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## SPEECH STIRS

Mr. Sifton's Utterance is Notable Feature of Debate-Speculation on His Political Future

MAY TAKE FIELD

Mr. German, Liberal, of Well-1 and, Expected to Resign His ernment

If so the people will hear one of the finest stumpers and spokesmen Canada

But there is a story of more vital in terest in circulation. The next speaker in the reciprocity debate, which will be resumed tomorrow will be W. M. German of Welland. He will be the second Liberal to oppose reciprocity from his place in the House, but it is stated that he will do more that he will challenge the government to an issue in his constituency, that he will resign his seat and contest it against a reciprocity candidate. Mr. German, following the example of Mr. Sifton, refuses to commit

the government. Stratford of West Peterboro, Lloyd Har- but they do show a co Wentworth, but nothing will be definite- ment of the laws of the province,

and to prevent them.

the stand of such a strong Liberal as world. r. Sifton will be propounced—much more pronounced than if made alone by General's bill to regulate the use of members of the opposition.

No one gainsays that the government made a technical blunder in putting Hon. Sydney Fisher to follow Mr. Sifton. Mr. r is a peculiarly ineffective debater. he call is now insistent that Sir Wil-Laurier and Mr. Fielding explain tails of the measure that parliament is asked to pronounce upon. So far ther has dealt definitely with the is-

## SKAGWAY FIRE

Military Quarters Damaged and Quartermaster Sergeant Injured by Stream of Water

ich broke out early today and burned early four hours damaged the quarters was seriously injured, although Quarter-master Sergeant Winterberger was un-to the traveling public.

FEZ, Morocco, March 1.—The Choroda tribes inhabiting the district near Fez have revolted and thrown off the sultan's authority. A large force headed by the French military mission is preparing to attack the tribesmen.

OTTAWA, March 1.—Customs returns for the Dominion for the past month totalled \$5,990,983, an increase of \$815,259 over February of last year. For the first eleven months of the fiscal year, customs revenus has been \$64,898,391, an increase of \$10,816,454 over the first eleven months of 1910-1911.

### VALUABLE TEWELS

AGAINST BILL Total Reward of \$10,000 Offered for Return of Mrs. Drummond's

Seat as Challenge to Gov- offered a reward here today of \$5000 for

Mrs. Drummond, who was formerly Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., of Chicago, has been quoted as saying that she would give at least \$5000 for the return of

Legislation to Safeguard the

himself until he speaks in the House, but if he makes the contemplated chal-perhaps it may be written with equallenge, the result will be an object lesson truth that "blessed is the session whose annals are tiresome." Certainly It is stated that there will be several the records of the legislative session other "bolters" from the Liberal party, which ended yesterday contain little the chief names mentioned being J. R. that is very arresting or electrifying; ris of Brantford and W. O. Sealey of amount of solid work in the improve-

y known until they get upon their In that portion which may be bracketed as "public safety legislation," A careful canvas of the Conservative probably the most striking measure members shows that they will be solid was the Premier's bill to amend the to a man against the government and Coal Mines Regulations Act; but while this may be classed as an outstanding there will not be a single "bolter" on bill in itself, it contains few characterthat side. The debate has now revived, istic features ready intelligible to the party whips have been notified by lay mind. Experts in coal mining tes one hundred members that they desire to tify, however, that the bill comprises speak. This means a long session if these all that is best in the coal mines laws en are to be allowed to vent their views of other countries making for the in the House, and there is no law in the greater safety of the mine workers. The House certainly spent more time on Sir Wilfrid Laurier is due to leave this bill than on any other during the here on May 12 for the imperial confer- session, the protracted discussions in ence, and Liberal members assert that if committee being due chiefly to the he is prevented going, the country will minute criticism of Mr. Hawthornake vengeance upon the opposition, but thwaite and Mr. Williams, the latter the Conservatives laugh at this and especially bringing to bear on it a point out that the interests of Canada practical knowledge which proved lemand that this thing shall be probed beneficial in many particulars. In spite to the bottom. The real purpose, purely of Mr. Hawthornthwaite's criticisms he political, it is alleged, of the Fielding- acknowledged when the bill came

Taft compact will be laid bare before for third reading that it was one of the Dominion is plunged into an unneces- the best measures ever passed in the sary trade revolution. The general opin- House, and probably the best legisla is that the effect in the country of tion of the kind in any part of the

motor vehicles. This was a bill neces sitated by the changing conditions of twentieth century travel. Its regulations were condemned by many aut bile men as being too drastic, but the Attorney-General declared that where the safety of the public is concerned it is better that the arm of the law should be stretched a little, but "who by taking thought can add one cubit" to that which is made too short! The bill at least provides definite rules for automobile traffic; it provides a good working basis and should anything in it SKAGWAY, Alaska, Mar. 1.—Fire torney-General brought down a year flearly four hours damaged the quarters of the regimental band and company H. Sixteenth Infantry, at Fort William H. Seward, causing a loss of \$5000. No one was seriously injured, although Ouarren.

