MINERS AND OPERATORS ARE UNABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT

Late Reports from Fernie Conference Indicate Serious Hitch--Mr. Cushing Advises Settling in Public's Interests---Sir Wm. Mulock Appointed as Third Arbitrator---- Mackenzie King on the Ground to see That Law is Enforced---New Act Does not Take Away Men's Right to Strike After Report of Investigation.

(From Our Own Man.)

Fernie, B.C., April 24, 1.15 o'clock.—The conference has just adjourned. The situation has taken change for the worse since last night. It is evident that there is a hitch somewhere. Vice-Presdient Lewis, of the International Board of the U. M. W. of A., interviewed, states that beyond considerable talking, no tangible offer has yet been made by the operators.

Mr. Cushing frankly states that it is time the parties to the dispute understood that the matter now be decided in the interests of the public. ASK FOR FURTHER ADJOURNMENT.

Fernie, B.C., April 24., 2 p.m.-The operators have asked for further adjournment of the conference from 1.30 to 3 p.m. It is thought that they are considering the miners' proposal, and are having difficulty in agreeing

Fernie, B.C., April 23—The situation is at present unchanged from yesterday. The district board of miners held a meeting at 9 o'clock this morning and drafted a telegram to the minister of labor, as follows:

"Message of Western Coal Operators' Association, sent by you vesterday to know the wishes of the operators, wanted to know the attitude of the miners. On this point Sherman said, personally, he did not care, to which statement Lindsey the same of the operators, wanted to know the statement Lindsey that the same of the operators, wanted to know the statement Lindsey that the said, "in all legislation penalties must be fixed, but in this case the penalty is not an outstanding feature. The government's main idea is to bring the parties together." Association, sent by you yesterday sharply retorted that the answer did not help matters any. The operation had failed to achieve any-

fect on 10th May. Concerning the notice of change which the mine workers had given, we would point

Situation Imp the Western Coal Operators' association at Calgary, when the Operators during recess tonight elicited the fact that the situation is comewhat improved although the itself. The notice given to the association was repeated to each of the companies, but all of these notices the operators. Both sides state that if they are left alone a settlement will probably be reached, but the final result will not be reached by tonight

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the miners have no right to strike. The law does not take away this right, but says, before striking there perty, \$26,000. ght, but says, belofe satisfies a perty, \$2 and the miners are at perspect is made the miners are at perspect is made the miners are at perspect to the person of the pers fect liberty to strike. I should say that if the right to strike was taken away it would certainly deprive them of individual liberty. Being a new asure it is only natural that there uld be a great many erroneous inions in regard to it. I have no doubt that as soon as the men un-derstand the act they will think the same as the leaders. The law has only to be understood to be approv-

if parties interested in the trouble did not make use of the law he did

TO OPERATORS' TELEGRAM

thing this district took immediate steps to bring all the operators and the employees together under the Conciliation Act, and, as you are aware, a request in each case was sent to severe delivered in the entropy of the manner of laborators and the manner of laborators are described by the misconstruction placed upon the meeting by Mr.Lindstep of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators in reply to the minimum of laborators in reply to the minimum of laborators in reply to the minimum of laborators and vice-President Lewis interposed, and said that seeing the misconstruction placed upon the meeting by Mr.Lindstep of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators in reply to the minimum of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators in reply to the minimum of laborators in reply to the telegram of laborators displace what had been done. the difficulty. Lewis Stockett, operator of the Baankhead mines, agreed peared in the newspapers both as to Notice of Wage Reduction.

"Furthermore, the operators, who should have been able to gauge the sentiment of the men in such a case, promulgated a notice reducing wages. Such reduction was to take effects. Such reduction was to take effects. Such reduction was to take effects. your telegram he is unable to state minister is grateful for information somewhat improved although the n every way possible the proceedings of the board of conciliation and the operators. Both sides state that investigation."-F. A. Ackland, secre

ers sought peace the operators gave battle. They are, therefore, responsible for the whole trouble.—F. H. Sherman, president district No. 18."

THE PRESS EXCLUDED

The convention met at 2 p.m. in the miners said the new law tool of the miners said the new law tool of the miners said the new law tool of the miners and the new law tool of the miners of the miners and the new law tool away the only weapon of the mention was decidedly improved. Sherman on behalf of the miners in the minds of some, in the minds of some in the minds of some, in the minds of some in the minds of some, in the minds of some in the minds of some, in the minds of some in the mi ers said he understood that they were the parties to accept the findings of now that the trouble is practically met in formal conference, and wanted the board of investigation and that over.

