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UNITED STATES SMALING LAW. The law passed by the United States The law passed by the United States Congress to give effect to the award of the arbitrators in the Behring Sea case is very stringent indeed. It, of course, affects United States citizens only, but the law before the Imperial Parliament is, no doubt, quite as stringent. The statute in both countries will be nothing more than the award in a changed form with penal provisions added.

The law which we published on Sunday, shows that United States citizens, as regards seal hunting on the high seas, are placed on exactly the same footing as British subjects. The only privileged persons are those who hunt and kill the seals on United

self-imposed task with much zeal and very effectively. It is making inquiries in various places as to the physical condition and the circumstances of the men who are drawing pensions. It has found that there are intended only for invalids and for old soldiers who were in destitute circumstances. Many of the men when spoken to about taking the money of the people on false pretenses said that they had nothing to do with getting the pensions. The agents came to them and after finding out when they enlisted and when they were discharged, procured the pensions for them. It is amusing to read the number of diseases which these healthy and robust men are represented as being afflicted with. Nearly every one of them issui.

The Weekly Times (of London) of the 16th March, contains and Trade policy" of Canada. The writter is well informed, and afflicted with. Nearly every one of them issui. when they were discharged, produced the pensions for them. It is amusing to read the number of diseases which these healthy and robust men are represented as being afflicted with. Nearly every one of them is sufficient with them. The writer is well informed, and them is the control of the left of the control of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the left of the left of the left of the writer is well informed, and the control of the left of the l fering—on paper—from three or four chronic

fering—on paper—from three or four chronic complaints, the very name, of which we zenture to search, the alleged sufferers were unacquainted with.

Men who have good properties of their own and who are earning high wages are drawing pensions intended only for the sick and the destitute.

"One pensioner," says the Times, "recoiving the maximum sum of \$12 a month, is a trolley car conductor; another is a hardworking carpenter and builder; another is a ditch and cellar digger; several are steadily engaged in trades requiring constant and fairly hard work; and one is a farm laborer of such exceptional robustness that last sum me he demanded \$59 a month for labor in the hay fields, which is the hardest of all farm labor. These cases are typical of an immense number of fraudulent pensions granted under the much abused act of 1820 and under Commissioner Raum's illegal order broadening its scope."

Canada. The writer is well informed, and there are not, we think, many Canadians whethink, many canadians whethink, many Canadians of his views. Accommodation for four more cabin passes sengers were untested in the scanner of his views. He gives the readers of the Times a very was done by placing a comfortable little to season the top doed for the pursuer's room of Canada's trade at the United States, and to the subject are of cuitivating close and friendly commercial relations with her big neighbor, but he is very far from magnifying the importance of Canada's trade with the United States at the expense of her commercial in the case of Canada's trade with the United States, and to the Court of Canada's trade with the United States, and to the labor in the second deck. The Mars. Noble, Mrs. Reamy C. Grand, but he is very far from magnifying the importance of Canada's trade with the United States, and to the Court of Canada's trade with the United States, and to the Court of Canada's trade with the United States, and to the Court of Canada's trade with the United States, and to the Court of Canada's trade with the United Stat

"Names are on the rolls of men who were drafted or hired as substitutes or who enlisted for the bounty and then took the first opportunity to desert, cases have been ferreted out of men who never saw a day's service in the field, but often pocketting their bounty or substitutes' hire, passed the period of their enlistment in Canada or in parts ur-

known, and who are now drawing from \$6 to \$12 a month from a grateful country."

The Pension list of the United States has

grown enormously. Politicians have ex-erted themselves to increase it, and hun-dreds of men have made it the business of dreds of men have made it the business of their lives to increase the number of the pensions. Their industry has been well rewarded. Many of them have made handsome fortunes for themselves as well as fastened on their country's treasury an army of idlers and incompetents, who had not even the shadow of a claim on the country. The sum expended as pensions is for the current year about \$160,000,000. This is more than is required to support the immense atanding army of Germany or France. If pensions were paid only to the deserving, the list would not be half what it is, and the sum total of the pensions paid would be proportionately decreased.

British Columbia and the United States, are compelled to submit to, will innre to the advantage of the members of that Company. And they can, and no doubt will, if they are not restrained by Congress, render the treaty as far as the preservation of seal life is concerned, of no avail. This is clear to every one who has studied the subject at all intelligently. We shall see what the United States will do to preserve the seals where it has sole and uncontrolled authority.

