thin? Washed thin! That's so common soap is used.

UNLIGHT OAP REDUCES EXPENSE

Ask for the Octagon Bar

Dupont; treasurer, Dr. Holden; A. J. Kitto; veterinary sur-Hamilton; counsel, L. Crease; re committee, Messrs. C. E. n., Rev. W. B. Allen, Justice C. E. Redfern and Rev. E. G.

a vote of thanks had been ten chairman the meeting adjourn-

## S OF POINTS ON ISLAND COAST

ARATIONS FOR ANOTHER BUSY SEASON

Expert Surprised at Extent of Ore Outcrop - Good Hunting and Fishing.

Renfrew, from where some of the ber in the world has been exuring the past season, is just now inter caim." The two companies ere engaged in the logging busie suspended operations; the who spent the fine weather n making a study of the botani-f the coast have gone; there are ships in port, and launches ave been seen carrying parties are now seldom in evid season seems on hand. While it he close of a prosperous year e indications, however, that the year will witness greater activgreater development. Syndicates g formed for more extensive work ning of the rich iron and cop-

ing companies are also planning plants, and consequently inisiness, and residents are hopthe provincial government will carry out the improvement ised to the district. It is ed that the Dominion government its way clear to provide more navigation in view of the growing e of the harbor. Last year a logs left the harbor every week.

er point of inferest on the West writes the Times is Quatsino of the place he says:

remarkably fine and dry season cruisers and surveyors en the Quatsino Power & Pulp have had very favorable for their operations, and have od progress in selecting land for any. Residents on the Sound encouraged by the prospect of saw mills being erected in the

of sufficient importance to at-attention of prominent mining Seattle, Tacoma and other points. result of recent examinations e Group-Comstock, Superior and it is reported that work will be resumed on these properties at present a tunnel is being driven Edison, with every prospect of

deposit of zinc ore (blende) near la lake has just been visited by ert, who was surprised at the exthe outcrop

ecting is difficult in this district unt of the fallen timber and nous country. There is, how-ason for the belief that Quatsino better known in the future than w as a mining district. fishing and shooting resort Quat-serves to be better known, Trolling excellent sport, especially of

of the timber cruisers had an enwith a she bear and two cubs me near being serious for the who was unarmed.

elk was shot by Mr. of Duncans, who could only save id, as the animal was killed eight m the water. Messrs. Sherberg st were fortunate in getting a b to the water, and secured both

reported that several carcase were found this summer, which en killed by the Indians, for their one. This should be prohil and in fact the government ot allow any more elk to for five years, so as to prevent the nation of this fine animal. y fine trout have been caught this One caught at Victoria Falls

F. Best measured 28 inches. mers have to build high fences them out of their crops. sawmill formerly operated by the Company has been closed down rt of the machinery removed. This wback to the district, but the hope to see a much larger mill season by the pulp company. no Sound offers many oppor in various industries, and the con

to establish other lines of proition has been signed by all the

nts and by two companies recoming the appointment of B. W. as stipendiary magistrate for the administration of justice in t. as there is no court within fifty

## REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE RUSSIANS

THIRTY THOUSAND MEN RECENTLY JOINED ARMY

Gen. Oku's Forces Lost About Five Thousand During Recent Battle-Captured Thirty-Four Guns.

Tokio, Oct. 20.—(Noon.)—Reliable reports received from private sources esimate the losses of the Japanese left the bay. ny during the recent battle at about

The number of Russian dead is largely creased by the further discovery of notwithstanding the nightly reovals by lantern light.

The Russian forces have been ed by about 30,000 men of the 17th large portion of the 10th corps

rtions of the 5th and 6th Siberian recently arrived. In all six divisions of the Russian army ow confront the Japanese left army. Heavy rains have impeded the move-nents of the opposing armies since Octo-

ATTACKING PARTIES

WERE ANNIHILATED. With General Oku's left army at the north of Yentai was the heaviest battle north of Tental was the Jap-blow yet struck the Russians by the Jap-pore in order to coal the concentral squadron when they arrive there. so far as loss of life is concerned.

