

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Brothers Meet After Twenty Years' Separation—Lecture on Minerals—Co-operative Dairying.

Funeral of a Coal Miner—Interesting News From the Mainland Gold Fields.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7.—Theodore Wilson, brother of James Wilson, superintendent of the C.P.R. Telegraph Co., arrived today from Winnipeg. The brothers Wilson met for the first time in twenty years. They were formally introduced at the Vancouver station, each having grown out of the recollection of the other.

G. F. Monckton lectured on minerals last night. Each declaration of a scientific fact was followed by a test of the actual mineral in sight of the audience. Perhaps the most satisfactory test of the evening was for mercury. Cinnabar was ground to a powder, and then mixed with carbonate of soda mixed with it, the whole being put into the bowl of a common clay pipe, the bowl of the pipe being sealed with clay. The pipe was then thrust into a furnace, the end of the stem being placed in water. When the pipe became hot the mercury bubbled out of the stem in its native state, a bead forming at the bottom of the tub containing the water. This is a common field test. Mr. A. J. Colquhoun made the tests for copper, lead, bismuth, zinc and nickel.

Japanese Consul Nasse is to take a trip through Eastern Canada for the purpose of studying Canada's business methods, and to subsequently advertise Canada in Japan.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 8.—The health committee were surprised on opening the tenders for undertakers for the burials of unknown and pauper dead to find that one firm offered to inter bodies buried at the instance of the city for 20 cents each, and another for nothing. Nothing being the lowest tender it was accepted. Many theories have been advanced as to the cause of this readiness on the part of the undertakers to bury the city's dead. The only explanation forthcoming is that most of those who are thus buried belong to some friendly society, and once the body of such a member is in possession of the undertakers the society to which he belongs must pay full rates for interment. The National Cash Register Co. have opened a branch office here.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 7.—The stock for the Langley Co-operative Dairy Association has been nearly all subscribed, and the organization almost completed. After paying eight per cent. on paid up stock of the Association and all incidental expenses, the balance will be divided pro rata according to the percentage of butter fat contributed by the patrons of the association.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb. 8.—The following officers were elected at the Conservative Association meeting yesterday: President, W. B. Townsend; vice-presidents, P. M. Watson, W. Medley, B. McBroom, F. W. Banton, R. McBride; secretary, T. C. Atkinson, and treasurer, W. M. Gray.

Bishop Dart delivered a lecture last night on the "Times of Dr. Johnson." The speaker contrasted the present time socially, politically and morally with the times when Dr. Johnson lived.

At a meeting of the Delta Creamery Co. the following directors were elected: Messrs. E. Calhoun, W. H. Lader, R. Matheson and W. Pybus.

A special private meeting of the council was held last night. The business was further civic betterment.

The Boys' Brigade movement has been revived in New Westminster, all the Episcopal churches having taken up the matter.

E. L. Kirkland is confined to his home with illness.

Four cases of Martini-Henry rifles have arrived for use in No. 4 company B.C.R.G.A.

Herring's drug store, Columbia street, was destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. The flames from the burning whole building were in flames. In the block destroyed were J. Manson's tailor shop and F. S. De Grey's barber shop. Mr. De Grey, who slept over his shop, fearing he could not make his escape otherwise, jumped to the sidewalk below.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Feb. 7.—H.M.S. Pheasant sailed yesterday morning. The shortness of this her first visit is much regretted. Had she remained longer an effort would have been made to get up a football match between the Hornets and a warship team.

At the inquest into the death of William Gray, who was killed in Protection mine on Tuesday night, the evidence showed that the occurrence was the result of an unavoidable accident. The funeral took place this afternoon under the auspices of the I.O.O.F. and miners' union.

NELSON.

In Trilby claim, in the Skylark camp, a new lead of nearly four feet of galena has been opened.

A one-fourth interest in the Last Chance claim, located in Smith's camp, near the mouth of the Spokan, is offered for \$2,500. The ore is silver-lead, with a small value in gold.

