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FORTY-FIFTH YEAR.

Complaints

matters Discussed at resterday's Session of the Federal Commission.

Shipbuilders Urge a Bonus to Stimulate industry on This Coast.

Necessity of Something Being Done to Encourage Exploiting of Iron Resources.

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ome Changes In Law Must Be Made.

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directed rather against

the cabinet held for some t was attended by all the xcept Secretary Shaw, who

W GOTHAM HOTEL.

elry Finally Opened.

k's Four Million Dollar

rk, Oct. 3.—The new Hotel

4.000,000 and is a trifle largSt. Regis, containing 50 more
will be, to a great extent, an
hotel. Among those who altaken up quarters are: Mrs.
na, Dan Hanna, James J.
or and Mrs. Platt, Mrs. Lairs. Stakleberg.
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h, the hotel has no bar, but
be bought outside and served
Another interesting feature
eenth floor. Twenty stories
building, and the omission of
hit floor gives twenty-one.
that Senator Platt abandoned
venue hotel for the Gotham

MERCE OF JAPAN.

Agriculture Outlines Plans

et. 2.-Baron Kiyoura, miniculture and commerce, ad-e associated chambers of today, said the government

also lower transportation dwelt on the importance of tion of foreign capital, and

export trade, maintaining oad, and encourage fruto cope with Japan's in-

retary; E. B. McKay, J., J. McKenzie and A. J. llowing six condidates preelves for examination sen, Henderson, C. Harkie, F. Lamb and F. John-

ceship, viz., J. Milligan, F, H. Rhodes, H. Whyte, A

and a sure way—to be free , Heartburn and Constipa-

her first cossission which has been appointed by the Dominion government was held in the board of trade rooms yesterday morning. The chairman of the commission is Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, with Hon. William Paterson, minister of customs, and Hon. L. P. Brodeur, minister of finand revenue, as his associates. John Bain is seegetary. During the morning seeston may matters of public interest were brought up and discussed at length. The first question before the meeting was the bonusing of the shipbuilders are nequested to draw the attention of the commission to the necessity of paying a bonus to shipbuilders from the Old Country free of duty, but in case a hull is built in Canada and anount of all of the shipbuilders from that part of the world. The shipbuilders requested to allow them to compete with the old Country builders. In the building of small vessels the local builders are practically on an even footing as they manufacture the machinery in the Canada and Patination of the commission of the shipbuilders are practically on an even footing as they manufacture the machinery want.

Conditions in East

boundaries a good settlement of the difficulties?

Mr. Bullen—Make a distinction between sailing vessels and steamers, and also on the gross and net tonnage.

Hon. Mr. Paterson—What percentage would 80 cents per ton be on a vessel;?

Mr. Bullen—About \$50,000.

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Hon. Mr. Fielding—Under the present arrangements the customs have power to arrange matters.

Capt. Cox thought that if a bonus of B. C. Electric Co. sto per ton was put on now in a few lears it could be reduced.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—What does it cost Bonuses Employes

capt. Cox—That is very hard to say.
Hon, Mr. Fielding—Would you desire
\$10 a ton on wooder. vessels, and would
you expect to make the machinery here
for the large vessels?

A Bounty Urged
Capt. Cox—In course of time if we

Capt. Cox—In course of time, if we secured the \$10 bounty, we would extend our operations so that we would be able to manufacture machinery for any sized vessel.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—The question has been discussed in the East, but no one asked as high as \$10 per ton.

Capt. Cox—That is explained by the fact that they are nearer the seat of the manufacture of machinery.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—Where would you get your steel?

Hon. Mr. Brodeur—Not the engines and boilers?
Mr. Bullen—No; I do not engine you see the property of the Fact. Templeman—Have you any of the shipping of British

Mr. Bullen-At present there is very Mr. Bullen—At present there is very little difference between Victoria and Vancouver, with Montreal and Quebec. Hon. Mr. Fielding—Where will you secure the material? Will it stand the long haul from the East?