Japanese buried 4,100 dead left in

Conservative estimates place the Rus-

The principal Russian casualties ocarred in determined counter attacks on each village captured by the Japanese. The Russian attacking parties were in

many cases entirely annihilated.

For the first time the Russians have met the Japanese on an equal footing, not having strong defensive positions to depend upon, and for the first time they attacked the Japanese in their own

The Russians everywhere fought bravely but they were unable to drive the Japanese out or hold their own positions against fierce charges.

Almost in every case the Russians re

fired from their positions at the first charge and then made repeated attempts to recapture them, the Japanese left army, with a front of about ten miles, ing forward, fighting over every inch

The final retreat of the Russians was almost a rout. The Japanese extreme left advanced, driving the remnant of

sians ahead. The Russians made a determined counter attack at Lamutun, with two A. G. Blair announced his intention of regiments of infantry and two batteries of artillery. They were repulsed after a half hour's fighting, with heavy loss. The Japanese left army during the past seven days' fighting has captured four guns, a large number of rifles ercoats and one hundred prisoners. strength of the Russians opposed the left army were three corps and companies of artillery. All but a ery small part were new arrivals. The Japanese soldiers were practically the same that fought before Liao Yang. Chinese report that heavy works are

eady for the Russians along the Hun The Japanese are undecided where the ext stand will be made. Details of the operations of the right and centre armies are not obtainable

SCOUTS EXAMINE

JAPANESE POSITIONS

St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.-2 p. m.-The suspension of operations below Mukden continues. It is hinted in military circles that the next developments should b looked for eastward, but whether on the part of the Japanese or Russians is not

No news has reached the war office of ne reported annihilation of a Russian pattalion while recrossing the Taitse

A dispatch from Gen. Sakharoff dated st night reports that all was quiet along the front yesterday, and that in pite of the soggy condition of the counand, the Russian scouts continue to show enterprise in examining the Japansitions. A detachment of two hunacks on Tuesday night reconed the Japanese left southwestward line extending westward from the oad, where it crosses Schili river, the villages of Haitsantai, Tadou and Sandopu, the latter fifteen est of the railroad. The Japan inels had retired as the Cossacks dly along the line, but near the Cossacks unexpectedly ran good-sized Japanese force with guns. The latter opened fire on ians, killing many horses and wounding Capt. Tuogeoniff, but Not one was killed on the field.

tement is made to what is transon the Russian left. ar office is now disposed to be hat the Tokio report of the drub-iven to Gen. Yamada's brigade is anese version of the capture of Tree hill, nicely turned to minimize

AMMUNITION AND RIFLES TAKEN BY JAPS

dquarters here that the left Japanese York October 22nd.

army captured near Langtouchish six ammunition carts, 5,354 rifles, 4,920 rounds of field gun ammunition, 78,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, tents, cloth ing, sabres and implements. Additional casualties of the centre army just reported are twelve officers

REPORTED CAPTURE

killed and thirty wounded.

OF JAP BATTALION. St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.—A dispatch to the Bourse Gazette from Mukden, dated October 19th, says that on October 18th a detachment of the Russian vanguard on the west front surrounded a Japanese battalion and compelled it to lay down its arms.

THE BALTIC FLEET AGAIN AT ANCHOR.

Skagen, Denmark, Oct. 20 .- The vessels of the Russian Baltic sea fleet arrived here this morning and anchored in

COAL AND PROVISIONS FOR BALTIC FLEET

New York, Oct. 20 .- A telegram t the Times from London states that the London Times Russian correspondent says the arrangements for coaling and provisioning the Baltic fleet have reached a very interesting stage and indicate the manner of its going to the Far East.
The fleet is apparently to keep together
until the colliers now off Cádiz are
picked up. It will then divide, the torpedo and small craft going via Suez and Aden to Singapore, and the large war-ships making for the Cape. The big-Hamburg-American boats which have loaded and are loading Welsh coal at South Wales ports will, under the presen arrangements, go in advance of the squadron, some to Aden and some to Zanzibar, to coal the vessels arriving by t, Oct. 16, 4 p.m., via Tientsin (de time transmission).—The seven days' the Suez and Cape routes, and other German vessels will go straight to Singa-

