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g Edward received the guests ac-g to precedence, and afterwards freely among the brilliant com-An informal supper was served the reception, and the court con-until midnight.

HAGUE TREATY.

l States Ratifies the Agreement on Conduct of War.

ngton, D. C., March 14.—The States Senate spent an hour in e session today on the conven-

countries party to the treaty are by, Australia, Belgium, Denmark, the United States, Mexico, Great Britain, Greece, Italy, Luxemberg, Montenegro, Nether-Persia, Portugal, Roumania, Rusprovisions of the treaty are hind

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JAPANESE CONSUL.

uver Will Give Banquet to Mr. couver. B. C., March 14.—(Special.) nese Cousul Shimezu will be dined citizens of Vancouver. letter carriers have petitioned the aster-General for increased salar-

ub will be appointed permanent of the Brockton Point associa-

MENTZ ESCAPES.

His Way Through Blockhouse

mandant Mentz, with the Heil-nmando of Boers, broke through bron Wolvehock blockhouse line enburg last night. The Boers i pursued for several days. So wn, only one Boer was killed mmandant Mentz, picked up parties of Boers, aggregating vote visit. gossip connects it nilitary situation. It is point-tt Lord Wolseley's knowledge Africa, gained as a fighter and

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Comments of London Press On the Debate on the Budget

Disappointment That Premier Excludes Defence Discussion From Conference.

Pall Mall Gazette Speaks With Approvel of Dominion Progress.

Mostreal, March 19.-The Star's Lonopposition in the Canadian Par- 000,000. nt, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has mingly excluded defence discussions from the programme of the coronation ence, finds many sympathisers, es ially among ministerialists, who had noped that the colonies themselves would propose some closer form of inter-imperdefence co-operation."

Of the budget statement by Mr. Fieldng, the Pall Mall Gazette (ministerialist) says that "Our Lady of the Snows," so shabbily misnamed, had better be rechristened "Our Lady of Success." It hopes that if arguments are equal, the hopes that if arguments are equal, the Chancellor of the Exchequer will give Halved By a Canada's view of the preferential tariff the benefit of the doubt. It adds that the beneat of the doubt. At must that to give a youngster a "Leg-up" is always good advice for colonies, as well as or individuals.

St. James' Gazette (also ministerialist)

asks:
"Shall we abandon free trade?" It says that English officials and traders have every desire to give fullest consideration to colonial proposals; but it frankly confesses in answer to its enquiry, that the only possible result is the maintenance of the status quo. THE INTERCOLONIAL.

Ottawa, Ont., March 19.—(Special.)—he government was sustained today in eir decision not to allow expenditures their decision not to allow expenditures on the Intercolonial railway to be fully investigated. The government majority obeyed the party whip rather reluctantly, and in private there has not been lacking a strong expression as to the rather stupidaobstinacy of Mr. Blair. The House has decided that for the present at least P. S. Archibald, formerly Chief Engineer of the Intercolonial shall not at least P. S. Archibald, formerly Unief Engineer of the Intercolonial, shall not be summoned before the Public Ac-counts committee. The evening was spent in further discussion of the budget. Sir Wilfrid Laurier gives notice of Easter holidays from next Wednesday until Tuesday, April 1.

AN ONTARIO

Report That Some Indented For Boers Exploded in Hoboken. New York, March 19.—There was a rumor current today that a number of cases of cartridges were on the pier at the time of the fire on the docks last night, and that they were destined for the use of ther Boers in South africa.

According to the report, the cartridges were to have been shipped to Antwerp, and from there to their destination. A memoer of the Hoboken fire department said today that he saw the boxes of cartridges on the pier, and that he heard a number of explosions. These are said to have occurred after the fire was under control, about midnight.

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Supt. Mason, of the Phoenix line, said as are he knew there were no eartridges on the pier.

A farm servant was ploughing on a farm near Berlite, Kincardineshire, on Thesday when he upturned an urn containing between 400 and 500 silver coins of about the size of a sixpense. Unfortunately the plough broke the vossel. The coins, like those discovered in the same locality in 1893, belong to the first of the same locality in 1893, belong to the first of the same locality in 1893, belong to the content of fidured and the first of the same locality in 1893, belong to the content of fidured and the landsthring decision.

West Indies to States.

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SOG CANAL

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., March 19.—
(Special.)—The Canadian Soo ship canal will be in readiness for the passage of vessels next Saturday. The cold suap of the past two days has made no appreciable difference with the ice is the river, which can be easily broken up.

FAIR'S WILL.

