

The Crow's Nest Bill

Is Dropped at Ottawa as a Provincial Charter Is Preferred.

Premier Intimates That the Joint Commission Will Meet Again.

Mr. Robinson Wants Number of Members Reduced and Senate Abolished.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, May 20.—Owing under the restrictions imposed by the Dominion parliament, the Crow's Nest Syndicate today dropped its bill for a charter to build the Crow's Nest Southern railway, and will construct it under provincial authority.

The bill to incorporate the Canadian Nurses' Association was killed by 48 to 33.

The Premier told Col. Hughes that anti-Japanese legislation was not engaging the attention of the government. The last date on which it could be discussed was September 17.

In moving the resolution for the appointment of a second inspector of penitentiaries at a salary of \$2,000 a year, the Premier incidentally made the interesting announcement that the Anglo-American joint commission will meet again this year. Sir Wilfrid said the necessity of a second inspector arose from the fact that in addition to five regular penitentiaries in Canada, it was found necessary to maintain a penitentiary for long-term prisoners in Dawson.

"We cannot," he said, "at present bring a convict from Dawson to British Columbia penitentiary except through territory that is in the hands of the United States authorities, and as soon as the labor of the joint commission are resumed, which I think will be this year, we are in hopes of getting the treaty extended so as to cover the transfer of prisoners of one country through the territory of the other, under proper surveillance."

The Premier said the new inspector would not have special jurisdiction in Yukon only.

Mr. Morrison said the appointment of a new inspector would be of no avail unless he was stationed in the West. He stated that Dawson, the Liberal organizer in Eastern Ontario, will get the appointment.

In committee on the Premier's resolution providing for a county judge at Vancouver, Mr. Morrison said Yale and Kootenay districts needed another judge.

The Premier pointed out that the government had no option in the matter, since the provincial legislature had created the vacancy. British Columbia was the largest province, having widely separate districts, and consequently the work of the courts was more difficult of accomplishment than elsewhere.

The resolution increasing the members' indemnity was adopted after discussion. Some members proposed an increase, while others thought the amount too small.

Mr. Blair explained that distinguished counsel will be appointed to draft a bill to create a railway commission.

Jabez Robinson will move a resolution to reduce the number of members of the Commons and to abolish the Senate.

Mr. Taylor was presented with a beautiful clock in token of appreciation of his services as chief Conservative whip.

On the Pacific cable bill in the Senate, Hon. Mr. Scott proposed a amendment that the landing place of the cable will be on Vancouver Island.

His Worship suggested a couple of barrels be purchased for experimental purposes.

Ald. Brydon said he understood the process had proved a great success in England. He would support the Mayor's suggestion.

The motion was carried. Joshua Davies, protesting against changes in the rate of auctioneers' licenses, was referred to the city engineer for report.

Water commissioner, recommending that Douglas street, from the rent of certain storekeepers were taking advantage of it to avoid paying their water rates.

Ald. Cameron and Kinsman thought the water commissioner should have some way of making the delinquent pay their rates.

Filed, and water commissioner instructed to take steps to enforce payment of rates.

Bulldozing Inspector, recommending removal of buildings on northeast and northwest corners of Johnson and Broad streets.

Referred to city solicitor for report.

CRAIGFLOWER ROAD. The following petition was received: Victoria, B. C., April 19, 1901.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Victoria, B. C. Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned property holders and ratepayers of Victoria, beg leave to petition your honorable body as follows:

(1) That the portion of the old Craigflower road extending through blocks N. and T. Victoria West, is unnecessary to the general public, and should be permanently closed, and the streets as originally laid out on the rectangular system should be improved and used for public traffic.

(2) That the attempt to have the said old roadway established as a public thoroughfare has already cost the city several hundreds of dollars, and before the rights of the property owners, whose lands must be expropriated, are settled and the road put in order for traffic, considerable money will yet have to be expended.

(3) That the opening of said roadway would not benefit the general public, the work should therefore, if carried out, be done under the local improvement by-law, and not paid for out of the general revenue.

(4) That until the property holders in the vicinity of said proposed roadway, petition the council to have the same done under the Local Improvement by-law, the council take no further action in the matter.

And your petitioners will ever pray (Signed), J. F. HIBBEN, and 142 others.

In answer to Ald. Beckwith, the city solicitor said the time for appealing from the decision of Mr. Justice Walker, had expired.

The petition was received and laid on the table.

SUNDAY BATHS. W. Whitaker, and other barbers asking that the council prohibit the keeping open of bath houses on Sunday.

The city solicitor expressed the opinion that the request was ultra vires of the council.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

One Thousand Prisoners Turned Loose as a Thank Offering.