Many Bridges on Mexican Cen-

TROOPS ARE SENT -TO WESTERN DISTRICT

NEW YORK, March 1.—The London Insurrecto Force Fails to Make underwriters with whom Mrs. Maldwin Drummond had insured her stolen jewels Expected Attack on Naco—

rooned Mexican Central passenger train arrived late last night from Jimulco.

had escaped and had telegraphed of his

No Attack on Naco.

stead withdrew into the A o mountains,

between the federal troops at Fronteras and Agua Prieta. Small bands of rebels are operating farther south, and have taken the following towns: Sinoquipe, Banamachi, Huepeca, Ranchita, Aconchi, Baviacora, Canadancha.

The rebels have levied taxes on the towns taken, and the sentiment in them is changing to anti-revolution, especially among the small merchants Many Mexicans have left this vicin

ity to join the rebels. It is estimated fifty left from Clifton, Arizona, today. STRIKE SHORT-LIVED

## Another public safety measure of Chicago Compositors Who Left Work great importance was the Attorney-Lynch

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The Deutsches The Tenant Man Mittag Planns that the composer has made an agreement with Herr Max Rienhardt, of the Deutsches Theatre, concerning in elaborate style at a circus.

Industrial Classes in Schools TO WESTERN DISTRICT

Industrial Classes in Schools

TORONTO, March 1.—Hon. Dr.

Pyne, minister of education, introduced in the legislature his bill for the establishment of industrial classes. It authorizes any urban school board to establish general industrial co-operative industrial schools, schools for instruction in fine and applied arts, and evening art schools. All will be conducted under regulations made by the department of education at the department of education at

egislation to Safeguard the The crew reports that twenty bridges have been burned south of that point. In addition, damage has been done to buildings and several water tanks have been torn down.

Bills—Many Railway Chart—

Word has been received that Captain Ferdinando Curiel, an officer of the Eleventh Cavalry, captured by the rebells on the passenger train at Jimulco, had escaped and had telegraphed of his There was no possible that the time of the Bre fighters.

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it was only after the fire had burned ployees bi-monthly, out and some of those gathered around DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 1.—The rebel were going through the ruins that the band which threatened Naco, Mexico, did not attack the town today, but in-

There was no direct evidence as to its former headquarters, twelve miles who the man was but he is supposed southwest of Douglas. The rebels are to have been a Norwegian who for the within striking distance of either Agua past few weeks has been working on a Prieta or Naco. The rebel command is farm in the district. This man has been in three bands, one from Bocoachi, led by Romero Bracamante, and another led by Juan Cabrala, of Minas Prietas, restitute and in some way inadvertently set the building on fire The remains.

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Discussion Arises as to Proper Method of Taking Coming

WANTS RESTRICTION ON FOREIGN FLAGS

Member for-Portage la Prairie Seek Big Volume of Information on Trusts and Combinations

Damage to Esilway.

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rrived late last night from Jimulco.
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the fire fighters.

There was no thought at the time of anyone being inside of the building, and requiring railway companies to pay em-

## SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

Annual Convention of British Colum-

today report that these bands have swung around from Naco and are now scription out in the Cranberry and Cedar Mr. McDonald, who conducted the de-

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 1.—Champion Jack Johnson met defeat at the
hands of a jury in the police court today, when he was found guilty of vioating the speed ordinance. It was to lating the speed ordinance. It was his second trial on the same charge, the first jury having disagreed. Johnson acted as his own attorney in both cases. He will be sentenced Thursday.

Surely "Old Bill" Miner Method of Taking Coming Census—Proposal for Elective Senate

OTTAWA, March 1.—That "Old Bill" Miner, probably most noted of all bandits of recent years in Canada, was really captured, and is in the toils again, at Gainesville, Georgia, is the substance of a message received by

was stated today that identification INTERESTING INTIMATION was complete, and that there was no doubt but that Miner was one of the BY SOCIALIST LEADE bandits captured in connection with the robbery from the Southern Railway Company. The Dominion authorities will bring him back to Canada if conviction is not secured against him in the United States.