Twenty Million Dollars Will Be Dis-tributed to Children. San Francisco, Cala., March 19.—The Supreme court of the state in a decision handed down teday, declares the trust clause in the will of the late Senator Jas G. Fair, invalid. The property will at once be distributed amongst the children of the diseased. It is estimated that the estate is worth upwards of \$20. dren of the diseased. It is estimated that the estate is worth upwards of \$20,

PERISHED IN STORM. Two Deaths in Winnipeg From Blizzard.

Winnipeg, March 19.—(Special.)—A aborer named Arthur D. Arkin, has been missing since Friday's storm, and s supposed to have perished.

The body of Mrs. McPherson, who wandered from her home on the night of he storm was found in a snow drift in he samthen agart of the circ this.

Circular Saw

Chinese Employee of Mill

fearful accident at Bate at Season last evening. With other children, the girl was playing about a bonfire near the Finnish hall. Getting too near to it, the child's clothes took fire. She immediately ran from the place and was very badly burned before the flames were extinguished. Death resulted last night about 9 o'clock.

The family of Geo. Thomson, government agent at Ladysmith, moved down there today, where they take up their residence.

The tug Mermaid is still on the rocks.
The boilers have been raised sufficiently to enable the workmen to repair the holes on the starboard side. It is expected soon to get her off now.

MYSTERIOUS CARTRIDGES.

ests."
The prefatory remarks say that Russia desires the maintenance of the status quo, and the attainment of complete tranquility in the East.

OPPOSING SALE. Strong Feeling Against Handing Danisl West Indies to States.

.Mr. Curtis Repudiated

Opposition Have No Sympathy With Him and His Libellous Charges.

Government Will Ask Royal Com mission to investigate Redistribution.

Several Motions Disposed of and Standing Committees For Session Chosen.

Legislative Chamber, March 19, 1902 Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. Leslie Clay offered prayer, Mr. McBride asked the Hon. the Premier if any action had been taken in the matter of the by-election in North Vic-

The Hon. the Premier answered in the Mr. McBride then moved, as a matter

of privilege: That in the opinion of this House the onduct of the government in neglecting to bring on the election in North Victoria is worthy of the severest censure. Mr. McBride urged that when a ve cancy in the House was brought to the notice of the Speaker, it was his duty Leung Chi-Tsu to issue his warrant for a writ of elec-

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And wheregs such charges involve the honor of said Premier Dunsmuir and his colleagues in the government, and should, in the public interest, be investigated:

Therefore be it resolved, that a select committee of ave members of this House, to wit: Messrs. Martin, Ellison, McPhilips, Tatlow and Hawthornthwaite, be lips, Tatlow and Hawthornthwaite, be

appointed to investigate the said charges, with power to said committee to send with power to said committee to 'send for persons, papers, records and documents, and to examine witnesses under oath, and to report the result of such investigation to this House.

Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir said that though there was not one word of truth in the charges, he would ask for a reyal commission to investigate them, and that the House should adjourn until the investigation was made. (Applause.)

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Portuguese Troops Break Up Strong- By Large holds of Dealers;

Mozambique, Portuguese East Africa, March 18.—The Portuguese troops cap-tured 162 slave dealers, and killed 50 others at Pemba Bay recently, when the government forces attacked 20 strongholds of the slave dealers and lib-erated 700 slaves.

REDUCING GRADES. J. P. R. Engineer Moved to the Moun tain Division.

Winnipeg, Man., March 18.—(Special.)

—A. C. Dennis, divisional engineer of the Canadian Pacific railway, has been transferred to the Mountain division, where he will be employed on reducing heavy grades in the road. Engineer Sulivan from Kootenay will succeed him here.

OLD-TIMER GONE. Edward Walker Dies at Comox.

LUMBER BURNED.

Winnipeg, March 18.—(Special.)—A Dauphin, despatch says the Northern Lumber company's mill at Fish creek, together with 40,000 feet of lumber, was burned on Saturday morning last. The loss is about \$10,000:

ancouver Children's Memorial Fund-Barber Shop By-Law has Passed.

Vancouver, March 18 .- Another co munication has been received from China's famous exile, Leung Chi Tsu, in the shape of a letter addressed to the president of the Chinese Empire Reform association in Vancouver. The letter states that the distinguished Oriental will come direct to Vancouver on the steamship leaving China next after the steamship Empress of India. He will make a tour of the continent, delivering lectures on China and Reform. Leung's triends have urged him to return to Pekin, and take his place among the Emperor's advisors. Leung has answered that his mission is in the Occident, afterwards, perhaps, in Pekin, He believes he can do more good for China and reform at present on the American continent than he can in Pekin. China's famous exile, Le

miniscent mood. His speech was regarded as his last public utterance of importance, as he is succeeding Sir Oliver Mowat as Lientenant-Governor of Onstario.