The Cape route as the way by which The Japanese buried a state way by the control of the lines. A village in front of the Japanese contains many Russian the Japanese contains many Russian bead, but the shell fire of the retreating will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the line of the retreating will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the line of the retreating will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the line of the retreating will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the way by which incidents as the purchase of the large will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the large will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the large will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the large will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the large will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the way by which incidents are the way by which incidents as the way by which incidents as the way by which incidents are the way by which Russians prevents the Japanese from steamer recently arrived at Liverpool reaching them. Conservative estimates place the Russian casualties at not less than 25,000. She has been intercepted without unloading by French intermediaries and sailed The Japanese report their total casualties at a little over 3,000 killed and The Japanese report their total casualties at a little over 3,000 killed and The Maori King is to be renamed L'Esperance, and her future use as a store boat for the Russian warships is not open to doubt.

## RESIGNS POSITION

ANNOUNCEMENT TO-DAY

Expressed Regret at Parting With His Colleagues - Japanese Navy is Using Comox Coal.

Ottawa, Oct. 17 .- At the close of the resigning his position. He said that i would be the last session of the commis sion at which he should occupy the posi tion of chairman or a member of the board. He said he was going to work which would be more congenial to him but gave no hint as to what it was and added that he had no complaints to make. He expressed regret at parting

with his colleagues. Mr. Blair is not going into politics. It is likely that he will be professionally employed by one of the leading railway companies.

Market for Inland Coal Canada's commissioner in Japan, Alexander McLean, in a report to the trades and commerce department says they had good markets for Canadian whisky. Of \$62,830 worth of whisky in ported last year, Canada only contrib-uted \$415. But this trade is on the increase. The Japanese navy is now trying Comox coal, and the likelihood that there will be a good market for

British Columbia coal. THE C.P.R. HOTEL.

Company is Inviting Tenders for Bree tion of Building on James Bay Flats.

Tenders are invited by the C.P.R. fo the erection of the new hotel on the James Bay flats. The building is to be a seven-story structure of stone and Plans are to be seen at the office of F.

ls, which are described as seas of M. Rattenbury, architect, of this city, and the tenders will be received up till December 29th. The tenders are to be addressed in the regular form to the divisional engineer at Vancouver The building was described at length in the Times a short time ago. The work for the foundation is being steadily pushed along, the time for the tion of that part being the end of De cember. It is more than probable that the foundations will not be fully completed in the specified time, but will not be delayed long after that date, unless

something unforseen should occur.

This will give the contractors securing the job for the erection of the hotel building a chance to get started on it Cossacks succeeded in getting early in the coming year. The C.P.R. Not one was killed on the field. pleted at as early a date as possible

> REPORT DISCREDITED. Cunard Line Officials Do Not Believe Rumor of Sinking of the

Slavona. London, Oct. 19.—At the offices here of Meyendorf are wounded are denied. the Cunard Steamship Company a rumor former's chief-of-staff, Col. Rossky, that the steamer Slavona had sunk in a storm off the Spanish coast is entirely discredited. The Slavona, it is pointed ut, passed Gibraltar on Octob and the officials cannot see how she could be anywhere in the neighborhood of the Tokio, Oct. 20.—It is announced at Spanish coast. The vessel is due at New

# GREETED PREMIER

ADDRESSED IMMENSE MEETING AT ORILLIA

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Was in Excellent Form-Appealed for Support for Leighton McCarthy.

Orillia, Oct. 20 .- Sir Wilfrid Laurier addressed an immense gathering in the agricultural hall last evening, which he described as the brightest he had ever addressed in his life. The Premier, who was in good form, spoke for an hour. There was great enthusiasm. He asked the support not only for the Liberal can-didates in the Simcoes and North Ontario, but for Leighton McCarthy also, who is running in North Simcoe as an inde-

Sir Will'an made no reference to Mr. Blair's resignation from the chairman-ship of the railway commission.

J. B. Tudhope, M. P. P., occupied the chair, and speeches were made by gives strength, security, dignity and con-Messrs. R. D. Gunn and Geo. D. Grant, Liberal candidates in East Simcoe and North Ontario respectively, and by N. W. Rowell, Toronto.