EXPENDITURE OF THREE ITALIAN OVER \$300,000 COUNTERFEITERS

A MILLION INVOLVED.

Boston, Mass. 26.-The amount ac-

tually involved in the settlement of

the copper range litigation is sub-

A \$350.000 Fire.

Springfield, Ohio, April 23-The Indianapolis Frorg and Swith company,

a manufacturing concern owned by N. H. Fairbanks and operated by his brothers, C. N. Fairbanks and his

estimate the damage done to the arsenal by yesterday's fire at \$900,000.

Retired Stock Unissued

Will Send Delegate to Hague.

Associated Press Despatch.

Captured at Buffalo. Spurious Money was Shipped in From Italy.

The ratepayers of the city will be The men under arrest are Gaetani sked to endorse on May 27 six money Smenzo, Dominico Suraci and Francylaws representing an expenditure of cesco Suraci. The latter two are bylaws representing an expenditure of over \$300,000. These bylaws were read and passed by the city council United States Secret Service Officers at the adjourned session of the council last night. They are as follows: Superintendent of Police Michael cil last night. They are as follows: Working on a clue discovered sev For electric light and power plant, eral months ago, the secret service

men kept close watch on express For cost of scavenging machinery, building, etc., \$22,000.

For the new fire halls, fire alarm money was being shipped from Villa system, and apparatus, \$41,000. Sangovanna, province of Calbria, A Replacing expenditure from current package addressed to Gaetano Smen-account on improvements, \$23,565. Replacing expenditure from current zo arrived at New York last wed count on improvements, \$23.565.

For surplus cost of the erection of Smenzo called at the express office Smenzo called at the nackage. He the isolation hospital, \$10,000.

The proposed bylaw to grant a

bonus of \$50,000 to the Public Hospital was shelved. Alderman Gariepy an quarter which was immediately objected to its being passed until after a report was received from the ice brothers were placed under arcommittee considering the applications of the Edfoston General and dispriord Herstal the Edfoston General and Misericordi Hospitals for grants. He pointed out that the Public Hospital caused the treasury officers months of bard labor to the open caused the treasury officers months of bard labor to the open caused the treasury officers months of bard labor to the open caused the treasury of the did not require the money at present.

The board had stated to the council that it would not ask the city to make ed up upon default of bail. the appropriation until the new building was completed.

Alderman Macauley strongly advocated the immediate passing of the bylaw. He considered it essential to the health of the city that addition-

total amount involved is, therefore, Alderman Macauley's motion was figured as \$840,000, with four years' m a two-thirds vot of the interest, or approximately \$1,000,000.

Mayor Griesbach voting. The title of the Copper Range Comupon a two-thirds pany to this entire amount has been A bylaw for the closing of a por-ion of the lane in block 2, R.L. 12, of the settlement, the papers confirmat the rear of lots 11, 12, 13, 14 and ing which were signed to-day by all those interested parties.

SWEPT OVER FALLS.

Two White Men and Two Negroes Were Drowned at Raleigh.

for the appointment of a conciliation board had been made.

Non-Union Men Out, Too.

"The miners in asking for a conciliation board wanted to have their disputes adjusted in that way, and, but for the action of the operators the status one would have been preserved and all mines have continued working. We wish to emphasize the fact which has not heretofore been with the action of heretofore been to board wanted to have their fact which has not heretofore been to board wanted to have their disputes adjusted in that way, and, but for the action of the operators the fact which has not heretofore been to board wanted to have their disputes adjusted in that way, and, but for the action of the operators the fact which has not heretofore been to board wanted to have their sult will not be reached by tonight.

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F. A. Ackland, secretary of the department of labor, stated tonight that so far as the conference which adjourned tonight at 11 o'clock until 10 a.m. tomorrow, is concerned, both sides are talking upon the general subjects of the conference, but no thing definite has been arrived at.