BY SOURCEST LEADER

BY CASUAL Reference He Decirate the United States.

OUTLAWS WIPED OUT Hakim Khan and His Followers Caught in Cave by British Force

Bought by Local Men at cident to the assembling of the legis-

sack and R. L. Drury for \$157,000. position complexion; most probable, The entire holding of the trustees has too, an occurrence without parallel in not been sold, a lot and a half re- any Canadian province. As for the maining, comprising the ground at Socialists, Messrs. Hawthornthwaite the back of the church and the site and P Williams it has long been their

chard, with a sixty foot frontage and for unavoidable absence on the occasdistricts, was worth some \$2,500 and was votional exercises. The president, a depth of 120 feet has been sold to ion of prorogation J. E. T. Powers, then took up the order of business. The resolution committee brought in its report, embodying the

following resolutions:

That the best thanks of this convention be extended to the pastor and trustees of this church for placing at our disposal this splendid convention room for our meetings; that we extend our thanks to the daily papers for their announcements and reports of our meetings; that the best thanks of this conventions that the best thanks of this conventions the continuous demand for property in an arrival of the Lieutenant-Governor to release the members of the house from further attendance, the most interesting feature was undoubtedly found in the casual intimation by Mr.

Saanich Peninsula extension, Numerous sub-divisions in the casual intimation by Mr. ous sub-divisions in the Saanich Pen-insula will be thrown on the market during the next few weeks, and ev-erything points to a considerable en-with provincial affairs—a connection

Session for Present Year Closed Yesterday When Many Bills Were Finally Passed

## BY SOCIALIST LEADER

the Last Time as Member of Present House

OTTAWA, Mar. 1.—Parliament is still ago with excitement over the great spech which Hon. Clifford Sifton despech despect of the post of the reciprocity agreement.

The first question on everybody's lips is as to Mr. Sifton's political future.

Will he retain his seat on the front bench of the jewels was estimated at value of the jewels was estimated at 130,000, though through sentiments to the opposition side of the House? Will he recise his seat for Brandon!

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Will he limited the usual variety of the best of the House of Commons. First there was a thecused on the bounce of the provents of the best of the House of the provents of the pr DOUGLAS ST. SITE The list of bills assented, no lewer than seventy-eight in number, in itself further emphasizes the strenuous nature of the expired session, and His Honor's entry and closing address to parliament were unostentatious, terse and practical—the scene in its en-John's Church Property tirety offering striking contrast to the

\$157,000 — Sales in Resident to the assembling of the legislature on January 12th.

By curious chance, the closing was part, back the closing was part, back the conservative government and policy, this being the first occasion in British Columbia's political history upon which the representative of the Soversion has taken leave. Church site on Douglas street has tative of the Sovereign has taken leave been purchased by Messrs. T. R. Cu- of any parliament displaying no opby Juan Cabrala, of Minas Prietas, recruited in Southern Sonora.

"Red" Lopez is in command of the band recruited along the border and also acts as interpreter.

Two Mexicans who came into Douglas today report that these bands have the following and the case to establish, if possible, the identity of the unfortunate man, today report that these bands have the following officers were elected for the ensuing year; president, J. E. T. Powers; secretary, Thos Bryant; treasurer, A. War-wick.

The meeting Saturday, which was well attended, was opened by the Rev.

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Throws Liquid into Eyes of Vancouver Jeweler with Intent to Commit Robbery—
Victim Suffers Severely

In announcements and reports of our meetings; that the best thanks of this convention; that the sunday schools of the district be urged to consider the value of a teachers' training home department, graded lessons, looking towards accomplishment of better work for our Master in the Sunday schools.

All the resolutions were unanimously announcements and reports of our meeting our sub-divisions in the Saarich Peninsula will be thrown on the market during the next few weeks, and everything points to a considerable enhancement in values in property lying along the proposed suburban carline route before many days have passed.

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All the session Mr. George Carter of Victoria was called upon to deliver of Victoria was CHICAGO, March 1.—The Chicago
Typographical Union late today declared off the strike of compositors on gave his name at police headquarters as Joseph Smith entered the store of the chicago Examiner and Chicago
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