# SAYS GERMAN "SCARE" IS POLITICAL BLUFF

Well-Known English Socialist's View of Moroccan Crisis-"Ministerial Manoeuvre Before Elections."

"There will be no war. Germany is playing a game of bluff in order to take advantage of a "khaki" election in the winter." Such was the characteristical ly original solution of the Moroccas embroglio threatening the peace of Europe, as seen by Mr. Sidney Webb, LL.B., the eminent economist and author and the most respected and resonsible of English Socialists.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Webb—his wife being one of the best known educa-tionists in the Old Country—are on a pleasure visit to Victoria in the course

a tour round the world.
"No! I do not for one mo lieve there is any immediate prospect any but verbal hostilities breaking out between England and Germany,' h said. "To my mind, it is a political game general election about December January next and it is certain that the Democrats will gain anything up to 100 seats. It, therefore, has oc red to the German government to fall back on the old ruse played with such success in England in 1900 and take what we call a "khaki" election. The prospect of war abroad peace at home and the German government knows that the danger of war with France and Great Britain will rally ensure a return to power, that if ar election were taken on other grounds would inevitably end in defeat.

"Nor need one look very closely to see that this game of bluff is as much to the adventage of Mr. Asquith's ministry as to the present German govern ment. Faced himself with the pros pect of an early dissolution on the Lords veto, Mr. Asquith and his colleagues have already chloroformed opposition in parliament by the warning of impending war and he is sure that uld be as effective in the country as in the House in rallying national support to the party in power.

Socialistic Legislation The Socialist leader is very optimistic on the spread of Socialism in England. The country is being permeated Socialistic legislation, he said, and the moderation of English Socialisis enabled their tenets to be examined and tested with less prejudice and corres pondingly greater advantage. Mr. Webb was astonished at and far from sympathetic to the "political excesses of Canadian Socialism and the violence of its expression." He supports the policy of permeation that has so effectually

infected the Liberals in the Old Country with Socialistic doctrines. Mr. Webb's Career

Both Mr. Souncy Wees did his clever whe chioy a very high reputation in the pointical world, despite, rather then because of, their Socialistic sympathies. Mr. Sidney Webb received a Catholic education as a boy in Switzerland, stecklenburg, Schwerin, at beck institute and City of L at the Birkbroker's office in London, he passed into the law division of the war office by open competition, and by Tiring of tax surveying, he passed open competition into the Colonial office, which post he resigned ten years after in order to devote himself to istrators and most valued members that has ever served on that august and responsible body—the London County council. So absorbing has he found municipal politics that he has refused many tempting offers to enter the Farliamentary lists. For some time Mr. Webb was lecturer on political economy at the City of London College and the Working Men's College, which post he now holds at the London School of Economies and Political Calculations. Political Science. Economies and In connection with London University Webb has long been one of the est active and influential members of Board of Studies in Economies. The high esteem and respect in which his work and knowledge is held by all political parties is well exemplified in the number of Royal Commissioners the number of and and Parliamentary committees of inquiry on which Mr. Webb has been chosen to serve. His services were particularly of value as a member of the Royal Commissions on the Poor Law, and that on Trade Union Law, sat from 1905-1906, and of departmental committees appointed by the House of Commons to inquirt into Agricultural Settlements and Emigra tion (1905-6); Territorial Army (1906) and Census of Production (1907).

To have his contributions to politica and economic literature would be to and economic interature would be to catalogue a library, but among his best known works have been those on "In-dustrial Democracy," "Problems of Modern Industry," "London Education," "Socialism in England," and his histories of Trade Unionism, Liquor Licensing, and his valuable work in "English Local Government." He glso collabrated with his wife in her admirable book on the Co-operative Movement in Great Britain, which was firs bublished in 1891. Both Mr. and Mrs Webb are of course, prominent mem-bers of the Fabran society, which guides intellectual Socialism in Europe. The visiting Socialists sail from here Tuesday for Japan, on board the Inaba Maru.