The operators on being pressed for the men were in a score laborers. The men were in a score the falls, four men were drowned in burned late tonight. N. H. Fairbanks said the loss would reach \$350,000. He could not state what in-

London, April 22—The draw for the ladies' golf championship games which begins at Newcastle, Ireland, May 6, took place here today. Out of the 110 entries there are only two Americans, the Misses Harriet S. and Americans, the Misses Harriet S. and first round. Neither of the British players have done anything remarkwill not defend the title.

TO PLAY FOR POOL CHAMPION-

purse of \$500 will be begun here to-

desire to negotiate.

SALARIES OF JUDGES. In Alberta and Saskatchewan

worth, providing for the salaries of the supreme co judges and district co judges in Alberta and & katchewan. was passed the supreme court and district court

tice in each province is fixed at \$7,000, and that of the puisne judges at \$6,000. Five © district judges for Alberta and © eight for Saskatchewan will © receive \$2,500 for the first © three years, and \$3,000 thereafter.

55 PAGES OF CAMPAIGN LITERATURE. LESS THAN TWO PAGES OF DEBATE

On Public Business. Proportionate Attention Paid by Opposition to Canada's Business and Their Own Political Troubles. Borden and his Cohorts Continue to Block Public Business by Unending and Irrelevant Oratory

(From Our Own Correspondent

wilfrid left for England all legisla-husky talkers, rejoicing in this w tion of a contentious character was questionable parliamentary privile to stand over, and it was understood and the wonder is not that session that all reasonable effort would be are so long but that the House ev the Government and its supporters tions of the weather. Shake been concerned the understand winter lingers in the lap ng has been fulfilled. There has al- so long will our respected legisla jost important and pressing nature maple by continuing the here today and got the package. He on the programme—business which must in any event be concluded before the House adjourns. "The esti-mates" for the various departments have been regularly on the order paper and the daily object has been to of hard labor to locate from whence subjects and when such have been motion attaching blame to the Gov brought up by the Opposition have ernment for not having introduce onspicuously refrained from speech- election-law reform legislation making, even when the opportunity sumed about an hour and vantage to the enemy.

Side-Tracking Public Business. There has been no such course the copper range litigation is sub-vided at once. The city was paying enormous sums each week for the care of patients from outside points

the copper range litigation is sub-stantially \$1,000,000. The original amount of the Tri-Mountain debt was seach week for the care of patients from outside points

**S40,000. Prior to the filing of the suit A. C. Burrage had already paid to say that these gentlemen have care or patients from outside points suit, A. C. Burrage had already paid to say that these gentlemen have because of the lack of hospital accommodation.

suit, A. C. Burrage had already paid to say that these gentlemen have plied in a forty-five minute speed evinced a pronounced determination evidently supposing a division work. a request in each case was sent to sey declared that the meetings had you. Instead of co-operating with the employees in having the disputes settled that way, the operators, as you know, raised technical objections and the disputes are guests. Both sides were know, raised to displace what had been done.

The Mayor pointed out that while the content of that debt \$300,000 to be vinced a pronounced determination to the Copper Range company, and he to blockade and postpone business better be closed.

The Mayor pointed out that while the other bylaws were urgent, this might very easily be delayed for a settled that way, the operators, as you know, raised technical objections and the displace what had been done. the public ears or read well in the den. press. That at the present juncture they have the best of reasons for considering it pressingly neessary to say something either discreditable of the George Oscar Alcorn, a leather ded gentlemen from Prince Ed selves no one will deny; but as to was not satisfied with either whether the country will look with Borden's review or Mr. Lennox's approval on the side-tracking of pub- tailed account. Nothing but the evi tailed account. Nothing but the evil-tic business to provide opportunity to retrieve the fortunes of the Con-servative party at the country's ex-the weary members strolled about the corridors he read to the hansard pense is another question-and one for which the Opposition appear to have supreme disregard. How It Is Done.

It is one of the unavoidable weaknesses of our form of government that however important the business on the order paper for the day any supply and the success member of the House has the absolute and indisputable power to pre-the fact that though the members sat New Haven, Apl. 24—It is practically settled that Yale will be represented at the American Henley at Philadel

ity-particularly oratory of the political ottawa, April 17.—If the present occurrence for an able-bodied parli ssion of parliament does not linger mentarian to expand his alleged of inion throughout an entire afternoon or the greater part of an evening si exercised by both sides to allow the session to close that Mr. Fielding an understood thing that the length hight reach London as early in the of a session depends less on the vonierence as possible. So far as ume of business than on the cond

offered for making political capital which should have been spent and when default might give an adreporters questions and answers from divers and sundry witnesses which occupy fifteen closely printed pages of hansard.

