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MEANS MANY MILLIONS!

The Mispickel Gold Ores of Hastings County

HAVE BEEN TREATED WITH ALL SUCCESS!

New Bromo-Cyanogen Process Does the Work So Long Sought After.

How the Good News Leaked Out Yesterday—It Was Intended Only for the Ears of the Members of Mr. Hardy's Cabinet—The British Company Will Increase Their Outlay at Deloro to Two Millions of Dollars—Madoc Will Have a Furnace for Smelting Ores—What North Hastings Wants the Provincial Government to Do—Furnace Will Cost $10,000—Ninety-two Per Cent. of the Gold in Mispickel Ores Can Be Saved, While the Cost of Treatment is Only Two Dollars a Ton—Now for a Rush of Prospectors and Capitalists to the Wealthy Districts of Mid-East Ontario.

When last fall The World despatched a special commissioner to write up the mineral resources of Hastings and adjoining counties, the public was almost wholly ignorant of the existence within three or four hours' journey of Toronto of rich and extensive deposits of gold and other metals. By means of the subsequent letters in these columns attention was drawn to the district and the exact situation was outlined. It was explained that the region contained vast quantities of gold, some free milling, but for the most part found in a very refractory mispickel ore; and it was further pointed out that the future of the country depended entirely upon the failure or success of the attempt to extract the precious metal from the arsenic-impregnated pyrites. At the time of The World man's visit the Canadian Gold Fields Co., Ltd., composed of London, Eng., capitalists, was just beginning operations at Deloro calculated to determine once and for all the question of the possibility of treating these ores at a profit. As the company is a close corporation its officials were exceedingly reticent concerning their enterprise, and despite all questioning confined their replies to statements to the effect that their work was yet in an experimental stage, and that nothing could be given to the public until the plant was completed and the first mill test made.

Working on a Big Scale.

From what The World man then saw and ascertained, however, he came away pretty well satisfied that the company did not stand in such uncertainty as its officials would have had him believe. The very fact that the syndicate were spending something like half a million dollars in acquiring huge tracts of mineral lands, creating an immense plant, constructing roads and otherwise improving their property, constituted a pretty good indication that the promoters feared little the results, to crown their efforts.

And now this diagnosis of the situation turns out to be correct. The close-mouthedness of the company is accounted for by the circumstance that it was seeking to add to its holdings of mineral lands in the neighborhood, and did not wish to inflate the values of these properties by seeming to be at all sure of the successful culmination of its work.

About to Give Up.

To-day, however, there seems to be no further reason for withholding from the public the fact that mid-East Ontario is about to give up her hidden treasures.

In a visit to Toronto yesterday Mr. A. J. G. Swinney, the general manager of the Deloro mines, let the cat out of the bag. The occasion was the reception by the Ontario Cabinet of a deputation from Madoc asking for the erection of a reduction plant at that point, and Mr. Swinney was prevailed upon for friendship's sake to assist his fellow-citizens of Hastings, by making a statement regarding the operations at Deloro. The information was intended only for the ears of the Government, but The World is fortunately in a position to give the benefit of it to its readers.

What Mr. Swinney Says.

Mr. Swinney stated that the Canadian Gold Fields Co. is entirely satisfied with the results of its experiments, and that there was not the slightest doubt that the company by means of its new bromo-cyanogen process could successfully treat the mispickel ores of Hastings county. Before the extensive outlay of money at Deloro was entered upon several tons of the ore had been shipped to England to be tested, and by means of the new method it had been found possible to save no less than 92 per cent. of the precious metal. This must be considered a wonderfully successful result, and the best of it was that the cost of treatment did not exceed $2 per ton. With such a process all the low grade ores of the region (and they mostly averaged over $8 per ton in value) could be mined and reduced at a large profit.

Will Spend $2,000,000.

Mr. Swinney further asserted that his company has already spent $350,000 in acquiring lands and erecting a plant, that it is proposed to increase the outlay to $2,000,000, and that the mill now being built will eventually have a capacity of 1000 tons per day.

Inasmuch as the Canadian Gold Fields Company is a close corporation, and has therefore nothing to gain by publicity, and, as Mr. Swinney made his statement very reluctantly, the information he has imparted can be taken to do nothing more nor less than place beyond peradventure the listing of Eastern Ontario among the great gold-bearing fields of the world.

