## ERUPTIONS HAVE INCREASED IN FORCE

### Rumor that Another Town Has Been Destroyed--The Flight of Panic Striken People Still Continues.

The country at San Giuseppe pre

Signor Matte Ucci, the director of the

observatory on Mount Vesuvius states

that new small craters and fissures

which have opened at several points

are likely to contribbute to a diminu-

tion of the eruption, as they afford

trouble, and many people in the worst

Naples, April 11.-The Mattino, in its

ssue to-day, asserts that Sarno, a

town in the province of Salerno, has

been destroyed. It was impossible to

Railway Traffic Interrupted.

Naples, April 11.-The eruptions from

Vesuvius increased during the night,

and early to-day a coating of cinders,

depth five inches, covered the ground and the roofs of the buildings.

All railroad service east of the city

The engineers have refused to take

out their trains because of the dark-

ness caused by the heavy fall of ashes.

Naples, April 11.—So widespread is

the catastrophe caused by the eruption

of Vesuvius, it is estimated that it will

require an organized party of 100,000

men and the expenditure of many mil-

lions of dollars to raze houses made

unsafe for habitation by the accumula

tion of ashes and cinders on the roofs,

erect temporary huts, refuge for thou-

sands, who have been obliged to flee

from their homes, clear the roofs of

The papers unite to-day in urging

the government to send General Bald-

issera, who saved the situation after

the crushing defeat of the Italians at

the hands of the Abyssinians, at

Adowa, Abyssinia, in the spring of

1896 and instruct him to organize and

Unable to Divert Stream.

prints an account to-day of the erup-

a general sketch of the eruptions, he

"Yesterday (Monday) I drove through

Torre Annunziata to the point where

Sunday. The lava carried vast masses

of burned stone and sulphur on its sur-

face like dross on melted lead, and

ease, but endless masses of dark scorae

broken here and there by the greenish

curling smoke of sulphur. At this

point we reached a great stone pine

almost unbearable. The heat was in-

"The faces of the people who crowd-

ed upon the edge of the arrested

stream expressed present terror or

formidable entrenchment in the hope

of diverting its course, but every effort

vanced like a colossal serpent of fire,

as a snake does, but keeping its gen-

eral direction towards the fated towns.

ending up great showers of sparks,

that the people finally fled for their

ives, taking such belongings as they

could in their arms or pile upon the

infants, whose mothers carried them at

the breast or in their aprons, dogs too

and cats were on the carts, and some-

times even chickens tied together by

the legs, and piles of mattresses and

clothes, all white with dust under the

"I saw a woman lying on her back

across a cart, grastly white, if not

certainly almost dead. We ourselves

"At the moment of writing in Sore-

tino at 2 p.m., I can see nothing of

(an island in the bay of Naples), 30

miles to the west of the volcano, for

all is hidden by a lurid curtain which

is not affected by the fresh easterly

breeze. The ashes are a fine dark gray

dust, and are thick in my garden

walks, on the terrace and on all the

plants. Even at a distance of 50 yards

Panic Continues.

Naples, April 11.-9.10 a.m.-The

there is a slight film in the air.'

Naples or Vesuvius, or even of Ischia

pillows and shapeless bundles of

exhaustion from recent panic.

tion of Mount Vesuvius by F. Marion

New York, April 11.-The Times

buildings that may yet be saved, ex-

tricate from the ruins of fallen struc-

tures and bury the dead.

control the work of relief.

Widespread Havoc.

is a town of some 10,000 peo

more numerous outlets.

of Mount Vesuvius.

is interrupted.

blindness.

sented a tragic spectacle, people vainly

Naples, April 10.-While early in to-, of missing relatives whose bodies were day the volcanic activity of Mount unrecognizable. Vesuvius appeared to have diminished as night approached, the prospect of immediate relief faded and the fate searching for missing relatives among of villages and towns grouped around heaps of dead. Sudden showers of hot the volcano seemed more hopeless. In- ashes cause precipitate flight from the stead of decreasing, the fall of stones and ashes emitted from the crater increased. Even with the sun shining high in the heavens the light was a dim yellow, in the midst of which the people who remained in the stricken towns, their clothing, hair and beards covered with ashes, moved about in the awful stillness of desolation like gray ghosts.

The case of Torre Del Greco is typical. For thirty hours the place has been practically deserted, but amid the ruins and in semi-darkness, illuminated from time to time by vivid flashes of lightning, the inhabitants go about hungry and with throats parched with smoke and dust, seemingly unable to tear themselves away from the ruins of what so recently were their homes. The communication by rail or tramway with Torre Del Greco and Torre Annunziata is impossible, owing to the cinders, sand and ash deposits. Railway travel to and from Naples is much nampered by the same conditions and a collision to-day resulted in the injuring of twelve passengers. Telegraphic unication with the towns furthest in the danger zones also is interrupt-

The throw of lava from the volcano which had almost ceased during the night resumed early to-day, and the fall of volcanic ejected in the Vesuvian communities had engulfed the build-

ings in the towns. King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena have forwarded Premier Sonnini, who is here, \$20,000, to be applied towards the relief of the sufferers by the volcano. The prefect has removed the mayor of San Guiseppe from office because in the face of danger he left his village without informing his superiors.

Cardinal Prisco, archbishop of Naples, who to-day visited the people wounded by the fall of the Mount Olivet market, brought to these unfortunates the benediction of the Pope.

The Duchess of Oosta was to-day a veritable goddess of mercy to those wounded in the market disaster. She visited the hospital and as she bent over a cot giving a drink to a child who was bruised and battered from head to foot, she felt a kiss imprinted on her hand. Looking down the Duchess' eyes met those of a woman kneel ing at her feet, who said: "Your excellency, she (pointing to the suffering child) is all I have. I am a widow.

