covered. His men go to work at all girls. None of them are under 14 7 a. m. Some go without their breakyears of age. His hours are from 8.30 fast, but that is their own fault. They a. m. to 5 p. m., with an hour for din- have an occasional accident. The venner. The building was well lighted and tilation is pretty thorough. He could ventilated. He believed tobacco to be not say what is the most dangerous a great disinfectant and therefore healthy. The doors unstairs opened inwards.

He had a separate room for his employes to take lunch in.

CANON RICHARDSON.

Rev. Canon Richardson, who visited the cotton mills Wednesday, said that it was hard to determine the age of the boys, who as a rule were uneducated. All of them assured him that they were over 14 years of age. In both factories the fire facilities were

health regulation, but this would not affect factories other than under con-ditions such as would classify them needed for is sanitation. He thought, he would the while to take C. Sharkey, a freight handler, who had been strongly urged by the Fabian League to do all in his power to have as public nuisances. The sanitary cona factory act placed upon the statute He knew of children who had ditions in the poorer class of factories books. He knew of children who had are frequently very poor, in some in-been compelled to work extra time in are frequently very poor, in some in-the cotion factory, where sanitary arthe cotton factory, where sanitary ar-rangements were not satisfactory. iences for men and women where they There was no arrangement for carryare employed together. In his opinion, certain grievances ing off the dust and the conditions as competition becomes more keen, in the better factories the conditions are not discharge an employe who made improved, but because of this very fact complaint to him of what the employe the better factories the conditions are were not such as would be conducive to good health. Last winter it was particularly severe. The conditions as the condition of the poorer factories berepresented by him were denied by the comes worse. One of the most im-

owners. He was delegated by the portant reasons for a factory act is Fabian League to ascertain the facts, that there should be some regulation fixing a minimum age limit at which but was refused admission and was unable to go through. He met emchildren might be employed. Again ployes of a large baking firm in St. employes should have some authority John and from the looks of the childto which they can appeal, competent ren he judged that the conditions were to regulate grievances which exist on not as they should be, and that they account of causing injury to health, or were not properly taken care of. He undue competition between men and had seen children faint as they came women, and between adults and childinto the open air after being at work ren. This should not be delayed bein the bakery. cause grievances which have become He thought the conditions in St. chronic elsewhere are not yet felt here.

And it is desirable to place this pro-John tobacco factories were such as would make it impossible for all vince on a par with the more enlightescape in case of fire and also that ened parts of the world while it is yet narticles of tobacco floating about were easy to do so. St. John is almost on There was a single closet the verge of the sweat shop stage. In to be used in one factory by about 20 some shops in hot weather the condiwomen and about 60 men. The deletions are not, to say the least, very gation from the League also found good. He had in mind a specific in hat in some factories where edibles stance, and here the sanitary conditions were manufactured, diseased persons were not at all good. He knew only were employed, in one instance four at from report of children under fourt time. The rolling and wood-workteen years at work in the factories. ing factories made no pretence at all to having sanitary arrangements. He

JAS. R. WOODBURN. Jas. R. Woodburn, machinist, was

who have little or no knowledge of next called. His was office work. At legislation, and believed that it was the machines they are working upon. needed in this province. He instanced present his firm has 9 or 10 employes. cases of parties sending their children The building is a one story structure running an engine in St. John who did Only one employe is under 18 years of to work in factories when they should have been sent to school. The board of age. There is a row of windows on health might look after the matter of each side, and also there is ventilation in the roof. In some businesses he sanitation. At this stage the commission took thought it necessary that there be a room for lunch, also separate closets After recess, T. S. Simms, of Simms

