Nicola, B. C., 1st Rebruary, 1904 sir:-We respectfully beg to submit sideration facts with reference ola, Kamloops & Similkameen he necessity for and advantage of ate construction, and to request eful perusal of the same: es the Railway Would Develop.

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supporting a large and prosper-

is of industry moving in the vacant lying between the productive dis-Kootenay and Boundary and th keeping separate the Coast fr t cities would benefit very great narket for their goods develop sed by an abundant supply of citory would also find their way

an adjunct of their co to the Coast cities possesses any ntry which lies at their door s Needed to Secure the Road .lties and expense might well needed is a line of railway 45

ilway aims to connect the Nicola ith Spence's Bridge, on the main e C. P. R., 178 miles east of Van-

and a Provincial charter, and subsidy of from \$3,200 to \$6,400 cola, Kamloops & Similkameen

Company has made a proposal to ment of British Columbia that in arantee the interest on the hon total sum of \$1,125,000. In ne mpany secures the province upcent, of the gross earnings of the gives the province control of nd passenger rates. the Province.—Such a guarantee

would enable the proposit on of the road, or forfeit a sul

lway would pay expenses and fixed coal output alone of which two will be prepared to furnish 500 ay each-would guarantee the road

line of railway, opening up a farming, coal and metallife untry, has never been known to ncial failure; and many lines nger than the one proposed have ssfully undertaken to open up either known to be as rich nor as relopment as the Nicola country to be

usion, we would ask you to weigh ation which the deferring of ac he present time is bound to cause notable advantages and general g in industry and railway conwhich must follow from this one step; and, in justice to the provyour constituents, to use von in the legislature to further the businesslike proposal involved nstruction of this much-needed

d in the letter is the following with the Nicola coal particularly, telling of the mining camps to by the railway:

cola Valley Iron & Coal Co. has es freehold situated in township ops division of Yale district. The tone, 32 feet; coal, 5 feet; sandfeet; coal, 5 feet; sandstone, 141 8 feet; sandstone, 136 feet; coal, ndstone, 140 feet; coal, 6 feet. feet coal.

s by price of San Francisco ting Coal.-Volatile combustible, 8.71; fixed carbon, 57.16; 100.00. 36.06; ash, 2.65; fixed carbon,

ase Coke.-Volatile combustible , 3.91; fixed carbon, 74.58; 100.00 measures adjacent to Nicola in the following places: Coldr, Quilchena creek, Lundbum liton creek, sections 33, 34, 35, wing mining camps surro pen Grove, Quilchena creek, Mill

n-Mile creek. vson's report gives the coal area

URE A COLD IN ONE DAY refund the money if it fails to \$1.50 PER YEAR, STRICTLY IN ADVANCE, TO ANY ADDRESS I



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## RUSSIAN REPLY DUES NOT MEET DEMANDS

## Note Has Been Delivered at Tokio---Japanese Minister Makes Preparations for Leaving St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—The feeling military works are being actively pushed here is that Russia has offered substantial concessions, but that she cannot meet Japan's wishes regarding Manchuria or agree to Japanese fortifications in Southern Korea. It is intimated in certain unofficial quarters that if Japan should offer a counter proposal that Russia guarantee China's Manchurian treaties, purpose of the ultimate sovereignty espective of the ultimate sovereignty of the province, there might be a chance of reaching such a compromise. It is argued that this settlement would safeguard the existing commercial interests of the powers in Manchuria, and it is ended that if Japan demands more in the last resort this would betray to the world her ulterior ambitious in Asia which would be inimical to the interests of not only Russia but of the very pow ers which now sympathize with Japan, Much anxiety and doubt prevails here with regard to the future, but one thing is certain, Russia will not declare war nor will she initiate hostile action until the negotiations break down. Russia will remain quiescent until attacked.

The postponement of the war impost in Japan is interpreted favorably.