Mr. Bullen—We are in hopes that our own irom properties will be devel-Hon. Mr. Paterson — If the govern-Hon. Mr. Paterson — If the government consents to allow the bonus, what amount will have to be paid, with the bonus at \$10 per gross ton?

Mr. Bullen—The new vessel we are building will be 2,000 tons gross, which would mean about \$20,000 bonus.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—Have you any documents to show that the American Pacific ports receive assistance from

Pacific ports receive assistance from HE first session in Victoria of the bonus aside, what arrangements could be made to make a good settlement of

Seized on Coast North of

of Vancouver. From Our Own Correspondent.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—Where would you get your steel?

Capt. Cox—At the present time in the East.

Hom. Mr. Fielding—Where are the hearest ship yards on the American side with which you have to compete?

Capt. Cox—Seattle

H. F. Bullen was also called on this question, and stated that when the bonus was first brought up it was on wooden vessels built on the Atlantic coast, and was on the net tonnage, whereas they desired that it should be a little higher. He quoted the case of the Princess Victoria to show that a gross tonnage of 2,000 tons and a net tonnage of 400, there would be a very great difference.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—At the present time there is no bonus but a draw—back which represents the amount paid for duty on materials imported for construction purposes. But you would have it to go further and give a bonus?

Mr. Bullen—Yes. It would help us considerably.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Oct. 7.—The B. C. Electric Railway Company today announced that on Wednesday next every employee will receive a \$40 bonus, being the amount coming to each man in the company's service as a dividend on profits. The total amount to be distributed is \$17,000 and the number of beneficiaries Aix booms of logs, four of them cedar and two fir, have just been seized along the coast to the north of Vancouver by Timber Officer Murray, who reached the city this afternoon at 2 o'clock from a transport on the tug Native.

Three of the seized booms belong to firm the top of the service of the service as a dividend on profits.

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Mr. Bullen thought that the government might see their way clear to give a bonus, but if the duty was paid back it would be a great help.

Hon. Mr. Fielding — What steel steamers have been built here?
One of 300 tons for quarantime service and a few smaller ones.
Industry in United States
Hon. Mr. Fielding—What size of vessels are they building in the States?
And do they receive any aid from the government?

Mr. Bullen—They have built a battleship in Seattle where the citizens assisted by giving \$100,000.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—Why does Viction in Composed of Cedar logs.

To SETTLE SIBERIA.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 7.—Realizing the avoiding the far east a stock of sturdy and energetic colonists and at the same time desiring to reward veterans of the war, the ministers of the interior and agriculture have drafted a homesteading law, under which officers and soldiers are entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years farms ranging from 135 acres with a bonus of \$50 for entitled to pre-empt free within two years as sisted by giving \$100,000.

The law will affect all the unoccupied land in Siberia, a large amount of which is now valueless on account of lack of communications among the powers so that the subjects of the conference may the defined with precision, thus avoiding entitle subjects of the conference may the defined with precision, thus avoiding the attack the subj

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Hon. Mr. Fielding—Why does Victoria not assist? What is the cost per ton of the vessels which you have built?

Mr. Bullen—The Princess Beatrice was 1,300 tons gross, and cost \$160,000.

Hon. Mr. Fielding—What percentage does \$10 represent per ton?

Mr. Bullen—That is easily shown by

Insurance

Parliamentary Investigation is Promised Into Companies Doing Business.

Justice McLennan Duly Seated on Supreme Court Bench and

University - Wine and Tobacco Bill.

Conditions in East

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FOURTEEN WOMEN DROWNED. Buda Pest, Oct. 9.—At midnight tugboat ran down a fruit seller's punt in the Danube near Buda Pest. Four-teen women were drowned, six were saved and many were seriously in-

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY.

NEW YORK POLICE CHANGES.

Warm Session

at Buda Pest.