#### PRAIRIE CROPS

Ten Thousand Harvesters to Start from Ontario Shortly-No Danger of Bust

TORONTO, July 29.-The call for 50,000 farm laborers for the western harvest resulted in hundreds of applications to passenger agents for tickets on the first train which leaves August 3. It is expected that 10,000 will leave Ontario for the west on that date.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 29.-Canada wants 20,000 men from the United States to help harvest the crops of Saskatchewan. F. Hedley Auld, sp cial labor commissioner of the province of Saskatchewan, appointed to secure

the men, has arrived in Minneand Saskatchewan will harvest 200,000. 000 bushels of small grain this fall and summer, and we have not the men to help do the work," said Mr. Auld. "We want men from the United States. and a special inducement will be made by the railroad companies and immigration authorities to allow them to go to

veeks' work, starting about August Vages are from \$2.50 per day up." REGINA, Sask, July 23.—To a Western Associated Press representative today A. F. Manley, deputy minister of agriculture, denied the report recently attributed to him to the effect that black rust had appeared in Saskatchewan. It was true, Mr. Manister of the part of the control of the contro y stated, that he had stated ley stated, that he had stated a con-tinuance of wet weather would be fav-orable to rust, but that was all. As a matter of fact no complaints of rust have so far been received by the department, and up to the present time remarkably little damage has been re-ported from rust, hail, frost or any other causes. The present fine weather is just what was required, and its continuance will ensure an exception-ally fine crop ready for harvesting about the average date.

Newfoundland Town in Dange JOHN'S Nfid., July 29.—The town of Cartlaine on the northern little town of Cartains on the side of Trinity Bay, with its population of 1,500 persons, is threatened widestruction by a forest fire, which hade considerable inroads into toutlying homes. Every ablebodied i habitant is fighting the flames, by there is no indication that they we control the fire within a short time.

Severe Storm at Nome NOME, Alaska, July 29 .- A severe storm today caused much damage to shipping on the roadstead. The tugs Defiance and Austen were blown ashore, and the Lee sank at her moorings Smaller craft have found shelter behind tsland. Heavy rains which ac Sledge ompanied the storm have proven a to the miners. With plenty of water for suicing, work is increasing. The finding of a nine-dollar nugget on the Nome beach has aroused interest here and claims are being restaked. Reports received here tell of the finding of a 24-ounce nugget at Solomon and forty-ounce nugget at Kobuk.

TAYLOR MILL PREY TO FLAMES

(Continued from Page 1.) leading to Victoria West were put out

of commission.

Tongues of flame licking the front of the wooden building belonging to the mill company at the corner of Government and Princess set it alight time and again. A couple of hoses were brought into play but the weakt he streams rendered it very difficult to save this structure.

The most thrilling episode of the entire conflagration was the danger instantly realized by the hundreds who flocked to the scene, of the large gas tank of the Victoria Gas company ex-A dozen lines of hose were kept constantly in play for nearly an hour, keeping the outbreak from in-volving this danger point. Again and again the old two-storey

Again and again the out two states office structure of the mill company lying almost flush with the large gas reservoir became ignited and seemed in imminent danger of going up in smoke. The efforts of the firemen eventually proved successful, and this building, would had it become ignited have almost certainly caused the reservoir to explode, was saved. A Narrow Escape

Just after Mr. Spence sent in an larm he noticed an individual burst alarm he noticed an individual variety through one of the upper windows in the mill adjoining the spot whence the flames burst from the kiln. This man, named Fhil Jamieson, was, it is said, sleeping on the premises, though he had no connection with the staff and was not an employe. In his fall to the was not an employe. In his fall to the had to be taken to the hospital where his injuries were attended to by Dr. Immediately after his his injuries were attentioned the entire building was wrapped in flames. The dry nature of the buildings and the inflammable nature of the contents and adjoining piles of lumber. uch that hardly any st spread, the combustion was so com-plete. Further almost the entire lack of any wind undoubtedly proved a strong factor in the saving of adjoin-

ing property.

The danger of falling power the police—the reserves ha The danger of falling power wires kent the police—the reserves had been called out—busy in keeping back the crowds, but the intense heat proved a sufficient deterrent in keeping back the too curious. When the intense heat melted the telephone cables, the weight of the heavy lead cables was such that they were stripped from their supporting wires from a point immediately in front of the company's office, right front of the company's office, right through to Bay street. In the midst of the flames, and almost until the fire was brought under control, the city electric street lights were kept burning with the accompanying danger to the firemen and public in case the wires fell.

