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HOLD-UP AT OTTAWA.

Mr. Heineke's Bill to be Blocked Unless He Makes Concessions to Coast-Kootenay Promoters.

Mr. Blair protests against obstructive tactics. They carry the day. (From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, June 15.—The fight between the Coast line railway promoters and Mr. Heineke culminated in the railway committee this morning, when the Columbia and Western bill was under consideration.

Mr. Blair said if it was expected that parliament was to honor the road the charter should be passed. Mr. Maxwell—"It is now one o'clock and I object to further progress of the bill. Unless some arrangement is made whereby an amalgamation can take place this bill will not go through the House. It is simply useless to go on with it to-day."

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AMERICAN JUBILEE PRAYER.

New York, June 14.—At the suggestion of Rev. William Huntington, D.D., the standing committee of the diocese at the last meeting requested Bishop Ellison Capers, of South Carolina, acting for Bishop Potter during the latter's absence in England, to set forth a form of prayer to be used next Sunday in all of the Episcopal churches in the diocese.

"Dear Brethren:—Sunday the 20th of June commemorates the 40th anniversary of the good reign of Victoria, the Queen of Great Britain and the British Empire. Our mother church has appointed special prayers and services to be held on that day, and the whole nation rejoices in the long and happy reign of their sovereign."

"O! Almighty and everlasting God, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, we praise thy name for the memorable years of the reign of thy servant Victoria, the good and ever faithful Queen of Great Britain and the British Empire."

"Almighty God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth, pour thy blessings we beseech thee upon the people of the two great continents of common race, tongue and faith, Great Britain and the United States."

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ENTERPRISE CHECKED.

Subsidy for Railway Extension to Penton Will Not be Granted This Year.

Substantial Vote for an Ontario Mining Road—Intercolonial Deal Disclosed. (From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, June 16.—The Intercolonial railway extension was discussed to-night. Mr. Blair made a strong speech in its support, and then Mr. Foster took the floor and delivered a stirring reply, showing the unbusinesslike character of the proposition.

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A MANITOBA TRAGEDY.

Temporarily Deranged Man Kills His Sister-in-Law and Then Himself.

The Victim But Fifteen Years Old—No Cause for the Crime Suggested. WINNIPEG, June 16.—(Special)—A ghastly tragedy occurred at Portage la Prairie this afternoon, Henry Brigham shooting his sister-in-law, Priscilla Hall, and then himself, both dying instantly. Brigham is supposed to have been temporarily insane. He was about 40 years of age, and married to the sister of the girl he killed. He had been working on the new post office building and asked for his pay this afternoon, saying he intended going East with the money thus secured.

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ASIANICS IN CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, June 15.—State Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald, who has just returned from a personal investigation at Pleasanton, Alvarado, Watsonville and Salinas, says: "I find that between 95 and 98 per cent. of all the labor used in the beet fields of California is Japanese and Chinese, with the Chinese fast going to the wall as against the competition of the Japanese."

"The cane fields of Hawaii have over 14 per cent. of white labor, while the beet fields of our own California show but 6 per cent. at present. The Japanese bosses in the fields told me that next year they will handle the entire industry, and that they can get all the Japanese necessary by way of Victoria. They say, too, that they expect to become farmers and bid against the whites in renting the land."

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UNITED STATES TARIFF.

Several Changes in the Agricultural Schedule—The Fish Duties Also Revised. Reduction of Lead Duty Demanded in the Interest of the Smelters. WASHINGTON, June 16.—The Senate made rapid work on the tariff bill to-day, disposing of the agriculture schedule and reaching schedule H relating to spirits, wines etc. The paragraphs on dairy products, farm products, fish, fruit and nuts, meat products and miscellaneous agricultural products were acted upon. The finance committee proposed many changes in the main advancing rates somewhat over those heretofore reported.

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