The Judge's

Horses and Mules For Africa Were Bought in Neutral Territory.

The Transactions Were Conducted Under Order of Private Citizenship.

plication by Boer representatives to pre- ment that his visit to Europe was not for the use of the British army in South any new enterprise.

case were munitions of war, all of which is disputed by the defendants, it would become necessary to determine whether the United States intended by the declar ation of the treaty of Washington, May 8. 1871, to subvert the well established principle of international law, that private citizens of a neutral nation can lawfully sell supplies to belligerents.

"It is almost impossible to suppose that the United States would have done so, and would have thus provided for the most serious and extensive derangement of the injury to the commerce of our citizens where two or more foreign hations should go to war, and it would seem that there is nothing in the treaty, especially when its history and purposes are sidered, which would warrant the United States inserting therein a new principle of international law from which the greatest damage might result to the commerce of this country, and which was absolutely different from and antagonistic to the rule and policy which the government of this country has heretofore strenuously and invariably followed.

"The principle that neutral citizens may lawfully sell to belligerents has long been settled in this country by the highest judicial authorities."

Decision Regarding Material for the International Bridge Across Niagara River.

QUESTION OF DUTY.

New York, April 13.—The board of classification of the United States general appraisers announced its decision today regarding the levying of duties upon material used in the construction of the international bridge across the Niagara river. The board holds prought to the America porary use, only as a renience, but which are of customs officers and are permanent use in that pc..... of bridge within the jurisdiction of Canada, are exempt from duty, on the theory that they are not actually imported within the meaning of the tariff acts, but materials for use on that part of the bridge Tribune from Leavenworth, Kas.,. says:

Ere properly subject to duty, unless made law. It is the duty of the importer to missing soldiers are nearly at young reshow to which of the above classes his cruits and were from all companies of proof the whole will be treated as duti-

THE PANAMA SCHEME.

minister to Great Britain, denies the re ports that he has approached the British government in any way with respect to the Panama canal. Senor Ponce told a reporter of the Associated Press that un to the present time the basis of negotis tions on this subject had been entirely confined to Washington. "Eventually." said the Colombian en

voy. "I may have to take up the quesbecause it is of the greatest importance to the commerce of the world. and the recent action of Great Britain on the subject of the Hav-Pauncefote treaty shows that she is not indifferent. "In regard to the ultimate disposition of the matter," said Senor Ponce, "there no doubt that Great Britain's attitude in regard to Nicaragua furnishes an advantageous opportunity for Colom-

bia to press her Panama claims." or Ponce is of the opinion that if the Panama scheme should be trans- crash, was shattered into small pieces thousand, and there were 2,844 suicides ments would be based upon the principle of strict neutrality of the canal and the naintenance of the sovereignty of Colombia upon the Isthmus of Panama.

and damaged the tomb of Lord Norreys.

This is the first year on record that not a single death from hydrophobia has been taken to secure stability.

Steps have been taken to secure stability.

RENOUNCES HIS RELIGION

Paris, April 13.—M. Diterix, an excaptain of the Russian army, whose sister is the wife of Count Leo Tolstoi's sch. Andrew, has written an open letter to M. Pobiedonostzeff, chief procurator of the Holy Synod, which will be published in the Furora of Paris. In this letter M. Diterix says he renounces his religion and nationality on account of the ex-communication of Count Leo Telstoi. M. Diterix is now residing in England.

EMENENT PHYSICIAN DEAD.

Denver, Col., April 13 .- Dr. Wm. F. McClelland, the first physician to make a study of the climatic influences of the mountain region upon pulmonary disc. a study of the climatic influences of the mountain region upon pulmonary disease, and who was widely known in America and Europe through the performance of many difficult surgical operations, is dead at his home in this city, aged 80. Dr. McClelland left a large estate.

Italian mountain, in Taylor's park, about berlain's organ, the Birmingham Post, the dominers of war hundred miners are employed in that vicinity, and it is possible some of them perished, but so far as known there is no reason to suppose that there has been any great loss of life.

London, April 13.—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's organ, the Birmingham Post, the Birmingham Post, and market the Russian ministers of war hundred miners are employed in that vicinity, and it is possible some of them perished, but so far as known there is no reason to suppose that there has been any great loss of life.

