

Alaskan Boundary

Canada Carries Her Point of Having the Whole Question Arbitrated.

Premier Says Tribunal Will Not Be Hampered by Reservations.

Government Declines to Make Text of Proposed Treaty Public.

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—The Government declines as yet to give out the text of the treaty which is to be signed on Saturday to refer to arbitration the long pending question regarding the boundary between Canada and Alaska.

It is not yet known who will be the Canadian representatives. There are to be three jurists of repute on each side.

London, Jan. 25.—The signature of the Anglo-American treaty to settle the Alaskan dispute at Washington, Saturday, has given great satisfaction to the English press, on the ground that it furnishes, at a critical moment in the Venezuelan trouble, the most convincing proof of the unimpaired friendship existing between Great Britain and the United States.

One paper thinks that, in this event, the dispute would be referred to the Hague tribunal. It is hoped, however, that the publication of the text of the treaty may show a more favorable prospect of the compromise than is at present contemplated.

The Times rejoices at the constitution of the proposed tribunal, which, it says, implies a high degree of confidence on each side in the equity and friendship of the other.

Ready to Co-operate

Nanaimo Board of Trade Hear Delegate's Report of Victoria Meeting.

And Will Do All Possible to Assist Railway to North of Island.

Nanaimo, B. C., Jan. 26.—The project of constructing a railway line to the northern extremity of the island is being taken up in Nanaimo with growing enthusiasm.

Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P., was present and undertook to give all the aid he could to the project.

The athletic club is giving a concert on Saturday night, which was very largely attended, and the success of which was added to the success of the Garrison Artillery men, who had come up in the afternoon to meet the Horvath in a Rugby match.

Yesterday afternoon the choir of St. Paul's gave an excellent concert of songs, in which Mrs. Davis, Miss Leighton and Messrs. Planta, Pawlett and the pastor, the Baptist church, Rev. M. Van Sickle, who has been here for some time, took leave of his congregation.

WANTED IN SEATTLE. New Westminster, B. C., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—W. H. Stone, who is wanted by the Seattle grand jury, on an indictment for swindling at the Ranier Grand hotel, is here staying at the Colonial Hotel.

LE BOU'S BIG PROFITS. A cablegram sent to London by the Le Bou's management at the beginning of the month says:

"Shipped to Northport during December 13,377 tons of ore, containing 6,088 ounces of gold, 7,778 ounces of silver, 67,000 ounces of copper, and estimated profit on this ore, \$41,000."

The following additional cablegrams have also been received from the manager: "Purchase buttons have been sampled and analyzed; will exceed former estimates \$25,000. New furnace, buttons estimated to be worth \$10,000."

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