EAR.—50 5-quire packages of ent Priory" and "Silurian" Paper, at the ridiculously low of 25c. per package. s Pens at 20c. per gross. Just 144 pens for 20c. lot of Scribblers (ruled or 3 for 10c. susiness Envelopes at \$1.20 per

of Cleaver's "Magnolia," at for 25c. ot of Cleaver's Special Und Soap at 3 for 25c. more of that splendid Castile at 25c. per bar.

dah and Garden Furni-

UR BROAD ST. WINDOW. Camp Stools, good strong with canvas seat; 35c.
Cots, 10 oz. duck, 2 ft. 4 in. 6 ft. long; very serviceable \$2.00. Folding Chairs with arm sup-

Garden Chairs and Rockers, or Garden Chairs and Rockers, ut arm support, double rungs ghout, strong basket woven colors, red and green; \$1.25. with wide arms, high backs, e rungs, basket woven seat, in nd green; \$2.50. with arms, basket woven seat, e rungs; just the very thing he verandah; colors, red and; \$3.00 and \$3.50. without arms, good strong is without arms, good strong

Mattresses.

DEPENDABLE KINDS. Marchall" Sanitary Mattress lly a collection of air cham-each of which is a finely tor feet 6 x 6 feet 2. Price \$25.00
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Mattress, best quality, 4 feet
6; \$16.00
and Hair, 4 feet 6 x 6; \$15.00
and Moss, 4 feet 6 x 6; \$10.50
fattress, 4 feet 6 x 6; \$8.50
or Wool Top and Bottom, 4
6 x 6; \$5.00
or Wool one side, 4 feet 6 x 6;

one side, 4 feet 6 x 6 elsior, 4 feet 6 x 6; \$2.50 to

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ERY LATEST DESIGNS RANGING FROM 10c. to \$3 ROLL.

Dept.

and Cake Tins, sectional; nice-ished; \$2.00 each. Bath, big size, with oak fing Pots in Green and Gold:

Kneading Pans, with handles; and \$2.50 each. Tins, decorated, 1 and 2 sack \$1.25 and \$1.35 each.

Sulphur, and Salt Wash.

Paris Green Bordeaux. ux mixture as above . . 40 gals. up when ready to use. It win

DUNTRY TOWN LOSSES.

nd, Cal., May 5.-For the first e the earthquake of April is cation with Healdsburg, So ounty, was restored today. It ed that much damage was done ness property and residences by mbling, the loss there approxi \$500,000. In Alexander, five orth of Healdsburg, the ground t in ridges, and many land-occurred, damming some of the reeks and forming lakes. Wind-ven miles south of Headsb 1°g. ffered, many of its finest build-sing entirely destroyed. Sebastona county, which was just ing from its last big fire, is

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RUSSIAN HOUSE

Final Preparations for the Meeting of Parliament Have Been Completed.

GUARDING HARASSED CZAI

The Council of the Empire Will Not Assemble Until Friday.

T. PETERSBURG, May 9-The final preparations for the great cere- Flames Extend Over a Front of mony at the winter palace on the opening of parliament tomorrow are being completed. The imperial

until Friday. The law providing for the reorganization of the council of the empire was published today. It contains a provision for the appointment of special commissions having exclusive jurisdiction over certain subjects. All accusations of malfeasance against ministers, vicerovs, governors general, members of the council of the empire, the lower house of parliament, and in general all persons belonging to the three highest ranks of the Russian hierarchy, are consigned to a commission composed solely of appointed members. The accusations, however, must first be submitted to the Empero, who, if he approves of an investigation, will refer them to the comtigation, will refer them to the com-mission. In case the latter deter-mines that there is ground for prosecution, a trial will occur before the ruling senate. Provision is also made for special commissions to decide upon private railroad concessions and matters relating to the expropriation of state and crown lands, etc.

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 who much enjoyed a splendid concert given by Mrs. Ohlandt in aid of the Metchosin Farmers' Institute. The programme was an especially meritorious and pleasing one and ences to many numbers were especially meritorious and pleasing one and encores to many numbers were loudly insisted upon. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. Ohlandt on the conclusion of the concert, which was followed by the partaking of re-freshments, kindly supplied by the la-dies of Metchosin. The complete pro-gramme was as follows:

superintendent of Chinese missions is seeking to improve the moral and spiritual condition of the Chinese in British Columbia and speaks encouragingly of his work.

The new building for the Chinese Methodist Mission is being erected in Vancouver and will be completed by August 1st. It is an imposing structure and Messrs. Hooper and Watkins, of Victoria are the architect and George Suyder of Victoria the contractor. The building with local will cost \$22,000.

It has done splendid work under the superintendence of Rev. James Turney and he has been ably assisted by Rev.

R. N. Powell, chairman of the district. There will be a beautiful auditorium; also There will be a beautiful aud-n; also sleeping rooms, sitting

le Chinese immigration which im\$ \$500 tax effects the attendance
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ly, otherwise the work performed
the year has been very encoursecond of the very encourthe Chinese. Eight are now awaiting Christian baptism. They, are also developing the spirit of liberality and man-

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

NANAIMO NEWS NOTES.