The Senate after three weeks adjournment, resumed business touight.
Marconi left for Cape Breton tonight to commence construction on his wireless telegraphy station. His contract with the government was signed today.
Major Monro, Fifth regiment, has been awarded a long service medal.
The formation of the Duke of Connarght's Rife association, at Vaucouver, is authorized.
When the budget was disposed of, Mr. Northup, of Hastings, presented a resolution condemnatory of Sir Richard Cartwright's alleged connection with the offer of a senatorship to Mr. Cook for \$10,000.

Liberal Leader's Motion Against Imperial Government is Voted Down.

> Sir Henry Taken to Task For Reckless Language Makes

Received With Ministerial Cheers.

Nanaimo, March 18.—(Special.)—Edward Walker, one of those who came from the O'd Country in the same ship with the late Robt. Dunsmuir, in 1849, died at Comox last night. For years he was engaged in the mines here, in Wellington, and in Comox. He had been nearly 50 years continuously in the employ of the Dunsmuirs. He was about 81 years of age. the contracts for the purchase of remounts, meats, and forage, and the contracts for freight and transportation, called out several acrimonious exchanges

Reginald McKenna, Liberal, comment

United States Regatta Timed to Suit the Henley Aspirants. New York, March 15.—A special meeting of the executive committee of the National Association of Annateur Oarsmen, was held here tonight, with President Walter Stimpson, of Boston, in the chair. The only application for the National regatta, came from the Lake Quinsigamond, Mass., association, which asked for July 25 and 26. The regatta was given to the association, but the dates were changed to August 8 and 9. Friday and Saturday, to give the Americans and Canadians rowing at Henley this year, a chance to enter the National regatta.

Heated Retort.

Strength of Government Support

f remarks. ng on the remount department, declared that widespread corruption in the horse purchases had been disclosed in almost

very country on the globe.

Lord Stanley, financial secretary to will Visit Canada

the War office, interrupted Mr. McKenna with an angry denial of a specific charge regarding the purchase of horses in Spain. He said the statement was maliciously false, and he demanded proofs of the assertion made. Mr. McKenna said he took his facts from the reports of the comptroller and auditor general. The imputation of malice was wholly false, but, it was only part of the bogus defence in which the government was then engaged. He quoted figures and claimed that they bore out his accusation. the War office, interrupted Mr. McKen-

in the leader of the opposition, by his reckless language, had taken from many people, the consolation of feeling that their relatives who had died in South Africa had fallen honorably in the service of their country.

To this Sir Henry replied, angrily, "I give the most complete and most circumstantial denial to every word the honorable gentleman has said."

The Hobartown, N. Z., Mercury, of February 17, has the following regarding British Columbia:

Mr. Alexander Morton, curator of the Tasmanian museum, who recently brought to Tasmania the Pacific salmon ova from British Columbia, bas just received from Mr. R. E. Gosnell, private secretary to the Premier of British Columbia contration camps and other matters."

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Mr. Martin scored Mr. Curtis for his disengenuousness in naming on his committee Mr. Tatlow, who had made the same charges against the Premier and had reiterated them. Could anything be more unfair than to propose an accuser as a judge. He twitted him with manufacturing ammunition for the opposition while he had declared again and again that he was not a follower of Mr. Mc. Bride.

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CANADIANS WIN.

Boston, Mass. March 15.—In the canoe ewents at the sportsmens' show last night the Toronto club won in the club fours tug of war, from the Melford club, in the finals, taking two straight heats.

TENDER MERCY OF ASCETICISM.

Leaves Today.—The British ship Mac-diarmid, which has been discharg-ing 1,300 tons of cargo, including heavy shipments of tin and salt, at the outer wharf, leaves for Vancouver today.

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United States

And the Seals One of Effects of the Attempts to Kill Ithe Pelagic Industry. Seattle Paper Criticises Butch ery on the Rookerles in

Behring Sea.

"Arbitrary seizures and confiscations "Arbitrary seizures and confiscations forced the sealers to leave Puget Sound and established the industry at Victoria. From that port, secure against any molestation by the United States government, a fleet of twenty or more vessels departs after the seal herd every year and returns laden with pelts, taken in a sportsmanlike way, from open boats on the high seas. Even the Indians on the coast, who formerly made their living from the capture of fur seals during the season when they passed along the coast on their way north, have been practically forbidden to follow the pursuit. The thrifty ones among them, who had purchased schooners of their own, that they might follow the seal herd further than they could in their frail canoes, have seen their property confiscated for failure to obey the restrictive regulations which were not and which could not be enforced against the seal-

could not be enforced against the sealers who made their homes across the border.

"In every species of fishery which has ever been the subject of government regulation it has been the rule to protect during the spawning season and on the spawning grounds. With the seal herd and with it alone the United States has entered mon the impassible test of seals.