The Reply. St. Petersburg, Feb. 5.-The Russian reply to Japan was forwarded to Vice-

Alexieff yesterday. If he approves t, it will finally reach the Tokio govnt on Monday. Port Arthur, Feb. 4.-The Russian fleet returned here at 4 o'clock this after-

noon. It was manoeuvring, it is said, against 60 Japanese warships off Wei-

any new decision on the part of the Jap-anese government or fresh departures in demands." the negotiations. The official admitted, greatly increased naval and military activity in Manchuria.

Embargo on Coal. London, Feb. 5 .- The news that Rus sia has already dispatched her reply to Japan has not yet reached the English lieve that Russia has no intention of sending any reply. The most pessimistic

views are taken of the situation. Reports are current that prominent ercial houses having relations with Japan have received private dispatches intimating the belief that a rupture of relations between Russia and Japan is

stropers, is cruising along the coasts of sist upon a signed treaty."

condent of this same paper at Port government than have recourse to Arthur, says that both Russia and Ja- arms?" pan have placed an embargo upon coal plied the minister.

Central News agency from Tokio, says that the newspapers there publish telegrams saying that 200,000 Russian troops grams saying that 200,000 Russian troops are the publish telegrams saying that 200,000 Russian troops are the saying troops are the saying that 200,000 Russian troops are the saying tr have been concentrated in the Yalu val-

Troops Along Railway.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 5.-A Russian Port Arthur telegraphs as follows: There is no truth in the report that freight traffic has been stopped on the Manchuria railway. All the ships of the Russian Pacific squadron, which have been held in reserve, are now in full com-

"The regiments of the Third East Siberian Rifle Brigade, which recently left Port Arthur, are taking temporary stations along the Chinese railroad. "The Port Arthur garrison has been strengthened by the arrival there of the Seventh Brigade of Conscripts, who have going through a short

forward. "Both the army and navy are in excellent condition. Everything is ready for an emergency, but all are patiently waiting the outcome of the negotiations. "The Russian populations is tranquil.

that preparations have been made for the obilization of the Manchurian reserves

Ordered to Seoul. Washington, Feb. 5,-The state department has received information that apan has called its subjects from the Yalu districts in Korea into Seoul

Propose Alliance With Japan. London, Feb. 5 .- "Yuan Shi Kai, the ommander of the Chinese Imperial army and navy, and the vice-president of the war board, have memorialized the Emperor urgently insisting upon an of-fensive and defensive alliance with Japan to regain Manchuria," cables the Shanghai correspondent of the London "The memorialists," the correspondent ids, "maintain that the Japanese are

better prepared for war than the Russians, and are most disinterested." The Russian Reply, St. Petersburg, Feb. 5 .- As announced the Associated Press dispatches, the draft of the Russian response, tentative ly approved by the Czar, was telegraph-

ed to Viceroy Alexieff last night. It is said that Viceroy Alexieff will send the

Reuter's Telegraph Company from Tokio
Says: "The general impression here is touch with the Russian side of the ne-

from forty to seventy-five guineas per an arrangement, but if the authorities would be the end of diplomatic negotiahave made up their minds to remain un- tions. No confirmation of the alarming war | yielding, then negotiations must end in

'At 10.15 a.m. to-day we are notified

mercial Cable Company, which has re-ceived the following dispatch from its resident manager in China: 'From to-day telegrams to Japan and Korea can only be accepted at sender's risk."

Paris, Feb. 5.-An interview published acter is obtainable, the alarmist views of here with Baron Hayashi, the Japanese reports of yesterday of the sailing of the marked attention in the highest govern-Russian fleet from Port Arthur, and the rumored Japanese move on Korea, which are reported from different points in the Far East.

The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Cheefoo says a russian fleet, comprising all the battleships, excepting the Sebastopol and six cruisers and two destropers, is cruising along the coasts of

The interviewer then asked: "Suppose Peninsula.

The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Russia's answer is conciliatory and real Mail says that a Russian army is moving south from Mukden, while the cor-

"If the government of King Edward London, Feb. 5.—A dispatch to the VII. asks Japan not to make war," con-

"We shall greatly object to such inley, with the probable intention of seiz-ing North Korea. It is added that the We desire to be left alone in our duel ope of maintaining peace has been with Russia. We do not want support or assistance. We desire to settle our own account with Russia."

