LONG SESSION FOR COMMONS

Sitting That Began on Thursday Afternoon Not Yet Ended

MAY LAST TILL MIDNIGHT

Opposition Shows Its Objection to Refusal of Information

Ottawa, Feb. 29.—The sitting of the House of Commons, which began on Thursday at 3 o'clock, was still on at 9 o'clock this (Saturday) morning, with all the indications that it would last until Saturday midnight.

The trouble began with the opposition demanding certain information in regard to an item in the estimates of the department of marine and fisheries. The information supplied by Mr. Brodeur was deemed insufficient, and he was told so, and it was plainly intimated that not another one of his items would be allowed to pass until the opposition had been given all the information it desired. It is in making this threat good that the prolonged session has resulted. The longest in the experience of the House since the debate on the G. T. P. contract.

When 6 o'clock came this evening the usual adjournment was taken until eight. When eight arrived Mr. Brodeur was not in his place, and the opposition drew attention to the fact and commented that it was somewhat discouraging asking questions of an empty chair. Mr. Fisher, who was leading the House, replied that if Mr. Brodeur was wanted he could be secured in a few minutes.

The Quebec members were much in evidence. Their favorite amusement was to ask questions in French of the opposition speakers. Dr. Barr, of Dufferin, was interrupted in this way, and turned the tables on his opponent, remarking that he was glad that he so heartily agreed with him.

The particular vote hung up by the opposition is $50,000 for a patrol of the northern waters of Hudson's Bay.

Hon. Mr. Fielding gives notice of an amendment to the Drydock Subsidy act so as to provide that assistance may be given for enlargement and extension, but not to exceed $15,000 per annum.

According to a return brought down in the House, the Eclipse Manufacturing company of Ottawa since 1896 has supplied to government with filing devices and steel cases to the value of $248,726.

SOCCER TEAM FOR LONDON

All-Canadian Team May be Selected From Players in "Peoples" Shield Tournament

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—The project to send an all-Canadian soccer team, selected from the teams represented at the People's Shield tournament here in April, to the Olympic sports at London this year, which Con Jones and Will Ellis have in view, was received with favor by the Asociation men in general. "A capital idea," is the opinion of practically all who have anything to do with soccer in British Columbia.

British Columbia enthusiasts have already voiced their opinions favorably on the sending of a provincial eleven, but this project of making it an all-Canadian team has much more to commend it, and should be welcomed, especially as the plans of the promoters are for a self-supporting team, one that will not require a cent of subscriptions toward financing it.

Winnipeg Old-Timers.

Winnipeg, Feb. 28.—The annual banquet of the Old-timers' association was held at the Royal Alexandra last night and was a most successful function.

Hockey Player's Sentence.

Halifax, Feb. 27.—Chick McNeil, a North Sydney hockey player, has been sentenced to three months in jail for assaulting another player from Glace Bay.

WANT BOULEVARDS

Petitions Presented to Streets, Bridges and Sewers Committee for Improvements

In order to effect necessary light repairs to the city streets the streets, bridges and sewers committee will immediately put to work a man in each ward. At last night's meeting of the committee it was decided to purchase a number of carts for the purpose of hauling gravel, and all the city streets requiring attention will be put in as presentable shape as possible. The holes will be filled with gravel and the rough places smoothed.

Several petitions have been received for improvements to a number of streets, and in many localities the property owners are petitioning for boulevards, the work to be done under the local improvement plan. The requests for boulevards would indicate that in many sections of the city the property owners are fully aware of the advantage of attractive and properly cared for streets.

Mayor Ashdown Threatened.

Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—Mayor Ashdown has been in receipt of a number of threatening letters, in one of which the sender threatens to blow up the mayor's palatial residence on Broadway if his demands are not acceded to. The letters have been turned over to the police, but no arrests have been made as yet.

JAPANESE CRUISER WILL INVESTIGATE

Sent to Chinese Waters to Inquire Into Seizure of Steamers

Tokio, Feb. 28.—The Japanese armored cruiser Idezumi sailed today from Shanghai for Hongkong, where it is expected she will investigate the seizure on February 7 by the customs cruiser of the Japanese ship Tatsu maru. This movement of the Idezumi is probably intended as a demonstration against the action of Chinese officials, although the foreign office denies that it has such an object in view, adding that negotiations are proceeding at Pekin, and that the Japanese flag has been restored to the Tatsu maru.