TRADULENT PENSIONS.

A TARIFF ANOMALY.

We are sorry to learn that the new duties States will on rice are considered by those most competent to form an opinion on the subject, ruinous to the fice cleaning mills of the Dominion. Contrary to the principle of protection on which the tariff is based, the duty is lowered on the manufactured article, while it is raised on the raw material. What would happen to the great manufactures of the Dominion if this policy were carried out with regard to them? If, for instance, a duty were placed on raw

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of such exceptional robustness that last summer he demanded \$52 a month for labor in the hay fields, which is the hardest of all farm labor. These cases are typical of an immense number of fraudulent pensions granted under the much abused act of 1890 and under Commissioner Raum's illegal order broadening its scope."

The cencinsion, he says, seems to be irresistible that for the main line of Canadian export the British market is infinitely more important, and in the cases I have enumerated where the near market is advantageous, the American people will soon in their own interest be induced to open their country more freely to Canadian products. Only, a feeling of trade animosity such as was displayed in the last message of President Harrison can prevent this.

To any policy dictated by this feeling Canadians will undoubtedly reply, in the future as in the past, by either finding new markets for what they have to sell, or by turning their attention to production of the first oppor-

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PERU UNDER A DICTATOR.

Lima, April 3.—Ex-President Caceres has been proclaimed Diotator of Peru, the situation being that Peru just now has two Presidents and a Diotator.—The Congress and the people are hostile to Cacerea, but the property the army is with him. He was one of the candidates for the presidency. The city is in possession of the troops, who are supporting Caceres, and it is reported that Senor del Solar, the constitutional President, is a fugitive. The banks are closed and all business is suspended. The soldiers are patrolling the streets.

THE BUTTY

On behalf of the barbers who are adverse to compulsory closing on Sunday, a petition is being circulated for the signatures of the general public, to be presented to the legislature to back up that of the trade already

and a common-sense view of the commercial situation, and his enquiries have led him to form conclusions the reverse of discouraging, as the following paragraph, which is the last one of the article, shows:

On all sides the outlook for Canada seems most encouraging. She has in actual fact a rapidly increasing trade with Britain. She has the hope of better trade relations with the United States. Her credit stands higher than that of any other great colony of the Empire. Her equipment for internal development is excellent, and she is ready to receive the population which has been her greatest lack. Finally, there is the fact which I have tried to prove—than ther industries and the inclinations of her people alike point to close commercial and political consolidation with the nation of which she forms a part.

The Priest incumbent of St. Mark's church announces that on St. Mark's Day, the 25th inst., there will be a high celebrart, the Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-deacon. The Rev. J. B. Haslam deacon, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden sub-d

evidence to show there was fortune telling. The charge of "pretending to discover" the watch "by occult science" will be heard to day.

The recent judgment of the Supreme court of British Columbia in the matter of the C.P.R. assessments for purposes of provincial taxation, is the subject of a parliamentary paper laid before the legislature yesterday. It contains simply the judgments in extense of Justices Crease, Walkem and Drake, who with the Chief Justice composed the full court by which the case was heard. The real estate of the railway company in this province was assessed at \$2,929,176, and the company contended that this should be reduced to \$2,257,531. The act requires that real estate shall be assessed at its actual cash value, as it would be appraised in payment of a just debt from a solvent debtor, and the court allowed the appeal for the unexpected reason that the assessment had not been made upon the principle stated—the line in this province having, it was maintained, no cash value by itself; and the assessment was set aside altogether as having been illegally made. The judgment of Mr. Justice Walkem, printed in full at the time, fully explained this point, with which the other two judgments—which concur in effect with his—also deal in an interesting manner. Mr. Justice Drake thus refers to the mode of assessment: "I can well understand the difficulty that surrounds this question. This line is part of a trans-continental system, but for the purposes of assessment it can only be valued as confined to the limits of the province, and I Imagine no two persons would arrive at any approximation in figures as to its salesble value. The principle laid down in the act for valuation is one not appropriate for railway works. It is a general principle adapted to a charchist of property for assessment, but in a new country where the land is subject to such great fluctuations in value from year to year, it is an open question whether it is the best way of arriving at the assessable value."

Paris, April 3.—Abbe

patrolling the streets.