In terminating the interview Baron an interview, spoken as follows:

dent of the Associated Press at Hayashi was asked: "Then you say ing China's rights in Manchuria that

> given him to announce it. The French officials express great surwar.

Regarded as Hopeless. "Stores of provisions and coal are be- pondent of the Times says that the reiterated proofs of our good will." ing accumulated, and all the necessary situation is regarded as hopeless. It is M Motono said further that he was

generally believed, he continues, that the ouncils of the elder statemen, held rebruary 3rd and 4th, decided upon the f an unfavorable reply from Russia. war fund exceeds 3,000,000 yen.

The statement is published here that The statement is published here that the draft of the treaty which Japan originally submitted to Russia contained seven articles, the first of which provided for the mutual recognition of the integrity and independence of China and Korea. The second recognized Japan's right to advise Korea on finances and general administration. The third stipulated that Russia should not hinder the general administration. The third stipu-lated that Russia should not hinder the development of Japan's commercial interests in Korea. The fourth recognizes that Japan was entitled to send troops to Korea in the event of disturbance. such troops to be withdrawn when peace had been restored. The fifth article pro-vided that no fortifications be erected on the southern coast of Korea and guaran teed the freedom of the straits of Korea. Manchurian railroad systems, while the seventh denounced all previous Russo-Japanese treaties relating to Korea.

Japs in Flight. St. Petersburg, Feb. 5 .- "The Japan ese are flying panic-stricken from Vladivostock," cables the correspondent of the Novoe Vremya, "and Japanese storekeepers are sacrificing all they possess in their haste to escape to Japan. Cases of oranges are selling for five cents and furniture is being literally given away They are practically ruining themselved in their hurry to get away before the

the fact that information received at the Japanese legation here from Tokio shows the legation, decidedly does not meet

The general fension in diplomatic quarters here to-day is unquestionably in-The scare in city circles here was exemplified to-day by a wild report current on the stock exchange that a severe naval

three Russian and two Japanese ships

St. Petersburg, Feb. 6.—The Russian reply has been handed to the Japanese government by Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister at Tokio. Russia is standing on the tiptoe of ex

Hai-Wei. This report was put affont as an attempt to see "how the wind blows."

The quarantine against Chefoo has been annulled. The fleet under Admiral Stark put to sea at dawn February 3rd. It has taken up its anchorage outside the harbor.

War Risks Increased.

War Risks Increased. pectancy and apprehension. Her rethat all hope of peace is gone. The elder statesmen had a conference this aftered the Associated Press that Korea had even hopeful view voiced by the Russian

statesmen had a conference this afternoon, at which the Emperor was present. It is believed a weighty decision was reached."

The ominous rumors circulated here of the imminence of hostilities in the Far East caused the rates on war risks at Lloyd's to bound upwards to-day at Lloyd's to bound upwards to-day an arrangement, but if the authorities would be the end of diplomatic negotia-

Japanese Minister Kurino and Sir No confirmation of the alarming war reports, current here, could be obtained at the Japanese legation to-night, and a legation official professed ignorance of any new decision on the part of the Japanese can break off the meaning on the action to be standard to the Japanese can break off the new decision on the part of the Japanese can break off the new to flavored to flavore anses government of resh department of the speech from the negative of the speech from the negative of the speech from the speech from the speech from the speech from the throne. Sir Henry said that when official confirmation of the reports of the P. R. Company's telegraph office, has Kurino will ask for his passports, and will leave St. Petersburg at once. The minister has already anticipated such a contingency, and is making arrangements.

Mr. Chambertan interviewed that the son, of Jamaica, is in the cay appearing to Canadian Baptists to assist the if the opposition would support the government in sending out 10,000 troops to Cape loss in the storms which swept that An Associated Press dispatch from New York says; "The significant annuncement that telegrams for Japan and Korea can be accepted only at sender's risk was made to-day by the Commercial Cable Company, which has rea special car to be in readiness at the lighting. We know these fellows won't Warsaw station to take him to Geright. We are playing a game of bluff." British embassy.