The whole question of the seizure of the Tatsu maru, which carried a cargo of arms and ammunition, now turns upon the character of the merchant to whom the arms were consigned. It is believed that he is a sympathizer of the revolutionists in China, for whom the arms were probably intended.

The Tatsu maru is a Japanese steamer, and was seized by the Chinese customs cruiser while anchored in Chinese waters off Macao. It was escorted to Canton by a cruiser and three Chinese gunboats. She carried several cases of rifles and thousands of rounds of ammunition. This cargo, it is believed, was destined for Chinese revolutionists, but was consigned to a Portuguese merchant.

RAT CAUSES TROUBLE

Rodent's Presence in Social Hall of the Aorangi Leads to Consternation

There was excitement on the P. M. S. Aorangi just before she sailed for Australia via Honolulu and Suva last night. A large-sized rodent scampered up the spring hawser over the rail, and when a couple of watchful sailormen started in pursuit it ran into the social hall, where a number of ladies and gentlemen were standing. Some travelers were bidding adieu to their friends. Consternation followed the coming of the rat. Some ladies shrieked, which frightened the shy rat, and it pranced on its hind legs in a frightened manner, while a couple of sailormen launched blows at it with sticks. The settees, chairs, etc., were used as places of refuge, while the rat dodged pursuers, and finally made its way below.

Then the ship's officers started to reassure the ladies.

"It's an excellent omen; sign of a splendid voyage," said the officer.

"Yes, it's——" And then a series of shrieks. The rat had returned to the social hall.

Another hurried scampering took place, the rat being frightened more than the assembled ladies, and several deckhands struck at it, but missed their aim. It finally scurried below again, and when the steamer sailed it had the rodent as a stowaway.

Potlach at Alert Bay.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—A great potlach of Indians of the northern coast has just commenced at Alert Bay. Nearly one thousand of the tribesmen have gathered from various villages. An Indian chief named George, in planning to give away ten thousand dollars' worth of goods during the next two weeks. Other Indians will give away smaller amounts. This potlach will be marked by the fact that there will be no trading in slave girls.

EXHIBITION DIRECTORS WANT BYLAW REPEALED

Pressure Will Be Brought to Bear to Have "Pool Selling"

Unless the by-law passed last year by the city council prohibiting the selling of "pools" at the provincial exhibition in this city is repealed, it is felt by the directors of the exhibition that the success of the big fair in the future will be seriously threatened. at a meeting of the directors held in the offices of Secretary Smart yesterday afternoon, it was decided to immediately make strong representations to the city council, with the hope of having the by-law repealed. All of the directors took the view that the matter was a most serious one, and that pressure should be brought to bear on the city fathers in the matter.

It was pointed out that the loss of over $5,000 would result through the abolition of the pool privileges, and this would affect the whole high standard that has been set by the exhibition management. Secretary Smart explained that the purses for the fair would have to be materially decreased if the council refused to rescind the measure, or unless the city would make good the difference between what the association received for pool-selling and in extra attendance due to the holding of horse races, and what the association would be in a position to pay without this revenue. A direct result of the council's action, if it were not rescinded, would be that the race entries would be cut down, the gate receipts would become smaller and the management would be forced to cut the amount given for prizes.

A sub-committee was appointed to get estimates on the cost of the new buildings proposed and the amount of money that will be required to construct them. The following was the committee appointed, and it is likely that when their report is received that the construction of the new building will start: D. R. Ker, F. W. Patterson and Ald. A. Henderson.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—The health department is continuing its inspection of the various milk supplies in the city. As a result of investigations during the past few days it is understood that two milkmen will be in court in a few days to answer to an alleged infraction of the provincial laws regarding the amount of solids, which the milk shall contain. They will be charged with offering for sale milk that was deficient in the amount of solids.

An expelled schoolboy journeyed to the railway station at Buxton on a hearse, wearing a hat trimmed with crape. Three mourning coaches which followed were filled with his schoolfellows, who all wore crape hatbands and chanted a mournful dirge.

JAPAN'S CONDUCT EXCITES DISTRUST

British Business Men in China Complain of Manchurian Hold-Up

Shanghai, Feb. 28.—There is a growing distrust in British commercial circles on the Chinese coast of the entire policy of the Japanese government in the far east, and of recent months there has been a succession of complaints regarding the obstruction of foreign trade in Manchuria, which particularly affects the steam shipping companies, and officers of these lines say that obstables are placed in the way of their steamers going to Port Dalny.