W. A. Harrison came into town on Tuesday with specimens of good-looking quartz from two claims in the Upper Arrow Lake country. One claim the High Bluff, is actually on the shore of the lake, and the other, the Little Tuesday, is on the line of the N. & S. railway.

Charles King, geologist, and a party of

stockholders are inspecting the old Dominion mine, which has a daily capacity of 75 tons of second grade ore, which runs \$130 per ton. The first class ore runs much higher.

H. S. Earnest, superintendent of the Clugston creek iron claims, has closed a contract to furnish the Pilot Bay smelter 60 tons per week of iron ore. The Nelson smelter has also placed a trial order, which may lead to a large increase in business.

On Thursday afternoon it was found necessary to blow out the Nelson smelter in order to effect repairs. The new smelter at Trail Creek, which is expected to blow in next month, has 45,000 tons of \$30 Le Roi rock on hand. The smelter will have a capacity of 250 tons daily to start with.

MIDWAY.

Messrs. Mangot and McEachren are steadily sinking on the east vein on the Morning Star claim at Fairview, the ore gradually becoming of better quality as depth is attained.

Sheehan and Gwatkin's recent work on the Stenwinder claim at Fairview, has disclosed another ledge upon the property. The ore is pronounced superior to anything taken out of the ledges formerly worked upon.

Atwood and Wake are engaged developing the Silver King claim in Skylark camp, and the work done has given very satisfactory results. There are four distinct veins upon the claim, each of about six feet in width, and all covered with a heavy iron capping, through which surface crosscuts have been cut. This is a very promising property, and will no doubt prove itself of great value when more fully developed.

It is reported that Eastern capitalists have offered some of the parties holding claims on Kruger mountain, near Osoyoos, to put up some kind of reduction or smelting plant at a point near the mines, if a consideration be given in return of a half interest in all the claims held there.

VERNON.

A quantity of whitefish eggs have been shipped from the Fishery department of Ontario to the Coast, and it is intended to distribute them through the inland lakes of this province, Okanagan and Long lakes coming in for the lion's share. No lakes in Canada are more suited as a home for the whitefish than those of this district, which are both large in area and of great depth. With a little more judicious handling, there should be no difficulty in successfully planting them.

Messrs. Brown, McArthur and McLennan are steadily at work on their mineral claim near Larkin, and have done a good deal of blasting in stripping off the covering of the ledge. They will continue work during the remainder of the winter months.

A gun and rifle club has been organized at Kelowna, with the following officers: J. L. Fridham, president; T. W. Stirling, vice-president; H. Ross, secretary-treasurer. The club held its first meeting last week, when proposed amendments to the game act were discussed and it was generally held advisable to ask the government to prohibit the killing of prairie chickens altogether for the space of two years.

NO POLICY TO PRESENT

Sir Charles Tupper Declares the Cape Breton Election Was Mere Child's Play.

Canadians All Loyal to the Core, No Matter Their Party Connections.

HALIFAX, Feb. 7.—(Special)—The banquet to Sir Charles Tupper last night was largely attended. Sir Charles spoke for two hours, and although suffering from hoarseness made a vigorous address. He said it was with the greatest reluctance that he had re-entered Dominion politics. The relations between Sir Mackenzie Bowell and himself had always been and were now of most pleasant character. The battle in Cape Breton was merely child's play. The Liberals had flooded the country with able and brilliant men, but they had no policy to present. He took exception to a motto which formed part of the decorations; it was "Not looking to Washington." He did not approve of the motto because he believed that the people of Canada, without regard to party, were loyal to the core. When a note of England's danger was sounded, the entire Liberal press showed that all were ready to do and die for England. Whatever party was in power, England would find Canada standing at her back. Sir Charles left today for Ottawa.