I had a severe cold, for which I took way Pine Syrup. I find it an excellent remedy, giving prompt relief and pleasant to J. PAYNTER, Huntsville, Ont.

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GREEN, WORLOCK & CO.

nother Meeting of Creditors Who Wish a Voice in the Winding Up.

Suggested Committee of Investigation—The Assignees to Be Walted

In response to a public notice issued by a number of creditors of Green, Worlock & Co., who are dissatisfied with the action taken at the meeting called by the assi held last week, a meeting was held in Pioneer hall yesterday afternoon, each person passing the doorkeeper having to show his credentials before being admitted. According to the list taken, about \$200,000

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MONTREAL, April 3. - The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and the last meeting prior to the annual general meeting of shareholders to morrow, was held yesterday and was well attended. The annual report to be submitted to the shareholders was discussed.

THE CITY.

H.M.S. HYLCINTH is expected to return from her Southern ornice early in May.

The examination of three candidates for admission to practice as land surveyors in B. C. was concluded yesterday, and the results will be known in the course of a few days.

Mrs EMHLY H. WARD, a native of England, but for many years a resident of this city, died yesterday of paralysis. The functional takes place from the residence of F. W. Vincent, her son-in-law, on Friday at 2:30 p.m.

The annual meeting of the association in connection with No. 1 Company, B.C.B.GA, intended to be held last night, was unanimously adjourned. A further announcement will be made intimating the date of the adjourned meeting.

THE provincial police launch, which with a couple of officers aboard has for the past few days been searching the coast in the direction of Sooke for law breakers who have been causing trouble there lately, returned yesterday. The trip did not result as hoped

to wait upon the assignees for the purpose of carrying out the object of this resolution."

Mr. Peter in seconding the amendment counselled moderation and to avoid playing "battle dore and shuttleoock among the lawyers." (Laughter.) No doubt the assignees would meet them in a sensible manner.

Levi W. Myers took exception to the present assignees, holding that as they were the nominees of Mr. Worlock, this virtually meant placing the winding up of the bank in the hands of the management that in the hands of the management that in the hands of the management that wrecked it. There was inside information that had not yet been made public. He claimed that 40 per cent would not be realized, and said he had heard a financial authority say that it would not pay to buy at 25 per cent. If the present assignees would not hear what the creditors had to say the courts would.

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HON. Justices Crease, McCreight and Drake sat as a full court yesterday to hear argument in the case of Smith v. Mitchell, an appeal from Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem. The court gave the respondents ten days in which to choose between a rescission of the judgment, and the reduction of damages allowed from \$7,500 to \$3,000, the former sum being in the opinion of the court excessive. All parties were directed to pay their own costs. L. G. McPhillips, Q. C. and A. E. MePhillips for the appellants; E. P. Davis, and B. H. T. Drake for respondents to the production of sevents.

THE following is from the Winnipeg Free Press: "In order to be able to give more time and attention to the production of sevents of preparation he has been been been described as a full court yesterday to hear argument in the case of Smith v. Mitchell, an appeal from Hon. Mr. Justices Crease, McCreight and court sevents argument in the case of Smith v. Mitchell, an appeal from Hon. Mr. Justices Crease, McCreight and court sevents argument in the case of Smith v. Mitchell, an appeal from Hon. Mr. Just

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Noah Shakespeare objected to the main resolution giving the committee power to take legal proceedings, and had nothing to say against the assignees, but he believed that two and a half or three per cent. is quite enough to pay for assignees and all expenses besides. The sum allowed them at the first meeting he considered preposterons.

The amendment being put was carried, and after contributions to defray expenses of the meeting had been collected, a resolution was carried to the effect that none of the circulars in regard to payment of assignees be signed until the result of the meeting between the committee appointed and the assignees be ascertained. The meeting then adjourned.

COAL SHIPMENTS.

ORIENTAL NEWS.

Relief in Six Ho

PROVINCIAL LEGIST

Fourth Session of the Sixth FORTY-SIXTH DA MONDAY, Ar

The Speaker took the chair at Mr. Hornz moved the raich he had given notice recon Dominion government the ea quarantine station and her Vancouver. HON. MR. BRAVEN thought it to place quarantize stations neathat they have to be closely guinny epidemic occurs; and that ment quarantine stations should nabited islands.