Disturbance at Seoul. Seoul, Feb. 6.-Russian soldiers have been the cause of a disorderly incident in Seoul. One of the Russians seized a woman, and an angry crowd gathered. rived at the scene of trouble, and an spirit, so that the Boers might be The gendarmes fought well, overpowered An insurrection has broken out sixty miles north of Seoul, and the prefect's house has been destroyed by the people.

London, Feb. 6 .- A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from St. Petershurg says:

Russian source regarding the contents of authorities there cable that the Herere the Russian reply is as follows: nished with all the necessary instructions for a fresh phase of the negotiations."

Japan Made Concessions. Paris, Feb. 6 .- M Motono, the Japanese minister here, has, in the course o

"Contrary to the truth, there has be attributed to Japan an unbending attitude, while as a matter of fact Japan has not ceased to be pacific and concilia-"That will be war," replied the min-tory. I know we are accused of cherishster.

Baron Hayashi added to the foregoing at all costs, and there has been talk of storms and low temperature, wholesale that he believe it to be the view of his government, and that authority had been All this is untrue. When it becomes have not been interfered with, and at repossible to establish the responsibilities in these matters by the publication of the fited. prise at the unqualified statements con-cerning war, and of Japan's intention not of these complicated negotiations, it will accede to a British request against be seen on which side were prudence and moderation. I can assure you that Japan has made great concessions. Each | Lafere, doctor, ex-soldier and inventor, London, Feb. 6.—The Tokio corres- stage of the conflict has been marked by who was wanted by the Minneapolis

swer, but that Japan awaited it with Ordered to Withdraw.

New York, Feb. 6.-A small party of Russian soldiers, previously reported as having entered Korea, near Sameoo, have miles further west on the Yalu river cables the Herald's correspondent at Seoul. Russia is evidently renewing her THREE LIVES LOST examinations of the Korean side of the Yalu.

The Japanese min modified his order to the Japanese residents at Sonching. He says the men may and children must leave immediately.
All Japanese residents in Wiju have been ordered to leave as quickly as pos-

Vladivostock, Feb. 6.-The authoritie ere apparently are without information in regard to the general situation. They receive casual instructions, from which tual junction of the Korean and it is apparent that preparations are on no comprehensive steps have been taken, nor has there been any special allotment of funds. The movement of troops towards Korea has been stopped. The public is greatly depressed by the

ncertainty, and banking and mercantile operations are at a standstill. If Vladivostock is blockaded, officers will be transferred to Khaharovsk and The Oriental Institute and other educational establishments will be closed

It is rumored that all strangers, whether Russian or foreign, will be requested to leave the precincts of the fortifications, and the native residents will be required to provide quarters for

Fear Attack on China. New York, Feb. 6 .- A dispatch to the New York, Feb. 6.—A dispatch to the Sun from Hongkong says: "The Russian minister has informed the Chinese grand councillors that in the event of war, Russia may be compelled to seize Tientsen and Pekin, and that if China favors Japan she should consider the situation thoroughly before declaring her intentions. In consequence of this the engagement has taken place, in which isters fear that Russia attack China first."

> Hasty Flight. St. Petersburg, Feb. 6.-A dispatch received here from Vladivostock to-day says the hasty flight of the Japanese resilents there is attributed to secret orders from the Japanese government. Neither persuasion or promises of protection by the authorities had any effect. The Japand some of the factories are closed.

Campbell-Bannerman's Statement in man, in the House of Commons to-day in Colony, he, Sir Henry, expressed surprise, need not be alarmed. There will be no

not remember using the word "bluff." His his salary if any other church will give only object in approaching Sir Henry was | 1 im a place. minister to Great Britain, has attracted A body of Korean gendarmes soon arvinced of the earnestness of Great Britain. In the ultimate division on Mr. Robson's and- amendment to the address, the government \$44,420. ed. The Koreans declared that the Rus- had a majority of 86; the vote being 192 for and 278 against.

STAIN BY NATIVES.