TRADE IN CANADA.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: At Toronto jobbers report that general trade is quiet and unchanged and that the increased number of failures and the renewals of mercantile indebtedness had an unsettling effect. The same is reported from Montreal, but Halifax trade is better owing to an improvement in the weather and in the condition of the roads throughout Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. A snow blockade in Newfoundland has checked the distribution of merchandise in all lines. The number of business failures reported from Canada during the week is 49, as compared with 62 a week ago, 51 in the same week a year ago, 56 two years ago, 45 three years ago and 68 four years ago. The bank clearings for the Dominion of Canada for the week were: Montreal \$10,300,406; decrease 2.8 per cent.; Toronto \$8,714,918; increase 16.9 per cent.; Halifax \$1,270,980; increase 3.2 per cent.; Winnipeg \$1,069,228; increase 46.0 per cent.; Hamilton \$896,636; increase 2.8 per cent.; total, \$22,049,178; increase 2.2 per cent. as compared with \$21,700,000, and of 17 per cent. as compared with 1894.

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BOERS AND UTTLANDERS

Mr Chamberlain's Review of the Position of Affairs—Grievances Complain-d Of.

Suggestion to President Kruger to Come to England and Discuss Matters.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The despatch of the secretary of state for the colonies, Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, of Feb. 4, to the governor of Cape Colony, Sir Hercules Robinson, was gazetted this evening. It reviews the history of events in the Transvaal since 1891, and points out that the mining interests, the mainstay of the country, are mainly in the hands of the Uitlanders, who are debarred by legislation from the rights of citizenship, and in cases of their challenging the direction of affairs, and the right of taxation remain a monopoly in the hands of a decreasing minority of the population engaged in agriculture, whilst the majority, who raised the revenue from 275,000 to 2,000,000, are denied any voice in the government of the Transvaal, and are unable to obtain redress for the formidable grievances hampering and thus injuring them incessantly.

Mr Chamberlain emphasizes the pacific and above-board character of the Uitlanders' agitation and recalls that the Uitlanders' petitions were rejected by the Volksraad amid scorn and laughter, one member of that body challenging the Uitlanders to take up arms and fight. The massing of the Bechnanaad police at Mafeking did not cause anxiety as it was understood to be merely a rendezvous previous to disembarking. When it was suggested on December 25 that the Chartered Company's police might intervene at Johannesburg it appeared incredible, but Mr Chamberlain wired a warning to Governor Sir Hercules Robinson instructing him to warn Mr Cecil Rhodes, the Premier of Cape Colony, of the consequence. Unfortunately, Dr. Jameson had already entered the Transvaal.

The document then reviews the subsequent events which have led to the return of Cape Town, mentioning that President Kruger refused Governor Robinson's definite assurances that reforms would be granted the Uitlanders, and that the suspicion that there was a widespread conspiracy to overthrow the constitution, which Mr Chamberlain did not regard as an adequate reason. He then proceeds to state the position of Great Britain and her claims towards the Transvaal, already substantially published. The despatch then deals at length with the grievances of the Rand, and expresses Mr Chamberlain's belief that the difficulty of the naturalization franchise after five years' residence and the removal of the objectionable features of the oath of allegiance.

Mr Chamberlain then suggests the consideration of the following grievances: taxation, education and monopolies, and especially the exclusion of Uitlanders from the police, and proposes that the Rand be accorded modified local autonomy, and that the franchise be extended to all persons of legal age, and that the franchise be extended to all persons of legal age, and that the franchise be extended to all persons of legal age.

Mr Chamberlain further suggests that the Rand be also given a superior law court, and that the Randers be not entitled to a vote in the election of members of the President's election, thus relieving the burghers of their haunting fear that the new comers would utilize the franchise to upset their form of government. As the settlement of these and other details which are more easily settled by a personal conference, Mr Chamberlain suggests to President Kruger that, if it is convenient and agreeable to him, he should come to England.

A Times despatch from Pretoria expresses the opinion that the prisoners liberated on bail will not be allowed to proceed to Johannesburg. "It is most important," says the despatch, "from both a political and a military point of view, that these men should be permitted to return to their occupations." A draft of the press law was issued to-day compelling signature to all personal and political notices to be published, placing restrictions and penalties upon the press, and empowering the President to exclude foreign publications from the country.

The Times says: "While the trial in Pretoria is pending, the trial of Dr. Jameson and his officers, no public statement can be made on the Transvaal incidents."