In his judgment there were children for men and women. In his small under 14 years of age who worked in shop he did not think a lunch room these factories. In reply to Mr. Palnecessary. The province should have mer, he said he knew of a baker who a factory act, for the factories should had a stable in the same building in be under proper public control, espewhich the baking was done. He cially in St. John. He knew of no thought a factory act should be put children employed under 14 years of upon the statute books, and that it and a compulsory school law should age, nor did he have any personal

knowledge about factories. Mr. Murray wished to add that at James R. Warner was next called. the present time there are no provisions respecting the safeguarding of employes against moving machinery. All factories should be compelled to stand on an equal footing here. One

to 90 workers, many of whom work out has only to go into laundries, machine shops and some of the mills in St John to be impressed with the need of protection against moving machin-Mr. Sharkey stated in addition what he had already said that it had been found that many employes had been unwilling to give evidence for fear of prejudicing their positions. Thomas Fitzgerald, carpenter, though not summoned, gave some evidence. He had worked in a woodworking factory about 10 years ago. There are cases, he thought, in which a factory act would be beneficial. Some places are very dusty, especially about the sandpaper machines of woodworking

factories. Mr. McCristall, printer, thought factory act was necessary for New Brunswick. Throughout the whole civilized world it was thought necesorable consideration from the em- sary, and there was no reason why New Brunswick should be behind.

principal things which legislation is be very honest in their evidence, yet it needed for is sanitation. He thought, was scarcely worth the while to take however, the board of health could be up the time of the commission in hearempowered to look after this. ing evidence of this nature To Com. Kelly he said he was not WILLIAM LONG. aware that his employes held a meeting William Long, warehouse man, said for the purpose of having redressed

that his hours of labor were from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. He had no complaint To Com. McDonald he said he would whatever to make, and knew of no children under 14 years of age working in the factory. might consider unsatisfactory condi-HARRY GOLDSWORTHY.

Harry Goldsworthy, builders' laborer, ed over the draft of the factory act and previously a stone laborer, gave some considered that it would impose a lot interesting evidence. He did not think of artificial regulations which could some of the Jewish clothing establishments should be allowed to exist in St. Com. Kelly-Other provinces have John. He knew of several sweat shops factory legislation and it has proved in the north end-three from the cor-Why should 'not New ner of Mill to Brooks street, and others in other places. In one that he had Pender thought compulsory visited children were allowed to run school legislation would remedy the about among the machinery. In troubled question of child employment. other a man had seven rooms in which The Fabian League, he thought, were he and his employes lived and worked the agitators of the question of factory at making clothing. One girl in a cerlegislation, otherwise it would never tain establishment was making \$8 or \$4 a fortnight, and crossed the ferry Mrs. Fiske explained that the Trades night and morning. Had there been a and Labor Council originated the factory act when he was young he scheme or urged it upon this province. would have hed a better education and Rev. J. C. B. Appel said that he was his condition would have been better in favor of factory legislation. He did now. A lady had been talking with not pretend to be very familiar with him recently, an employe of a cotton the question, though from personal obfactory, and had stated that but for servations he thought it was much her fear of losing her job, upon which needed. He was also in favor of com-

her mother as well as herself is largely dependent, she would like to ap-pear before the commission and state Rev. H. H. Roach said that he was interested in the movement for factory the wretched conditions which prevail where she works.

H. C. RANKINE. Henry C. Rankine, of T. Rankine & Sons, biscuit manufacturers, gave the dimensions of the room in which about 35 or 40 are employed. The firm endeavor to avoid employing boys under 14 recess, owing to a lack of witnesses. years of age. Floors are swept three or four times a day. Half of the em-

ployes take lunch in the building & Co., brush manufacturers, gave in-There is no separate room for this, formation respecting his factory. Perbut they do not eat in the workroom. sonally, he did not think that a Factory Act was necessary. He, however, He doubted that they would use it if one were provided. There are no would have no objection to a proper Factory Act-one with few objectionstables near. All their employes receive half-holidays on Saturdays for three months in summer and are paid full time. They are given all the legal holidays and receive pay as well. Many of the features of the proposed factory act he had seen he considered Both Mrs. Fiske and Mr. Kelly said

St. John to continue the work.