SPEAK AGAINST SIFTON

last night for the Cape with her cargo Story Circulated at Brandon Promptly Contradicted - Premier - Will Visit Carleton Place on Saturday.

> Ottawa, Oct. 20 .- Hon. A. G. Blair received a telegram this afternoon from was circulated there that he (Blair) was minion and the consolidation of the Emping centre, which was published in the Farmers' Advocate, at the instance of Sifton. Mr. Richardson asked if this was correct. Mr. Blair told your cor-

Hon. A. G. Blair has received a large amber of invitations from all parts to

Will Visit Carleton Place. Sir Wilfrid Laurier speaks at Carleton Place on October 22nd for Mr. Caldwell n South Lanark.

Will Appear. Judge O'Meara yesterday found Charley Kelly and Albert Hillman guilty of eeping a gambling house in Ottawa. Counsel for Kelly and Hillman applied for an appeal from that decision and the judge deferred sentence until Decembe 15th to permit of the appeal being heard.

The Yukon Election. The election in the Yukon will take place on the date originally fixed. Decem

The Times correspondent at Ladysmith rites as follows:

A few lively tilts between Liberal and Conservative marked Mr. Wolley's neeting here last night. A. Haslam was here to help Mr. Wolley out and W. W. B. McInnes, by invitation, took a hand in the fray, and made things deinteresting.

Mr. Wolley took as his platform "beter terms" for the province, opposition to the Grand Trunk and denur he Liberal administration in the Yukon, and also attacked Mr. Smith, saying that gentleman was inconsistent in his attitude towards the labor men. He mainained the strick Conservative argument that the Liberals had ignored British Columbia's right to better terms, and were cinching the West to buy votes in

Mr. McInnes pointed out that better terms was not a party question, and that the Liberals had done their share in trying to get them from the Dominion. When Premier Dunsmuir and Attorney-General Eberts had gone to Ottawa on that question they had been obliged to call in a Liberal, Mr. Lugrin, to plead their case before the government. When did not keep their appointment with the overnment because they neglected their duties and went to a Conservative dinner in Montreal at the time they should have been in Ottawa. As for the trip of their principles and oddly substitute on Messrs. Green and Wilson, it was on the that they have hitherto condemned eve of an election, and their aim was to get ammunition to use against the Liberals. Indeed most of their time was spent around the C. P. R. offices trying to raise a campaign fund. Referring to the demand for a duty on lumber. Mr. McInnes pointed cut that it was the Con-

servatives who had taken that duty off Mr. Haslam devoted himself to the umber question and the Grand Trunk Pacific, maintaining that it was the Liberals who had put in force the bill to put lumber on the free list, and had done so to catch votes in the Northwest.

The only other speaker was H. Mc-Kinney, a Socialist, who made an address not on political questions, but on

the general lines of Socialist reform. Walmer Castle, Kent, Oct. 19 .- Lady Curzon is progressing so favorably that hereafter only one bulletin will be given THE POLITICAL CONTEST.

inent and active part in public affairs. In the freedom of his mind and speech and in the democracy of his manner he has several times given utterance to sentiments that incline me to the opinion that he to independence, "or Canada a nation." I hope that I have misunderstood him. I am an Imperialist and a supporter of the pres-ent Dominion government. There are others who have misunderstood him, and

dians to manage their own affairs." This sentence is somewhat ambiguous. Please, Mr. Lugrin, tell me what you mean?

I do not forget reading of that historic latter formed up to maintain order and latter formed up to maintain order and scene in the Imperial House of Commons in 1790 when Burke opposed the bill of Pitt to grant self-government to the colonies.
"I am convinced," said Fox, who gave the measure his hearty support, "that the only method of retaining distant colonies with advantage is to enable them to govern themselves."

