Aborocco a subsidiary companies, while the best method of realizing on these investments is receiving close consideration. The liabilities constitute the great to the liquidator's difficulties. These are about 114,000 passbooks, each showing a liability. The proving of these claims, the report states, is bound to be an expensive matter, but the strates and cheapenst way is to the whole it must be admitted that ections in old Country
the -interest of peace, and after many patient exchanges, it was believed that finally he had succeeded. But, while he induced President Castro to withdraw a note refusing to do business with M. Taigny, which the Freeh government re-garded as offensive, the could not prevail upon Presidest Castro to resume his of-ficial relations with the French charge. The Clinery Castro to resume his of-tical relations with the French charge. The Clinery Castro to resume his of-tical relations with the French charge. Morocco a bound to be an expensive matter, but the simplest and cheapest way is to send the passbooks 'and certificates direct to the National 'Irust Company or to the local receiving agents. As they are received they are listed and filed to await the order of the court. No fewer than 1,500 books per day were coming in over the counter at The Climax Came British Diplomats Not Deceived Liberals Make an Encouraging by Germany's Pacific Start by Winning Former **Conservative Seats.** Professions. were coming in over the counter at ROYAL CITY NEWS. A Remarkable Feature Is Aban-Believed That the Rival Nations the time the report was written, while donment of Many Seats Views Cannot Be Easily by Unionists. Reconciled. There is Very Little Betting on the General Results of

Reconciled, Reconciled, Itelian and German Delegates Hope for a Peaceful Solution. THE LAKE CARRIERS. Prosident of Association Delivers His Report on the Season's Work. Defroit Jan, 11.—President William interviews with German diplomaty in which they say that German diplomaty in they laws (concerned at his germany. They have, lowwer, and other officials of the conference, and attric-tor a frame for the cake of the conference, and attric-tor de remany. They drave, his considered that they still of the powers will uphold the regard to the possibility of the withdrawal attring firs construction. President thing is construction. President they self certain will support the gars ment not to give France conference, and antici-ter orgenames. There readiment of the claim to of the possibility of the withdrawal attring the claim to of the association. The report showed a total of fails they self certain will support the gars. There at Britain will support the gars. The season of 1905 was an uppre-teronto of that cont the control of the claim to of the conserved. The season of 1905 was an uppre-tere the fortice the conterence and for the control the fortice of 1905. The season of 1905 was an uppre-tere the fortice the season difference in the cont of the claim to of the control of the conter of the conter of the conter of the conter they will certainly will support the gars. The report showed a total of fails the conserve the season of 1905 was an uppre-terent of the same of the chaint or of

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The Italian Delegation Paris, Jan. 12.—The Marquis Vis-count 1 Venesta, head of the Italian delegation to the Moroccan conference at Algecira, arrived here from Rome last night. He had a short interview with Premier Bouvier and was after-wards received by Prince Von Rado lin, the German ambassador, with whom he conferred for an hour. The Echo De Paris this morning says that its representative had an interview with the Marquis on the train between Dijon and Paris and that the Italian statesman authorized the following statement: lin, the German ambassador, with Experiment of a management of the management of the

New York, Jan. 12.-A Berlin de-spatch to The Herald dated Thursday

spatch to The Herald dated Finleshy says: "Prince Buelow left here for Rome this evening. I saw him before he started and he authorized me to make the following communication: "Neither his majesty, the Kaiser, nor anybody else in Germany dreams of France at the slightest pressure upon Franceat the estiphtest pressure upon Franceat the expense of French nation-al dignity at the conference where there should be neither conquerors or consured."

of Germany. In official/circles it is considered that the views of France and Germany with regard to the policing of Morocco can not be reconciled. Germany, they be leve, will certainly hold to her agree-ment not to give France control of in-tains should be left to her. France will contend-for this particumer almost as strongly as she will her claim to con-trol the frontier guards. Great Britain will support the con-trol the frontier guards. Great Britain will support the con-trot the powers except Germany desire to send troops to Morocco. The powers are prepared, it is understood, to depend on France for the protection of inter-ests of foreigners in Morocco. No-sreart difficulties are anticipated with and France on this point are not wide by divergent. The falian Delegation The falian Delegation Ottawa, Jan. 12.—(Special)— One of the biggest mining deals of recent years is on the tapis. A number of Toronto capitalists have been incorporated as the Canadian Consolidated Mines, Limited, with a capital of \$5,500,000 and headquarters in Toronto.

Toronto. The company intends to amal-gamate the St. Eugene and Cen-tre Star mines, the Trail smelter and the Rossland Power Com-Confessed Incendiary Pleads Insanity and Refunds Insurance Money.