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The brewery whistle was blown shortly after the outbreak occurred and it is a strange coincidence that only a fortnight ago Mr. Eric Ulin, the manager of the mill, should have asked the fire chief to arrange for an alarm of this nature to be sounded should a fire occur in the locality.

In two short hours practically nothing of the plant but the charred office building was left to tell of the fierceness of the fire.

For years the mill district has been the centre of the danger zone and the rapidity of this morning's fire in its destructive work indicated the menace which a hig conflagration in that section would praye.

At 4 a. m. the fire was well under control. Hoses were still playing on the big lumber piles at the northern end of the burning area. About 3:15 o'clock a water main on Government street, between Fisquard and Cormorant streets between Fisquard and Cormorant streets between Fisquard and Cormorant streets.

between Fisguard and Corm ant streets, burst, the sidewalk space to a height of aboarge quantities of wa Large quantities of water ernment and down Cormorant street. With the advent of daylight the crowds who had been watching the conflagration, began to disperse, realizing the all further danger had been averted

Destitution in Burnt Country

NORTH BAY, Ont., July 29.-Late lvices received from the townships of Hanmer and Capreol, north of Sudoury, reveal distressing conditions, twenty-nine families being destitute.

At the First Presbyterian manse, last evening, the Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mr. Thomas Black of County Antrim. Ireland, and Miss Sarah Luke, also of County Antrim. Ireland. The bride was accompanied by Miss Sarah Rea, and the bridegroom was supported by Mr. William J. Service. After the honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Black will reside in Victoria.

On Friday afternoon at the family residence of Mr. and Mrs. Kester Jennings, 622 Garbally road, a very pretty and quiet wedding was solemnized by the Rev. T. E. Holling, when their second eldest daughter, Miss Irene Issabella Maude, was joined in wedlock with Mr. Stanley Elliott Lawson, second eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lawson, 622 Princess avenue. Mr. Frank L. Sweeney supported the groom while Miss Mae Sarah Jennings, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmald, and the Misses Dorothy and Cotter, also sisters of the bride, acted as flower girls. The bride looked exceedingly pretty in cream marquisette trimmed with Irish lace, and her going away suit of pearl gray with pattern hat to match was real charming and becoming. The newly-wedded couple left for their honeymoon on the afternoon boat to Seattle. Tacoma, Portland and Vancouver, and will take up their residence at 624 Princess avenue.

The Coldwater hotel at Merritt has

# **GOVERNMENT BUYS** A FAMOUS LIBRAR

Historical Collection Is Sold by Mr. Justice Martin - Rare Records Deal with Exploration in the West.

In connection with the recent an In connection with the recent announcement of the government respecting the completion of the plans of a much-needed addition to the parliament buildings in the form of a splendid fire-proof library, come a further announcement which will be of great interest not only to the people of British Columbia, but to all who are interested in the application and history ested in the exploration and history

It is that the provincial librarian and archivist, Mr. Ethelbert Scholefield, has completed the taking over and ar-rangement of the historical library of the Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, of the court of appeal, which the government has recently acquired after protracted negotiation. This celebrated collection stand unequalled by any other within its wide scope, namely, the exploration of Canada west of Lake Superior, and is the result of twenty-three years of specialized effort in Europe and America on the part of the learned collector who is recognized as the first authority on the bibliography of that region and it is not too much to say that no publication on the subject is so highly esteemed as his own scholarly work on the Hudson's Bay Company's Land Tenures and Lord Selkirk's Set don in 1898, while his two erudite volon the mining laws of this province are too well known to require further mention.

Very Large Collection.

The collection, which now numbers eighteen hundred volumes and a number of pamphlets, maps great charts, engravings and manuscripts excessive rarity, had of late years in-creased in size and become so valuable that there was not proper or safe accommodation for it in the owner's private library, with the result that the most valuable items had to be vaults elsewhere, which had the effect of splitting up the library and rendering it very inconvenient to sult, not only for the owner, but for a large number of people, many of them visitors from abroad, who frequently ame to see it and refer to rare works but were oftentimes unable to do so for

the reason given. In this state of affairs, Mr. Scholefield, as provincial librarian and archivist, felt that so unique a collection should, if possible, be made more accessible and placed out of the danger of destruction by fire, which would hav en an incalculable loss to the student and historian, because a large number of the items could never be replaced. The acquiring of many of them, indeed, was a matter of long years of diligent searching in the great book-selling cenres of Europe. Not a few of the items have never been on the market at all. In three cases nearly fifteen elapsed before the prizes sought were

Mr. Scholefield consequently opened negotiations with Mr. Justice Martin which finally resulted in the removal of all the objections that the owner ha to parting with the fruits of a work of so many years, and the collection was purchased by the government. As soo as possible "The Martin Collection" wi catalogued in a manner worthy of

its unique features.