The opposition of Japan to the extension northward of the Hsin-Min-Tun railway is also adversely criticized here, it being contended that her sole object in this regard is to eliminate any possibility of opposition to her lines in Manchuria. Great Britain is now negotiating at Tokio on the question of trade marks, and in this connection one of the critics of Japan said today:

"It is difficult to convince Japan that no satisfactory solution can be constructed upon the present laws, which are at variance with the commercial morality of civilized nations. It is considered essential in English circles here that Great Britain should press new trade mark laws upon Japan."

Cleaning the Orchards.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—The orchard-cleaning campaign is progressing vigorously under the direction of Mr. Thomas Cunningham, provincial inspector of fruit pests. Fourteen officials are at present at work throughout the province, but this number will be increased next week, and then the ground will be properly covered. "It is our aim to make British Columbia the orchard of the Empire," said Mr. Cunningham, "and to do this we must keep the orchards clean." As a result of the splendid fruit exhibit sent to London, several orders have been received. Yesterday a London firm requested a large shipment of Grimes Golden apples, which will be forwarded in the fall.

Filthy Hindus

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—"There is nothing of a more menacing character to the health of this city than these Hindu residences. You have got to keep them clean, and there is no excuse for pleading ignorance of the laws." That was the statement of Magistrate Williams today when he passed sentence on Hanam Singh, proprietor of the Maple Leaf boarding house, at the foot of Granville street. The health inspectors charged that the premises were in a filthy state, that the floors as well as the tables were covered with layers of filth. A fine of $25 and costs or 20 days in jail was imposed on the accused.

Drank Wood Alcohol.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—Having become so enlightened that they use a prepared gas for street lighting, the Indians of Naas village, in Northern British Columbia, regularly make large importation of wood alcohol. This enters into the manufacture of the gas. Last week three Indians who manipulated the plant, drank a quantity of the wood alcohol. George Robinson died. His brother, Nathaniel, and two other men were very sick, indeed, but are now recovering. In the meantime the gas-lighting plant has gone out of business.

ATLANTIC TRAFFIC

Receipts of Hamburg-American Line Show Decrease—A Difference Settled

Hamburg, Feb. 28.—The annual report of the Hamburg-American Steam Packet Company shows net earnings amounting to 25,000,000 marks, approximately $6,250,000, as against 32,000,000 last year. The write-off and the reserve absorb 18,000,000 marks this year, as against 22,000,000 marks last year. The directors of the Hamburg line say that the reduction in earnings occurred during the second half of the year. The reasons are to be found in the anarchical crisis in the United States, which retarded immigration as well as the freight movement. Another cause was the rate war in passenger traffic, which was settled recently.

London, Feb. 28.—The differences of two years standing between the Hamburg Steam Packet Company and the Royal Mail Steam Packet over the traffic to New York and the West Indies has been settled. The companies today arrived at a working agreement, but the terms of the understanding have not yet been announced.

OAK BAY GIVES SITE FOR CLUB BOATHOUSE

Matter is Finally Decided Upon at Special Meeting of the Council

(From Saturday's Daily)

The question of whether the Oak Bay Boat club should be allowed to build a boathouse on the municipality's property at Turkey head has at last been settled in favor of the request made to the city council by those interested in the club. The matter has been before the council for the past three months and was definitely settled at a special meeting of that body held yesterday. The use of a portion of the foreshore on the north side of Turkey head has been granted by the council, subject to certain regulations and restrictions, mutually satisfactory. The club will erect a boathouse for the use of its members and will also keep a number of boats for hire to visitors to Oak Bay. Plans for the building have been submitted by S. A. McLeare, architect, and it is hoped to commence construction in the near future. Already over fifty have applied for membership and each has taken one or more of the club's debentures. The par value of which is $10. A meeting of those interested will be held at the Oak Bay hotel Wednesday evening next to take the necessary steps towards building and getting things in shape for the spring. It is largely due to the efforts of Councillor Newton that the project has been brought to its present satisfactory state.