DETERMINED STRIKERS.

Seville, Spain, April 13.—The strikers from the cork works, accompanied by their women folks, attacked the factory this morning, and with drawn daggers forced the workers to cease their tasks.

Brockville, Ont. April 12.—The Jury case in one day from the use of Dr. Agreement of this morning acquitted the four prisonners. Garratt. Gannon. Dell and Newman, She has written to the Berlin newspapers charged with being implicated in the algorithm of Launcelot Banks at greatly exaggerated her condition.

Brockville, Ont. April 12.—The Jury case in one day from the use of Dr. Agreement of Dr. Agreement of Case in one day from the use of Dr. Agreement of Case in one day from

TREACHEROUS GUIDE. Narrow Escape of the United States Troops in the Philippines.

Gambling

Ministers of New York Say the

Present Conditions Appal

Members of Their Flock Play

Frequently and For Large

Sums.

New York, April 13 .- Too much gamb-

ling in society and too few children are

the twin evils that are attracting the at-

New York congregations, says the Even-

Many of the ministers are recent ad

ditions to the religious and fashionable

life of New York, and they declare that

ered here appal them. The ministers

have been counselling with each other,

and trying to devise means of correcting the conditions which they say pre-

They have not decided what they will

do, but they have declared that they will

sermons. When a score of ministers, who care for flocks that live up and

over their troubles in confidence, they find that all had the same story to tell.

Gambling among the members of their

flocks, they said, was entirely too com-

mon, and the play was often for extreme

ly high stakes. Many instances were

told, showing how young men had lost

row small sums for railroad fares

One of the ministers says: "It is my

ersonal opinion that a good deal of the

money put on the plates in such liberal amounts on Easter Sunday came easy

at the gambling table, or if it did not,

these large gifts were made in many

instances as balms to supposed guilty

TWO WITNESSES EXAMINED

Inquiry Into the Recent Mine Disaster

Cumberland, April 12 .- At the inquiry

spector Morgan and Manager Matthews.

The former said he examined the mine

had accumulated, and on their return

Mr. Matthews thought the explosion

comparatively free from gas, usa in some places small quantities

Both witnesses were cross-examined

but nothing of great interest drawn out.

ARCTIC EXPLORATION.

Will Sail for the North

London, April 13.-Mr Walter Well

Southampton on board the American line steamer St. Louis, after a visit to

Magdalena, now being fitted. Mr. Well-

man said the Magdalena would sail for

whether I shall command her " Mr Well-

man says there is no truth in the report

za are going on an expedition together.

Dr Nansen has no Arctic plans on hand,

while the Duke of Abruzza is at present

confining his ambition to the Antartic

MARRIAGES OF THE YEAR.

Over Two Hundred and Sixty-two Thousand Registered in United Kingdom in 1899.

London, April 13 Some interesting

points are found in the annual report of

Were Removed From Specie Room of Steamer and Discovered Near

RUSSIANS LAYING MINES.

London, April 13.-Mr. Joseph Char

ACQUITTED.

the Arctic regions this year or next

Norway, where he inspected the

"but," he added, "I do not

man sailed for New York to-day from

Wellman Says the Magdalens

were found.

'n Smith's place from the same

at Cumberland.

emporary expenses from their bosts.

the conditions that they have encount

ing World to-day

Manila, April 13.-By the treachery of a native guide, Lieut. Mills, of the 43rd volunteer infantry, was almost enrapped while pursuing insurgents in the nterior of the island of Leyte. After a sharp skirmish the attacking insurgents were defeated. Surgeon Lewis Thompson and Private Prosset were seriously wounded. At Silang, in Cavite prov ince, the insurgents have surrendered several Nordenfeldts.

MORGAN'S HOLIDAY.

London, April 13.-To a representative New Orleans, La., April 13.—The apvent the shipment of mules and horses connected with the steel trust or with "I have no special business here," said Mr. Morgan, "but Africa was dismissed to-day.