Mr. Foster Tries to Shift Responsibility for Coal Shortage from Railway Companies to the Consumers and Mine Operators---He Declares Consumers Should Have Put in a Supply

Ottawa, April 17.—The trouble in the western coal mines occupied the western coal mines occupied the west tonight to negotiate matters. Americans, the Misses Harriet S. and Margaret Curtis, of Massachusetts. The Insurance Commission passed some pretty severe censure on the business methods of Mr. Foster and censure in the coffers of the Union Trust? The Insurance Commission passed some pretty severe censure on the business methods of Mr. Foster and censure is will meet Miss's Robertson in the Drewry and Chipman trophies.

Stewart, Ross and Smith. All the western coal mines occupied the west tonight to negotiate matters. West tonight to negotiate matters. The Minister of the Interior resolution of the Frank Board Chipman trophies.

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Remedies Proposed.

a trained nurse, when she refused to marry him, was sentenced to serve one year in jail. Davidge fell in love with Miss Wilbert a year ago.

Mr. D. W. Bole, M.P., of Winnight this the miners had been able to work neg, brought up the matter, reading only half time or less and it would have been a miracle if the miners with Miss Wilbert a year ago.

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Tangier, April 22.—The reply of the Sultan of Morocco to France's demands for redress in connection with

all the French claims but shows a of railroad service. Mr. John Herron, of Alberta, had

Labor Men Protest. Mr. Veriville of Maisonneuve and Ralph Smith, of Nanaimo, registered Consumer. protests against the proposal to re-strict the individual liberty of the

Some Exaggeration. Hon. R. Lemieux protested against ters and the company he said should what he considered exaggerations of not be condemned on the testimon the situation. He had received a wire from the Calgary Board of Trade secretary saying that freight traffic was retary saying that freight traffic was to blame and asked: "What would we have the secretary saying that freight traffic was to blame and asked: "What would we have the secretary saying that the secretary saying saying the secretary saying Augusta, Maine, April 22.—The au-suspended and passenger traffic thorized capital stock of the Nipissing would be tied up in a few days. This Mines Company was reduced one half statement had been explicitly denied by a C.P.R. official. to \$6,000,000 at an adjourned meeting of the company to-day. There was no opposition. The \$6,000,000 of stock had quit work but there was neither strike nor lockout and such conditions about the represented as ex-Some miners in Fernie and Coleman declared,

Mine operators had posted a notice Santo Domingo, Republic of San Domingo, April 22—Congress today authorized the government to accept the invitations to send a delegation Act prevented such action had taken

Mine operators had posted a notice that a new scale of wages would go into effect on May 10th, and the miners not understanding that the new the invitations to send a delegation Act prevented such action had taken

to the second peace conference at The Hague, and Francisco Henriquise Mr. Sherman has apparently been Carjal and Apolinar Tejera were appointed to represent San Domingo at the conference.

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From Our Own Correspondent in the tect them from autocratic action of the operators. The Minister announced that Mr.

The Minister of the Interior read resolution of the Frank Board of LOVE-LORN ACTOR GETS A YEAR.

New York, April 22.—Wm. A. Davidge, an actor, who a few weeks ago. caused by the failure of the railway Mr. D. W. Bole, M.P., of Winni-this the miners had been able to work

neither information to give nor remedy to propose but wanted something been negligence to lay in a supply

workman to join what organization he the Government for not taking action pleased. They wanted the law enforced against both parties. nor the company could remedy think in Eastern Canada if every on "The people of the West howl," he declared, "but they should exercise common judgment in buying before the pinch of cold weather Operators Also Condemned

The operators, Mr. Foster though were in no worse condition than AmVOL. V.

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THE PARTY UNDERTAKES TO DEFEND FOSTER BUT WITHOUT ENTHUSIASM

Colonel Hughes Declares That Land for Which Union Trust Paid \$5.00 per Acre was not Worth \$3.50----His Defence of Fowler et al is Absurd in the Face of it.

Press Gallery.