Paul's Church to Be Moved-Knights of Pythias in Session.

Nanaimo, May 9.—(Special — The wardens of St. Paul's Episcopal church wardens of St. Paul's Episcopal church are calling for tenders to move that edifice either bodily or by demolition. It is said a handsome new church will shortly be erected on the present site. The church committee are making a thorough canvas of the parishioners, so as to raise the additional \$1,550 still required before any construction work will be begun.

At this morning's meeting of the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias, the financial report was presented, showing the order to be in a most satisfactory that the condense of the condense at City Temple. condition. A resolution was adopted to wire the San Francisco grand lodge its sympathy and forward a substantial sum of money. At tonight's session of the grand lodge, Nelson, B. C., was chosen as the place of meeting next year, the session to open May 3, 1907.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

Twenty Miles at Nelson.

Nelson, May 9 .- (Special) -- More for-

A COMPLAINT FROM

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. It is practically certain that if there with Victoria would not only diminish but become extinct. Victoria firms have for a time thought they had a "cinch" and a tight grip on the "hay-relaxing. As conditions in this country are continually changing, so they will change in regard to trading with the Capital City, and if the merchants do not make the existing conditions satisfactory, then the femore.

tural Society are striving in a creditable marner to emulate the example set by their predecessors in office, for they have announced a complete revision of the catalogue. Several events which did not adorn the prize list in previous years will account a proposition. Rev. J. Turner Outlines Work Being previous years will occopy a conspicuous position in this year's book. Those Rev. James Turner of Vancouver, superintendent of Chinese missions is sidering the animosity, which is diminished condition of the Chinese in British Columbia and sparks of the chinese in British Columbia and the chinese in British Columb

MEMBERS NEED

Only Nine Deem Themselves Overpaid in the House of Commons.

Premier Laurier Admits That Ex-Ministers' Pensions Were

sional indemnity of members and

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

seeds," but they will soon find the grip relaxing. As conditions in this country lingram could call on Mr. Maclean to are continually changing, so they will change in regard to trading with the Capital City, and if the merchants do not make the existing conditions satisfactory, then the farmers will resort to the measures as outlined in W. Grimmer's logical communication to the

A meeting of the quarterly board of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the profit of the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the World the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the World the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the World the Mcthodist Church was held in Malcoling the World t

Bros., has arrived at Vancouver from Kobe, via Muroran, where she coaled for her trip across the Pacific. The Themis had fine weather on the voy-

Canadian Bonus to Shipping Companies Censured in Commons. London, May 10 .- (Special) -- Hazle

ton of North Galway on Tuesday will ask the prime minister whether he is aware that the Canadlan government pays a sum of £1 to shipping agents in Ireland 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 disontinued without delay.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

London, May 10 .- (Special) -- Preach

Granted Hastily.

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Could give the colonies than the principles of puritanism. There was nothing more vital than the religion built on the four gospels of the New Testament, acknowledging no visible authority. The board of education, he suggested, might be asked to provide text books on the colonies for schools, and a similar plan might be adopted for 2:15 a, m., W. F. Maclean's to abolish entirely the sestion a similar plan might be adopted for Sunday school. RUSSIAN NIHILISTS. set fires are breaking out here. The pensions to ex-ministers. There was north side of the lake is alight for more than twenty miles. A force of volunteers has been fighting the fire all day, with reference to the inconsistent atti-

gram from General Greely at San try.

ALBERTA ROUNDUPS.

Cattlemen Will Commence Operations at End of Month.

Medicine Hat, Alta., May 10 .- Spen-

cer Bros. and the M. H. Ranching com-

pany start the round-ups on June 1st, at

HAS LOCATED

Canadian Northern Reported to Have Found a New Route Through Rockies.

Ing in the City Temple on behalf of the Colonial Missionary Society, Dr. Horton said there was nothing better they Direct Line Between could give the colonies than the prin-Two Points.

> TTTINNIPEG, May 10.—One of the Canadian Northern engineering staff is authority for the statement that the company has located a the government, through the inter-

SASKATCHEWAN WHEAT.

Regina, Sask., Atay 10.—Hon. Mr. Motherwell, in discussing resolutions condemning Prof. Maver, said it must be remembered that others besides Professor Maver had made the mistake of un-General Greely Points Out the

Difficulties of Cooking for the Refugees.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—(Special) as Sal Diagram from General Greely at San greater than the limit which he had placed upon the capabilities of the mistake of underestimating the capabilities of western Canada. He believed that the full possibilities of this country were not yet known and predicted that before long, without the wheat growing is still being extended every year and saying he lioped that before long Professor Mayer's report would have its contradiction in the reaping of harvests far greater than the limit which he had placed upon the capabilities of the country.