It had been reported that the council had refused the request of the boat club for a site and consequently many of those who had applied to become members thought that the project had been dropped. This was a mistake. At the last meeting of the council the matter came up when Councillors Newton and McGregor pressed for an immediate granting of the request. The majority of the council, however, supported a resolution to hold the matter over to be further considered in committee. The council met yesterday for the purpose of finally dealing with the subject, when it was decided to grant the request of the club.

Wednesday night's meeting is called to explain to those interested, but not conversant with the affairs of the club, the regulations and restrictions the council is imposing. Councillor Newton, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to secure the establishment of the club will be present at the meeting and will explain exactly how matters stand. The proposition is to use the proceeds of the debentures which are being issued, $1,000, for the erection of a club house and of skidways and other facilities for the care of the boats belonging to members of the club and also for the purchase of boats for hire to the public. It is not, however, the idea to make a business venture of the club. The money derived from the renting of boats will be devoted to the purchase of additional boats for renting purposes and for the reducing of the fees of the members. A caretaker will be in the club house at all hours to look after the boats belonging to the members and also to supply boats to visitors requiring them. It is particularly pointed out by those interested that the whole idea of the club is to put the institution on a permanent footing for the benefit of the whole community and anything that will conduce to that end will be done. The promoters realize that it is likely to be some time before the club will be in any way self-supporting but in the meantime the club members are prepared to meet any deficit there may be. The whole idea of those behind the scheme is to render Oak Bay more attractive for visitors. With this end in view it is intended to let boats out at 25 cents an hour, which it is considered will be a most moderate charge.

There has been a misunderstanding regarding affiliation of the Oak Bay Boat club with the Victoria Yacht club. Nothing of the kind is under consideration, although it is a matter that may come up later. Many of those who will be members of the Oak Bay club are already members of the yacht club, and so there will be a large community of interest between the two. Besides this it is felt that the two institutions could work very well in unison and an agreement of some kind may be made when the two clubs are fully organized.

ARMY IMMIGRANTS

Preparations for Reception of Party to Come Through From England Next Week

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—Major Morris, of the Salvation army, visited New Westminster a few days ago, when plans for the new building at that place were discussed. It is expected that work will be begun in about a fortnight. The new hall will have a seating capacity of about three hundred, and an annex for children will accommodate one hundred.

Next week Major Morris and Adjutant Wakefield will leave for Winnipeg, where they will meet the immigrant train and return with it to help in placing the immigrants at intermediate points. Lieut.-Col. Howell, secretary of the immigration department for Canada, with a staff of officers, will accompany the party through from Toronto to the coast. It is expected that the party will arrive here on March 8 or 9.

The immigration department is greatly encouraged at the way applications for help have lately been coming in, and provision has now been made for nearly all the expected arrivals.

Boy Fatally Scalded.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—Dan McPhee, aged seven, today fell into a vat of boiling water that was standing alongside the Pacific Coast mill. He died in two hours.

MANITOBA LAWMAKER VISITOR IN VICTORIA

William Ferguson, Member for Hamiota, Spending Few Days in the City

William Ferguson, M. P. P. for Hamiota in the Manitoba legislature, is spending a few days in Victoria on a combined business and pleasure trip, following the close of the first session of that house since general elections of last year. Mr. Ferguson, who is a ready speaker, came to the front in the general provincial elections of 1899, in which the Conservatives under Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, defeated the Greenway government, when he carried Saskatchewan for Mr. Macdonald. He sat for that parliament, but in the general elections of 1903, as sometimes happens with the best of men, he was defeated, largely, his friends say, through over-confidence. Be that as it may, last year he not only carried his own seat, the name of which has been changed to Hamiota, but also assisted materially on the platform in the neighboring constituencies.

Mr. Ferguson says that the session of the Manitoba house just closed has been a most important one. In all 79 bills were passed, among them a measure providing for government ownership of telephones, the province having bought out the Bell company's lines in Manitoba, including both local and long distance. Another important act put restrictions on the operations of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, which the farmers of the province said was not dealing fairly with them. Some radical amendments were also made to the liquor law, with a view to a better enforcement of its provisions, and also making local option votes more easily taken. Among other things it is provided that a straight majority vote will carry or repeal local option in any municipality, instead of the 60 per cent. majority that was necessary before.