The wisdom and foresight of this policy Sir Wilfrid made no reference to Mr. has since been justified. To-day Canada is tinuity to Canada. For is not "Our Lady of the Snows" a portion of the greatest Empire that the world has ever seen? What more does Mr. Lugrin want for Can- The Executive of the Association Held

The high ideals and generous policy pu sued by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to dear old England is the antithesis of the Conserva-tive policy that fiscally treated the Mother Country as an alien nation—a policy of ingratitude. When Col. E. Gawlor Prior said that he spoke "from the bottom of his heart," I feel convinced that he at the bottom of his big heart, and even lower Cuthbert.

down, felt that the Liberal policy to Great The cit

tration in Canada has attracted the attention of the other nations. 1It has placed the Dominion in its present position. Wilfrid Laurier's statesmanship is the admiration of the press and public men of the was correct. Mr. Blair told your correspondent that he had no intention of going, and that the report was without foundation.

Be they French or English speaking, Idbards and admiration of Canadians should be hold this great son of Canadians with pride and admiration. The Englishmen resident in this city are proud to call themselves Canadians. It is now my patria.

Canadians. It is now my patria. Every voter should read the budget speeches of the Hone W. B. Fielding, mintake the stump in favor of the opposition and against the government. To all these nection therewith. He makes finance in Dominion Educational Association. take the stump in favor of the opposition and against the government. To all these he has given a direct refusal, stating that he has no intention at present of taking any part in politics.

Ister of mance, and pleasant reading. He will doubtless remind you of Gladstone, when the payment of accounts to the amount of \$873.85. This was ordered to be paid.

A discussion of the financial question that had hitherto prevailed before the present government came into power, the increase of trade and wealth during the last eight years is marvellous. ert Tupper explain away by any trick in dialectics or otherwise the great success of the Liberal gov ernment? Is it one of those rhythms of in his book "First Principles"? To intro duce Divine providence into these political discussions is bad taste, if not something worse. The credit is mostly due to the wisdom and foresight of the Liberal leader coupled with that policy of conciliation

patriotism and progress that has given us internal peace and prosperity. Truth and justice need less management than falsehood and injustice.

I was glad to hear Mr. George Riley state would not indulge in personalities. Let us deal with the great principles involved The gallant Colonel, with all his politica faults, is not a "bad chap." May I dedi cate the following lines to the Colonel? I am trying to imitate Mr. C. Phillipps

Wolley. My style is from Dryden: "A gold and scarlet stag, mortal and un changed, Fed on the lawns, and at C Without untarnished, Conservative within He fear'd no danger, for he knew no sin,

Yet had he oft been chased by Grit and Tory hounds And Ebertian shafts, and many political Aim'd at his big heart; was twice forced

And doom'd to death, though fated not

die." The Conservative party are from that unfortunate disease, "Thematic paraphasia," a term used to express th sudden digression of those whose minds are dominated by hobbies. It is now epidemic. The most acute attack is "Con servative purity and government owner Colonel Prior and Mr. Eberts went they It is said by Boris Ledis "That man is It is said by Boris Ledis" "That man is ship." It may take another form late suggestible animal, par excellence." "Susceptibility to suggestion," says Dr. Moll, "is the chief phenomenon of hypnosis." socialistic. Why is it this thus? I think solely to try and get into power vent the consummation by the Libera party of a line of railway uniting the pro-inces on Canadian soil. This sacrifice principle is unworthy the great Conserve tive party. The records of parlament an

of the press cannot be obliterated. They should not become commonplace politicians The genius of Sir John A. Macdonald has not yet become incarnate in Mr. Borden excellent man though he be. Their Con servative railway policy is only one of expediency, devoid of sincerity and pre-judicial to the development and best interests of Canada.

Every voter has his own prosperity at stake in this election. The Liberal gov-erament will undoubtedly be returned, and therefore it is useless to send an oppon to the government from this city. Mr. George Riley and Mr. Ralph Smith, by doctors, endorsed by thousands-Ca-

ple faithfully and well, and they should be To the Editor:-Every country has numer- I venture to assert that with all the skilous types characteristic of different phases of its life, and of different sections of its life, and of different sections of its and knightly eloquence the Conservative territory. Our respected citizen, Mr. Charles H. Lugrin, has taken a very promintelligent voters of Canada or turn the Liberals out of office.

S. PERRY MILLS. FORTY RIOTERS INJURED.

favors a policy that would ultimately lead Disturbance During Hearing of Cases Arising Out of Fight During Eviction

—A Judge's Protest.

