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Accountant Cross' Suggestion in Report to Government.

Outcome of His Investigation of the Books of the York Loan Co .- How York Loan Employes Played Double Game-Negotiations In Progress to Hand Over All the Assets-Investigation Adjourned Till Tuesday.

Toronto, April 14.—Permission having been granted by the Attorney-General for the crown attorney to interview Miss McCann, in New York, and Miss Sauter, in Buffalo, both of whom are shareholders of the Toronto Life, the Phillips' investigation was adjourned until Tuesday next. But Mr. Curry may not find it necessary to thus procure the evidence of the Misses Robb, McCann and Sauter, as it is stated, on apparently good authority, that negotiations are in progress which would result in Phillips, the Toronto Life Insurance Co., and the other concerns turning over all assets to the York Loan Ilquidators. If these negotiations succeed the Phillips' core as the second ceed the Phillips' case, as far as the police court is concerned, will end ear-

Mr. Cross Reported.
W. H. Cross, the commissioner appointed by the Ontario Government to examine the affairs of the York Loan Co., has made his second report to the Attorney-General. Mr. Cross says: "In view of the large number of persons interested in this company, and of the confusion in the public mind existing from widely different statements in the press and by speakers at public meetings; in view also of the varied proposals and suggestions made by local committees of shareholders in different parts of the Dominion, and in view of the possibility that speculators might take advantage of this situation to induce shareholders to sell their shares for less than value, I deemed it my first duty to obtain and

"The course of the public investigation then held by me and the conclu-sions arrived at, including a state-ment of the causes of the company's failure, are set forth in my interim report already made to you, dated the third day of January last. The results found in that report have been tested and verified by various investigations subsequently made, and I now

onfirm the conclusions therein given. "At the time when the commission issued, and subsequently, there pre-valled a general public belief that the failure was due largely, if not altogether, to gross irregularities, and improprieties committed by directors and servants of the company for their own personal benefit, and that the existing position of the company had arisen from this cause. Evidence supporting this belief did not transpire during the public investigation, and I had no information that warranted any such conclusion at the time of making my first interim report. In view, how-ever, of the specific and direct charges made from various quarters, I deem it desirable that this question should be further investigated through such ave-

nues as remained open to me after the criminal proceedings had been instituted against Phillips.

Examination of Books. "To this end an examination of the to this end an examination of the books of the company was made, more thorough than had been possible in the limited time preceding the issuance of the interim report, and other lines of enquiry outside the books and records of the company were pursued, including particularly the charge that had been made that much more was paid out of the York Loan funds for the land acquired by the company than the ven-dors actually received, and that there dors actually received, and that there had been added to the outlays of the company in connection with their building and improvement operations, large sums which had been retained by officials of the company. The result of this examination and these enquiries

have failed to disclose any evidence substantiating these charges. "It is obvious from the extent and nature of this company's operations that my enquiries should not possibly be exhaustive, but so far as I have been able to ascertain the facts, the position is as above stated. Withdrew Own Funds.

"I beg to report, as a fact additional to what is stated in my interim report, that in the later stages of the com-pany's existence, and during the months immediately preceding the winding-up order, directors, officers, agents and order, directors, omeers, agents and employes of the company, while with-drawing their own funds, which were invested in the company, were at the same time collecting the monthly in-stalments due from shareholders, and also obtaining new subscriptions for stock. I also draw attention to the fact that improper entries were made from time to time in the books of the com-pany, which had the effect of swelling the annual financial statements, the apparent profits and assets of the com

Must Verify Returns.

"I beg to again draw attention to the fact stated in my interim report, with regard to the incorrect and misleading returns filled by this company with the Government, and sworn to by the officers of the company. The public are dependent upon these returns for reliable information, and they are, in my opinion, of the greatest public importance. They should be explicit and readily understood, both by those who make theme, and by those who make theme, and by those who rely on them. It is superfluous to say that they must be true, frank and accurate, but I suggest that, in order to emphasize the responsibility not only of the officers who swear to these returns, but also the responsibility of the whole board of directors, it should be required by law that these returns be sanctioned and approved by the resolution of the board of directors, and that such resolution be verified and filed along with the return. "I beg to again draw attention to the