Judge Parlange, in his decision, holds that the transactions between citizens of time chiefly for rest. The reports that the United States and the British government were conducted under the order of private citizenship, and that the courts had absolutely no jurisdiction to interfere. The horses and mules, the court said, were bought in a neutral territory. States steel corporation issues in ex-Judge Parlange continues:

"If the complainants could be heard taken over is in the hands of the original to assert their rights, rights personal to themselves in the treaty invaded, and if the mules and horses involved in this & Co. have any stock to sell."

WANT COMPETITION

Kamloops Favors Competitive Railways and Construction of Coast-Kootenay Line by Company Independent of C. P. R.

of citizens was held in Kamloops this evening to discuss the Coast-Kootenay railway and competition. Alderman Brown was chairman, owing to the illness of Mayor Gordon. Addresses were made by Ald. McLaren, Messrs. Harper, ford, and had often been compelled t Stevens, Swanson, Brown, Anderson and Murphy of Similkameen,

F. J. Fulton, M. P. P., was unable to attend, owing to a board of trade meeting, but expressed himself in favor of the following resolutions, both of which were Moved by Ald. McLaren, "That in the

ion of a mass meeting of the citizens of Kamloops, a policy of encouragement o competitive lines of railway is essen tial to the best interests of the province, and that the citizens of Kamloops place emselves on record as favoring the immediate construction of the Coast-Koote nay line by an independent company under proper government restrictions.

Moved by J. D. Swanson, "A mass eting request their representative, Mr. in January and found air circulation and Fulton, to use his best efforts to secur a competitive system of railways in this everything satisfactory. He thought the rovince and vote for the immediate construction of the Coast-Kootenay line some company entirely independent of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

the explosion took place. The brattice may have been blown down. Copies of the resolutions were then or-dered to be sent to the Lieutenant-Governor and Mr. Fulton, and the meeting adjourned with a vote of thanks to th speakers.

RECRUITS DESERT.

esterday Was Their First Pay Day-Regulars Searching For Missing Men.

Chicago, April 13.-A special to the within the limits of the United States "Over a hundred and fifty newly enlistsome express provision of the recruiting here, have deserted. The cruits and were from all companies of show to which of the above classes his goods belong, and in the absence of such the new regiment, which now numbers about 850 men. Yesterday was their first pay day.
"A detachment of regulars has been

sent out to bring them back, and it is said the officers will promise not to try London, April 13.—Senor Gutierrez the recruits for desertion if they return within ten days."

> GOLD IN IDAHO. Gulch Near St. Mary's River Has Bee Staked Off.

Spokane, April 13.-The Spokesman Review reporter has returned from the gold discoveries on St. Mary's river, in the Kootenay country, Idaho. He confirms the previous reports of the richness of the discoveries. With proper appliances two experienced miners can take out from \$40 to \$50 per day. The entire gulch has been staked.

FALL OF ABBEY PILLAR.

the registrar-general of births, deaths and marriages of the United Kingdom. In 1899 the marriages reached the high-est number recorded since 1876, aggre-London, April 13.-Some alarm has gating 262,334,0 or 16.5 per the been caused by the fall of an eighteen foot pillar in Westminster Abbey. The births number 928,646, equal to 29.3 foot pillar stood in the side chapel, northeast gitimate children born. The deaths of the chancel. It fell with a tremendous numbered, 581,799, equal to 18.3 per

NARROW ESCAPE.

AVALANOHE REPORTED.

Buena Vista, Col., April 13.—No fur-ther tidings have reached here to-day

IN GOOD HEALTH.

Berlin, April 12.-Mme, Senbrich has Brockville; Ont., April 12,-The jur CLAIMS OF POWERS.

British Demand is Reasonable Compared With Other Nations. In Society

Washington, April 13.-Advices to the washington, April 13.—Are research state department from Mr. Rockhill contain further details respecting the amount of the indemnities claimed from China by the powers. It appears that these claims have been much exaggerated in some statements, though the sum total is still far in excess of the amount of money it is believed here that China can raise.

