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COUNTRY TOWN LOSSES. and, Cal., May 5.—For the first...

RUSSIAN HOUSE TO OPEN TODAY

Final Preparations for the Meet- ing of Parliament Have Been Completed.

GUARDING HARASSED CZAR

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ST. PETERSBURG, May 9.—The final preparations for the great cere- mony at the winter palace on the opening of parliament tomorrow are being completed.

Will Return to Peterhof where they will spend the summer. Owing to the lateness of the hour at which the service at the winter palace will be completed, it has been decided not to open the council of the empire until Friday.

CONCERT AT METCHOSIN.

Entertainment in Aid of the District Farmers' Institute. The public hall at Metchosin last evening was crowded to the doors with an enthusiastic audience.

CHINESE MISSIONS.

Rev. J. Turner Outlines Work Being Done at Vancouver. Rev. James Turner of Vancouver, superintendent of Chinese missions...

festing a strong desire to help in the work of the Christian mission.

NANAIMO NEWS NOTES.

St. Paul's Church to Be Moved—Knights of Pythias in Session. Nanaimo, May 9.—(Special)—The wardens of St. Paul's Episcopal church are calling for tenders to move that edifice either bodily or by demolition.

At this morning's meeting of the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias, the banquet report was presented showing the order to be in a most satisfactory condition.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

Flames Extend Over a Front of Twenty Miles at Nelson. Nelson, May 9.—(Special)—More forest fires are breaking out here. The north side of the lake is slight for more than twenty miles.

Suggestive Postcards.—A special despatch from Ottawa says that the postoffice department announces a fair relaxed policy in regard to the sale and distribution of postcards.

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ACCOMPLISHMENT FROM SALT SPRING ISLAND

Much Dissatisfaction Expressed With Trade Relations With Victoria. A Salt Spring correspondent, writing under date of May 9, says: "Several local men who do a large business with Victoria firms have just found out that if they had sent, or could send, their stock and produce to Vancouver, a better price would be paid them than is received from the Victoria dealers."

The officers of the Islands Agricultural Society are striving in a creditable manner to emulate the example set by their predecessors in office, for they have announced a complete revision of the catalogue.

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Only Nine Deem Themselves Overpaid in the House of Commons.

MacLEAN'S BILL KILLED

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ALBERTA ROUNDUPS.

Cattlemen Will Commence Operations at End of Month. Medicine Hat, Alta., May 10.—Spencer Bros. and the M. H. Ranche company start the round-ups on June 1st, in conclusion about 2,500 steers, owned by these two concerns and Messrs. Wright, Hooper and Huckwall, and L. H. Prutt, will be ordered down to Moosejaw for shipment from that point.

NIAGARA CONSERVATION.

Likely That Measure Will Go Over Until Next Congress. Washington, May 10.—After two days of executive session on the Burton bill for the preservation of Niagara Falls, the house committee on rivers and harbors appointed a sub-committee to take the bill in hand and to report May 21 to the entire committee.

IRISH EMIGRANTS.

Canadian Bonus to Shipping Companies Consented in Commons. London, May 10.—(Special)—Hazelton of North Gaiway on Tuesday will ask the prime minister whether he is aware that the Canadian government pays a sum of £1 to shipping agents in Britain on every ticket for every emigrant to Canada, and in view of the fact that such encouragement of Irish emigration is injurious to the welfare of Ireland, whether he will make representation to the Canadian government to have the practice discontinued without delay.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.

Dr. Horton Addresses London Audience at City Temple. London, May 10.—(Special)—Preaching in City Temple on behalf of the Colonial Missionary Society, Dr. Horton said there was nothing better they could give the colonies than the principles of puritanism.

RUSSIAN Nihilists.

Paris Police Continue to Make Interesting Discoveries Among Students. Paris, May 10.—The police authorities continue to make investigations, and are seeking to connect the recent bomb explosions with a widespread nihilist organization, this has led to a number of unconfirmed reports that these bombs were intended to be used on the occasion of the opening of the Russian parliament today in Paris.

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EDMONTON TO BUTE INLET

Said to Be Possible to Run a Direct Line Between Two Points. WINNIPEG, May 10.—One of the Canadian Northern engineering staff is authority for the statement that the company has located a splendid pass through the Rockies. It runs between the Athabasca and Yellowhead passes and will not be more than 160 miles north of Revelstoke.

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SPIERS' MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Affairs of Dead Traction Manager Were Badly Involved. New York, May 10.—Interest in the investigation of the mysterious killing of Charles L. Spier, a confidential agent of H. H. Rogers, was mainly confined today to a status of his financial affairs, which have been found to be badly involved.

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STANDARD OIL INVESTIGATION.

Former Employee Describes Methods of Acquiring "Tainted Money." Chicago, May 10.—The enquiry by the government, through the interstate commerce commission, into the relations between the Standard Oil Company and the railroads began today. E. M. Wilbert of Topeka, now an independent oil operator, but ten years ago an agent of the Standard Oil Company, testified that while in the employ of the latter company he had, in following out instructions of his superior officers, through clerks in the offices of railroads and employees of independent oil concerns, to obtain information of the details of the business done by the rivals of the Standard Oil Company.

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NICHOLAS MEETS FIRST PARLIAMENT

Brilliant Semi-Barbaric Spectacle Attends Ceremony at the Winter Palace.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

The Vest Military Preparations Prevent Any Outbreak Occurring.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 10.—For the first time since the cere- mony of blessing the waters, Jan. 19, 1905, when the Emperor escaped death from the charge of grape fired from the battery on the opposite bank of the river, their majesties were back in the capital. A little more than two hours later vast crowds of civil and military dignitaries arrived at the winter palace to hear the Emperor's message.

Shortly before 1 o'clock, in obedience to signals, the streams of guests began slowly flowing towards the great St. George's hall, an apartment 150 feet long by 60 feet wide. It is given a stately appearance by a double row of graceful corinthian columns and marble walls. In the centre stood an altar on which were burning candles. At the end of the hall, on a dais, was a gilded throne, surmounted by a canopy bearing the imperial arms worked on velvet tapestry.

From the galleries the journalists were placed. The correspondent of the Associated Press commanded a view of the brilliant scene below. The first to appear were the courtiers, general and admirals and uniformed dignitaries of state, who drifted forward in haphazard order. They engaged in careless conversation while awaiting the signal of the Emperor.

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