Mr. Ferguson says that conditions are much improved all over the prairies and every one is looking forward with confidence to the future. The past winter has been an exceedingly mild one. This has not only been a great saving to the people in the matter of fuel, but it has also been a great benefits to the railways which have been able to keep their lines open and in good running order, contrary to their experiences the previous year The weather when he left was quite mild, quite as agreeable, in fact, he said, as that which he had experienced during the past couple of days on the coast, here and in Vancouver. Mr. Ferguson will remain in Victoria for a few days a guest at the Driard, and will also visit other parts of the province.

The assets of the Canadian Fire Engine Co., of London, which assigned recently, will be sold by auction.

SHRUBB IS MARVEL OF RUNNING WORLD

Britisher Believed to be the Greatest Distance Runner That Ever Lived

When a man demonstrates his superiority athletically over every other man of his day, says the sporting editor of the St. Paul Dispatch, the world sits up and takes notice, and when he is able to do something better than any other men who ever lived could do it, he is looked upon as a marvel. That is what Alfred Shrubb is. He is a running marvel—the greatest, so far as known by records that ever lived. He holds all world's records from 2,000 yards to 11 miles.

Shrubb is 29 years old, stands 5 feet 7 inches in height, and weighs in condition about 118 pounds. He has been running for ten years, and seems to be now at his best. He attributes his success as an athlete to har training and a clean life.

"I never train unless I feel like it," says Shrubb. "There is where many men who do train hard make a mistake. They go out and work when they are not feeling just right, and the work does them more harm than good. When I do train. I work just as hard as though I were in a race. Six miles is what I generally take for a work out. I never jog as some of the runners here do. I run and run hard."

Shrubb, who has been in this country since last spring, sailed for home recently. While his trip was a financial success, he goes back without realizing the object of his visit, he having failed to get on a match with the Indian runner Longboat, the only man in this country thought to be good enough to give Shrubb a race. Longboat declined to meet Shrubb for the reason that he still hopes to be allowed to run as an amateur at the Olympian games in England the coming summer.

Shrubb is a professional, having graduated from the amateur ranks some years ago. He was led to believe that he could get on a match with Longboat at the time the Indian's amateur standing was under a cloud. But the Canadian amateur authorities, after disqualifying the Indian, reinstated him again, and Longboat still aspires to win the great Marathon race at the Olympian games.

Shrubb goes home to run a ten-mile match with Johnson, one of the best distance men in his own country, but says he will return to America to live, in the spring, believing that there is more money for him here than in England. Shrubb has done considerable running during his stay here, but has always been forced to handicap himself, either by running against a relay team of from two to six men, or by giving his opponent a start in time.

In spite of these handicaps, he has won every race in which he has started in America, barring one with John D. Marsh, of St. Norbert, at Winnipeg, in which his ankle gave out and compelled him to retire from the race, after having overcome the handicap of two minutes and taken a two-lap lead on Marsh. The ankle gave out in the thirteenth mile of a fifteen-mile race, and Marsh finished alone. Shrubb subsequently beat Marsh in another race. Shrubb has lost but one other race out of about 1,500 in which he has contested, most of them in Great Britain, and that one defeat was in a fifteen-mile match, in which his ankle gave out something like it did in his race with Marsh.

The Woman's Way

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—Though she admitted that he had threatened her life, and had even exhibited a revolver with which he said he would kill her, Mary Scott said that she had no fear of her husband, and as a result the charge of threatening preferred against Frank Scott, an Italian, was dismissed in Magistrate Williams' court today. The prosecution asked to have the man bound over to keep the peace.

AFRIDIS DEMORALIZED

Zakka Khels Tribesmen Quickly Disposed of by British Expedition

London, Feb. 28.—Lord Kitchener's little frontier war in the Bazaar valley against the Zakka Khels tribesmen is making rapid progress. The purpose of the expedition is to punish the tribesmen for numerous raids into Indian territory, and in a remarkable short campaign they have been scattered and broken, their forts have been destroyed, and many of them have been killed.

The expedition is thought here to reflect credit upon the reorganization of the Indian army as carried out by Lord Kitchener. Tommy Atkins is profiting by the lessons learned from late wars, and he is being taught to follow the new tactics. The British troops advance toward the enemy in open order, with wide intervals between them. The men take advantage of all available cover.

This method of procedure surprised and disconcerted the natives, who were accustomed for their sniping tactics to the targets made by the more or less compact column formation employed by previous expeditions.