Report of Murder of Germans in South-

west Africa Has Been Confirmed. Berlin, Feb. 5.-Telcgraphic communication with Windhoek, German Southwest Africa, has been restored. The murdered Assistant Director Hopner, of "If the Japanese government is animated by the same pacific sentiments as meyer, an agricultural expert. No inforthe Russian government, there is reason to hope that it will give Russia's fresh proposals such a favorable reception as to permit of mutual, accord being finally sched. Baron de Rosen has been fur- Both of these men are reported to have been murdered,

'IT'S AN ILL WIND."

In Retail Line General Trade Has Been Benefited by the Snowstorm.

from correspondents of the International Mercantile Agency throughout the United States and Canada make it plain that while railway traffic west and northwest

ENDED HIS LIFE.

San Francisco, Feb. 5 .- Malcolm de committee suicide here by taking poison.

IN FIRE AT MONTREAL

Man Attacked by a Pack of Wolves-Proposal to Send Dr. Wilkie

ducks, after receiving a special license legislature. from the department of agriculture.

Fatally Injured. Jos. Wardner, C. P. R. fireman, was fatally injured by a fall from the third-story of the Union Bank building at Moose Jaw yesterday. Foul play is sus pected as Wardner was minus his watch and money when discovered. He came from St. Thomas, Ont.

Attacked By Wolves Alex. Morrissey, of Turtle river, near Dauphin, Man., had a thrilling experience with a pack of wolves while While a considerable distance from probilize the reserves being expected ed by twelve or fifteen ferocious animals capable of describing the battle. At the hounds and an axe, and had it not bee "The Rus- for these, he says, there is no doubt at all but that he would have been torn to pieces by the wolves. The hounds fought hard, and one of them was killed in the ncounter. Morrissey claims to have done great execution with his axe, and more than one wolf bit the dust, while on the snow from where the attack com-Morrissey as a trail of blood. When the exhausted man reached land he sought the protection of a friendly tree, and re-

mained there till the wolves departed at

The bank clearings for the week ending February 4th were \$4,457,008; for Three Perished.

ing. Four others were badly burned and injured, two of whom will die. The dead are Mrs. Edward Crawford, 40 years old; her son, Willie, aged 15, and her sonin-law, James Hogan, 23 years old. Those injured were Mrs. Ethel Hogan, and her arms were cut: James To Hogan 8 months old, will die; Edward Craw-ford, aged 40, badly burned, will probably die; Thomas Hare, 35 years old, face and hands burned. The fire is sup-to the sleeping apartments before the people in the house were awakened.

Appeal For Aid.

island last summer.

Rev. Dr. Wilkie. An association has been formed here fight. We are playing a game of bluff." by leading Presbyterians to raise funds Sir Henry said the opposition refused the to send Rev. Dr. Wilkie, Presbyterian missionary, back to India. This is a re-The statement of Sir Henry was greeted volt against the action of the Presby with roars of laughter from the opposition | terian Foreign Missionary Society, which has decided that it cannot find a place Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, said he did for Dr. Wilkie, and has offered to pay

The Gamey Investigation.

The total cost of the Gamey investigation, as shown by the public accounts

Price of Paper. At the annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association yesterday, it was decided that the association use its in-fluence to have the minimum rate for newspapers placed at \$1.50, and failing this, to ask the postmaster-general to efuse postage to papers that sell at less than the cost of white paper.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE,

Address in Reply to the Speech From Throne Passed.

Toronto, Feb. 4 .- W. A. H. Gianelli and son Louis, deputy and poll clerk respectively, were committed for trial in the civic ballot cases this evening. The first division took place in the egislature this evening, the debate on the address being closed and the address passed. The government majority was hree in a straight party vote, with this kind within a year. Barber, Liberal, and Carscallen, Conservative, absent. The figures were 47 to Returns received by the meteorologica

of January in Ontario was one of the heaviest on record. SIX PEOPLE PERISHED

Mahoney City, Pa., Feb. 5.-Six pe sens, all foreigners, were burned to death early to-day at Trenton, near here. The fire destroyed six double dwellings.

service show that the snowfall for the

well established house in a few counties, calling on retail merchants and agents. Local territory. Salary \$20.00 per week with expenses additional, all payable in cash each week. Money for expenses advanced. Position permauent. Business successful and rushing. Standard House,

## GOVERNMENT OPTION ON E. & N. RAILWAY

PER YEAR, TO OTHER COUNTRIES, POSTAGE PREPAID,

The Line and Lands, Excepting Coal Areas, Offered to the Government---A Caucus on Subject.