"I am not making this as a final report, because facts and lines of enquiry other than those I have reported may present themselves to you as demanding further investigation. If any such

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amendments, and in case they are not accepted he proposed that the controversy be placed before the strike com-

Operators' Reply. President Baer, as the chairman of the operators' committee, made this re-

the operators' committee, made this reply:

"We regret that you have not accepted our propositions. We do not feel that we can modify them. We will hereafter answer your communication of this date by letter, or if your desire a further meeting the time can be arranged or be hereafter fixed by the respective chairmen."

spective chairmen." —
President Mitchel believes Mr. Baer's offer was written on the spur of the moment and that there will yet be a peaceful end to the controversy.

1,200 Men Ordered Out.

Pittsburg, April 14.—Twelve hundred

niners employed at the Great Lakes Coal Co. at Kaylor, Pa., quit work yes-terday by order of the district officials, because of the refusal of the company to agree to certain concessions asked for by the mine workers, and included

in the 1903 scale.

Laid Off on Account of Coal Strike.

Chicago, April 14.—Many employes of various railroads entering Chicago were laid off Thursday on account of the decrease in business resulting from the

service are going on the demand of fuel hauling.

Building Strike at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., April 14.—Two officers of the Bricklayers and Stone Masons International Union drove around St. Louis yesterday, calling off bricklayers from every building lob on which the stonemasons employed were not affifiliated with the International Union. Work was reported stopped on 160 buildings. It is estimated that 2.000 ce men stopped work.

Defy Labor Officer.

Hamilton, April 14.—A majority of the striking bricklayers and masons depty the international executive. The international officer, Thomas Izzard, orthough the international afficer, Thomas Izzard, orthough the international executive. The international officer, Thomas Izzard, orthough the international officer and the problem of the trouble, needing a settlement of the trouble, and Russia against Germany.

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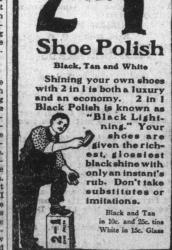
H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught visited Port Arthur an and Fort William received addresses and replied to them, and started east on the 12.50 p.m. train Good Friday.

A few days ago, at St. John, N. B., Fred Lashey, 12 years, so violently assuited Stanley Crawford, 11 years, that he latter died. There was an almost continuous flow of blood from the child's mouth till death came. The police are considering action.

According to an Associated Press cable from St. Petersburg, Great Britain has begun to vigorously press negotiations for an Anglo-Russian ententies, with the purpose of completing the triple alliance of Great Britain, France and Russia against Germany.

The Canadian section of the International properties of the striking against Germany.

ternational officer, Thomas Izzard, or-dered them to work at 45 cents an hour, pending a settlement of the trouble, but they hold out for 50 cents. It is intimated that if the men refuse to obey him he will take away the charter



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Joy Comes With Good News From Scientist Mattucci.

Plucky Observatory Official Reports That Volcanic Calm Will Reign In the Course of a Very Few Days-With Naples Incredulous of Recent Tales of Terror, Awful Evidences Continue Elsewhere.

Naples, April 14.—No hetter evidence of the improved condition of affairs in the section affected by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius can be presented than the following telegram from Director Mattucci, sent last evening from the observatory on the mount:

mount:
"Last night and to-day the activity of Vesuvius and the agitation at the surface of the volcano sensibly diminished. Electric discharges ceased to-day, and the discharge was less abun-dant. From the presumed formation of the crater and other indications, and

further examination is desired, I shall be pleased to have your instructions in regard thereto."

OPERATORS UNWILLING.

To Take Up Latest Offer Made by the Mine Worker.s

New York, April 14.—At the meeting of the sub-committees of the anthracite mine workers and operators here President Mitchell offered a re-submission of the miners' original demands, with two amendments, and in case they are not a conditions at Naples were so much better yesterday that the people were almost incredulous of the tales of terror told by those who had escaped from the towns, villages and country farther within the zone of devastation. The weather was fine, and the wind had shifted so that the clouds of ashes from the volcano, instead of enveloping Naples, were carried in the direction of Caserta. The apprehension of the populace gave place to a smiling confidence in which there was no reflection of the terror, which had prevailed for the past week.

dant, From the presumed formation of the crater and other indications, and if the news coming to me is true of the cessation of lava at Boscotrease, I predict with reserve that in two of three days volcanic calm will reign."