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senseless, but was not opposed to a age has just been received here saying good factory act. There are many factories in St. John that have been built ed from Tsing Chou at the expiration for some time, and many of these it of the time limit of 24 hours set on her would be impossible to now change remaining there. No fighting at sea into modern factories. He could not has yet been reported. see why many employers would op-BERLIN, Aug. 13 .- The Russian pro

pose a good factory act. No complaints | tected cruiser Novik left Tsing Chou (at the entrance of Kiao Chou Bay have come in from employes respecting conditions prevailing about the the German concession on the Shan factory. The help are sure to recipro- Tung peninsula, where she arrived cate when they see employers trying Thursday night) within the 24 hour to make conditions easier for them. limit, according to an official despatch He would like to see a universal nine- to the navy department from the govhour day, but it would be unfair to ernor of Kiao Chou. Several other

TORONTO, Aug. 13 .- An event of compel one section of the country with Russian vessels are still in the harbor much interest to the colored communa nine-hour system to compete with in a disabled condition. The German ity in the ward transpired last evening other provinces having a ten-hour government is not willing that the names of the ships and the details of at the A. M. E. church on Elizabeth

day. street. It was the visit and sermon of CHARLES VAIL. the damages should be published on the newly-elected bishop, Jas. Chas. Vail, laundryman, stated the official authority, because such intel-Handy, from Washington. size of his workrooms, and that 30 ligence might be considered inconsist-Handy has recently been given a nic people are employed in the work. None ent with neutrality and as affording little bishopric extending from Helifay employed under 14 years of age. Japan valuable instruction. The into Vancouver, and as far north as he There had been a couple of accidents structions sent to Tsing Chou permit in his laundry, both on the mangle, the disabled Russian vessels to repair has a mind to go. He is now on nad a little verbal spat at this point, but these were due to carelessness. He sufficiently to proceed to another port, inaugural tour, spying out the land, during which Mr. Kelly said that Mr. had no objections against a factory but the repairs must be strictly limit. Accompanied by his wife and Dr. McDonald seemed disposed to disagree act, provided such would not cost him ed to making them seaworthy and not Becket, a colored evangelist, known "Sankey of the race. to increasing their fighting capacity. too much. A brief song service preceded the Mr. Sharkey, who had given evi- Admiral Von Prittwitz, the command-Episcopal sermon last evening. Rev.

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ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 13 .- This Russian cruiser Rurik was sunk. The morning's bulletin from the Alexan other two ships, which appeared to Villa at Peterhof announces that have suffered heavily, fled northward condition of the empress and the Japanese damages are slight, apparent is very satisfactory CHE FOO, Aug. 13, noon,-A mess-GIBRALTAR, Aug. 13 .- The Brit str. Ronda, from Hull for that the Russian cruiser Novik escappassed here today and signalled that

she was boarded by a Russian cruiser yesterday. A purse and other doo ments were examined, and her hold was searched.

BISHOP HANDY.

Who Was Recently in St. John, is New in Toronto.

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SEMI-WEEKLY SUN, ST. JOHN, N. B., AUGUST 17, 1904.

To Com. Shives he said he had look

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pulsory school attendance.

able features.

ask such a question.

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Mrs. Fiske asked Mr. Simms if he

would be in favor of a nine-hour sys-

Chairman Palmer did not think that

that time was mentioned in the draft

act and thought it was quite proper to

Mr. Simms made answer that he

would have no objection to a nine-hour

To Com. Kelly Mr. Simms said

did not employ a certified engineer.

His engineer, however, was a capable

The commissioners, who visited the

simms' brush factory yesterday, con-

gratulated Mr. Simms on the splen-

he would discharge his employes if

they came before the commission and

gave evidence derogatory to his fac-

Mr. Simms replied that he would be

glad to have his employes testify and

Commissioners Kelly and McDonald

had a little verbal spat at this point,

would not let anything they said inter-

fere with their employment.

Com. McDonald asked -Mr. Simms

the question was quite in order.

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Mr.

d, but the sanitary system bad. In the York factory the odor about the closets was pretty strong.

In the majority of cases the employes appeared to take their lunch in be any separate room for this purpose. of his engine is a certified engineer. The hours are from 6.30 a. m. to 12, the 60 hour per week system in vogue excessive, but the men did not seem to mind it.

Mr. Bichardson thought compulsory school education would have the effect of keeping children away from the factories until they were fourteen was the next called. He thought a years old.