Catskill, N. Y., Jan. 11.-Arthur Catskill, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Arthur Jeune of this village, who confessed to a missionary in Brooklyn last week that in June, 1900, he had fired his own house while temporarily insane and was not entitled to the insurance money paid him by the Farmers Mu-tral Fire Insurance Company, today

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Splendid Showing In Financial

Infamous Practice Revealed by New York Weights Inspector. New York, Jan. 11.—Charges that the poor of New York receive as low as 10 1-2 ounces for a pound from dis-honest dealers and that a great well or-

VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST, TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1906.

Contest.

The Climax Came on New Year's day, when the French government, supposing that a satisfact-ory settlement had been reached, receiv-ed with usual honor of the New Year reception the Venezuelan minister at Paris, only to learn that President Cas-tro had refused to do likewise for M. Taigny at Caracas. This omission touched the pride of the French govern-ment, which felt it had been made the victim of double-dealing and deceit, which fact the French ambassador in Washington was not slow to communi-cate to the American state department. Mr. Russell reported his failure to ef-fect a settlement, thereby making him-self unpopular in Caracas, and then came notice from the French government that diplomatic relations with Venezuela were completedly severed. There is a hint of punitive measures on the part of France, and the situation is regarded officially as unpleasant, with possibilities of serious consequences. **Cable Communication Broken**

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Cable Communication Broken Washington, Jan. 12.—The American state department has been advised that cable communication with Venezuela has been suspended. Paris, Jan. 12.—Though M. Beau-bourguet, the Venezuelan charge d'at-t faires, has not yet received his passports, diplomatic relations between France and Venezuela are considered to have been broken off. There is no question for the present of a naval demonstration, but t there is no doubt that the French gov-ernment intends to have the fullest rec-ognition of and respect for its rights. An official note issued tonight says that al-though an ultimatum has not been sent to Venezuela. France cannot tolerate much longer President Castro's refusal to the French demands without consider-ting the advisability of taking stronger means to enforce them. Ing a settlement around the mill, which would result in drawing trade away from the city. As one or two other industries are about to be established in the same vicinity New Westminster intends making strenuous efforts to secure tramway connection without delay.
 A New Hospital.
 Mayor Keary has set on foot a scheme for replacing the present wooden structure used for the Royal Columbian Hos.
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Dominion **News** Notes

vention at Ottawa.

Striking Printers in Montreal

Gazette Office Return

to Work,

The Western Retail Lumbermen

Meet and Elect Their

Officers.

Tokio, Jan. 12.—Gen. Oku, who com-manded the left army during the war with Russia, made a triumphant entry into Tokio this morning. The general, who was accompanied by his staff, drove in the carriage to the palace. The great-est enthusiasm was maifested by the people who lined the route. Cries of "Nanshan" and "Taling" greeted the general, who isolated Port Arthur at a critical stage of the campaign. **Resolutions Passed at Conclud-**Ing Session of Forestry Con-AFFAIRS IN SAN DOMINGO.

GEN. OKU AT TOKIO.

San Domingo, Jan. 12.-Gen. Morales' San Domingo, Jan. 12.—Gen. Morales resignation as president of Santo Do-mingo was tendered and accepted late today. He will leave this city on board the United States gunboat Du-buque, bound for Porto Rico. The change in the government does not im-peril the negotiations for a treaty be-tween Santo Domingo and the United States. Gen. Ceceres is favorably in-clined towards the ratification of the clined towards the ratification of agreement reached

HEAVY SNOWFALL.

O TTAWA, Jan. 12.—The Dominion forestry convention which has been in session for the past three days, closed this afternoon with the adoption of certain resolutions which had been carefully drafted by the repre-sentative committee. Biggest Storm in Years at Points Along the East Coast.

t Nanaimo, Jan. 12 — (Special)— The heaviest snowfall in ten years fell at Cumberland yesterday aud to-day, there being already two feet with no signs of abatement. Steamers have been de-layed at Union Bay severai hours ow-ing to the intensity of the snowstorm which blew up Baynes Sound this morn-ing and developed into a blinding bliz-zard, making navigation impossible for a time.

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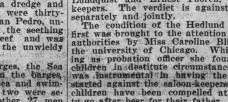
Report Furnished to Pres

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the following particulars of we Panama canal: Conditions thmus of Panama and thmus of Panama and the which is being made on the enterprise before the Canal Cor vere set forth in the annual that body for the year ending 1. submitted to President Ro According to the day. According to the re-work up to this time has been mostly to the preparatory although some excavation been in progress which will of usein making estimates cost of future excavation.

cost of future excavation. The members of the commission impressed upon their first visit isthmus with the necessity of the preparation along several lines work would proceed to advantage listhmus must be made healthy be ough sanitation, proper quarter food must be 'provided for en-and adequate terminal facilities re-constructed for the handling of s-and material. In order to ma-Isthmus a fit place to live and re-

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"Germany stands for equality of op-""Germany stands for equality of op-portunity in the trade of Morocco, the open door for all nations alike, and if this principle be accepted by others, I expect the conference will have a suc-cessful issue. Germany seeks no ad-vantages which are not to be secured by all alike."