The publication of this assuring despatch has brought joy to the people, and last night's Good Friday services at the churches, which were attended by large congregations, tood the same of the cessation of the conditions at Naples were so much better yesterday that the people were almost incredulous of the tales of terror told by those who had escaped from the towns, villages and country farther within the zone of devastation. The weather was fine, and the wind had shifted so that the clouds of ashes from the volcano, instead of enveloping Naples, were carried in the direction of Caserta. The apprehension of the populace gave place to a similing confidence in a root of the case in the direction of Caserta. The apprehension of the populace gave place to a similing confidence in a root of the case in the direction of the congregation will be commend a patent medicine, I can honestly of the populace gave place to a similing confidence in a root of the case in the volcano's fury. At Boscotrease, the exhumation of the dead is being carried on by soldiers, who, owing to the advanced state of decomposition of the coppese, are unable to work more than an hour at a time. The work is one of greats cost of money, as well as of danger and arduousness to those engaged in it. Many of the bodies are merely stappeless mes, while a dark of the populace gave in the composition of the coppese, are unable to work more than an hour at a time. The work is one of greats cost of money, as well as of danger and arduousness to those engaged in it. Many of the bodies are merely stappeless mes, while those engaged in it. Many of the bodies are merely stappeless mes, while those engaged in the work of recovering the coppess are puried in quicklime to lessen as far as may be the danger of epidemic. None but those engag the danger of epidemic. None but those engaged in the work of recov-ering the corpses are permitted in the

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The marriage of King Alfonso and The marriage of Ring Altonso and Princess Ena of Battenberg has been definitely fixed for June 1.

At Middletown, N. Y., Friday, Geo. Prior, an Englishman with wealthy parents, from whom he was long estranged, shot himself.

The Czar will not venture to open one Russian Parliament, but will read the measure from the throne to members.

crease in business resulting from the coal strike.

The Chicago & North Western laid off 500 employes. It was announced that the Chicago & Alton had dropped nearly 200 employes from the pay-roll. Four hundred mechanics of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois are now idle.

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and Russia against Germany.

The Canadian section of the International Waterways Commission has handed Premier Whitney copies of its proceedings, and has stated that the the Government of Ontario would be been considered.

the Government of Ontario would be kept acquainted with any action, and that there was no intention of interfering with the rights of Ontario.

London, England, general postoffice has notified the Canadian postal department that many cases of matches being mailed from this country to the Unitel Kingdom have been discovered. This is an offence for which the guilty party might become liable to imprisonment for life, and the department has decided to take strong steps to put a decided to take strong steps to put a stop to such acts.

Hardware Men Organize.

Toronto, April 14.—A practical step taken yesterday at a representative convention of hardware men, held at the Rossin House, was the formation of a body called the Retail Hardware of a body called the Retail Hardware and Stove Dealers' Association of Ontario. It is to be of value to the retailers in the maintenance of prices and the collection of debts. The following provisional officers were appointed: President, A. W. Humphreys; first vice-president, W. J. Scott (Mount Forest); second vice-president, J. R. Hambley (Barrie); treasurer, John Castor (Toronto); and secretary, Weston Wrigley. ton Wrigley.

The Benchers.

Toronto, April 14.—The final ballots have been counted in the election for the benchers of the Law Society. The votes case for the winning candidates

Strathy 822, Shepley 793, Wilson 768, Aylesworth 747, Lynch Staunton 715, Clarke 714, Ritchie 708, Maclennen 701, Henn 699, Guthrie 689, Gibbon 688 Chrysler 685, S. G. McKay 674, Bruc. 635, Hoskin 634, Kerr 624, White #03,

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Many other women are afflicted as she was. They can regain health in the same way. It is prudent to heed such advice from such a source.

Mrs. Pohlman writes:

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Mrs. Rachel Comer was the guest of her niece, Mrs. J. Fleming, Tuesday.

John McAllister and family moved to their new home on the 5th Qon., last week.

Samuel Ellis has engaged to work for Geo. Vail the coming season.

Mrs. Wm. Robbins is visiting her Dresden, spent a few days visiting her parents at home



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