Mr. Richardson found a good deal of that should be prevented is child labcotton dust in the factories. Some of or. He had visited saw mills in comthe employes said that it affected their pany with another member of the Fabeyes somewhat, but that it did not ian League. One of these was Hilyard seem to be injurious to their lungs. Bros.' mill, but no boys were found Generally the employes gave the opin- under 14 years of age. In others in ion that they considered the mills pret- the North End he had found boys apty good places.

erwise, as it might mean the loss of cutting off ends of deals. In another their positions.

T. F. WHITE.

Thomas F. White, manager of the White Candy Co., told of the conditions at his factory. There are a number of working rooms of dimensions Still to one accustomed to the mill it varying from 100 x 40 feet to 25 x 80 would not be extremely dangerous. feet. None of the employes are under 14 years of age. In the rooms in which the girls are employed there are fans. The floors are cleaned every week. There are no fire escapes. An automatic hose reel is stationed on the ground floor and on the other floors

There are four water closets, two adjoining the girls' clothes room and two tion with both employers and emon the ground floor. A number of girls ployes. Among the latter it would take lunch in a separate room provided for that purpose. A few minor accidents have occurred in the factory.

A. HARTT.

A. Hartt, tobacco manufacturer, told of the conditions at his factory, Union street. None of his employes are under 14 years of age. He has no fire extinguishers. The factory is provided with water closets. His hours are from 8 a. m. to 5.30 p. m. Mrs. Fiske said when she visited the factory the dust bothered her Mr. Hartt was in favor of compul-

sory education.

C. W. BROWN.

C. W. Brown of the D. F. Brown Paper Co., was the last person to give evidence. None under 14 years of age were employed at his factory. There are no fire escapes. A fire extinguishing apparatus is being installed. Around the building there are chemical extinguishers and water buckets. There is a water closet on each floor. The employes have a separate room in which to take their lunch, but they don't take advantage of it. When asked if he could not compel his employes to use the separate room. Mr. Brown said he did not think he could. Mr. Brown was not in favor of a factory act. He did not think it was necessary in St. John.

EVENING SESSION. At the evening session all the commissioners were present, including Kilgour Shives of Campbellton, who was absent from the morning session.

PETER C. SHARKEY.

In reply to a plover. Mrs. Fiske he stated that men have every opportunity for eating their din-every opportunity for eating their dinner under shelter in rainy weather. His hours of work are from 7 to 5, the factory. There did not appear to a nine-hour day. The man in charge He had no record of the ages of boys 10.30 this morning. and from 1 p. m. to 6.30 p. m. This is working in his mill, but he felt sure there was none at present under 14 At throughout the Dominion. The tem- years of age. A few weeks ago he of the Factory Act commission. perature in some of the rooms was had a young boy on a light job who the first witness to be examworked at the solicitation of his mo-

> ther, but left three weeks ago. D. H. MELVIN.

D. H. Melvin, a St. John electrician, deal more effectively with the quesfactory act is needed. One of the things tions concerning themselves, Only city and found the most wretched conditions existing. The sanitary arrangements were poor and the thirty-five or more cramped. He talked with a number of the employes and they expressed themparently under 12 years. One apparselves as dissatisfied with the exist-Mr. Kelly-They would not say oth- ently under 14 was running a saw, ing conditions. The factory he had in mind was an axe factory

mill he found one boy who was evidently not over 10 years of age. The was the next witness. He was of the machinery as far as he could judge opinion that a Factory Act was neceswas guarded as properly as it could sary and gave some reasons for such well be, though in places one had to egislation. In many of the factories stoop quite low to get under the belts. the doors opened inward, the stairways were dark, dust was abundant, machinery was unguarded, and sanitation The ventilation was not bad. In many was unsatisfactory. One great reason mills a paraffine lamp without a chimwhy there should be a Factory Act ney was used. He had never visited was that in many places there were a cotton factory or bakery. children' under 14 years of age employ.