Pretoria, Transvaal, Feb. 7.—The trial of the members of the reform committee, which began yesterday, was continued to-day. Jacobus Demeillon testified that the republican flag was hoisted on the gold fields office on December 28, and that he and his colleagues were all placed under arrest in the chamber of mines, where they ill-treated me and tried to frighten me by thrusting a gun before me. I am a thoughtful man an Englishman, but I am a free-born American citizen."

"What was the strength of the corps?" he was asked. "About a hundred, very few Americans." "What did you do?" pursued the examiner? "We did skirmish drill on the 'Randers' ground, but had no arms." "Who drilled you?" "Capt. Carlen." "Did you come in contact with the reform committee?" "No." Jerome Sharp was then placed under arrest and was asked, "Were you the lieutenant of the American corps?" He replied, "No, I only know of its existence through the newspapers."

REMEDIAL LEGISLATION

The Government Bill to Be Introduced in the Senate Early This Week.

Provision for Establishing a Catholic School Board—Outline of the Measure.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—The remedial bill will, it is expected, carry in the House of Commons by a majority ranging between 20 and 30. It is not thought that it can be less than 20. The government's majority in a full house is 44. P. seibly 30 or 31 Conservatives will vote against the second reading, but from 20 to 25 Quebec Liberals and 5 Ontario Liberals will vote for it, which will almost counterbalance the defections on the ministerial side.

Lieut.-Col. Peters has been granted the substantive rank of Lieut.-Col. from the date of his appointment as D.A.G.

The budget debate was continued by Sir C. H. Tupper, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Powell and Mr. Borden.

The government proposes to subsidize a fortnightly line of steamers from Canada to France and Belgium, granting \$50,000 a year for five years.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—In the Senate this afternoon Sir Mackenzie Bowell intimated that the remedial bill would be brought down either on Monday or Tuesday, and to-night Hon. Mr. Dickey, in his capacity of minister of justice, gives notice of the measure, which is to be intitled "The remedial act" (Manitoba). Your correspondent is now in a position to indicate the nature and scope of the proposed bill soon to become law.

In drafting in the Privy Council have been careful to avoid anything calculated to stir up animosity, whether it partakes of a religious character or takes the broader ground of non-interference with the provincial authority.

Starting out with the assumption that the Catholics of Manitoba have a just grievance, as any reasonably minded man must admit, which should be remedied, loyalty to the Mother Country is extremely grateful to us at the present juncture.

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Many Liberal members are disappointed at the conciliatory tone running through the remedial bill. They had hoped the measure would be a coercive one, and expected to make a great handle of it in the hangings. It is generally conceded that the strength of the bill lies in its moderation, and the fact of the effective guarantees provided for the best class of common school education is another source of disappointment to the Grits.

Sir Charles Tupper will arrive here on Monday. He will be given a great welcome by the Ottawa Conservatives.

An order has been passed reducing the price to the Columbia Drainage and Diking Company of 2,000 acres of land south of Lillooet river to a dollar per acre, owing to the losses sustained by the floods.

ALBERNI MINES.

ALBERNI, Feb. 6.—(Special)—Monday and Tuesday were both busy days in Alberni. The steamer Maude arrived on Monday and discharged considerable freight for this place; the Mischief arrived Tuesday with a large portable sawmill complete, also several yoke of oxen and a quantity of provisions. About twenty men came on her who are going to work on the Duke of York hydraulic claim.

The Cataract Hydraulic Co. put on a number of new men last week and work is progressing favorably. Mr. Stewart, foreman for the Cataract Hydraulic Co., had his hand badly torn on a sharp knot on Tuesday, while assisting in the construction of their new dam.

Pinkerton's pack train left for Mineral creek this morning with supplies for men at work on the Last Dollar, and also for the N. A. Gold Mining Co., who are hard at work on China creek.

A. F. Gleason came down from Mineral creek to-day and reports the snow almost all gone in that locality.

CANADIAN PATRIOTISM.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—All of the newspapers this afternoon comment upon the resolutions of loyalty introduced by Mr. McNeil, which were adopted by the Canadian House of Commons on Wednesday. The papers pay a tribute to the patriotism displayed by the members of both political parties.

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