To begin to enumerate even the rarest items of such a library would engthy task But when it is said that in fine condition nearly all the scarcest books and pamphlets the subject it deals with, being partic rich in material relating Hudson's Bay company, which had jur sdiction over all the region in ques tion and the Oregon Territory, it will be understood what treasure Mr. Scholefield has been so fortunate as to ac quire, and what a distinction will be conferred upon the provincial librar by its possession. No doubt in the come students and scholars from all parts will gather here to cor sult the rare works which this col lection of Northwest Canadiana is com-

Space must be found, however, for reference to an invaluable manuscript, which is the gem of the collection, namely the original log of the ship Imperial Eagle, which visited these shore in 1787 under command of Captain Charles Barkley; and also to two manuscript accounts of canoe voyages through the Rocky Mountains by Hudson's Bay company's officers in 1823-4. Combined with the exceedingly val able collection already in the provin cial library, the results of the patient and unremitting work of many years and the invaluable manuscripts in the department of archives, the material just acquired will form a library of original and secondary authorities with out equal in the world as far as the territory affected is concerned. When all this material is arranged in the hall to he provided for it in the new library the student public will have an oppor tunity of examining for themselves wonderful collection of books, pamph lets, maps, charts, engravings and man uscripts relating to the disc ploration and settlement of the vas territories lying to the west of the Rocky Mountains, of which the prov-ince of British Columbia is now the largest political division.

A Famous Library. such manner has the collection

founded so many years ago expanded into a famous library.

Mr. Scholefield is entitled to the thanks of the public generally, and students and men of letters particularly for having secured for them in the cap ital of this province the means of ac-cess in so complete a manner to the historical records of our country. It s not out of place to say that, while tion is primarily due to his well-known zeal in his important work, yet it could not have been accomplished had he not been so fortunate as to find the government fully alive to the opportunity and to receive special support in Mr. McBride's great interest in everything pertaining to his native province, and in Mr. Bowser's desire, as the depart mental head of the provincial library

lumbia. Nor should the work of Doctor C. F. Newcombe, of this city, and His Honor Judge Howay, of New Westminster, who were commissioned by the government o assist in valuing the library, be over looked. These well-known authoritie on Northwest Americana spent labori ous days, in carefully examining the great mass of material, in the poss due to their historical and bibliograph

GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT

st Fortland on August 4th and 5th.

Interest in the good roads movement the Pacific coast has recently cen-alized and crystallized in a desire to tralized and crystallized in a desire to see the early construction and completion of a north and south main trunk thoroughfare the entire Northern American coast in length, and coincident completion of the inter-provincial east and west highway through western Canada.

Those directly and vitally intereste Those directly and vitally interested in these two great undertakings ?vok forward to the Pacific highway convention, to be held in Pertland on the 4th and 5th proximo, as likely to produce results and consequences of far more than easual moment—to be in fact a than casual moment—to be in lact a strong force in the advancement of these wedded projects. Upwards of one thousand invitations have been issued by the committee of management, and motorists will attend in parties from every part of the coast, Victoria's Automobile Association being officially represented President John A. Turner, Mr. A. E. Todd and as many other of the membe who may be able to grasp the holiday opportunity.

Vancouver is planning the stading of a large delegation; while Seattle, Bellingham, Tacoma and all other Washington centres will forward imponingents. It is not yet defi known what representation will be made by the California and Southern California organizations, but these will doubtless be large also.

Hon. Thomas Taylor, provincial min-ister of works, had planned to be among those present, and was originally count ed upon as one of the foremost speak ers on the convention programme, finds unhappily that accumulated de partmental business, the necessity of arrival from England, and the additiona ecessity for making an early start for Fort George, will peremptorily deba him from the anticipated pleasure and opportunity of possible usefulness.