The reward offered by the government , time, and chafes at repeated disappoint-Winnipeg, Feb. 5.-Owing to the for a railway policy has been withdrawn. me change in the game laws, sportsmen of A policy has been found. Whether or Manitoba will in future only be able to not it will be accepted remains to take out of the province the heads and be seen, and depends first upon the govskins of two male deer, 50 geese and 25 ernment supporters and second upon the

> The only ripe policy is that offered by James Dunsmuir. This is understood to be an option on the E. & N. railway line and insists upon some further aid to the and the lands of the railway belt for a sum approximately \$3,500,000. Mr. Dunsmuir in making this offer reserves

the coal within the belt. The government has approached its supporters on the subject, and until satisfied of its position will give any assurances of what its position will be on the question. The scheme is not unopposed manding that the particular scheme which they may represent for railway construction shall receive a place along with this before consenting to it.

Premier is looking for aid from the other side of the House to offset this opposition from his own party.

The E. & N. land grant embraced about 1,900,000 acres including rivers, lakes and broken land. Since it was first made considerable has been disposed of to setflers and timber men, but there ve remains probably 1,500,000 acres of land.

In order to overcome this difficulty the

The railway line runs from Victoria Wellington, and is 78 miles long. the objection is raised that this is a matwhich affects only Vancouver Island. Mainland members do not want their schemes, which have been occupying a place in the public eye for years, put back for this project. While they are willing to admit that the acquisition of these lands which have become alienated would be a wise step, yet they are not prepared to forego consideration of other pressing

taims last year. Moreover, the Premier was obliged to keep the House in session until nearly midnight two nights ago in a hope of getting the bill through.

S. A. Shatford, the indefatigable works for a line from the Kootenay to the coast, is not in any mood to let the government prorogue the House without the coast, is not in any mood to let the government prorogue the House without the coast, is not in any mood to let the government prorogue the House without the coast, is not in any mood to let the government prorogue the House without the coast, is not in any mood to let the government prorogue the House without the coast, is not in any mood to let the government prorogue the House in session until nearly midnight two nights ago in a hope of getting the bill through.

That of the McLean Bros., the bonds for which have been deposited with the government, and which would be an all-canadian route, and the Great Northern's time. He is the acknowledged ledden the common of the comm proposal to build in sections as it may be the Socialists, and a small per deflecting into the United States when members of the government.

Price Ellison, who is also in favor of the House hesitate between pothis line, is understood to want the Miditical suicide by supporting him or the way-Vernon line completed. He has chance of sacrificing McBride and his urged the proposition for a considerable government in the interests of the party. are to be discharged. There is a head tax

G. P. R. Places Large Order in Its Eastern Works-Montreal Fears Water Famine.

Montreal, Feb. 4.-Montrealers are threatened with a water famine owing to the breakage of the principal steam pupm at the main pumping station and low water in the aqueduct. Water in the ervoir is falling at the rate of four feet a day. The superintendent of the waterworks has appealed to the citizens to stop the practice of allowing their taps to run during the cold weather in order to prevent the pipes freezing. This estimated that it causes the waste of between two and three million gallons of

Dr. J. G. Adams, professor of pathology, McGill University, consulting bacteriologist to the city board of health, presented the legislature yesterday, was and Dr. Jules A. Chopin, assistant cher ist and bacteriologist to the provincial board of health, after a analysis, have filed a report to the effect that the water of the Montreal Water Power Company which is supplied to surrounding muni cipalities, in which there has been a large umber of cases of typhoid fever, is con taminated; that the analysis reveals a micro-organism not hitherto discovered.