Free Milling Ores Too.

And in passing it should not be forgotten that Hastings County also contains such rich free milling gold properties as the Craig mine, described in The World the other day.

Want a Reduction Furnace.

The delegation which Mr. Swinney accompanied, consisted of Messrs. A. F. Wood, ex-M.P., Thomas Cross and Arthur Coe of Madoc, who, as the appointees of a public meeting, came to ask the Ontario Government to erect in their town a reduction furnace. Assay tests are considered unsatisfactory and the furnace is designed to test ores in large quantities, so that owners of prospects may, by securing tests of several tons of their ore at a time, ascertain the exact value of their properties. It is proposed to test ores at cost of $2 per ton, and the deputation asked that the erection of the plant be begun at once, so as to be in readiness for the development rush that will undoubtedly take place around Madoc as soon as the snow is off the ground this spring.

The cost of the furnace is placed at $10,000, and the members of the Government seemed favorably impressed by the proposal. Mr. Swinney's assertions went far to convince them, and the Cabinet was also taken with a suggestion offered by Mr. Wood, who noted that the Government owned

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SIR WILLIAM HARCOURT,

Chairman of the Committee of the British House of Commons investigating the action of Hon. Cecil Rhodes in connection with the Jameson Raid.

SOME MILITIA ORDERS

Which Dr. Borden Signed Before He Left.

A BODY GUARD LIEUTENANT

Whose Services Are No Longer Required by the Queen.

Changes in Other Toronto Corps—Outside Battalions Also Affected by the Order—New Map of Lake of the Woods District—Marker Shot at the Rifle Ranges—A Municipal Case Which Flattened Out—Dr. Borden Will Not Retire—General News From the Capital.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Hon. Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia, left for Lakewood, N.J., to-day. Before his departure he signed a militia general order, in which the following appear:

Lieut.-Col. John Gray, Inspector of Stores, is retired, to retain the rank of Lieut.-Col. on retirement.

The Governor-General's Body Guard—The services of Lieut. William B. Hagerman are dispensed with.

1st Hussars—A Squadron, to be second lieut., provisionally, Alexander St. Mackintosh; B Squadron, to be second lieutenants, provisionally, John Becket Kligour and Henry Randolph Abbott.

9th Toronto Field Battery—To be second lieutenant, provisionally, Edward Hastings Bickford.

48th Battalion, Highlanders—To be second lieutenants, provisionally, Arthur Pearcy Taylor, and Colin Larke Harbottle.

34th Ontario Battalion—To be surgeon lieutenant, provisionally, Second Lieut. David Alexander Clark, vice Bogart, retired.

35th Battalion, Simcoe Foresters—No. 1 Company, Lieut. Charles Franklin Ward resigns his position.

36th Peel Battalion, No. 1 Company—Capt. James Scott Brown resigns his commission. To be second lieutenant, provisionally, John Alexander Trimble, vice Brown, retired.

57th Battalion of Infantry, Peterboro Rangers—To be honorary chaplain, Rev. John Cheyne Davidson.

77th Wentworth Battalion—Quartermaster and honorary captain, William Roddick, having left the limits, his name is removed from the list of officers.

Infantry—To be lieut.-col., from May 4, 1876, James Zaccheus Rogers, from the retired list of lieut.-colonels.

To be major, from Dec. 16, 1892, John Dunlop Hay, from the retired list of majors.

Simcoe Regiment—To be lieut.-col., Capt. D. P. MacWatt, from No. 1 Company, vice John MacWatt, deceased.

A NEW MAP.

The Department of Marine will issue in about ten days a new map, showing the navigation of the Lake of the Woods, and it will be of great value to persons interested in mining in that district. Great care has been expended by Col. Anderson in preparation of the map, resort having been made to all available sources of information, as well as departmental records. It will be supplied through the Printing Bureau at the price of $1 per copy. The Marine Department has only two lights in operation on the Lake of the Woods, but two others are being constructed this winter. About 180 buoys are used in summer time to mark navigable channels.

THE NEW RIFLES.

As soon as a supply of Lee-Enfield rifles is forwarded to the different city corps about 50 rounds of blank ammunition will be sent to the headquarters of each corps in order that the men may be instructed as to the best way in which to load the new weapon.