Steady Emergence of Province From Recent Financial Embarrassment.

Statement Handed Down by Government.

vantages which are not to be secured by all alike." YORK COUNTY LOAN. Official Report of Assets and Liabilities Issued by Liquidator. The local receiving agents of the the steady emergence of the government trom its financial embarrassment. The

The local receiving agents of the year amounted to statistic county Loan shareholders have the year amounted to statistic county Loan shareholders have the year amounted to statistic county Loan shareholders have the year amounted to statistic county Loan shareholders have the year amounted to statistic county Loan shareholders have the year amounted to statistic county loan shareholders have the year amounted to statistic count of the year amounted to statistic count of the statistic count of the year amounted to statistic count of the year amount of the year amounted to statistic count of the year amounted to statistic count of the year amounted to statistic count of the year

The report states that the Ontario government has appointed a commis-sioner to investigate the affairs of the York County and his labors will be taken full advantage of by the liquida-tion firm, which has asked for a copy of the commissioner's report as soon as it is ready. This will reduce Speaking of the assets, the liquid-Speaking of the assets, the liquid.

of the commissioner's report as soon as it is ready. This will reduce winding-up expenses to some extent. Speaking of the assets, the liqui-dator's interim report states that the bankrupt company's books have not been balanced for some time and the loan accounts are very complicated. The amount due in loans is estimated at about \$150,000, but on the date of the report (January 3) the liquidator's inter al estate consists of 43 house properties and a large area of vacant real estate possessing from eight to ten miles of street frontage, on which plans have never been filed. As the

New York, Jan. 11. Control of the service as low mons. Some eighty candidates, Labor-mons. Some eighty candidates, Labor-mons. Some eighty candidates, Labor-mons. Some eighty candidates, Labor-mons. Some eighty candidates, Labor-tes and Socialists, are running. First Blow to Chamberlain The wich, which in 1886 gave the first electorate decision against (Eddstone's to day by the chief of the bureau of weights and measures, Patrick Derry, frauds have spread among butchers, grocers, fish peddlers, poultry dealers, coal dealers and produce merchants. The in his annual report. It is stated the member, is a barrister and land owner frauds have spread among butchers, and was considered a good candidate in 1885 to be put up against Gladstone in 1885 to be put up against Gladstone in the famous Midlothian campaign. He charges are based upon the examination during the past year of over fifty thousand scales and more than 126, 000 weights. The polling was unusually heavy,

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Properties of the French Cable Company.

Attack by President Castro on

ASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 12.— Although the present breach in the diplomatic relations be-tween France and Venezuela.is

Winnipeg, Jan. 12.—The Seed grain special train, which is giving demonstra-tions of the value of good seed and how to secure it, before farmers at all points along the C. P. R. system, s meeting with the greatest approval of farmers. The attendance at lectures so far has averaged 113 farmers driving from ten to thirty miles to be present. Lumbermen Meet

 The pair of over than 126; one weights.
 A DARING ROBBERY.
 New Jersey Man Turne His Back and Losses Ten Thousand Dollars.
 Newark, N. J., Jan: 12.—A daring robbery occurred today in the National Banking Company's bank, when a stachel containing several thousand dollars disappeared from the boltant to speak with a friend. Superintendent full was such as the stachel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the company's bank to the ophate the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the company's bank to the company's to the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the company's bank to the stockel have no clue. Laban Dennis, secretary of the stockel have the bank about noon tody to draw the the company's bank to the company's bank Lumbermen Meet The annual meeting of the Western Retail Lumberman's association, heid yesterday in Eureka hall, was largely attended. Aktogether sixty members of the association answered to the 'roll call. J. L. Campbell, of Melita, the re-tiring president, was in the chair. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, D. E. Sprague; vice president R. W. Gibson; secretary-treasurcr, Isaac Cockburn; directors, W. H. Dun-can, Regina, Mr. Mergen, Weyburn; Mr. Mellicks, Dundurn; Geo. Rogeas, Lethoridge; G. E. Davidson, Beimond; J. Hedderly, Dauphin; B. Pruze, Bar-teford; Mr. Clarke, Edmonco; Hon., W. H. Cushing, Calger; J. Har, Ar-cia; A. H. Foulds, Carnduff; W. H. Williams, Winnipeg; D. S. McDonald, Pheusant Hills.

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