Secretary Birrell's Proposal Regarding Land Purchase in Ireland

ENORMOUS SUM IS NEEDED

Estimate That \$900,000,000 Will Be Required to Carry Out Scheme

London, Nov. 23.—Another Irish land bill, to facilitate the carrying out of the previous land purchase act, was introduced in the house of commons tonight by the chief secretary for Ireland, Augustine Birrell. The chief secretary dealt in huge figures. He said he found that the estimate of \$500,000,000 made by one of his predecessors, George Wyndhain, as the amount to satisfy the land hunger of the tenants, was totally inadequate \$900,000,000 would be required for this end. The contemplated transfer of land up to October 31 represented \$125,000,000, which had practically exhausted the amount realized from the issues of land stock. Pending transactions represented \$260,000,000. The government intended to raise the money necessary to complete these transactions, leaving about \$500,000,000.

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The secretary said he proposed an issue of 3 per cent stock in order to carry out the pending deals. He recognized, he continued that he was engaged in an expensive policy, but he declared that land purchase had worked such marvels in Ireland that the government did not hesitate to ask of the house of commons to add materially to the burdens of the imperial exchequer, which he proposed should assume liability of the entire loss entalled through the issue of the stock below par. The loss would total \$3,300,000 a year, which he proposed the imperial exchequer should lift from the shoulders of the Irish ratepayers. Continuing, he said the government

Port an Prince, Nov. 24.—Late advices received here apparently confirm the execution of Gen. Leconte. He was captured near Jearamie, together with his escort, after a short struggle. The town of Auin, it is reported, was pillaged by the revolutionary troops. There is no news of the movements of Gen. Celeste Cyruet, minister of war, who was sent out in addition to Gen. Leconte by President Alexis to put down the uprising at Cais headed by Gen. Antoine Simon. The government is recruiting men here and elsewhere for its campaign against the rebels and large quantities of ammunition are being shipped out of Port au are being shipped out of Port au Prince. Up to the present time there has been no trouble here, but if the revolution triumphs a serious situa-tion may arise at any moment.

NEW ZEALAND MAILS

Contract For Steamship Connection With San Francisco By Way of Tahitin

million dollars has already been spent in preliminary work, and the contracts now to be let are expected to involve an expenditure of \$1,500,000 during the coming year. The total cost of the works is estimated at \$8,500,000.

FOR G. T. P. WORK Equipment for Foley, Welch & Stew-art Reaches Vancouver on Way

Vancouver, Nov. 24 .- A trainload contractors' equipment, including two large steam shovels, will reach Vancouver this week from Oregon for shipment to Prince Rupert. The plant is owned by Foley, Welch & Stewart, G. T. P. contractors for construction, and will be taken north from Vancouver on the car ferry barge Georgian in tow of the tug Escort No. 2.

Baker Coleman Dead Toronto, Nov. 24.—George Coleman, for fifty years a well known baker and confectioner here, is dead, aged

Toronto Business Merger

Ottawa, Nov. 24.—The railway commission has established several divisions, and has apportioned the work among its inspection staff, so that rolling stock and equipment may be carefully watched. Ottawa will be headquarters for Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces. Another division is located for Manitoba and Saskatchewan and another for Alberta and British Columbia.

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Pig Lead Interests

New York, Nov. 24.—A conference of representatives of the leading pig lead interests of the country was held in this city today to discuss the attitude of those interests on the matter of tariff revision, and to consider the advisability of placing the views of the manufacturers before the ways and means committee, which is now giving hearings on the tariff in Washington. A committee was appointed to go to Washington and appear before the committee of congress tomorrow, but whether its members will favor a reduction in the tariff has not been made known.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 24.—According to a despatch from LaPorte, Indiana, Attorney J. Gould, of Indiana Harber, and the incident of the mutiny closed, this request was not forwarded. The information coming in here contradicts the representations being made by the foreign board, and the legations have requested the board to supply them with further news.