The interval, it appeared, had neither enabled Mr. Foster to discover more valid grounds of offense against the commission, nor had it materially improved his standing among his friends. His second speech was conspicuously wanting in the vigor which characterized the former, while there was a most noticeable lack or supporting applause from his colleagues. Though the latter to the number of fifty voted to condemn the commission and to vindicate Mr. Foster, they did so without enthusiasm and imany cases with ill-concealed reluctance, like men apologizing to their better judgment for obeying the call of party loyalty. The net result of his second sortie, was to demonstrate that, however unwillingly, the Opposition are prepared to undertake to defend Mr. Foster the country for his financial record as manager of the Union Trust.

An Unintended Condemnation.

"one occasion, that they rather bun-"coed Messrs. Fowler and Pope were such a large "wholesale transaction." Well, if Messrs. Fowler and Pope were "buncoed" in paying \$3.50 for the land what was the fate of the Union Trust Company which was made to put up \$5.00 per acre on the lands? If the pope and Fowler were form the Foresters of Canada. If Messrs. Pope and Fowler were open to censure as bad business men in buying the land for speculative that, however unwillingly, the Opposition are prepared to undertake to the said of the business acumen of Mr. Foster in buying the lands at 5.00 per acre. And if it was unwise for Pope and Fowler to undertake to be said of the business acumen of Mr. Foster in buying the lands at 5.00 per acre. And if it was unwise for Pope and Fowler of the Russo-Japanese war.

Paint Guns Dull Grey.

Berlin, April 25.—Emperor William has ordered that gun carriages and ammunition wagons of the German prockets wherein was either the justice or wisdom of Mr. Foster in undertake to pay \$3.50 per acre from their own pockets wherein was either the justice or wisdom of Mr. Foster in undertake to pay \$3.50 per acre from their own pockets wherein wa

From Our Own Correspondent in The ed, unintentionally, of course, by \$3.50, then comment either condemnatory or defensive is altogether su-Colonel Samuel Hughes. In his anxi- perfluous. ety to extenuate Messrs. Fowler et al Ottawa, April 18.—Exasperated by the dismal failure of his former effort, and chagrined that only sixteen of his fellow Conservative members had then attested their confidence in had then attested their confidence in prised when I learned of this ar-

had then attested their confidence in his integrity, Mr. Foster again essayed to attack the Royal Insurance Commission yesterday. The attack was introduced by the customary discharge of blank cartridges from Mr. Houghton, Lennox followed by an introduced by the customary discharge of blank cartridges from Mr. Houghton, Lennox followed by an oratorical cavalry demonstration by Colonel Samuel Hughes. These pre-liminaries over, Mr. Foster re-delivered in altered language a considerable portion of his last weaks' speech. The interval, it appeared, had neither enabled Mr. Foster to discover more valid grounds of offense against the customary discharge of blank cartridges from Mr. Houghton, Lennox followed by an oratorical cavalry demonstration by Colonel Samuel Hughes. These pre-liminaries over, Mr. Foster re-delivered in altered language a considerable portion of his last weaks' speech. The interval, it appeared, had neither enabled Mr. Foster to discover more valid grounds of offense against the customary discovered the customs of the business and commercial conditions of the country. He said: "I have no fears as to the future. The country demonstration by "had gone up, but the retail price of "lands at that time was only \$3.50 an "acre, and my own opinion is, and I was nover so prosperous before and the future looks bright." Questioned as to the two-cent fare for railrods, he replied: "I am not in favor of it. It was Mr. Hawley's seventh balloon trip and Mr. Atherall's third.

Loss in Fire at Toulon, \$900,000.

Associated Press Despatch. Toulon, April 24.—The authorities of the country. He said: "I have no fears as to the future looks bright." Questioned as to the two-cent fare for railrods, he replied: "I am not in favor of it. It will hurt the railroads, for there is no profit in passenger traffic and this will prove to be a great injury."

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which at least opens up for question players have done anything remark-the ethical phase of this species of able heretofore. Mrs. Kennyon, the financing; but nothing that the commission has said reflects upon either his ability or his morals as does this declaration of his would-be defender. If Mr. Foster paid from the funds of the Union Trust Company \$5.00 per acre for land which was not worth \$3.50, then comment either condemnatory or defensive is altogether su-

New York, April 25.—Just before he sailed for Europe today, George J. Gould was asked his views on the business and commercial conditions of the country. He said: "I have a

Ottawa, April 23.—The resolution the Hon. A. B. Ayles-

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