THOMAS KICKHAM.

ed. Thos. Kickham, harness maker. After describing his visits to several there are chemical extinguishers. thought the province needed a factory factories, Mr. Hatheway said, in anact. It would create better satisfacswer to a question of Mrs. Fiske, that he kept what could be classed as a factory. He had seven employes packgive less discontent and would be coning tea. He admitted that considerducive to their comfort. He had nevable dust was encountered by the workmen and he had often talked with er visited the factories and could not cite specific instances of discontent his foreman about methods of provid-Girls should not be compelled to get up ing against it. Here Commissioner McDonald jumpso early in the mornings, such as 6.30, ed on Mr. Hatheway. It was a very in order to be at work on time. He has heard great dissatisfaction expressremarkable thing, he said, that a man posing as a labor leader, and a reformed by factory hands with their present state, still he admitted that this is

the general tendency of the times, and people should even be aided in protecting themselves against themselves WILLIAM GRIOTT.

William Griott, moulder, stated that

men.

many parts of his occupation were dangerous, and such can sometimes be guarded against. Where he works the ventilation is good, and he does not was not as other men were. find the fumes dangerous. There are occasional accidents, sometimes from carelessness, but often from defective machinery. Many employes take their advocates. meals in the building. In case of fire it would be easy to escape, for moulding is done on the ground floor. He had no grievances in connection with his work. In only one shop in the city, however, is there a washroom. Generally the men go home to wash. None work where he does under 16 years of age. The sanitary conditions pre good. R. J. MURRAY.

R. J. Murray, barrister, was of the very decided oninion that a factory act is needed for the following reasons: First, there is no provision whatever

governing the hours of labor either of guarded and effectively worked. He did not think that the conditions women or children, nor any legal condition respecting sanitary conditions, such as a factory act would factory act. There was no undue con- much as most of the men who give

er and pretending to be so terribly concerned about the welfare of his workmen should come before that were J. Palmer, Mrs. Fiske, J. M. ommission and be forced to admit Kelly, Chas. McDonald and Secretary that a state of affairs similar to those Jas. Stevens. Mr. Shives was called he tried to expose in other factories away on account of business. existed in his own. In the course of a rather vicious attack, he compared Mr. Hatheway to the well known biblical

Saturday they cease at 5 o'clock. The ten hour system is followed. Such parts not to be employed in factories, but up of his machinery as require it are to 14 years of age ought to be in school. guarded. Other parts could not be

as they existed in the city called for a to the chairman his opinion that inas-The first witness called was Pater make general. There is a board of gestion of labor here, in fact there was evidence have not given the subject

with everyone. Where he works there are about nine The commission adjourned at one a girl, the proof-reader. Experienced o'clock.

tory.

men are always employed about the At the afternoon session of the facpresses, but he believed they had a tory act commission Friday W. S. bad machine in the Sun office.

The meeting was then adjourned till facturer, also manger of an iron foundry at Sackville, stated that his firm employs 20 mechanics and 30 clerks in Friday morning's session the city, and in Sackville 60. In St. John they have rooms 90x20 each. There are no boys under 14, and ventilation ined was Rev. A. J. W. Nicholson, He is by windows. In the foundry the thought a Factory Act was a necessiventilation is of the usual kind. There ty in New Brunswick. The employes form a large body of the population ing, which is a four-story structure. are no fire escapes in the St. John build and should have it in their power to Water pails and fire extinguishers are about the different rooms. There are several wash basins and sinks throughyesterday he visited a factory in the out the building. Several employes take their meals in the building, but there are no separate fooms. are from 7 to 5; some work overtime employes were somewhat for which they are paid, and many work by piece work. The nine-hour system applies only to the mechanics, the clerical hands work as long as is necessary to finish. He did not see the need of a factory act in New Bruns W. F. Hatheway, wholesale grocer, wick. Factories have to compete with Upper Canada, where they have long Well Known Tilbury East Farmer Tells ours and where there is keen competition. There are sufficient laws already such as the public health act, which covers sanitary arrangements, that if properly enforced would cover all oints. He thought health inspectors hould have power to enforce good san-

itary provisions, and favored a compulsory school law. Most of the boys in his employ are at least 15 years of Kidney Pills. Some parts of the proposed factory legislation were taken up and discussd. He thought every man should be

free agent respecting his desire to do extra work at noon hour if he so wished. Several other sections were referred to in a similar way. MR. MCDONALD ENTERTAINS.