Proved Fallure,

Monteleon, Calabria, Italy, Oct. 9.—A strong earthquake shock was felt here at 10 o'clock last night and caused a panic among the inhabitants, who are still suffering from the terror and pri-

Warmly Welcomed.

Resigns Rectorship of Ottawa

New York, Oct. 9.—Sensational raids upon alleged poolrooms, in which doors were battered down and furniture and decorations smashed, and raids upon several large apartment hotels, which took place after the transfer of Police Captain Dooley from Coney Island to command the tenderloin district, were followed today by several changes in the personnel of the force in the city's busiest section. PORTLAND FAIR CLOSING.

career not anticipated by even the most enthusiastic supporters of the project. Before the closing day is over the fair will have recorded an attendance of practically 8,250,000 persons, which, considering the fact that the combined population of the old Oregon territory is hardly equal to that number, is almost phenomenal.

At a meeting of the Liberal party today, Count Stephen Tissza, former premier, announced that his views against universal suffrage were not binding upon the members of the party, and said he hoped that few members would desert the party should the views of the majority on the suffrage question differ from theirs. He expressed the hope that those entrusted with the drawing up of a programme would act in accordance with

Dominion

News Notes

Methodist Board of Missions Fixes a Maximum for the Season's Work,

Torontos' Merchant Bullds an Elaborate Railway Car for His Own Use.

Prominent Hamilton Merchan Accidental Poisoning.

ONDON, Ont., Oct. 9.—The Methodist board of missions this morning fixed \$635,000 as the maximum for mission work. This is a considerable advance over last year's grants. Of this amount, the British Columbia of the process Portland, Ore., Oct. 9.—This week will mark the closing of the Lewis and Clark exposition, after a successful career not anticipated by even the ment of another general superintend-ent. This was decided on, the terri-

Hamilton, Oct. 9.—St. Clair Balfour, head of the wholesale grocery firm of Balfour & Co., and one of Hamilton's best known and most esteemed business may died lest state. ness men, died last night, aged 55 years. Heart disease was the cause of death. Builds Private Car

Toronto, Oct. 9.-The first Toronto **Is Promised**

Scene of Turmoll Feared at the

man, woman and child in the Dominion. The returns show the consumption of the returns show the consumption of the returns show the consumption of population. This is an increase over the year before, when the consumption of the risk increasing. Last year over the year before, when the consumption of beer is increasing. Last year that was 952 gallons per head, about the same as the year before. The wine consumption is the year was .09 gallons per head, about the same as the year before. The wine consumption is the year was .09 gallons per head. The average since 1869 is 122 gallons. The tobacc consumed list year was .09 gallons per head. The year was .2869 pounds so was that business can be done in wheat by Canada. He asks for samples. There is a stringency in Mexico.

Canada has sent another protest to the Australian government protesting against the direct steamship service between Canada and Australia.

SIR ROBERT BOND COMING.

Earl Grey at Winnipeg.

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London, Oct. 9.—Sir Robert Bond, the election of the bottle and immediately fell helpless. A doctor was called, but could do nothing. The man tied soom afterwards. Then it was found in the bottle was labeled "Carbolic acid."

A prowning Mystery St. Catharines, Oct. 9.—The body of man who registered at the Wellings for man who registered at the Wellings of man who registered

ROOSEVELT HOME CLUB Determines to Tender President Ban-

New York, Oct. 9.—A banquet in honor of the President will be given by the Roosevelt Home Club on his 47th birthday, October 27, in the room

47th birthday, October 27, in the room in which he was born at 28 East Twentieth street. The President has been invited to be present.

The club is determined to preserve the house in which President Roosevelt was born, and to maintain it as a national landmark.

The club now numbers about three hundred members, and applications are being received daily from all parts of the country. he country.
The club was organized October 12

1904, by twenty-five admirers of Mr. Roosevelt, and L. P. Grassett was elected president. MURDER AT HAVANA.