Manila, May 20.—Gen. MacArthur celebrated the surrender of the insurgent generals, Mascara and Lacuna, by releasing one thousand Filipino prisoners. Gen. Moxie, the insurgent chief of the island of Leyte, has surrendered with 20 men of his command. The president of the island of Luzon, who has been arrested and brought to Cavite, charged with being an accomplice of the insurgents. Gen. Trias has started on his visit to the insurgent leader Bellarmino, who is operating in the province of Albaya. Trias will try to induce Melanio to surrender.

MOORE STRIKERS.

Elmira, N.Y., May 20.—All of the machinists and boiler-makers employed in the Lackawanna railway shops here struck today because of the company's refusal to grant the demand of the union for a nine-hour day, with ten hours' pay. The machinists in the Payne engine works and L. B. Coleman's foundry also went out, making 200 in all.

Old Wound Breaks Out

Citizens Petition the City Council Regarding the Craigflower Road.

Regret Expressed at Failure of Legislature to Amend Municipal Act.

The mayor, Ald. Kinsman, Williams, Cameron, Brydon, Beckwith, Stuart, Cooley and Hall.

The following communications were received: Hon. J. H. Turner, acknowledging the receipt of the city's request re aid to Point Ellice bridge. Filed.

Secretary of the department of Indian affairs, Ottawa, in re Songhees reserve, informing the council that the matter was being reported upon by the Indian agent at Victoria.

H. Dallas Helmschen, M. P. F., informing the council of the fate of the bill to amend the Municipal Clauses act, which was not dealt with during the recent session.

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Still another important factor in the rebuilding of the new city is the foundry, the building for which has just been completed. It is situated by fifty feet in extent and forty feet high. This establishment will be in operation in a few weeks, and will employ a large number of men in the city.

The new Roman Catholic church at Ladysmith was opened on Sunday morning by the Rev. Father Verbeke, in the presence of the mayor and a large number of whom had come from the surrounding towns to witness the interesting ceremony. The new church, which stands on the slope of the hill overlooking the beautiful harbor.

It starts with a fine congregation, as the Roman Catholic church at Ladysmith is large and flourishing. Other denominations besides the Roman Catholic are the Wesleyan, the Baptist, the Methodist, the Presbyterian, the Church of England, Methodist and Baptist churches having taken early steps to provide for the wants of the new city.

The next improvement to be introduced at Ladysmith will be the electric light and power plant, which will be a very complete and modern one. The city is quite prepared to make full use of any of those modern aids to comfort and business that are introduced.

The new government agent will have plenty to do when he opens his office, and it is understood that the work will happen immediately, as the gentleman has been duly appointed.

SHAMROCK II. WINS. Result of the Trial Race of the Two Lipton Yachts Yesterday.

London, May 21.—The two Shamrocks started this morning for a race over a triangular open course of 100 miles. Shamrock I. had the advantage at the start, but Shamrock II. was the winner.

Time at the finish was as follows: Shamrock II., 4 hours 5 minutes 5 seconds; Shamrock I., 4 hours 2 minutes 27 seconds.

ALEXANDER SWEET DEAD. The Man Who Made Texas Sittling's His Pasture Away.

New York, May 20.—Alexander Edwin Sweet, founder of Texas Sittling, and a humorist of national reputation under the name of Col. Bill Sweet, and of Rev. Whangdoodle, died at his home in this city today.

DEAD IN BED. Wife Returns From Visit and Makes Horrible Discovery.

Montreal, May 20.—Joseph Charreter was found dead in bed this morning. His wife went away on April 20 to visit relatives. She returned yesterday and her husband dead in bed. The condition of the remains indicates the man had been dead for at least two weeks.

SURVEYOR SHOT. Louis Fontaine Accidentally Wounded in the Leg.

Winnipeg, May 20.—(Special)—An Edmonton despatch reports the accidental shooting of Louis Fontaine, D. L. S., of Lewis, Que., while with a survey party in the vicinity of Edmonton. The bullet entered Fontaine's leg above the knee, but it is hoped the limb will be saved.

WHEAT BURNED. Elevator at Indian Head Destroyed by Fire.

Winnipeg, May 20.—(Special)—The elevator of the Woods Milling Company at Indian Head has been burned with 28,000 bushels of wheat.

JOHN JAMESON & SONS, DUBLIN. "OWN CASED" very old Black Bottle WHISKEY. PLEASE SEE YOU GET IT WITH METAL CAPSULES. BLUE..... ONE STAR PINK..... TWO STAR GOLD..... THREE STAR OFF ALL DEALERS. Sole export bottling agents to J. & S. C. DAY & CO., LONDON

Resolved that the petitioners be so informed.

PARK COMMITTEE. The park committee recommended the building of steps down to the beach. Adopted.

STREETS COMMITTEE. The report of the street committee recommending the extension of the street of Peter Hanson, \$1.10 per cubic yard, for gravel, was adopted.