Last evening Mr. McDonald entertained the male members of the comnission, Mayor White and Mr. Fisher at dinner at the Union Club.

EVENING SESSION. At the evening session those present plaints.

JAMES O'NEILL James O'Neill, a heater in a rolling

character who thanked God that he mill, was the first to give evidence. The occupation is not dangerous and Mr. Hatheway's only response was the ventilation is good, though the that he thought the commissioners work is hot. Most of the men eat were appointed to act as judges, not as their meals in the mill, but they have no extra 100m, nor in warm weather James Pender, of the Pender Nail would such be desirable. Accidents factory. He employed no boys under ten through carelessness. His is piece the forges. His employes number for his work, though the rest of the of her departure. about 70, at whose disposal there are men go to work at 6.30 and 7 o'clock. four water closets. With the excep- He was in favor of a factory act. There tion of Saturday his employes cease is no railing about the machinery and work at six o'clock in the evening. On wheels where he works, but he thought such was necessary. Children ought

MR. STEVENS' OPINION. At this point Mr. Stevens submitted

dence previously, asked the chairman er of the German naval forces in far whether the commission intended to eastern waters, is assembling his ships Mr. Williams, the pastor of the church inquire into the hours of labor, and at Kiao Chou to prepare to enforce presided. The hymns used were typ cally Methodistic, and were led by was told that it was not their inten- German's neutrality against either good-sized choir. tion to take up this matter. He in- belligerent. formed the commission that the Fa-LONDON, Aug. 13.-A despatch from

The bishop's remarks were full humor bian League had not been able to find St. Petersburg to a news agency says an instance of failure in a factory the machinery of the Russian battle-"Guess I'm gettin' to be an old ma ship Czarevitch was so knocked about he said quietly. "Been for working under the eight-hour system. The meeting was then adjourned, during the fight that most of it is years on circuits. When I look your beautiful faces and see your n and the commission will next meet at worthless. She lost 210 officers and Campbellton, then Newcastle and men killed and had 60 wounded. Rear cheeks and your sparkling eves-Admiral Withoft was on the bridge of all that kind of thing-I feel as though Chatham, on the 17th, 18th and 19th respectively. Then they will return to the Czarevitch when a shell exploded my work days are about over.

there blowing him to pieces. general conference kind o' thought they'd 'locate' me lately (i. e. sup ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 13 .- Indigannuate), but I suddenly got yo nation is expressed by the morning again. I was sent up here. Now, papers over the Ryeshitelni affair at Che Foo. They declare it to have been find any preacher in my bishopric ting worthless and lazy, I'm going a more obvious breach of neutrality 'locate' him. I want you all to laws than the hattle at Chemulno at the beginning of the war. The papers The meeting closed with a general call upon the authorities to present handshaking.

the matter to the attention of the powers. Commenting at some length on the affair, the Novosti says it is to be hoped that the powers, when the matter shall have been laid before Serious Accident in B. C. Mining Dise them, will take active means toward

forcing neutrality under the guarantee the Tilbury News How Easily He Got of Secretary of State Hay's note, which action hardly could be expected from "the weak and shifty govern.

ment of China on its own initiative." TILBURY, Ont., Aug. 12.-(Special). SERLIN, Aug. 13.-Japan has given -Mr. Wm. Taggart, a well known and the German government an intimation highly esteemed farmer of Tilbury East that she is preparing a statement retells of his remarkable cure of long- garding the seizure of the Russian standing Kidney Disease by Dodd's torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshiteini at Che Foo. The foreign office therefore

"For about four or five years," says is disinclined to express its views on Mr. Taggart, "I was a sufferer from the Washington despatches indicating Kidney Trouble, and the scores of med- that the state department is concerned icines I used gave me no relief. I was about the apparent breach of neutralforced to get up three or four times ity on the part of the Japanese torevery night and my life was simply mis- pedo boats.