SHOT THE MARKER.

A serious accident occurred this morning at the drill hall. As is customary since the P.L.D. guards started rifle practice with the Morris tube, several members of the troop were shooting, and Mr. Thomas Christian, caretaker of the Dragoon Guards, was acting as marker. When standing close to the target, and in no way protected, the rifle accidentally went off while Mr. McIntosh, son of Rev. Wm. McIntosh, was preparing to shoot. The ball penetrated Mr. Christian's left side and lodged in his back. Doctors succeeded in extracting the bullet. Christian is very low to-night.

THE CASE COLLAPSED.

The action to set aside the election of Ald. Butler in Victoria Ward came up for hearing before Judge Mosgrove this morning. Immediately on the opening of the court, Mr. Horace Pratt, on behalf of the relator, Andrew Masson, stated that his client had been deceived and he wished at that late hour to withdraw from the case and not to have anything further to do with the protest. The judge thereupon dismissed the case with costs on plaintiff.

DR. BORDEN WILL NOT RETIRE.

In Ministerial circles it is denied that Dr. Borden purposes to retire from the Ministry, and it is believed that with three weeks' rest he will be all right again. No one will rejoice more at such a consummation than his political opponents.

DELEGATIONS.

A large deputation from the vicinity of Trenton were in the Capital to-day to urge upon the Government the desirableness of proceeding at once with the construction of the section of the Trent Canal from Balsam Lake to Lake Simcoe. They had an interview with Mr. Blair this afternoon.

The Premier has arranged to meet a deputation on behalf of the Montreal, Ottawa & Georgian Bay Canal in the Railway Committee room on March 2.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Major Sutherland, M.P., is in the city.

Alexander Smith, Liberal organizer for Western Ontario, is here.

John R. Booth, Ottawa's railway king, is suffering from an attack of grippe, and is said to be seriously ill.

It is reported that Senior County Judge Ross has sent in his resignation. Mr. D. B. McTavish, City Solicitor, is to succeed him.

An extra of The Canada Gazette was issued to-day duly postponing the date of the opening of Parliament to March 25.

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SHOT FOR SHOT.

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CRETE NOW BLOCKADED

Foreign Warships Are on the Lookout

TO STOP TROOPS LANDING.

British Torpedo Boats Are Especially Active.

Many Vessels Stopped and Made to Prove That They Were on Legitimate Business—The Italian Admiral Gave the Signal for the Bombardment of Canea—The Difficulty Said to Have Been Settled on a Basis of Cretan Autonomy—Turkish Troops Cut Up—Latest News From the East.

Athens, Feb. 23.—A despatch to The Asty from Canea says that the foreign warships are now rigorously blockading the coast of Crete. The British torpedo boats are especially active, rapidly steaming along the coast and keeping a sharp look-out to prevent the landing of troops, provisions or munitions of war. Many vessels have been stopped by the blockading fleets and not allowed to proceed until they satisfactorily proved that they were engaged in legitimate business. So strict is the blockade that the carrying of letters to the Piraeus from the force of Col. Vassos, the commander of the Greek army of occupation, is prohibited.

INTENSE ANXIETY.

The entire country is in a state of intense anxiety and unrest over the situation, and there is the wildest speculation as to what the final outcome will be. The people are deeply incensed against the powers for their intervention in Crete and their attitude is causing some apprehension in court and Government circles. King George today issued a proclamation that is intended to cool the popular passions and thus avert what might prove a national crisis. He enjoins the country to be calm and dignified and to confide in the Government, which, he says, is doing everything possible to uphold the honor of Greece and maintain the rights of the Hellenic peoples.

More Firing at Canea.

Canea, Feb. 23.—Great excitement was caused here last night by smart rifle firing to the westward of the town. It was soon learned that the firing was taking place between the Turkish outposts and Christian insurgents, and the report spread that the outposts had been driven back and the insurgents were approaching the town. Crowds of residents went to the ramparts of the city and anxiously watched the outcome of the fighting. The firing ceased in a short time without either side having gained any material advantage or so far as known causing any casualties.