The war board announced today that it had 1,000 troops at Nanking beneding the conclusion of the manufacturers before the ways and means committee, which is now giving hearings on the tariff in Washington. A committee was appointed to go to Washington and appear before the committee of congress tomorrow, but whether its members will favor a reduction in the tariff has not been made known.

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Ottawa, Nov. 24.—Canadian Trade Commissioner Larke, in Sydney, Trebotts that the New Zealand Kovernment has made a contract for a steamship line to Tahlit, where connection will be made with a line for San Francisco. This would enable mails to be carried from Sydney to San Francisco in nineteen days.

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St. John, N. B., Nov. 24.—Judge Cassels opened an inquiry into the affairs of the Marine department here today. Chas. A. McDonald, of the St. John iron works, was the first wittiess called. His firm supplied buoys to the department, and had done work on steamers. The principal item of interest in his testimony was that in 1907 he had loaned \$1,000 to Captain Smith, government steamship inspector in government steamship inspector its New Brunswick. The loan had not been returned. Previous to that he loaned Smith \$50... Mr. McDonald said he also had a

Mr. McDonald said he also had a note for ninety days from Smith for \$150 a few days ago. Smith wrote that "he had been under a hot fire at Quebec, and he thought he had better cover up." He wanted Mr. McDonald to be in a position to say on the stand that there was nothing between them.

Mr. McDonald also said he had swapped cheques with Marine Agent Harding here. Harding cashed McDonald's cheque for \$375, and McDonald had taken Harding's collateral, but had not cashed it. So far this year he had paid Harding \$760. Last year it was

paid Harding 760. Last year it was but \$90. He could not remember 1905, but in 1906 it was about \$1,000. He had also given presents to officers of the Marine department.

JAPANESE SEALERS WERE HEAVILY FINED

Each of the Poachers Mulcted \$800 for Attempting to Raid St. Paul Rookery

This information was conveyed to Pekin today in official telegrams to the legations here. There is also a German gunboat off the city. The American residents asked for a gunboat for their protection, but in view of the assurances given yesterday by Yuan Shi Kai, one of the grand councillors, that the situation was quiet and the incident of the mutiny closed, this request was not forwarded. The

MARINE OFFICIALS

WHO SEGURED LOANS

Evidence at St. John is Similar to That Furnished at Quebec

was a stitions of sailors respecting sailing on a Friday, yet the men of the Manhattan point out that they sailed on Fridays. Continual storms were met with and the vessel lost 30 skates of gear. It was only possible to fish on six days and then just for a few hours, and she was lucky to get as big a catch as she did.

ARKANSAS TOWN

CONNECT WITH G. T. P.

Arrangements Being Made For Steam-ship Connections on the Atlantic by New Transcontinental.

Negotiations have been opened by the officials of the Grand Trunk Paci-fic with the Allan line of steamships for the purpose of reaching an agreement whereby the latter will at the commencement of the operation of the road at least, provide a fleet of boats to make connections on the Atlantic seaboard with the railways, passengers and freight trains.

This fleet is to be subsidized by and

under the control of the railway and will do away with the necessity of building or buying boats of their own. Officials of both companies have denied that any agreement had been reached. When asked if negotiations were under neither were under way or pending, neither side would affirm or deny. Authoritative information has been

received from Montreal that several propositions have been put up to the Allans recently and that an important contract is about to be signed.

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One of the principal reasons for Mr. Haye's hurried departure for England this week is on this account. It is said that he has already had plans submitted to him of the whartage accommodation owned or leased by the Allans here, at Moncton and St. John and that he will make a study of this question. he will make a study of this question on the other side as well. The present plan under discussion leaves Portland out of the question as a winter port al together and it is considered most like-ly that the Allans will withdraw most of their steamers from there as soon as

Montreal, Nov. 24.—Dean Farthing, of Kingston, Ont., was elected Bishop of Montreal on the eleventh ballot of the diocesan synod, shortly after six o'clock this afternoon.

Reports Indicate Many Dead or Injured in Track of Wild Storm

SEVERAL PLACES VISITED

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 23.—A despatch received here states that 25 persons were killed and 30 injured in a tornado that swept through the settlement of Piney Lake Loday.