MR Corron said the effect of don, if it were acted upon by the dovernment, would be to place u estrictions upon shipping. Hink, however, that the governmentously consider any propositions stations on this coast.

DE. WATT took the same view a mended that the resolution be w How. ME. DAVIE thought it we pity to send to Ottawa a useless r as it would tend to weaken the other resolutions sent there. As antine station is all that is main the Eastern coast, he did not sup more than one would be consider sary on the Pacific, where the population of the property of the propert

MR. HORNE refused to withdraw ution, with which, he said, the C n accord, Mr. Abbott having assen nd as he (Mr. Horne) considered ver the proper place for the quarantion anyhow. He had been asked the resolution by men more compudge than are the members of the

MR. HUNTER remarked that no the superintendent of the C. P. R. quarantine station should be built conver it would have to be done. (Lat The motion was lost, only three m voting for it.

NICOMEN SLOUGH,

Hon. Mr. Davie moved: "Wattention has been called to the dis results caused by ordinary flood-wate the Fraser river flowing through N slough, whereby much valuable cult land is over flowed and many acres to amay annually; and whereas there is to fear that any extraordinary flood cause the destruction of thousands of of land and endanger the safety of th adian Pacific railway track in that vice adian Pacific railway track in that vice and whereas it is represented that danger can be averted by damming the head of the slough: Therefore be solved, that the Dominion government whereas the said dams to be erect the earliest possible date." The rexplained that the head of Nicomen a is a couple of miles above Chilliwack lar and during the high water in the Fraheavy current sets in there with the heavy current sets in there with the inthat much valuable land is overflowed, eral acres being washed entirely away freshet. One farmer alone, Mr. Bale eral acres being washed entirely away freshet. One farmer alone, Mr. Bale said to have lost ten or twelve acres of best meadow land, and others have lost like proportion, besides which some valuable cultivated land is submerged eyear and the crops are lost. It is held by stopping the head of the slough all damage would be prevented, as it we lower the water in the slough at least feet, which means a great deal when river is at the highest. If there should be another freshet like that of 1882 it we ruin thousands of acree on the slough wash away a portion of the C.P.R. true near Mr. Bales' farm. The navigation the river is greatly impeded by water spreading over such an areas bars are being formed and ma portions of the river are now impassable boats during low water. Any improments that will confine the river to proper channel will increase the depth washing out those bars, which are form by the spread of the water, so that the iprovement which is needed for the protion of the land will fulfill the twofold prose of saving land and improving navigation.

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Mr. Hunter seconded the resolution of the second of the s

He thought the amendment useless, as to Dominion government would no doubt reft the matter to an engineer without it.

Hon. Mr. Braven said it is not the lea to send such resolutions to the Dominic

Hon. MR DAVIE moved to add to his r solution the words "or to cause such oth apprehended danger."

The amendment by Mr. Sword was lost o division, and the resolution, with the word added by the mover, was carried.

CREDITORS' TRUST DEEDS.

DR. MILNE moved for leave to introduce bill to amend the oreditors' trust deed Bill introduced and read a first time. GAME ACT.

MR. MARTIN asked leave to introduce a bill intituled "An act for the protection of game." Leave granted on division, and bill read s

WORKS IN WEST KOOTENAY.

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MR KELLIE moved: "That an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to cause to be sent down to this house a return of the names of all employees of the government employed constructing roads, trails, streets, bridges, wharves, or other work in West Kootenay district, from 1st January, 1892, to 31st December, 1893; the amounts paid to each party so employed, and the dates when employed." He said he had been requested by a number of his constituents to ask for this return.

Metion agreed to. DLIBATED STATUTES.

CONSOLIPATED STATUTES,

Hon. Mr. Beaven moved: "That this course is of opinion that whenever two or more statutes bearing upon the same subject are combined and issued from the printing office prior to the consolidation being egalized by the legislative assembly, that he pamphlet so issued shall bear an enforcement indicating that the consolidation and not been so legalized, but that the rightal statutes could be perused in the annual volume, mentioning it." He said that in the consolidations made for convenience reference mistakes sometimes cocur, and he volumes should bear upon their face menting to show whether or not the vertons are authorized as they stand. He cated that there are some mistakes in the municipal act now in the consolidation of the consolidation of the consolidation of the municipal act now in the consolidation of t

he consolidation is wrong, and the cof the opposition saying that he could ate this in the absence of his marked