VICTORIA SHOWS INCREASE

Bank Clearings Last Week Again Afforded Contrast With Other Cities

New York, Feb. 28.—Bradstreet's weekly report on bank clearings:

Montreal—$21,198,000, decrease 15.7 per cent.

Winnipeg—$8,776,000, decrease 4 per cent.

Ottawa—$2,362,000, increase 6.4 per cent.

Halifax—$1,333,000, decrease 5.1 per cent.

Calgary—$925,000, decrease 28 per cent.

London—$866,000, decrease 6.2 per cent.

Edmonton—$474,000, decrease 35.1 per cent.

Toronto—$17,017,000, decrease 20 per cent.

Vancouver—$2,931,000, decrease 12.8 per cent.

Quebec—$1,702,000, increase 18.9 per cent.

Hamilton—$1,172,000, decrease 21.6 per cent.

St. John—$1,010,000, increase 1.2 per cent.

Victoria—$1,148,000, increase 12.9 per cent.

Ambassador Bryce

Montreal, Feb. 27.—Right Hon. James Bryce and Mrs. Bryce left for Boston today.

To Settle in Victoria

H. A. Bullen has arrived here to settle in Victoria. He is taking an interest in the business of Shaw & Co., photographers, of this city. He hails from Edmonton, Alberta, in which place he had a first-class studio which was unfortunately burned out last October in the disastrous fire in the post-office block. Mr. Bullen and A. E. Shaw have entered into a partnership.

JURISDICTION OF ACTING MAGISTRATE

Sentences Pronounced by Mr. Alexander Called in Question

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—Practically in the hands of Mr. Justice Clement lies the determination of whether there will be the next thing to a general jail delivery within the the next week. In an application for habeas corpus in the case of one Dan Phillips, made this morning before Mr. Justice Clement by A. D. Taylor, the jurisdiction of Acting Police Magistrate Alexander was called into question.

On Monday morning Mr. Justice Clement will render his decision, and should it be favorable to the petitioner the following few days will see an avalanche of habeas corpus applications, on behalf of persons convicted and sentenced by Acting Magistrate Alexander during the absence of Magistrate Williams from the city recently. Upon the question of jurisdiction in the Phillips case hangs the fate of every man imprisoned fined by Acting Magistrate Alexander.

Phillips was convicted of vagrancy and sentenced to jail by Acting Magistrate Alexander, and while the merits of the conviction were not in question this morning before Mr. Justice Clement they may be argued on Monday in the event of the jurisdiction of the acting magistrate being upheld.

Mr. Taylor, on the question of jurisdiction, contended that while section 168 of the Vancouver Incorporation act provided that two or more justices of the peace might act for the police magistrate during his illness or absence and at his request, there was no provision that a stipendiary magistrate—the office held by Mr. H. O. Alexander—might sit alone despite the fact that his powers were equal to those of two justices of the peace. Mr. Taylor further argued that in the provincial Interpretation act there is no provision that the powers of two justices of the peace should be covered by one functionary, even though he possessed the powers of two such justices.

The gist of the argument of Mr. Taylor was that the only functionaries, according to the Vancouver Incorporation act, whom the police magistrate might call upon to act for him during illness or absence from the city were two or more justices of the peace.

Mr. Justice Clement—In its possible results the contention you raise is a serious one.

Police Court Prosecutor Kennedy, who opposed the application, at the outset declared that in the case in question—a conviction for vagrancy—it was not necessary for the acting magistrate to have acted as a police magistrate because even one justice of the peace was competent to adjudicate upon such a charge, and therefore Mr. Alexander was entitled to act because by virtue of his office as stipendiary magistrate of the counties of Vancouver and Westminster he was a Justice of the peace.

It was also contended by Mr. Kennedy that as a stipendiary magistrate Mr. Alexander has jurisdiction in the city of Vancouver. Mr. Kennedy also argued that section 168 of the Incorporation act of Vancouver should be construed as providing that two or more justices of the peace or one person possessing the powers of two or more such justices should have jurisdiction to sit as magistrate at the request of the regularly appointed magistrate.

BOMBS AIMED AT TWO RULERS

Shah of Persia Escapes Destruction By Shrewd Precaution

SOME OF HIS ESCORT DEAD

President Alcorta, of Argentine, Attacked by Apparent Lunatic

Teheran, Feb. 28.—Mohammed Ali Mirza, Shah of Persia, narrowly escaped death at the hands of an assassin today. A bomb was thrown from the roof of a house at the Shah's auto, in which he was supposed to be a passenger. The explosion killed three of the vehicle's escort and wounded the chauffeur and a score of bystanders.