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St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 23.—A message received at the general offices of the Missouri-Pacific and Iron Mountain Missouri-Pacific and Iron Mountain system says there was a tornado just north of London, Ark., this afternoon, London is 83 miles east of Little Rock. Ten persons are reported killed, but the report has not been verified.

Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 23.—It is reported that a tornado passed over Ozark, Mulberry and Berryville, Arkansas, this afternoon, killing ten persons. No details are obtainable.

BERNATY SPINING
OF ALARMST SPECH
OF ALAR at the end of the breakwater which juts to seaward at the Hook of Holiand. The Berlin had gone from 15 to 20 feet astern. Capt. Precious then told the second officer to run to the engineroom and tell the chief engineer to put the engines full speed ahead as hard as they could go. I remained on the bridge and the second officer soon came back and reported that he had carried out the instructions and the engines were going full speed ahead.

full speed ahead. o'clock this afternoon.

Up to the tenth bailot Dean Evans of Montreal had a majority of the clerical vote, while Dean Farthing had a majority of the lay vote. On the tenth bailot the Evans forces showed signs of breaking up, and the end of the fight came with the eleventh when a sufficient number of the clerical delegates deserted Dean Evans to elect Dean Farthing.

The election was the most difficult in the history of the diocese. When the synod met on October 28th, six ballots were taken without a choice being made. Dean Evans and Dean E

shouted to Mr. Starke, my second mate of the Myrmidon, who was crossing with me, and who was standing a little further forward. The part we're on is sinking in the channel,' I shouted. Then I shifted aft nearer to the part where the ship was broken and had not been there more than two minutes when a wave washed me overboard. I managed to keep afloat with the aid of when a wave washed me overboard. I managed to keep afloat with the aid of a piece of wood and a lifebelt which I found drifting. I then saw a steamer coming seaward down the waterway and when she was abreast of me I called for help and waived the piece of wood. I saw them waive to me in reply and promptly trying to lower a boat. As they were doing this they saw the lifeboat from the Hook of Holland and ran aff and beckoned to the lifeboat crew, pointing to where I was drifting. The lifeboat came straight for me and the rescuers dragged me in and the boat steamed back to the Hook and into the Berghaven where I was landed at the pilot station. There I was stripped and car-

"When I went to the bridge of the Berlin and saw the master he was quite cool and collected and seemed confident he would get the ship off. He did all he could and what I would have done had I been in the same position. "There were 142 on the Berlin, which was one of the cross-channel passenger steamers of the Great Eastern Railway company, and only 15 were saved. All were in an exhausted state and suffered much from the privation. I was twenty minutes in the water which was key. Of those saved the majority were women. There were several singers of a German operacompany. I recovered very quickly and gave assistance in succoring the survivors. Crown Prince Henry, of Holland came to see me. He brought me a message from his wife, Queen Wilhelmina, and was very nice to me, as were all the people. Newspapermen came in droves, and artists, too. Of the fifteen survivors of the disaster. "There were 142 on the Berlin, which

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

WILSON—Born on Nov. 18th, to My and Mrs. Walkem Wilson, of Esqui malt Road., a daughter. BISSELL—Born on Nov. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bissell, a son.

HIBBEN-DENNIS—On the 7th inst. at Christ Church, Sausalito, Calif., Jas. Parker Hibben, of Victoria, B. C., to Gertrude Maude Dennis, of Essex, England.

PENDRAY—In this city, on the 24th inst., Ernest Carthew, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pendray, of this city, aged 31 years, and a native of Victoria, B. C. LE SUEUR—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 24th inst. Walter Payn Le Sueur, aged 68 years, a native of the Isle of Jersey.

ROACH—In this city, at St. Joseph's hespital, on the 21st inst. Ellen, the beloved wife of Hugh Roach, of Strawberryvale, a native of Portsmouth, England, aged 57 years,

DOUGALL—On the 19th inst., Pauline Blanche, wife of Frederick C. Dougall, aged 39 years, a native of Victoria, B. C.

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