It is the belief of the state depart-

ment that the total claims should not be allowed to exceed \$150,000,000 or \$100,-000,000. There is as yet no confirma-tion of the report from Pekin that the commissioners have fixed upon \$600,-000,000 as the limit of China's ability in the matter of raising funds. information received here the British claim, so far as formuilated, is reasonable in amount as compared with other claims. In fact the United States, Great Britain and Japan represent in these negotiations the tention of the pastors of fashionable moderate element whose object is to prevent the imposition of charges that

shall destroy the Chinese government and result in the division of China None of the claims exceed \$100,000,000, and even the largest is something less than this amount. This is believed to be the exchanging confidences and experiences, Russian claims which is fixed at \$90, 000,000. The German claim is flexible between \$60,000,000 and \$80, 000,000, but is nearer the former mark at present, though doubtless will grow. As already stated, the claim of the not begin by any public crusade, and they will not refer to the subjects in United States is \$25,000,000, and with these few totals in mind it will be seen that if the remaining powers are to be allowed a proportionate share the aggregate will be beyond China's ability to down Madison Fifth avenue, West End and Amsterdam avenue, begin to talk pay. Nothing has yet been determined respecting the method of raising the indemnity funds even after an agreement

> TWO HUNDRED LEPERS. Reported to Be Living on the Island of Teneriffe.

is reached

Washington, April 12.-The exister of 200 lepers on the island of Teneriffe, Canary Islands, has been only reported here by United States Consul Berliner, at Teneriffe. He says:

"Leprosy is somewhat endemic among people here on account of their eating a good deal of fish, often putrid, and their general uncleanliness. As being contagious it is generally discredited nere, but in my opinion it is very infecious. In former years Spain had established a colony at Grand Canary for was one of the largest attended in the lepers. There were houses there, but history of the city. Service was held lepers. There were houses there, but history of the city. Service was held they had perfect liberty to wander about at the family residence, Georgia street, until the restriction that they must sleep at the houses built for them. In church, which was crowded. The sercourse of time this law became a dead vice was conducted by Rev. E. D. Mcinto the recent mine disaster two witnesse gave evidence this morning, Inletter, and they spread over the different

"At Santa Cruz de Teneriffe, the captal, there are (from personal knowledge) 22 lepers, 15 of whom are men, and explosion took place in Snedden's stall. Probably a shot had been fired and then there are also some children of these infortunates. They are given a place men had gone to lunch. Meanwhile gas about 15 minutes' walk from the city hall, where they live in what is called Barranco Santo. There are also living at the same place about 200 people besides, nearly all beggars.
"Officially it-is not recognized that at similar cause. He said the

leprosy exists on these islands. The provincial government at Teneriffe has lately built a large building about two miles out of town. The building has separate wings, one for insane patients, and the other for lepers."
United States Consular Agent Swan-

on, of Grand Canary Island, in an accompanying report, says that leprosy there is decidedly decreasing. There are fifty patients in the leper hospital at Palmas. A few families infected with the disease live in their own homes. TRIAL OF LAGOWSKI

Was Held Behind Closed Doors-The

Prisoner's Defence. St. Petersburg, April 10 .- MM. Witte and Muravieff, ministers of finance and justice respectively, attended the trial of cently attempted to assassinate Privy Councillor Pébiedonostzef, procurator general of the holy synod. The trial, which resulted in a sentence of six years' penal servitude in Siberia, with loss of civil rights, was held behind closed

Lagowski, in his defence, declared it was his intention to free Russia from the reactionary influences of the procurator general

AGUINALDO'S SUCCESSOR. General Sandico Appointed Commande of the Filipinos.

Paris, April 12 -- Agoncillo, the agent of Aguinaldo in Paris, received a cable gram this morning announcing that the l'ilipino General Sandico had been elected as Againaldo's successor as mander of the Filipino forces, as well as mander of the Filipino forces, as wen as dictator during the continuation of the insurrection. Sandico belongs to a distinguished family residing at Pandakan, near Manila. He is a man of energy, and is well educated, speaking several European languages. pean languages.

EXTRA INSURANCE.

Vessels Sailing for China and Japan Sail on "War Risk" Basis.

San Francisco, April 12.—The Examiner says: "Vessels bound from this coast to China and Japanese ports must carry extra insurance, and have, been put on a war risk basis. This means a heavy addition to the usual rates of insurance and commissions as the class has special hazards. The reathe second cabin.