A Turkish warship in Suda Bay and the soldiers in the arsenal there today fired repeatedly at the village, which was shelled Sunday by the foreign fleets. There was absolutely no reason for this attack except that the Turks were desirous of provoking an occasion for further intervention on the part of the European powers. A white flag was flying over the position occupied by the insurgents, but this did not prevent the firing. The insurgents, understanding probably the motives of the Turks, did not reply to the fire.

The leaders of the insurgents who were shelled Sunday have made through the Greek commodore a formal protest against the action of the foreign admirals. They declare in their protest that, acting in obedience to the powers, they refrained from actual hostilities against the Moslems as long as it was possible, but the Turks having shelled their position for two days, they were finally compelled to reply to the fire. They ask whether the powers are determined to allow the Turks to destroy the Christians in Crete, as they did the Armenians in Anatolia.

Fighting has been going on all day to-day above Tuzla on Suda Bay. No details have yet been received.

THE BOMBARDING SIGNAL

Was Given by the Italian Admiral, Who is Senior Officer.

London, Feb. 23.—In the House of Commons to-day Right Hon. George N. Curzon, Parliamentary Secretary to the Foreign Office, said in reply to an inquiry upon the subject that the signal for the bombardment of the insurgents' position at Canea was given by Admiral Canevaro of the Italian navy as commander of the united fleets, by reason of seniority.

Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, replying to the request made yesterday by Sir William Harcourt that the instructions given to the British admiral at Canea be laid before the House, said that he was compelled to decline to comply with the demand as it would be impolitic to do so.

Turkish Troops Cut Up.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—A despatch received here to-day from Constantinople says that the Turkish Government has informed the Ambassadors that two companies of Turkish troops were cut up by the insurgents at Youkoulis, and that only one officer and sixty men escaped.

Withdrawal of Troops Demanded.

Vienna, Feb. 23.—According to despatches received here from Athens this morning the representatives of the powers made a demand upon the Government of Greece to-day for the withdrawal of the Greek troops from the Island of Crete.

It was the intention of Emperor Francis Joseph to have started for Cap Martin for a season of recreation yesterday, but in view of the still unsettled state of affairs in Crete the Emperor has deferred his departure until next Sunday.

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C. P. R. Buys Yankee Rails.

New York, Feb. 23.—Closely upon the heels of the announcement February 20 that the London representative of the Carnegie Company at Homestead, Pa., had taken orders for 100,000 tons of steel rails for export, chiefly for English railroads, to-day the fact was made known that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company had placed an order with the Carnegie Company for 65,000 tons of steel rails. No mention was made of the price.

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WEST YORK CONSERVATIVES.

A Rousing Meeting at Woodbridge to Elect Officers and Choose Delegates for Saturday.

Woodbridge, Ont., Feb. 23.—The Conservatives of Woodbridge and vicinity met yesterday and elected their officers, as well as selected delegates for the Conservative convention in West York, to meet at Weston next Saturday to select a candidate for the Local Legislature. There was a rousing gathering of several hundred stalwart Conservatives. A full staff of officers was selected, both for the Conservative Club and for the regular association. Sam McClure was chairman and W. A. Skeans secretary. Delegates were then appointed for Woodbridge, and three polling divisions in Vaughan, as well as for the Young Conservative Club, for whom an excellent selection of officers was made. Inspiring speeches were made by Hon. R. Wallace and Mr. R. O. Harvey, President of the Young Conservative Club, after which all sat down to a splendid repast prepared for the big crowd by the Young Conservatives.

SPRING HATS ARRIVING.

Opening of the Season's Headgear Trade Commences This Week.

The large stock of spring hats ordered by Mr. Dineen on his recent trip through the American hat factories will commence to arrive to-day, and right on up till March 1. These goods are made to order in the very latest styles, and will be the choice of all the well-dressed men in town.

English fashions in hats are particularly neat this year, and the orders placed by Dineens' with the big house in the Old Land are now being filed. A shipment of two cases of fine English spring shapes arrived yesterday. These are being opened up to-day, and with the advance shipment of the English goods mark the opening of the spring hat trade in Toronto.

The balance of the fine stock of furs carried by Dineens is now being sold at sacrifice prices that will easily pay the intending purchaser to get furs for next year's wear. This is a busy week at the big store, corner King and Yonge-streets.

Madame Evanturel's Reception.