ADMITTED TO HOME. The home committee recommended the admission of George Thompson to the Old Men's Home. Adopted.

HIGH SCHOOL BY-LAW. The council went into committee of the whole to consider the by-law. His Worship in the chair. The committee made some progress and rose and adjourned with leave to sit again.

LADYSMITH. Two Hundred Lots Presented to the Miners by Hon. James Dunsmuir.

Nanaimo, B. C., May 21.—(Special)—Hon. James Dunsmuir has announced to the miners of Extension and South Wellington, that he will give two hundred lots in Ladysmith free to them on condition that they build their homes there at once. Already nearly a hundred lots have been taken advantage of this offer, and will proceed with the erection of their homes as soon as possible.

The remainder of the lots are being applied for eagerly, and will soon be all taken up. The Extension miners fully appreciate the offer, and will soon be all taken up. The Extension miners fully appreciate the offer, and will soon be all taken up.

Indications that there will be lively times in and around Ladysmith this summer are multiplying every day. It may be mentioned that the lots in block 77 have been set aside for school purposes, and that the magnificent five thousand dollar school building, which is now being put in, will be under construction in a few days.

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Up-to-Date Styles

WEILER BROS. -AT-

Latest Novelties From Paris, Berlin, London

WEILER BROS. VICTORIA B.C.

Our first consignment of Fall Goods in the Upholstrix, Drapery and Curtiline are now on sale, and we can only say that for coloring, artistic effect and value we have surpassed ourselves in these last purchases.

Labor Troubles Threatened

The Union Boiler Makers Decide Not to Work on the Garonne.

Meeting of Machinists to be Held Today to Consider the Matter.

The steamer Garonne arrived at the outer wharf yesterday morning from Seattle to complete the work of repairs begun a short time ago by the Morans of Seattle, but whether she will have the work done here is a question which is causing no small amount of discussion among the boiler-makers, machinists and kindred workers in this city.

Through the greater part of this continent the machinists and boiler-makers are out on strike for a nine-hour day for the same pay that is now paid for the ten-hour day, and Seattle metal workers are out in sympathy with their associates elsewhere.

The strike was to have commenced tomorrow, but at 8 o'clock the Garonne was lying at the wharf, and the boiler-makers followed her out, and the boiler-makers followed her out, and the boiler-makers followed her out.

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FREE FOR ALL

Scottish Lads and Lassies Will Pay No More College Fees.

London, May 20.—Mr. Carnegie had for some years been considering the plan for helping Scotch students to obtain a university education. He consulted with representatives of education and the result was that he presented £2,000,000, which will produce an income of £50,000, to the universities. Mr. Carnegie's inquiries show that the total fees paid to the four universities is £40,000 annually. He considers that the £2,000,000 he has donated will give an increase sufficient to provide free university education for every boy and girl in Scotland capable of passing the entrance examination.

Mr. Carnegie is determined that the benefits should be open to rich and poor alike, so that there shall be nothing suggestive of pauperism connected with the gift. He desires that all Scotchmen and Scotchwomen shall enter the universities on an equal footing. The system is made perpetually free and will probably be under the government auspices.

Boer Leader Now Said to be Again Making Active Movement.

Eight Hundred Boers Have Crossed Orange River from Northwest.

Kitchener's Round Up for the Week Shows Attrition Going On.

London, May 20.—Lord Kitchener reports that last week 19 Boers were killed, 14 wounded, 238 were made prisoners, and 71 surrendered, and that 212 rifles and 105,000 rounds of ammunition were captured.

Cape Town, May 20.—Eight hundred Boers have crossed the Orange river from the northwest and have reinforced the commandos in the eastern districts. The latest reliable report locates De Wet near Philippopolis, in the Orange River Colony, and not far from the Cape line with 40 horses and men. All the commandos in the Orange River Colony have instructions to cross the Orange river. Several British patrols have been ambushed.

LE ROI TROUBLES. Northport Smelter Closes Down Because of an Unpleasantness.

Roseland, May 20.—At the Le Roi mine between 120 and 130 men were laid off today. Inquiry of the manager as to the cause of this elicited the information that the men were dismissed as the result of trouble at the smelter at Northport. Trouble has been brewing there for several days and the smelter was finally compelled to close down, and 300 men employed there are out.

A foreman in the smelter earned the ill-will of some of the employees, and as a consequence of this, it is alleged that threats were made that he was to be run down the river in the morning, and he might be thrown into the Columbia river. The management of the smelter therefore decided to close down, as it did not desire to have any trouble up and down the river.

The only work in progress is that of rearing ore in the yards. It was further stated that there was no question of wages nor hours involved, but was simply one of a personal grievance against the foreman on the part of the smeltermen. If the trouble continues, the Roseland, Great Western, the Le Roi No. 2 and the Le Roi will all be shut down, and the Le Roi will be unable to handle any more ore.