The report of the recovery of the missing gold bars is officially confirmed. son for this decision on the part of marine underwriters is the strained relationship between Japan and Russia.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Relleville, Ont., April 13 .- John Ban ford of Elixir, accused of shooting with intent to kill Fred. Bleecker, of the same place, a few days ago, has been con mitted for trial. BOUGHT YESTERDAY-CURED TO-

DAY .- Mrs. O. C. Burt, of 26 Broadway, New York, says: "I am surprised and delighted at the change for the better in my case in one day from the use of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. It worked like PLAGUE AT CANTON.

Ten Thousand Deaths There-Smallpox

on United States Man-of-war. Pekin, April 11.-Robert M. McWade, United States consul at Canton, China reports that 10,000 deaths from the plague have occurred there during the past six weeks, and that there are 13 cases of smallpox on board the United States monitor Monterey. Only one death has resulted on the Monterey, and the other cases of smallpox are progressing favorably.

The meetings of the foreign ministers at Pekin have been postponed at the reest of M. de Giers on account of the Easter holidays.

German Officer Killed

Berlin, April 11.-A dispatch from Pe kin says Capt. Bartsch of the Second Infantry (German) was found dead in inquiry has been opened, and the information so far obtained tends to show that the officer met with an accident. On the other hand a dispatch from Pekin to the Lokal Angeiger says Capt. Bartsch was shot while riding near the summer palace, and that his horse dis-

EXPOSED BY MORGAN

The Financier Put a Stop to Swindling on Atlantic Liner.

New York, April 12 .- According to the London correspondent of the Tribune it appears that it was Mr. J. P. Morgan, of New York, who put a stop to the gambling scandal which was reported on Thursday as having occurred on the she was at sea. The correspondent says: "It is stated that on his voyage across the Atlantic the great financier was intrumental in discomfiting two card sharpers who were reaping a rich harest among the passengers.

Thursday's dispatch simply says that two first class passengers on the Teutonic were caught cheating at poker and were obliged to make restitution after they had won over £200. The same two men were found to be swindling in the pools on the ship's daily run, whereupon they were forced to give back a check for £50 which they had gained by their methods.

LAID AT REST.

Funeral of the Late Mr. J. C. McLagan Was Largely Attended.

Vancouver, April 12.-The funeral of the late J. C. McLagan this afternoon Laren. The city council attended in a body, as did also the members of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society, while Masons and business men, especially members of the board of trade, attended in large numbers.

Messrs. A. Hodgson, of the News-Advertiser, and Clarke, a commercial traveller, refused to answer questions of the sus commissioner, and have been summoned to the police court.

THE CENTURY FUND.

Rev. Dr. Potts Reports Receipts Over the Million Dollar Mark.

Toronto, Ont., April 11.-Rev. Dr. otts, treasurer, made a report to the Methodist general conference committee this morning regarding the 20th century fund. The fund has now reached \$1,200,000, \$800,000 of which has been received in cash, the balance outstanding. Of the total amount \$590,000 is to be applied to church debts. Dr. Potts expects the fund to reach \$1,400,000 by the time all the amounts are in.

REWARD FOR KIDNAPPERS. Incle of Boy MacCormick Will Pay \$1,000 For His Return.

or two to the kidnappers MacCormick if they return the boy. This ransom will be offered by an uncle of the boy, Michael C. MacCormick, of Washington, D. C., according to a story told at the police headquarter's to-day, with the understanding that there will be no questions asked and that the kidnappers vill not be prosecuted.



FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION

"I am so thankful for what Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done for me," writes Mrs. John T. Smith, of Slocan, B. C., Box 50. "It cured me of a disease which was taking away all my strength, helped me through the long months before baby came and I have a big strong baby girl, the most healthy and happy of all my three."

MAKES THE DIFFERENCE.



Application

The B.C L.A on Saturday Barred Vancouver Y.M.C.A. Club From Membership.