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slightly the miserable situation may be indicated by the statement that all the

Although the President has decided that it is not proper for the United States government to accept contributions from abroad for the relief of San Francisco sufferers, Secretary Taft has found it possible to do so in his capacity as President of the American National Red. Cross, and he has accepted a contribution from the Japanese Red Cross society of \$50,000, tendered through Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador. TROOPS WILL SAIL FROM C.P. FROM C.P.R. DOCK

pany start the round-ups on June 1st, at its 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.

SPIERS' MYSTERIOUS DEATH. Affairs of Dead Traction Manager Were Badly Involved.

New York, May 10 .- Interest in th 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

PEACE IN ZION. Dowie and Voliva Reach an Agreement to Govern Jointly.

Chicago, May 10.—John Alexander Dowie and Wilbur G. Voliva reached an agreement in court today upon the proposition for mutual representation in the management of fancial efficies. proposition for mutual representations in the management of financial affairs at Zion City. The Dowie forces appointed John A. Lewis, while Voliva named Alexander Granger. The third named Alexander Granger. The third Prevent Any Outbreak

STANDARD OIL INVESTIGATION

Former Employee Describes Methods of Acquiring "Tainted Money." Chicago, May 10 .- The enquiry by

splendid pass through the Rockies. It state commerce commission, into the runs between the Athabasca and Yel- relations between the Standard Oil lowhead passes and will not be more Company and the railroads began Empress and the members of the impersal family, the court and the suttees of the inconsistent strip. The creams to the inconsistent strip of the inc than 160 miles north of Revelstoke. today. E. M. Wilhert of Topeka, now

-Sheriff S. A. Elliott, of Okla- members were workmen who wanted in Woodward county, Okla-homa, for the cold-blooded murder of skirted coats and gay scarf belts, some Indicated by the statement that all the food for three hundred thousand people in the city is necessarily cooked on the public streets. Difficulties about the courage of everyone continues wonderfully good, neither drunkenness nor disorder are anywhere evident, except occasionally from adjacent towns, where local saloons are open. Mayor Schmitz has closed the saloons which have been consistently urged by me. The average food issue at San Francisco, Oakiand and eliewhere still exceeds a quarter of a million rations a day. Every possible method is being taken to reduce the food issue. Extreme destitution and much suffering occurs, on the part of many people who resort to charity only in extreme cases. Altogether I am encouraged."

IROOPS WILL SAIL

Sheriff Elllott of Device denies his identity. Sam Green and Peter Whitehead, suspected of cattle thieving, were visit. Sam Green and Peter Whitehead, as taken for and a fight from adjacent towns, where local saloons which have been consistently killed. Green, according to the evidence of the fusual court, of the evidence of the foreing are an under winter wheat reported as short sets than the area of winter was reported as short sets than the area of winter wheat reported as harvested last year. The average condition of the growing for physical properties and the state and Bullard's friends. Green the state and Bullard's friends. Green denies his identity. Sam Green and Peter Whitehead, as sampled on their sampled to evidence of the fusual court, white and others is ommon shirts. The peasants appeared to be awkward and Ill at ease, for it was the first time that these men had dared to appear thus at state function of the Russian court, where still be a state function of the Russian court, where still be a state function of the state and belw off the pool from the lay of the state and Bullard's friends. Green the st Sheriff Bullard and Deputy Cockburn, white and others red or purple, with

NICHOLAS MEETS FIRST PARLIAMENT

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

Occurring.

C 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

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 accent of the Emperor.

The entrance of the members of par-liament, over 300 in number, introduced an incongruous element in the assem-blage. Most of them were in evening dress; but many wore ordinary frock coats and even short coats and yellow shoes. Their ranks were interspersed with Moslems in white and Kaftans, Tartars in fez, a Polish bishop in purple robes and orthodox clergy in sacredotal raiment and retired army and navy officers in uniform. Most of the

denies his identity.

Leave on City of Nanaimo From Belleville St. Dock-Forts
Taken Over.

Bank President Victim of His Insane Brother.

Montezuma, Ind., May 10.—W. H. Sylvester, president of the First National Bank of Montezuma, was shot and killed today in his hotel by his brother, whose mind is believed to be affected.

The Imperial troops gave up their last fort in the Esquimalt defences yesterday morning, when Lieut. Elliston, No. 5 Co., R.C.G.A., and Sergt.Major Mulcahey took over the Signal Hill works, the other batteries having already been taken over since Monday.

The Signal Hill works had not been completed by the Imperial forces, and the sequence of the court, the lord high chambar taken measures to provide the inhabitants with light and food if such a step becomes necessary. The news-not processor of the hounds, the master of The late vast will be laid by. Considerable animosity, which is distingt earlings and the enthusiasm, which is increasing with marvelous repldity, it is may ask that carrying especial can be safely predicted that the lained with marvelous repldity, it is may ask with a carrying especial can grow the safe of the Vesurius Bay. The Signal Hill works had not been been displayed before."

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