Cork, Oct. 18 .- A serious conflict between others who have misunderstood him, and this letter will give him an opportunity to reply.

In Mr. Lugrin's eloquent and dramatic In Mr. Lugrin's eloquent and dramatic speech at the A. O. U. W. hall he stated amongst other pleasing things, "That the Liberal party stood for the rights of CanaLiberal party stood for the rights of CanaWhom the Ball seriously hurt. When the Felisport defendants were

and left and dispersing the crowd. The judge summoned the officer commanding the police, who said his men had been firs attacked by the crowd. William O'Brien, one of the court attend

ants, charged excessive brutality on the part of the police against one of the in jured men, who was covered with blood The magistrate denounced the action of the police, and as a protest adjourned the hearing for six weeks, bailing the defend until that time.

TOURIST MATTERS.

Its Regular Meeting Tuesday
Afternoon,

The executive of the Tourist Associa tion met Tuesday afternoon, presided over by Anton Henderson, vice-president. There were present in addition Ald. Beckwith, Ald. Vincent, J. E. Wilson, B. S. Heisterman and Secretary Herbert The city clerk wrote informing the

down, felt that the Liberal policy to Great Britain was patriotic and right. I think I hear him say: "Yes; but don't say I said ing Birdcage Walk and Menzies street had been referred to the streets, bridges The last eight years of Liberal adminis-and sewers committee for report.

J. M. Finn forwarded clippings referring to the Fifth Regiment band's reception at Spokane. Mr. Finn informed the executive that tourist literature had

United States and the glory of many in the Mother Land. Sir John A. Macdonald passed between Hon. Senator Templewas a brilliant and great Canadian, but man and the association relative to aiding in developing the poultry industry Sir Wilfrid is attaining greater trumphis.

He is the friend of freedom, of religious toleration, of the isboring classes, with a passionate love for Canada, and knows no distinction between race or creed, ending the pountry interestry in the neighborhood of Victoria.

The secretary submitted a copy of the Canadian Gazette, published in London, England, a paper of great influence, in which appeared a full conv of the article. didate in Brandon, saying that a report was circulated there that he (Blair) was

followed, and the benefits which were accruing from the work of the association. Letters were constantly being re-ceived from intending settlers asking for

information. The meeting adjourned after discuss ing some other subjects or a routine cha

ALBERNI NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) The congregation of All Saints. Alberni, held their harvest thanksgiving on Friday evening, October 14th. There was present a large and representative gathering, including Rev. Mr. Glassford and many other members of the Presbyterian church. The service, which was fully choral, was very well rendered by a fair sized choir of ladies and boys. The recently surpliced choir boys have attained considerable proficiency under the careful training of the vicar and Mr. Howitt, whose valuable though voluntary services as organist continue to be much appreciated. The male members of the choir took part in the processional The well selected hymns were old favorites to all present. The ladies of the choir, Mesdames Ward, Bird, Haslem and Burdette Garrard and Miss Melrne gave efficient service. The following solos were rendered: "O, Rest in the

Lord," Mrs. B. Garrard; "The Peace of God," Mr. Howitt; "The Holy City," Rev. Mr. Flinton. The vicar preached an eloquent, impressive and appropriate sermon, and the services concluded with the singing of the Te Deum, heartily joined in by the wnole congregation. The church was beautifully decorated. So far the election campaign has no

mmenced in this end of the Comox-Atlin constituency, and we hear no rumor of opposition to W. Slean. Mining on the Alberni canal is looking ip. The Happy John has "struck in at Uchucklesit, the Cascade has found another lead, while the Southern Cross is working steadily. The Hays mine is also starting up again.

The cannery has closed down after a ery successful season. Men are at work on the buildings be erected for the utilizing of the pro s of the whaling industry. After an unusually fine and protracted nmer the rainy season has set in

The India office announces that the Amee

of Afghanistan will send his eldest son to

meet Lord Curzon of Keddleston on his return to India, and will receive at Kabul well worth being pondered by every an official sent by the Indian government authorized to discuss with the Ameer ques tions concerning the relations between the two governments. CONSUMPTION IMPOSSIBLE. You'll never develop consumption if inhale Catarrhozone. Why it kills. the germs instantly, cures catarrh and

and colds there's nothing equal to Catar-rhozone. Used in hospitals, prescribed

throat trouble like magic.

tarrhozone never fails; try it.