#### EVE OF PROSPERITY

Bapid and Substantial Growth Fredice ed for Columbia Biding by Hon. Thomas Taylor

"The entire district included in the Columbia riding is on the eve of rapid and substantial growth," says Hon. Thomas Taylor, who returned a few days ago from a tour through that beautiful portion of British Columbia. "All that is necessary to convince anyone of this patent fact is that he or she trave through this justly famous valley, and iote the development and progress so evident on every hand. The crops throughout the valley are looking ex ceptionally well, with every indication of their being especially heavy this sea son, the recent rains having accomplish ed great things."

One early result of the recent visit of the minister of public works to the district will be the ordering of three new graders and a new road roller, some five tons in weight, for use in road construc tion and maintenance in this district.

## INDIVIDUAL'S PART IN SETTLING CANADA

Editor of "The Colonizer" Claims to Have Brought 250,000 People to Dominion in the Last Fifteen Years.

A journalist who claims the distincon of having settled more people in Canada during the past fifteen years. than any other individual, was a gues at the Dominion hotel vesterday in the erson of Mr. F. W. Freir, editor of The Colonizer, of London, England. Mr. Freir is personally conducting a party of English people, to different parts of the west, which left Montreal on July 5, and arrived in this city a few days ago. The party will continue to Prince Rupert next week, and from there wil go to wherever they decide to settle Mr. Freir leaves the party at Prince Rupert, and returns east, leaving for England sometime during September He has been conducting these parties of English settlers, to this country each year for the past fifteen years, and during that time claims to have brought close to one-quarter of a million pe to Canada. Mr. Freir says that at their offices i

London there are more than 40,000 let ters of enquiry as to investment and settlement in the west, received each year, and that he had taken up this work as a business each summer. Letters are received from every country in the world, and the Colonizer boasts of the best informed colonial journal in the world, having the largest circulation of any paper of its class.

"The people who I brought out to this country last year," said Mr. Freir, "represented capital of \$500,000." There were 169 families settled in British Columbia ast year, and the lowest individual an ount of capital represented was \$2,500, and the highest \$35,000." Mr. Freir has been instrumental in forming a colon zer club, which at the present time has a membership of close upon 3,000, exending into 60 different countries.

Weed For Protection Speaking on current issues in Engand, Mr. Freir said that England would tained some sort of protection on manufactured goods. "We are on the down grade, because of receiving no profits on our goods. The turnover each year is increasing, but the majority of business are unremunerative at home. can get more in this country for our goods than we get over there. We want our markets protected against "dump goods. We have plenty of resources, and the same advantages that brought us to no trusts whatever in the old country but the American trusts come over and can swamp our markets just when ever they see fit to do so. Mr. Carnegie can sell steel cheaper in Sheffield than he can in Pittsburg. It is just a ques tion of surplus product."

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Fire at Longue Point MONTREAL, July 29,-In a fire at Longue Point, 20 wooden frame houses burned to the ground, and som

#### CONSERVATIVES TO HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC

Goldstream Will Be Rallying Point on August 12th-Welcome Home to Hon-Richard McBride.

The committees which have the a rangements in hand for the Conservative picnic have drafted a splendid programme of sports, and everything poin to one of the most successful gatherin, ever held under the auspices of the party in this city. Goldstream has be selected as the rendezvous for the years' celebration, and the committee which had the selection in hand reports this beautiful pleasure resort as looking prettier than a picture, with lawn like terrace an ideal spot for the crowds to witness the sports and car-nival, which will be held on August Goldstream hotel, has spent a great dea of time and money in improving the hostelry, and in the park adjacent to the stream, swings, rests and a speakers and dancing platform have been cted. The hotel itself has been renovated, and at no time has the place esented such an inviting appearance.

nic has been The date set for the pic arranged so that Premier McBride will be accorded by his supporters a cordial welcome home. The Hon. Richard McBride will be en-

abled to speak of his recent experiences in the old land, and it is expected that several of his ministers, and possibly of the candidates, who will carry the Conservative banner in the comin minion election, will also deliver ad Several new features have been ar

ranged in the sports programme. There is to be a harem skirt race, and a handsome silver cup has been offered for the hobble skirt championship of British Columbia. There is also a hobble skirt race for gents. Scotch sports, a baby contest, a Conservative queen contest, and a tug-of-war open to teams to selected by the chairman of each ward are included in the items.