Long Discussion Pro and Con-Officers Elected and Schedule Arranged.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Amateur Lacrosse Association the neighborhood of Pekin yesterday. An was held on Saturday afternoon at the Hotel Vancouver. The president, G. Arm- up as follows, the match to be strong, was in the chair, and the follow- at ing delegates were present:

From New Westminster-J. J. Cambridge, H. Ryall, C. A. Turnbull, Victoria-C. Blain, H. W. Wilson, H. E. Moreton and W. E. Ditchburn, sec-

retary-treasurer of the association. Vancouver-G. Bartley, J. D. Hall, W. H. Quann and D. Smith. The Nanaimo Lacresse club, which

was applying for membership, was represented by H. Johnson, who was allowed to be present during part of the meeting. The Vancouver Y. M. C. A., A. L. A. also applying for membership, was rep-White Star line steamer Teutonic, while resented by A. Macnaughton, C. W. Murray and A. Larwill, who were destined to await the meeting's pleasure in the

> After the customary formalities the secretary-treasurer's report was read, showing the receipts to have been pricked at Saturday night's me \$136.75, expenditure \$81.75, and a con- when the president of the B. C. A. sequent balance of \$55. The report was stated that Lord Minto's secr adopted.

A communication was read from the secretary of the Canadian Amateur Ath- Lacrosse Championship cup for con letic union, stating that a newspaper report had reached him intimating that the lency purpose doing so he would Vancouver Lacrosse club had allowed A. had all the senior clubs in Cana N. Johnson, D. Caswell and other profes- fied. sionals to become members of the club last season and to vote at a meeting. The letter pointed out that this was against the amateur rules and trusted that the Esquimault Electors Want a Co B. C. association would see that no re occurrence of such breach of rules was allowed. The secretary also asked for the names of all the Vancouver men who played in the baseball tournament at the New Westminster exhibition last year, and at St. Andrew's Presbyterian and for any particulars of the tournament that the British Columbia A. L. A. could furinsh him with.

The chairman drew attention to the word "re-occurrence" in the letter and questioned whether it would be a re-occurrence of the breach complained of if the delegates from the Vancouver club were allowed to vote at the present meet-

J. D. Hall, W. H. Quann and G. Bartley, the Vancouver club delegates, ex plained how season tickets had been sold last year, which gave the purchaser the ests of the province that the said ra title of member. This plan had been altered for the present season. They add company which is independent not, however, acknowledge that any professional had actually voted at a meetirg, although some had purchased the eason tickets referred to, and the ques- tives of the electoral district of Es tion of the holders of such tickets being mault in the legislative asse allowed to vote had come up at a meeting over which President Bartley had this district demand that the rep presided, and at which he had ruled that tives give their unqualified

The matter having been well discussed J. J. Cambridge, New Westminster, suggested that the letter was intended simply as a caution and not to disqualify shall insist upon the granting during the Vancouver club; if the latter action was intended it would have so instructed the British Columbia association.

close by a motion moved by W. E. Ditch- country by a company which shall be burn, seconded by J. J. Cambridge, and dependent of the Canadian Pacific B carried, to the effect that although the way company, and which shall have Vancouver Lacrosse club had unintennection sufficient to create a contionally violated the lacrosse rules, the B. transportation line from the Coas C. A. L. A. exonerated it from all re- Boundary, the Kootenays and Ea

sponsibility of anything wrong.

Applications for admission to the as"Be it further resolved, That unless ation were read from the Vancouver said representatives give their un Y. M. C. A., A. L. A., and the Nanaimo pledge that they will act in acc

deal of discussion W. E. Ditchburn, of this city, spoke tion, W. H. Hayward, M. P. P. strongly in favor of the admission of the that it would have been more a

J. D. Hall, of Vancouver, opposed the the member had a chance to exp application, referring to the old standing self. His vote against the Curt of the Vancouver club, reviewed its his lution was given purely because tory, and reminded the meeting how, all not think the time opportune though it lost match after match, it had submission of the papers called never or seldom defaulted a game. He In regard to the vote of appealed strongly to the New Westmin- matter, he intended to do his ster delegates to support the old club voting according to the wisher by their vote, and pointed out that the constituents. He would support a Brockton Point association had refused petitive line. to give the Y. M. C. A. club the use of Mr. Jardine moved a vote of the grounds; the controllers of the Pow- to Mr. Hayward for his manly ell street grounds would adopt the same which was carried with enthusias course he believed, and, therefore, that Mr. Pooley, the other rep club would be without a ground to play in the local house, did not atte He further argued that the new though invited to do so. club had been organized by a few "sorethe day for the purpose of smashing up the Vancouver club, and added that if it of Pyny-Balsam. It cures coughs and the Vancouver club, and added that if it of Pyny-Balsam it cures coughs and the purpose of Pyny-Balsam. failed to receive recognition from the British Columbia association the majority and sure to cure. Manufactured of the members would rejoin the Vancouver club. Later Mr. Hall stated that of the many V. L. C. members who had joined the new club none had yet sent in their resignations to the V. L. C.