**Liberal Candidates** The following candidates for elec-

in the field with the approval and endorsation of the Liberal party and the Liberal government: Victoria--GEO. RILEY. Nanalmo--RALPH SMITH.

Comox-Atiin--W. SLOAN. Vancouver City-R.G. MACPHERSON Yale-Cariboo--DUNCAN ROSS. Kootenay- W. A. GALLIHER New Westminster--J. B. KENNEDY.

WHINING.

Sir Hibbert Tupper says he "took very sixpence that was coming to him is a member of Parliament." He did. ing to him. And he did not venture to defend the transaction as an honest one. He is the teacher set up to warn the peofollow his unworthy example. The Times last night cited a conspicuous instance to the contrary in the action of Ralph Smith, the member for Nanaimo, who complied with the letter and spirit of the law bearing upon sessional indemnities Having served his country for twenty years, and been well paid for his services, possibly Sir Hibbert Tupper thinks he was warranted in drawing from the public treasury hundreds of dollars as mileage to which he had neither moral nor legal claim. What right had the country to cast off a Tupper anyway? It disposed of two at once, which was an outrageous thing to do. It is but right that should pay for its ingratitude. Now that it is about to be deprived absolutely of the services of the whole family it will pire. A man who would not set aside the constitution except in a great emergency. the association. This article, it was felt realize the seriousness of the situation. Be they French or English speaking, Lib. by the executive, together with the fact But the question we asked last night is still unanswered: Was the transaction with the public treasury an honest one? Is the man who could be guilty of such the members of the government or in assailing the public honesty of the government or in many months the country would not

ernment as a whole? As for Colonel Prior, he has invited Mr. Thomson. the reference to his past by the assaults compared with the condition I have been he has made upon the characters of the observing all sum Laurier administration. His organ has reported condition in England. It is good devoted a large portion of its space to reckless and absolutely unsubstantiated charges of corruption and evil-doing on ter for it than would be a long period of the part of the ministers. He has imported a professional villifyer from somewhere to substantiate his charges of misdoings in the Yukon. When the Colonel and his friend Sir Hibbert Tupper and this person from somewhere, pose as root | good as the last. They can count on foland branch reformers, we arrogate to ourselves the right to inquire into their great railway work will stimulate immiecords and to consider whether their history would justify the country in assuming that they are capable of giving it as clean, honest-and honorable an administration as the leaders of the Liberal party have done. If Colonel Prior's record is pure, nothing the Times can say we believe he realizes now that he would have been more judicious if he had confined his appeals strictly to questions of public policy.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.

party. It is simply an offshoot of the Populism which has arisen across the servative "railway policy"), it is not a political struggle, and propably a close I express my surprise that the present leader of the Conservative party should so far depart from the traditions of the old stagnation of Canada's past time of party to which he is proud to belong." Such was the language employed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier recently in summing up the policy which the opposition are asking the electorate to accept in substitution for the government's transcontinental project for Canadian development. In the Ottawa Free Press of recent date there is a most suggestive interview with Mr. E. W. Thomson in which that to be set aside for a long period of unveteran journalist and shrewd observer certainty following a sudden plunge into makes some observations as to the financial and commercial consequences of a victory for Mr. Borden. These are so

elector that we quote them: "I have the greatest respect for Mr. Borden-but, can anybody-can he himthe railway if he attained office? We

majority. "He says he will expropriate the G. T. 'a hat."