The train service is excellent: Trains will leave Victoria at 8, 10.30 and at 2 and 4 p. m., returning at 6.30 and 8 p. m. Tickets can be secured from any of the members of the committee or offi cers of the Conservative Association. Programme of Sports

The following is the programme, start ing immediately on the arrival of the afternoon train about 2.30 p. m.: 1. Boys under 7 years of age (handi-

cap)-25 yards, 4 prizes. 2. Girls under 7 years of age (handicap)-25 yards, 4 prizes. 3. Boys under 12 years of age (handicap)-50 yards, 3 prizes

4. Girls under 12 years of age (handicap)-50 yards, 3 prizes. 5. Married ladies' race-50 yards, 2 6. First heat tug-of-war.

7. Boys under 16 years old-200 yards, 3 prizes. 8. Skipping rope race girls, under 14 years-50 yards, 3 prizes. 9. Potato race-2 prizes

10. Second heat tug-of-war. The following competitions will take place at the finish of the "baby show," also on the speakers patform: 1. Highland Fling, boys and girls in costume-2 prizes.

Dance, boys or girls in costume-2 prizes. 3. Pipe competition, marches (in costume)-2 prizes.

4. Reels, in costume-2 prizes. Part 2

1. Egg and spoon race, ladies-75 yards, 3 prizes. 2. Hobble skirt race, gentlemen-100 yards, 3 prizes. 3. Needle and thread race, ladies and

gentlemen-100 yards, 1st and 2nd louble 4. 100 yards open (amateur)-2 prizes. 5. Single ladies' race-75 yards. 3 prizes.

6. Human wheelbarrow race-50 yards, 1st and 2nd double. 7. Nail driving contest, prizes. 8. Third heat tug-of-war.

9. 220 yards, open, (amateurs)-2 10. Football dribbling race, ladies -50 yards, 3 prizes. 11. Fat man's race, over 220 pounds-150 yards, 3 prizes.

12. Ladies' hobble skirt race-75 yards; 3 prizes. 13. Three-legged race-200 yards, 1st and 2nd double. 14. Boot and shoe race, ladies and gentlemen-50 yards, 1st and 2nd double. 15. Young men's race, over 50 year's

16. Final tug-of-war-Challenge cur

Queen Contest For Most Popular Lady Tug-of-war teams to be comprised of six men and a captain, to be selected by the ward chairman from their respective wards. Ward chairman to act as captain. Cup presented by the Victoria Conservative Association, and to be contested for each year, and to be three consecutive times by the same ward before becoming its property.

The officials of the sports will be as Mr. N. Nicholson; starter, Ald. Moresby clerk of the course, Mr. J. W. Lorimer judges, Messrs. Robt. Lowe, W. H Sweeney and Alex. Monteith.

#### ROUTE OF C. N. P. FROM LYTTON TO CISCO

amended Plan Involves Two Bridges With C. P. B. Is At An End

The long existing controversy be ween the Canadian Northern Pacific and the Canadian Pacific as to the right of the former to parallel the C. P. R. tracks along the Fraser river from Lytton to Cisco Bridge, where the C. . R. crosses the river to its west bank. has been amicably ended by the with-drawal of the C. N. P.'s petition to the Railway Commission for recognition of the claimed right.

At the hearing of the application before the Railway Commission last year, t was vigorously opposed by the C. P. R. on the ground that the applicants had not status, being provincially incorporated, and thereby possessed no authority to expropriate within the territory in consideration. It was fur-ther argued that the building of the new transcontinental line below the

of the latter, thr mining of the of the latter through possible undermining of the embankments on which they rest. An expert report as to the feasibility of the proposed undertaking, from an engineering and technical standpoint, was subsequently prepared at the instance of the two companies by Mr. C. E. Cartwright, C. E., for submission to and the guidance of the Commission, which has now been in possession of that document for some time past.