Madame Evanturel held her first reception in the Speaker's chambers yesterday afternoon. There were a large number present, and the Speaker's good lady succeeded by her courtly and affable manners in ingratiating herself into the hearts of Toronto society. It is gratifying to know that these pleasant social functions will be of weekly occurrence.

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English Paintings by Auction.

The collection of paintings by prominent English artists which has attracted so much attention at Messrs. Roberts & Son's gallery will be on exhibition until 10 p.m. on Wednesday, and will be removed on Thursday to Messrs. C. J. Townsend & Co.'s rooms, and will be sold, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

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DEATHS.

REYNOLDS—On Monday, Feb. 22, at his residence, 343 Sherbourne-street, William Reynolds, aged 79 years.

Funeral private, on Wednesday, 24th, at 3 o'clock.

THE CHICK-A-DEES.

Out in the woods one bitter day,
When drifts blew high and skies were grey,
Three chick-a-dees with plaintive cry
Said, "Give us food or we will die."
I took my ax and smashed a stump,
Disclosing grubs all fat and plump;
Red-headed, wrinkled, long and luscious,
Glossy, toothsome, tasty, juicyous.
No matter—they were wholesome food;
The birdies said that they were good,
Their thankful, tuneful anthem rose up.
Now dare we turn our haughty nose up
At what our fellow-creatures eat?
Your poison is your neighbors' meat.
A duck will make a meal in muck,
We strip, stuff, spit and eat that duck!
My birds flew down with great delight
And fed with hearty appetite.
And then in tones, harmonious, sweet,
They thanked me kindly for the treat.
Who feeds the ravens—if you please—
Sent me to feed His chick-a-dees.

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And now, whene'er my ax they hear,
The birds come thronging far and near;
And every tree that crashing falls,
The chick-a-dees to breakfast calls.
The sound of chopping skyward borne,
That is their gladsome dinner horn.
I feel while chopping by the cord,
I'm a side partner of the Lord,
And I am His agent, 'mid the trees,
To feed His hungry chick-a-dees.

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They tell me that in heaven are bowers,
All filled with "never-withering flowers;"
A splendid place for birds, I wis—
That makes me think and write like this?
Some day my chick-a-dees will die,
Then may my dear ones upward fly.
To be in Heaven—oh, winsome thought,
Sweet angel chick-a-dees, why not?

—The Khan.

Trouble is Brewing Sure.

There is trouble brewing over the North Ontario bye-election. At the Walker House last evening the defeated (?) candidate, Angus McLeod, was in conference with his partner, George McCormick, M.P., and Robert Birmingham, the Conservative organizer. The existing situation is without precedent, for the Liberals, it is claimed, disobeyed the injunction forbidding a recount before Judge Dartnell, and then hurried the ballot boxes off to Ottawa. Mr. McLeod stated last night that, though the matter does not rest entirely in his hands, he has no doubt that the law will be taken advantage of to enforce a penalty against his opponents. The difficulty low is to settle on a line of procedure. The first move may be the filing of a protest, accompanied by a request for a scrutiny.

Mayor Takes World's Advice.

His Worship the Mayor took The World's pointer yesterday, and started out to try to secure the establishment in Toronto of a great mining machinery factory. In these columns yesterday morning attention was drawn to the presence here of Mr. W. J. Young, the general manager at Salt Lake City, for Fraser & Chalmers, the greatest mine equippers on earth, and to the fact that his mission is to look over the ground with a view to locating a branch factory in Canada in order to be in a position to supply Ontario and British Columbia mines with machinery, free of duty. It was further noted that Toronto is the right point for such an establishment, and The World advised the civic authorities to be up and doing.

As soon as Mayor Fleming read The World yesterday he saw that his duty was plain, and bled him to the Queen's, where Mr. Young puts up. It is not known how far His Worship succeeded in his mission, but this The World does know that he kept the machinery man in tow all the evening.

Is There Anything In This?

A rumor is in circulation in Brampton that the T. Eaton Company of Toronto are figuring on taking possession of the Haggart property in that town with the intention of turning it into a factory, employing some 300 hands in all departments.

What's the Matter?

Algoma's front bencher, James Conmee, M.L.A., has been conspicuously absent from the House during this session. In fact, he has not spent an hour all told in his seat. What is the matter?