Several spoke in favor of admitting the club. A. E. Macnaughton, president of the Y. M. C. A., A. L. A., was asked to state his side of the matter. He said that the club had a membership of 250. The probable players in its team were, he was informed and believed, all former players in the senior team in past years, and included Matheson, A. Allen, Reynolds, Barr, Murray, Burns, Keefer, Wickens, Templeton, Chase, Mason, Foreman, Little, Morrison and G. Mc-Intyre. The membership and probable team went to show that the club was well qualified to put a good senior team in the field and support it. That was all he had to say; the matter was entirely in

the hands of the meeting. Finally, after some further discussion, vote was taken, and resulted in favor of admission by a majority of one. The regulations, however, requiring a two-

thirds majority, the application At the evening meeting it was d

that any team defaulting a gam pay \$20 to the club against which lted within five days or ed. The time of games was c four 20-minute quarters, as fo 20 minutes the game will be pla out a rest or change of go will be 5 minutes intermis end of the next 20 minutes pl utes rest will be taken, and 5 rest after third quarter, followe inutes play to wind up game,

to be changed every 20 minutes The following officers were e Honorary president, Sir Henri president, D. A Smith, Vancouve vice-president, W. E. Ditchb toria; second, A. Simpson, Nanaime retary-treasurer, A. Turnbull New

The schedule of the season the last named place:

May 11-Victoria vs. Nanalmo May 18—Vancouver vs. New Westm May 24—Vancouver vs. Victoria. May 24-New Westminster vs. Nan June 1-Victoria vs. Vancouv June 8-Nanaimo vs. Vane June 15-Victoria vs. New Westmi June 22-Nanaimo vs. Victoria. July 1-New Westminster vs. Van July 13-Nanaimo vs. New Westmi July 20-Vancouver vs. Nanaimo. July 27-Nanalmo vs. Vancouver. Aug. 3-Victoria vs. Vancouver. Aug. 3-New Westminster vs. Nar Aug. 10-New Westminster vs. Vanc Aug. 17-Victoria vs. Nanaimo Aug. 24.-Victoria vs. New Westmi Aug. 31-Vancouver vs. Victoria. Sept. 7-Varcouver vs. Nanaimo. Sept. 14 Nanaimo vs. Victoria. Sept. 21-New Westminster

The Minto Challenge cup bubble written a letter saying that the (May Come West. or-General had never offered a Cam tion, and intimating that did His I

METCHOSIN MEETING.

tive Line to Kootenty.

A meeting was held in Metcho Saturday night to discuss the ne for competition in construction of Coast-Kootenay road

The chair was occupied by A. J. and speeches were made by J. S. Howard, J J. Baird, E. V. Boo Helmcken, Shaw, Argyle and Fraser The following resolution was par-"Whereas, The government l ounced as a part of its railway p

the granting of aid for the con of a railway from the Coast Kootenay: "Be it resolved, That in the opin this meeting it is essential in the should be constructed and operated

The appended motion also carried "Be it resolved, That the repr hereby instructed that the inte olders of such tickets were entitled to against the granting of any charte thorizing the construction of the Co Boundary railway by any compan trolled by or connected with the adian Pacific Railway company; present session of the legislative as bly of such subsidies as are nec the British Columbia association.

The matter was finally brought to a structed from the Coast to the Koot

with the terms of this resolution Naniamo was admitted by acclamation, requested to resign their seats but the other application caused a great legislative assembly."