The original plan submitted by the

The original plan submitted by the Canadian Northern Pacific, operating in British Columbia under the distinctively Provincial charter above referred to, involved the bridging of the main Thompson river a few miles above Lytton and the paralleling of the C. P. Lytton and the paralleling of the C. P. R. main line thence to Cisco Bridge. Instead of doing this, it is now intended to submit to the Railway Commission amended plan providing for bridge across the main Thompson river, and two bridges across the Fraser. The route as planned and approved by Mr. r. White, chief engineer of the C.N.R. will not be more than 1,000 feet longer than as originally planned and paral-leling the C.P.R. Briefly it means the bridging of the main Thompson miles above Lytton, the line thence following the main Thompson to Lytton at its confluence with the Fraser and ending the east bank of the Frase for half a mile, when the first cross-ing of the "Father of Waters" takes opposite bank for five miles, again to the other side of the Fraser approximately 1,000 feet above the bridge at Cisco. The C. N. P. line will thus run fully two hundred feet

below the C.P.R. tracks. The second or lower of the proposed oridges across the Fraser at Cisco will be erected at a higher elevation than that of the existing C.P.R. bridge at that point, and will most probably be cantilever type. The proposed bridge half a mile below Lytton as well as the bridge over the main Thompson above Lytton will be ordinary span structures. Although the amended plan calls for these two additional bridges, the cost may not exceed the original estimate, as the building of a roadbed on concrete supports just below the C. P. R. tracks would have been necessar ily a very expensive undertaking.

Doctors as Teachers

Dr. John B. Murphy, who is the resident of the American Medical Association, which met recently at Los delivered an gddress which Angeles exciting some comment. Dr. Murphy asserted that the reason are so easily deceived by quacks, or by men whom the profession looks upon as such, is that these people are ready to give a reason for their treatment. They do not make a secret of their manner of working. Their theories may be false but they convince the public that they are true as well as that their treatment is efficacious.

Doctors, on the other hand, hall during the last three centuries, demanded of the patient and his friends a hlind faith. The consequence has been that many have turned from the physician of whose ways they knew nothing to the quack whom they imagined they did understand. Dr. Murphy contends that the time

has now come when the medical profession should take the public into its confidence. There should be, he thinks, a national council on health and public instruction. It should be the business of this council to give the public information in terms easily understood of the nature, cause, means of transmission and early signs of disease. "How much," says Dr. Murphy, "could the mortality of the acute surgical diseases, the acute medical diseases such as scarlet fever, diphtheria, pneumonia, etc., and the chronic diseases such as cancer of the lip and the breast, and tuberculosis, be reduced if the laity had, instruction from the profession as to their early recognition, the danger of delay and the line of action in their treatment." The speaker criticised the information which now finds its way into the papers as sensational and in-

accurate. From the point of view of women, who have most to do with the care of the sick it seems that there is much in the address worthy of consideration. In nine cases out of ten delay in sending for a physician is caused by ignorance of the need for his services. If people generally could be taught when symptoms show that there is danger the doctor would be called in time Whether or not such knowledge could be made public is a question for the doctors to decide. It is certain that any authoritative information would be eagerly read and that newspapers would be glad to publish it.

That there are no more zealous workers in the science of sanitation which will, in the end, it is hoped conquer many diseases, than the doctors, indicates that their reticence is not owing to selfishness. The subject is an interesting one.

Imprisoned For Month-Advices are received from Armstrong to the effect that George Slack, the Indian who shot Marietta Edwards at Hullcar on May 19 last, and afterwards attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself through the head, has had his trial before His Honor Judge Brown ta Vernon, being ably defended by Mr. Rogers of that flourishing city, while Messrs. Billings & Cochrane appeared for the crown. The charge of wounding the klootchman with malicious intent was dismissed on the score of insufficient evidence, while in dealing with the charge of attempting to commit suicide, Judge Brown into consideration the fact that Slack was under the influence of liquor at the time, and imposed the minor penalty of ne month's imprisonment,

As a result of the recent conference between Mayor Lee of New Westminster and officials of the B. C. E. R. Co., plans for the Millside tram line extension are now complete.

Rev. R. H. Isaac Williams, late of Newbury, Eng., has arrived at Fort George to inaugurate the permanent work there of the Anglican denomination. A church edifice will be erected in the near future.