Fortunately the Shah had taken the precaution to send his auto in front of the vehicle which he occupied, and to this foresight probably owes his escape from death.

Two bombs were thrown, but the first exploded in the air and did no damage. The second struck the ground a few feet away, and tore the vehicle to pieces. The assassins believed the Shah was in the motor car which is a closed one, but which it developed carried no passengers. When the explosion occurred the Shah's carriage was some distance in the rear of the auto, and the ruler immediately left his carriage and took refuge in a nearby store, where he remained quietly until a detachment of troops could be brought. As soon as the soldiers arrived on the scene the Shah left the store, where he had taken refuge. No arrests have been made, although the buildings in the vicinity were carefully searched for the assassins.

The artillery escorting the Shah immediately after the explosion began firing wildly in all directions. Twelve persons are known to have been injured by bullets from their weapons. The street in the vicinity of the explosion was filled with debris, and smeared with the blood of men and horses. Further trouble is anticipated.

Attack on President Alcorta.

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 28.—Dr. J. Figueroa Alcorta, president of the republic, early this evening was the object of an abortive attempt at assasination at the hands of a native of Farganina, who fired a crude bomb as the president alighted from his carriage in front of his residence. The missile did not explode. The miscreant, who is believed to be insane, was arrested, and three other persons who were acting in a suspicious manner, also were taken into custody by the police. Dr. Alcorta was not at all perturbed. He considered the action as that of an insane man. The following official statement regarding the occurrence was given out at the residence of President Alcorta tonight.

"His excellency was alighting from a carriage about 6 o'clock this evening when an individual who afterwards was identified as an Argentine of mixed blood named Solano Regis, dropped at the president's feet a bomb which happily did not explode. Dr. Alcorta with great coolness promptly kicked the infernal machine away, while his aide de camp seized the criminal and prevented his escape. The police immediately procured a pail of water, into which they placed the bomb, which emitted a sulphurous odor. President Alcorta had meantime turned to expostulate with his would-be assassin, but owing to the possibility of the bomb still exploding he was gently urged by his aide de camp to go upon the porch of his residence. The police afterwards arrested three men prowling in the neighborhood as suspicious characters. The bomb was made from a common paint can, and is believed to contain about ten kilos of explosives.

His excellency showed no sign of perturbation during the incident, merely attributing the act to an unhinged mind. As soon as the news of the occurrence became public all the ministers, the chief of police, high officials and many personal friends hastened to the president's house and congratulated him upon his escape.

Regis refused to give any account of his actions, though he denies that he was the emissary of any one. The outrage is not believed to have any political significance.

"TOM" GAULEY POPULAR

Given Great Send-off by Y. M. C. A. Members and Friends Last Night

Tom Gauley was given a great send off last night at the Y. M. C. A. rooms by the members of the association and friends, prior to his departure for Medicine Hat, where he has accepted the position of physical instructor in the Young Men's Club of that place.

An excellent programme, coupled with a bountiful repast, comprised the evening's entertainment, during which the popular "Tom" was the recipient of a valuable grip from the club members. A. J. Brace in a few appropriate remarks called upon Instructor Findley to make the presentation.

The programme consisted of a piano solo by Mrs. Brace; recitation, Edith Yeo; solo, W. G. Findley; reading, Miss McCallum; solo, Miss Scowcroft, and song, Tom Dalzell.

GETTING LONDON MONEY

Canadian Government and Grand Trunk Railway Loan Are Over-Subscribed

Montreal, Feb. 28.—A special London cable says: The Canadian government $15,000,000 loan, which closed today at the Bank of Montreal, was over-subscribed. Small subscribers were allotted in full and the others get 67 per cent of the amount applied for. The result is a surprise to the market, which has not hitherto realized that Canada's credit stands sufficiently high to make a success of such an issue of stock at par, even under more favorable market conditions.

Actual subscriptions to the Grand Trunk railway new $15,000,000 loan amounted to $7,500,000.

Fatally Injured

Winnipeg, Feb. 28.—Arthur Derbyshire was seriously injured by a pile of lumber falling on him at Swift Current. He has concussion of the brain and cannot recover.

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