J. P. Morgan and party left for Quebec this evening on a special train over the Canadian Pacific railway. Their stay there will depend largely on the manner in which Mr. Morgan enjoys

The C. P. R. have placed another large order with the local shops for pas-senger equipment. The order includes five dining cars, fifteen standard sleener and twenty-five fourist cars, and the aggregate cost will be over four hundred thousand dollars. The cars will be ready to go into commission during the sum-mer, and will be distributed all over the e. This is the second large order o

AN INTERESTING POINT. Commissioner's Opinion Regarding China men Accused of Illegally Entering the United States.

Buffalo, Feb. 5 .- United States Commi sioner Ullman to-day handed down a decision in the case of Wong Nam and Fong head the wrath of the good element. Yong, charged with illegally entering the United States. The Chinamen alleged that situation and produced evidence to show that they were induced to enter the Unit-

ed States by Chinese inspectors.

The decision of the commissioner is that Standard House, men are not to be sent back to China, but ly carried out.

G. A. Fraser at election time promised his constituents the Kettle River valley line, and W. R. Ross urges the Kootenay.

C. W. D. Clifford has for years been working for the Pacific Northern & Omineca Company's line from Kitimaat road this year. If cash is not obtainable,

then a land bonus will be accepted. Vancouver members interested in ing the Coast-Yukon railway go through are anxiously pressing for something being done with respect to it, as a continu ation of the Pacific Northern & Omir road from Hazelton north through the

Dr. Young wants both these latter oads, as affording connection with his The Nicola, Kamloops & Similkameer Railway & Coal Company are seeking a guarantee of their bonds, and are hope-

my awaiting an answer. With all these schemes being urged upon the Premier for recognition the situation is very embarrassing. Each member wants his own particular project out right in the first rank. The result is government does not know what to and Premier McBride is forced to take refuge in the chance of proregation ne of the members on the government side, however, have intimated that su is done in aid of the particular railway

emes which they put forward. The supply bill has not yet passed if econd reading, and the Premier is being practically held up on all sides. J. H. Hawthornthwaite forced the E. & N. Railway Settlers' Bill upon him. though the Premier was opposed to their

this case had a right to remain in Canada, but when they came to this country they did not get the necessary permit to do so and that government may refuse to allow them to re-enter the country.

SECURED FIVE THOUSAND.

of \$500 required from every Chinaman who anters Canada. He holds the Chinamen in

New York, Feb. 5 .- A dispatch to the World from Sterling, Ills., says: "Nearly \$5,000 in gold has been stolen from an express messenger of the Adams Express Company here. The thieves escaped. The express car was attached to a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy train, Sterling being the terminal. The express messenger, Fred Harmon, had just placed the canvas sack containing the covered that the sack was gone. The

messenger did not get a glimpse of the

HUNDREDS KILLED. Amsterdam, Holland, Feb. 5 .- Advices eceived here say that an entire town in the Island of Java, Dutch East Indies, is reported to have been swallowed up by a volcanic eruption, and that hundreds f persons were killed.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Crown Prince Frederick William was rown from his horse while riding at the head of his company of guards at Potsdam on Friday. The Crown Prince was assisted to his feet by his brother officers and soon

The appelate division of the Supreme ourt, New York, has handed down a deciion ordering the reinstatement of Edward Croker as chief of the fire department. Croker was relieved from office early in the Low administration. The new city council of Montreal is hav-

ing a difficult time getting one of its mem pers to take the chairmanship of the police committee. The reason for this is that in

who was to have been put to death in the electric chair next Monday, and the execu tion is, therefore, stayed. Burness shot and killed Captain George B. Townsend. the Chinamen will be sent back to Canada. At his trial he admitted his guilt, acknowl-

In case the Canadian government refuses edged that he had committed other murder to allow them to enter that country, the

recent years every alderman who has held the place has been beaten on the first occasion of his seeking re-election. If he makes not, he makes enemies. If he lets things run wide open he draws down upon his Warden Johnson, of Sing Sing prison, has received word that an appeal had been they were not responsible for their present taken in the case of Frank Henry Burness,