Statistics taken of the number of Sunday visitors thronging Stanley Park. Vancouver, show that last Lord's Day these included 21,788 pedestrians, 191 motors, 52 hacks, 367 "rigs," 58 saddle horses, 148 bicycles, and 173

## TRAINING GROUND FOR ENGLISH GIRLS

Hon. Dr. F. E. Young Sets Aside Coquitlam Acreage to Forward Efforts of Colonial Intelligence League,

The idea that English women are slow and conservative will be quickly d borothy Davies, the secretary of onial Intelligence League, who is head of the movement in this prov Not the most progressive American lad quicker perception of a situation she has done during the few weeks has been on Vancouver Island. I not surprising that Miss Davies' siasm is infectious and that she ha succeeded in enlisting the co-operation and support of many prominent people

Among these is the Hon. Dr. H. F. Young, who not only has given a vergenerous private subscription but has set aside free acreage at the junction of the Coquitlam and Fraser to serve as a training school for ten or built and everything necessary pro vided for the experiment. All league will be required to do is the salary of the superintenden ing near the excellent gover farm at Coquitlam and having the a vice of the instructors there. The is very rich and ready to begin upon. As soon as suitable women can secured in Great Britain the house commenced and before auti be ready for occupation. Miss Davies confident that this school will diately become self-sustaining and a succession of trained workers graduate from it who will be greatest service to the people province. Her only misgiving the parent society has been so in weeding out inferior appliants will be some difficulty in supp ing the urgent demand for workers Important as is this beginning the Fraser it is not to be the only tre of the league's activities for the purchase of land in the Cowie district for the establishment of a

men's settlement. "Will you explain what you mean was a question whi brought a ready response.

Co-operative Community "It is really a village comm self-supporting and co-operative. W plans are matured the women who in it will have a dairy farm, a m garden and a poultry run The own and operate a general store not only for the community but for neighborhood. A private school wil opened both for boarders and resid taught by instructors of the hi qualifications. Two nurses with B. certificates and two dressmakers milliner will also be residents of settlement and find employment in

district." All these workers will receive salary, the league itself, keeping trol of the finances. Miss Davies very confident that the women who self-supporting but by their influence the community will help to tighten bonds between the province and

Mother Country. Every woman who has come out Miss Davies has already secured an cellent situation and, at least, times as many could have been adva-

tageously placed. The headquarters of the league the next few months will be in ments at 19 Mount Edward, where terviews will be given by appointme A branch of the league has b formed here. The officers and con tee of the Vancouver Island branch

dent. Mrs. W. E. Scott: committee

dames Doull, H. C. Hanington, son, B. Hasell, (Dr.) Watt, M Riley, Harper and Messrs. F. Crawf Hanington, Arthur Crease and other "We are not bringing out girls expense of their employers, taking good women from where are not needed to do their share veloping this grand country." Davies' explanation of the object league. "The warm welcome I h ceived from Victorians and the of Duncan and the encouragemen

me in the plans have touched me

ly," she concluded.

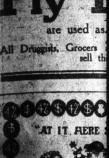
Melson Firm Gets Contract-Burns & Son of Nelson have awarded the contract for the ere ernment under a special The new school will be concrete on lines similar to the public school building at The contractors are now remotheir plant from the Balfour hot Trail, and will commence work of

new contract forthwith. New Industry for Ladysmithcation has been made for the incation of the Ladysmith Press company, having for its objects manufocture at Ladysmith of brick and tiles. The promoters company have acquired by purchas Ladysmith, on the sea front, and line of the Esquimalt and Nana Railway, comprising a very deep extensive deposit of clay, which ex ments have developed will make and appearance to any press brick market on the coast. moters hope that the industry will materially to reduce the cost ing construction in the coast cities.

Citizens of Grandview, Vancouver, a much alarmed over the spread of bus and grass fires in their neighborhoo by which their homes are endangere-Mrs. Kate McDowell, just sentence

to two years' imprisonment at Ne Westminster for theft, has made an successful attempt to escape by filin the bars of her cell door with a pa. of scissors.

Excellent progress is being made of this side of the boundary with the ner Pacific highway. At present the is to clear and establish a grade of roadbed forty feet wide, which will metalled next season, when the govern ment rock quarry is opened and in operation.



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