A STOLEN SLOOP. Seattle Man Traces Missing Boat to Nanaimo.

Nanaimo, May 20.—(Special)—James Anderson of Seattle, is here searching for his missing sloop, the "Albatross," which he has discovered the present owners, John Mercer and Philip Smith of Vancouver from Seattle, and sold her to Mercer and Smith, who have been sent to Victoria and elsewhere with her. Anderson says he has ample proof.

Washington, D. C., May 20.—Mrs. J. Bonine was arrested last evening for the shooting of Joseph Ayres, the young department clerk. She has confessed the shooting of Ayres is one of the most mysterious cases ever called upon by this city ever has been called upon to unravel. He was found lying on the floor of his room over a week ago. The door leading into the room was locked, and it was at first supposed that it was a case of suicide. Blood stains on the wall, however, gave the first clue to the police. Mrs. Bonine's confession was entirely voluntary. A few minutes after the shooting she telegraphed for Major Spry, Chief of Police, saying that she was coming to his office, and she appeared there a few minutes afterwards. When she reached the office she said she had a statement to make, and she was immediately taken to the room where the shooting took place, and that the shooting was the result of his own misconduct. She said that he had drawn the pistol upon her for the purpose of making her respond to her. Mrs. Bonine says that she had made an improper proposal which he had immediately grasped the revolver in the struggle which ensued, and that he discharged three different times, striking him at each discharge, the last shot proving fatal. She says that the cries for help which Mrs. Minns heard were all the result of her own sobbing, which Mrs. Minns says described.

Mrs. Bonine says that after the shooting she passed through the window of Ayer's room and down the fire escape of the second floor, passed through the parlor and back up the stairway of the hotel to her own room on the fourth floor. She then washed her hands, undressed and retired. Mrs. Bonine was entirely self-possessed when she made her confession, and did not exhibit any evidence of either present or past unusual excitement. She is apparently about 32 years of age, and says she was born in Massachusetts. After she had concluded her statement, the woman was placed under arrest and sent to the house of detention.

IRISH AND SCOTCH. Populations of Both Countries Almost Equal.

London, May 20.—The census of Ireland shows the population to be 4,546, a decrease of 5.5 per cent. Scotland's population numbers 4,771,067 persons.

BATTLEAXE GLIBSON. Old Political War Horse Dies in New York.

New York, May 20.—Patrick J. Glibson, former mayor of Long Island city, died at his home in this place last night, aged about 70 years. Glibson was a candidate for public office for mayor of Greater New York, when he ran on the Independent ticket, in the fall of 1897. Heart disease was the immediate cause of death.

YOUR HORSE. Does not matter if it has a harness benefit and fitted at our shop. OUE FINE HAND made Harness for heavy or light work are models of strength, durability and beauty. Call on us if you are in town for the 24th.

R. C. SADDLERY, CO. LD., A. E. WADE, MGR., 44 Yates Street.

THE FORMAL DEDICATION. Buffalo, May 20.—The Pan-American exposition was today formally dedicated. The day began with a parade, in which there were men from nearly every country in the world, and ended with a bombardment from flying bombs and a brilliant electrical illumination. Between the two were the formal exercises of the dedication. The city was a bright with flags and banners. The record of attendance for today was fully up to expectations of the most enthusiastic. There was no complaint of overcrowded exhibits, for there were spectacular things enough to weary the most ardent sight-seer by the coming of night. The parade that followed at the city hall and marched by way of the main streets, to the exposition grounds, made an interesting spectacle and thousands of people lined the route. As the procession formed there was a reception of distinguished visitors, foreign representatives, state commissioners, officers and officials at the city hall. Vice-President Roosevelt was the guest of the hour, and when he reached the hall the parade was started with a volley of aerial bombs. The entry of the procession to the exposition grounds at that time was a magnificent spectacle. The crowd in the grounds at that time numbered fully 40,000, and the greater part of it was massed in the Esplanade. Dozens of war kites carried flags and streamers floated high in the air.

The exercises began at 12:45 o'clock with the rendition of Handel's "Alleluia" by the First Regiment of Cavalry. Bishop Charles H. Cowley led in prayer. President Millburn read a series of congratulatory telegrams from Central and South America and Canada, and their reading provided cheer upon cheer.

Today's total admissions from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. were 101,087. This does not include several thousand persons who came in through the Lincoln park way entrance with the parade.

PRISCO ON STRIKE. Sixty-Five Hundred Union Men Have Stopped Work.

San Francisco, May 20.—Sixty-five hundred union machinists and other iron trades workmen affiliated with them, quit work in this city today. It is expected that 1,000 more men will join the strikers as soon as they shall be ordered to do so by their respective national directors. Among the latter are the iron molders and the cast-makers. The other crafts affected are the sheet metal workers, the plum