Telegraphic Briefs.

Mr. McKinley is not yet able to see visitors.

The Monongahela River at Pittsburg is a raging torrent, rushing onward with vast quantities of wreckage and rubbish upon its surface. The Potomac is also over its banks, so is the Ohio, and the damage reaches hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The jury at Shelburne, Ont., in the case of Edward Fenton, who was burned to death in his barn while trying to save his cattle, returned this verdict: "The deceased Edward Fenton came to his death by being accidentally burned in a building which we have every reason to believe was feloniously set on fire by some person or persons unknown."

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MORE PROTECTION WANTED.

Manufacturers Now Talking Straight From the Shoulder

To the Band of Alleged Free Traders Entrenched at Ottawa—Why the Agricultural Implement Men Went Back on the Conservative Party—It is Claimed That They Were Sacrificed for the Farmers—More Protection and Less Duty on Raw Materials—A Field Day on the Tariff Nut Which the Government Has to Crack.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Messrs. Fielding, Paterson and Dobell sat as a committee of the Cabinet to-day to take further evidence regarding the tariff and they were kept going pretty steadily from 11 o'clock till after 5. Representatives of the electrical interests were first heard, consisting of Messrs. Robert Jaffray, Hugh Ryan and G. W. Waters of Toronto, members of the Canadian General Electric Company of Toronto and Peterboro. These gentlemen pointed out that the present tariff did not afford any protection to this industry, because it paid on an average a higher duty upon what constituted raw material than upon imported finished articles. The deputation are not seeking increased duty or protection. They simply wanted the present anomalies done away with. They claimed that the imported article paid duty running from 25 to 35 per cent., while on the raw material, which was necessary to enable them to run the business in Canada, including steam castings, copper, charcoal, sheet iron, fine line, varnishes, press board, parchment papers, silver tubing, silver wire, etc., the duty ran from 72 to 75 per cent. Mr. Ryan said that the Peterboro works were the largest of the kind under the British flag.

SHOVEL MAKERS.

Next came the shovel manufacturers, the deputation including Messrs. C. Jones, Gananoque; B. Willett of Chambly, and G. W. Edey of Montreal. The deputation claimed that in almost everything they use the duty was from 25 to 40 per cent. higher in Canada than in the States. They asked amongst other things a reduction in duty on crude oil for fuel. There was no combine in the shovel trade, but the deputation admitted the Association of Shovel Manufacturers had paid American firms to keep out of the Canadian market.

Messrs. R. Reford, R. B. Ross and D. W. Ross were then heard in private in regard to the duty on paddy rice, these gentlemen being interested in the Montreal rice mills. They do not want any reduction.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Agricultural implement manufacturers came next, being introduced by Mr. Frost, M.P. The deputation included Messrs. W. Massey and L. M. Jones of the Massey-Harris Company, Mr. Noxon of Ingersoll, Mr. Hamilton of Peterboro, Mr. Sylvester of Lindsay, Mr. Cossett of Brockville, and Mr. Folkes of the Wilkinson Plow Works, Toronto. Mr. Frost claimed that gross injustice had been done the agricultural implement man, first, three years ago, by reducing the duty from 35 to 20 per cent, without a corresponding reduction in the duties of the raw material. Farm implements were being supplied as cheaply to farmers of Canada as to the United States. After the reduction of the duty, however, the Americans were able to bring in their manufactured products and, as the Canadian manufacturers had to pay a duty of from 50 to 60 per cent. on the raw materials, it made it almost impossible to continue the manufacture of farm implements in Canada at a profit. Briefly stated, that was the

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Cpld. Then Milder.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esquimalt, 38—44; Calgary, 10—34; Edmonton, 12—32; Qu'Appelle, 22 below—12; Winnipeg, 28 below—2 below; Toronto, 22—32; Ottawa, 10—28; Montreal, 12—26; Quebec, 12—16; Halifax, zero—18.

PROBS: Decreasing westerly to southwesterly winds; fair and cold, followed by rising temperature.

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Feb. 23.	At	From
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Havel	Southampton	New York

SIR MICHAEL HICKS-BEACH,

One of the Parliamentary Committee to investigate Hon. Cecil Rhodes.