Speaking in reply to the latte to have submitted such a resolu

LOCAL OPINION IS STRONG IN proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Kille



CANCELLATION OF RESERVA OASSIAR DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that the tion placed on Crown lands situate Bennett Lake and Atlin Lake Mini sions of Cassiar District, notice of was published in the British Gazette and dated 13th December, hereby cancelled.

W. C. WELL hereby cancelled. W. C. WELLS.
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 30th January, 19

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line Months' Trade Figures Issued To-Day b

the Dominion Department of Customs ow Increase of Over Eight Mil

lion Dollars Compared With

Last Year.

httawa, April 15.—The trade figures nine months, ending March 31st last e been issued by the department of ms. The aggregate trade of the 001,000, as compared with the same months last year. The aggregate this year was \$283,633,000, a nst \$275,632,000 for the first nice the of the last fiscal year. Import \$132,341,000,as against \$135,659,00 last year, or a decrease of \$3,318,000 ing the same period the exports i sed from \$139,973,000 to \$151,312, making \$11,339,377 of an increase. imports for last year there is \$1 ,000 more accounted for by way 0 lion, and on the exports of last yeare is also \$6,200,000 for bullion of course, is not trade, and ed to this year would, therefore, mak t increase in aggregate trade of \$16,000,000. The duty for the months was \$21,528,340, a decrease out \$480,000 compared with the increase on imports and duty f month of March last. There wa a slight decrease for the month

s probable that Sir Wilfrid Laurier E. Sifton, Hon. J. I. Tarte an W. Paterson will visit British Co ia during the season and go as f

Not Yet Settled. stated on good authority to-day there is no truth in the story pul-d in the newspapers that Sir Wi Laurier has promised the member House to increase the sessional i There will be a caucus of Lit Wednesday, when, it is unde

Delegates Interview Ministers. British Columbia delegation that wed here a few days ago waited on government this forenoon. There e about 40 delegates in all. The kkers were George Alexander, David ap, H. E. Croasdale, G. O. Buchan M. L. Grimmett and J. R. Robert The ministers rpesent were Sir firid Laurier, Sir R. Cartwright, Hon. ssrs Sifton, Fielding, Scott, Patson, Sutherland and Borden. Those of accompanied the delegation were confident with the second street of the second Galliher, Maxwell, Ralph Smith Earle, members, and Senator Tem an What the delegation asked fo bounty of \$5 per ton on refin

for five years. They also asked for alization of duties on the lea try and a liberal policy that is vi a free trade policy in respect ays, portfolios of mines, represen the cabinet and a mint. Alexander, of Kalso, said that the mining industry of British Colum-in which a large amount of work capital had been invested during the ten years, was now at a standstill s in which he was interested. that his mines had paid \$1,000 i es per day and last year shippe now closed down in consequence crisis brought about by a sme t with \$100,000,000 capital forme United States. This trust pra es in the United States. The obje he trust was to put up and kee he price of lead and silver, and the ed that to do this they must force itish Columbia mines. There ar neries in Canada, and Canadian es have been shipping their output t ed States refineries. However, a end of the contracts the trust refuse continue to receive shipments from

ish Columbia mines. Mining, how, was continued some time, and hi s had 3,000 tons of ore located a as shipping points. There were only melters in Canada, and these coul take any of the ore. Under presen itions it could not be expected that would increase their capacity. The idian smelters had been shipping r products to the United States for nement, the separation of the lead in the silver, and the United States British Columbia, refused to refin more Canadian lead bullion excep ive rates. The issue was er of life and death to British Cobia mines, and the only solution he see was for the government t a bonus on lead smelted and refine ada. Everything that private euise and energy could do had been but without avail. There was no et for smelted proceeds, and a re would be necessary in Canada, fould likely be located in the eas tish Columbia. The chief marke refined product would be in

E. Croasdale pointed out that reg operations for lead were coned by the United States. The refinad increased by \$4 a ton, and therethe small. smelting price was increased in What he wanted to see was away from American control. Unress, and therefore no benefi accrue to Canadians. A bounty

Fowler, a mining engineer, said the United States was now produc had not an adverse duty to conagainst in Canada, the United s did not require much of our lead t was wanted was a bounty to aid meeting Americans in Euro-

markets. Heap wished to refer particularly epression in lead industry. Seven-hs of the capital of his mine was