R. Company. He says that if he should go on with the railway project he would pursue it as a government work. He indicates that he might abandon the whole scheme east of Winnipeg and substitute for it the extension of the Intercolonial, wia the C. P. R. line around the north shore of Lake Superior. Suppose he got a majority. It would consist of all kinds of men, some attracted by one phase of his railway attitude, and others by another. There would be C. P. R. men: State-socialist or government ownership men of the type of my friend Mr. William Maclean; men like Mr. Monk, who wishes the Eastern division built on the grand meander; old-fashioned, cautious Conservatives who would sooner turn tion to the House of Commons are Borden out again than let him embark the country on government ownership of railways. It would be impossible to guess what sort of a railway project, if any, would come of his attempt to devise one that would be acceptable to all whom

he endeavors to attract. "At least it would take many months for him to reconcile his factions. He could not hope to do it without going far on in a session of parliament. He could not get ready to meet parliament for months, four or five at least. Meantime. and all the time up to parliament passing his scheme, confusion would prevail, because doubt would rule all over Canada. Not only would work on the railway be paralyzed. In view of the success of a party whose leader is deeply invo'ved in more or less clear pledges to establish government ownership of railways what

would the financial world of Great Brit-He took considerably more than was com- ain and the States be doing to Canada? "The opinion that the hitherto safe and solid Dominion had shipped its financial moorings and gone off on a career ple against political immorality! Nor is of State-socialism could not but be widet true that all members of Parliament ly entertained abroad. Would not Canadian credit suffer instantly? I do not mean the national credit only, but the credit of Canadian railways, banks, manufacturers, importers, investment companies of all kinds. Would not every foreign creditor of a Canadian concern feel frightened? Would not the foreign creditor want at least a mighty let of reassurement that Mr. Borden would not do any of the socialistic things he causes many of his supporters to imagine he

means to do? "Think of the effect of expropriating company with which the Grand Trunk, that has 40,000 English shareholders, is associated as closely as a Siamese twin. To Englishmen Canada would appear to be turning her back on herself, and making naught of her solemn contracts. I can't believe that Mr. Borden would expropriate the G. T. P. The interests of the country would forbid him to do se. But he has said he will if he can get power. It is not what he would do, but an act justified in posing before the peo-ple as a critic of the personal probity of lapse of creus on November 4th in he

> know where it was at. "The time is very critical," went on here because of confidence that there is no great disturbance near. The country ing to the great opportunities they will get from the National Transcontinental. Traders can, if the Ministry be not disturbed, count on another year about as lowing years far better, because the gration anew, and enliven trade by increasing the demands for all sorts of supplies. Canada, with Laurier in knows

where she is at. Her condition is that of stable equilibrium. arranged order of things. Believe him as one may, it seems certain that the electors in general will say that they will lower him in the slightest degree in | can't afford that plunge into uncertainty the estimation of his fellow-citizens. But and confusion and depression and wonder the turning out of Laurier and Pielding

prince of Dominion-boomers, Clifford Sifton. "Will the people put in Sir Wilfrid's seat a most honorable gentleman who might be compelled to get right out again or forced by his Macleanite cohort to do "The Conservative party is no longer setting the existing order of things? Mr. the party of other days. It is the Populist | Borden would be at the mercy of any smail resolute group of his following, since he could not, by any reckoning, have more than a very small majority. border. It is a Populist idea (the Con- A time of strenuous, indecisive, unsettling sound economic policy, and for my part succession of general elections, would be express my surprise that the present seem likely to come of his success, if it were imaginable—a time of long turmoil and poor trade and refrogression to the

evenly-balanced parties. "All this must be more or less clear in the minds of the whole body of Canadian electors-Conservative, Liberal, Independent, Socialist, all alike. They feel also to account for the curious anathy of the Outs. At the bottom of their hearts the majority of them, perhaps, do not wish the Ministry to be displaced. How could they wish the well assured future the depression that has so far been staved off by the enterprising conduct of the administration? Stability is the paramount need of Canada just now." "And so you think," said the reporter, "that Laurier's majority will be in-

creased?"
"What other conclusion can there be self tell what he would or could do about to the reasoning? 18 it talse or was self tell what he would or could do about If true, are the Canadian people unlikely to the reasoning? Is it false or true? to know it? They seem to me the most cannot guess that from what he says. intelligent people in the world. It is true He cannot guess himself what the men | that Laurier has new as large a majority. who may be elected to support him as as he can need. He would be just as the result of all the various things he well, if not better off, with one of forty.

But if he does not have one of fifty on says would permit him to do if he got a the election of the next Speaker, you come to me and I will present you with