Manager of Trunk Store Robbed and neath a stairway. Suspicion points to a youth who had been employed in the store for a month past and slept there. Carmona had opened his safe, sible termination of the war may be

This was decided on, the territo be determined by the executive the man selected.

St. Clair Balfour Dead amilton, Oct. 9.—St. Clair Balfour, been opened for business. The police were notified that the store had not been opened for business. The police, however, did not enter the store until the afternoon, and the body was then warm. Beyond a wounded finger, there were no marks on the body except where the throat had been clutched. It is believed that Carmona died of suffocation. Jose, the youth, has disappeared.

The try, and is now before the respective emperors of Japan and Russia for the royal signatures. As soon as it has been signed this fact will be communicated by cable to the state department at Washington. The Washington government will apprise each emperor of the act of the other. With this accomplishment the war will be at an end. The formal

GAYNOR AND GREENE

SIR ROBERT BOND COMING.

London, Oct 9—Sir Robert Bond, the premier of Newfoundland, was a passenger on board the Alian line steamer. Learneriting, which sailed from Glasgow on October 2 for S. Ohns.

SERIOUS BUSH FIRE.

Berkiely, Oct 9—A fire is sweep- ing over hundreds of across of grass and therefore the house will be again to the studions and personally led the student soldiers to fail the student soldiers and personally led the student soldiers.

SECOND PEACE CONFERENCE.

Berkin, Oct, 9.—The foreign office says of Germany will accept Russia's second in- special powers and personally led the student soldiers are alianness of the control of the collection of protest adopted by the control of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest and personally led the student soldiers are alianness of the collection of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest adopted by the call of the collection of protest adopted by the amount of the call of the collection of the government. The resolution of protest adopted by the amount of the collection of the government and personally led the student soldiers are alianness of the collection of protest adopted by the amount of the collection of protest and personally led the student soldiers are alianness of the collection of protest adopted by the amount of the collection of protest adopted by the amount of the collection of the government. The resolution of the government of the call of the collection of the government of the call of the collection of the government of the call of the collection of the government of the ca

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The Treaty Of Peace

Russia and Japan Arranging for a Speedy Termination of the War.

Effective on Approval Without Walting for Formal Exchange

of Ratifications. Treaty Has Passed Through All the Necessary Preliminary

Stages. Havana, Oct. 9.—The body of Ramon Carmona, manager of a trunk store, was found this afternoon inside a locked trunk which had been concealed waiting the formal exchange of ratifi-

Foisoned Through Error
Torento, Oct. 9.—Michael Qualey, aged 37, is dead from taking carbolic acid, under circumstances so peculiar that the coroner has ordered an industry and make the coroner than the carried out in Washington as soon thereafter as the signed treaties reach here. This formal exchange was signing of a protocol or memorandum of expenses. Gaynor and Greene. The latter spent some time with their elients today in the jail. Many persons called to see the prisoners but only a few were admitted. Arrangements have been made to supply them with meals from a hotel.

Mrs. Gaynor and Engage

Exchange of Ratifications
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formality. As yet the special plentipotentiaries have not been commissioned and no arrangements have been made for the exchange. The precedent is found for the telegraphic exchange of ratifications in the manner in which the last treaty between the United States and China was made operative.

OPEN DOOR FOR CHINA,

Shanghai, Oct. 9.—The vicercy of Szechuen has decided to open the Yangtsze River port of Wannsien to foreign trade.

FATALITY FROM FOOTBALL GAME Richmond, Va., Oct. 9.-Howard C. Montgomery, of Montgomery, W. Va., a student at Hampden Sydney College, who was injured in a football practice game at the college last week, died today. His spine was so badly hurt

miles across the Canadian line.

The captain of the fishing tug maintains that he was not over

DOCTORS ON STRIKE.

Mr. Bullen—That is easily shown by the Beatrice.

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New York, Oct. 7.—John F. Gaynor of yellow fever was reported here doday. The earlier part of the attenuous was reported here doday. The earlier pa