"At last I started to use Dodd's Kidopinion of the London morning newsney Pills and I got relief from the papers is that Japan will make atonefirst. After using two boxes I was ment for the Ryeshitelni affair by re- switch being open the train r completely cured, and you can bet I storing the ship to the Chinese authoriwas a happy man. I cannot speak too ties, but at the same time it is admithighly of Dodd's Kidney Pills." ted that international obligations have All urinary complaints are caused by so frequently been thrust aside during Diseased Kidneys. Dodd's Kidney

the course of the war that Japan may Pills always cure the Kidneys and possibly feel entitled to make a law therfore always cure urinary com- unto herself. ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 13. 2 p.m.-

OTTAWA, Aug. 12 .- The government has been informed that the provincial entered action against salmon trap

licenses issued by the Dominion, denying federal jurisdiction over the foreshore. le

MRS. MAYBRICK COMING.

LONDON, Aug. 14 .- Mrs. Florence Maybrick is on board the Red Star Works, described the conditions at his occasionally happen, but such are of- Line steamer Vaderland, which sailed keys of captured fortresses, was filled from Antwerp yesterday morning, un- with ambassadors, generals, admirals fourteen years of age. Ventilation at work and he is satisfied with general der the name of Miss Rose Ingram. and court and government functionthe factory is afforded by sky lights. A conditions where he works. The hours She is accompanied by her attorney, fan is used to draw off the smoke from of labor vary. The day begins at 5.30 Mr. Hayden, who arranged the details ing the resplendent uniforms of high

> PUEBLO, Colo., Aug. 13 .- The corpse of the woman at the morgue heretofore unclaimed has been identified by Norman Steffey of Detroit, Mich., as his mother, Mrs. Belle Steffey. All the bodies recovered from the wreck at Eden have now been identified.



away and resulting in its com wreck, with the serious injury of tically every one on board. tive No. 3 in charge of Engineer inson, with an ore car. was col down to Sidney for machiner Minnie mine. As the track had

TRAIN JUMPED CURVE.

trict-Engine Unable to Hold

Train Back.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 18 .-- Ret

have been received of a serious

sensational accident on the

Sicker railway, shortly after

yesterday, caused by a train run

been used for several months. LONDON, Aug. 13.-The general caused the wheels to slide, so th gineer was unable to hold the on the heavy grade, and the s down the hill at avalanche speed jumped the track at a sharp where a similar accident about two years ago. Out of nine sons seven were seriously These are Crossard, of Ladysi back injured and ribs broken: N Caley and his young son, both nally injured very badly: Eng The news of the death of Rear Admi-Parkinson, arm dislocated and

ral Withroft and the failure of the magovernment of British Columbia has jority of the larger warships of the wrenched; G. W. Campbell, of M Port Arthur squadron to break through mine, head badly crushed and others were removed to Chema the Japanese fleet, was not known this hospital, with broken arms. The morning when the briliant array of officers and diplomats assembled gine is damaged beyond repair. in the car reduced to matchwood the magnificent Kasan Cathedral to attend the Te Deum in honor of the

MOUNT ALLISON birth of the heir apparent, Alexis. The stately edifice, adorned with military

Prof. Tweedie Looking Up His Gene4 and naval trophies, colors, eagles and alogy in Ireland.

Friends in Sackville have receive from Prof. Tweedie letters written aries. The Grand Duke Alexis, wear-Dublin, under the date of July 25th, admiral, occupied the chief place as porting a long but pleasant voyage the other side of the water His the godfather selected by the Emperor to his first born son as a compliment sion in Ireland is a genealogical to the much-tried navy. The metropo- to ascertain, if possible, the details litan read to the congregation the his connection with the Scottish manifesto announcing the birth and cers who over two centuries ago then the whole assemblage bended tled in Ireland and became the knee as the prelate invoked God's genitors of all the New Brunsw blessing on the future emperor. Vet- Tweedies. After he has duly wres eran warriors were shaking with emo- with this problem, Prof. Tweedle tion and many persons wept and pray- proceed to London, where he may ed audihly: "May the Almighty send in with Prof. Watson, who expects to him many years of happiness." The spend part of August in that metropo congregation dispersed amid the lis.-Sackville Post.

Grand Treasurer

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