May God reward you.' The troops on duty in the volcanic zone are utilizing the railway carriages at dofferent localities and camp says: hospitals. The Red Cross Society has established a hospital in the vicinity of

The number of dead taken from the market at San Guieseppe, which collapsed yesterday, in which a congregation of about 200 persons were attending mass, is 26. There were 79 severely

The stream of lava, which started anew in the direction of Torres Anoruziataceat, reached the cemetery near that town and then turned towards

The troops are carrying provisions, surgical instruments and medicine to be used in aiding the wounded in the vicinity of Ottajano and the work of rescue is being actively proceeded. A violent storm of sulphurous rain oc curred to-day at San Guiseppe. The volcano is resuming activity, especially at Cercola.

Five Hundred Dead. Rome. April 10.-A dispatch from

Naples to the Tribuna reports that 500 persons have perished in the district between Ottajano and San Guieseppe. Another Report.

London, April 11.-A dispatch from It was not till it reached the first house, Capev to the Times says that two hundred persons perished by the collapse of the church at San Giuseppe on Monday and that two hundred more are believed to have been killed in the dis-

Among the interesting opinions of scientists of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius is one from Professor Belar. of Laibash, an authority on seismetic disturbances who in a telegram to the Daily Mail attributes the eruption to the activity of a great sun spot.

Earthquake Shocks. Napies, April 11.-(5.30 a. m.)-A great dead with fear, heat and suffering, eruption of sand is observed on the east side of the main crater. This is worse than ashes as it is heavier. The

ejection of ashes seems to have diminished. Fresh shocks of earthquake are being felt especially in the direction of Ottajano, Somma and Nola. Fortunately the great amount of ashes on the ground seems to have counteracted the telluric action of the shocks. Another part of the main cone of the volcano has fallen in, causing a great discharge of red hot stones, flame and smoke. Reports from Sicily states that ashes from Mount Vesuvius are noticeable

There has been a considerable diminution in the fall of red hot sand since

oppressive and filled with ashes from The newspaper Pungolio graphically Mount Vesuvius, causing a feeling of describes a visit of a member of its apprehension regarding what the fustaff to Ottajano, San Giuseppe and ture may hold in store for the city and Vesuvian. Ottajano was enveloped in its vicinity. The volcano was com- sory, and no part of the expense thereblack smokes. The troops were clear- pletely hidden in a dense mass of ing the ruins, demolishing totering cinder-laden smoke, the only other buildings and re-establishing comnunications. Entire families perished being inequent and the bodyguard of seventy warriors. Collection and the bodyguard of seventy warriors. Collection and the bodyguard of seventy warriors corrections. rumblings. red when refugees returned in search | From all quarters come reports of cational council in Wales,

The military forces have earned the

gratitude and admiration of the people by their devotion to duty and bravery. Not only are they credited with many acts of heroism, but have untiring perseverance in search of the living and the dead among crumbling walls, assisting fugitives to reach places of safety, giving aid to the wounded and in burying the dead and all the while partly suffocating by the ashes and cinders.

the accumulation of ashes, the flight of

lief measures, hunger and discouragement. It is no longer possible to reach the points which have suffered must

severely. Even the soldiers detailed to

guard the ruins at Ottajano have been

the terror-stricken inhabitants

towns and villages, the collapse buildings, the insufficiency of the re-

No danger has been too great for the troops to encounter, and no fatigue too severe for them. In this work the soldiers and others have been showed worthy examples by the Grand Duchess of Aosta, who was praised on all sides. The Duchess is pronounced to be a worthy descendent of the late King Humbert who, in 1884 went to the assistance of the sufferers from the cholera epidemic, assisting the patients in the hospitals and in some cases remaining by the bedside of the dying

until the end The situation generally is considered to be less alarming than yesterday evening. The quantity of ashes being mitted is not so great, and the rumbl-The ashes and cinders which fill the ings are less frequent, though ashes air are causing an epidemic of eye and cinders are still falling over the city. There are about four inches of effected districts are threatened with

ashes in the streets. According to the Mattlno fifty houses, three churches and the municipal buildings at Samoa have collapsed. The sand and cinders are six feet there, and all the inhabitants have sough

verify this printed report this mornsafety in flight. Houses at Ottajano are still colapsing, and most of the Luildings in the ole, and is situated about 10 miles east towns and villages in that neighborhood are tottering or are in ruins.

The employees of a tobacco factory n Naples, thinking the roof was about to fall in this morning, filed in panic from the building and communicated their fears to so many people outside that the police were compelled to interfere, and restore order. Many persons were injured during the panic. Torre Del Gece, Sanno and Sangen-naro have been evacuated and Por-

tico, Ciccello Pogi and Morino are practically uninhabitable. The situation at Torre Annunziate has somewhat improved as the current of lava has ceased to threaten it. At Torre Del Greco the downfall of ashes and sand continue. The inhabitants are awaiting steamers to es-

ape from the danger zone. Sangennaro is plunged into obscurity. The majority of houses have fallen. The fugitives arriving in Naples con firm the previous reports to the effect that houses at Ottojano continue to fall, and the town and the villages in its neighborhood are nothing but ruins.

At Sanguiseppe the ashes and sand are over four feet deep. Troops are encamped in the public squares here in readiness to move quickly to the assistance of endangered places, and patrols with military doctors are rendering assistance to the fugitives

Panic Increasing. Naples, April 11 .- The panic here is increasing. The prisoners in the city jail mutinied owing to fright and succeeded in breaking open some of the doors inside the building, but were shake-down was thought lucky. All made under the local bill if work were be made to carry out what he sug-Crawford, the American novelist. His subdued by the guards. They are in other travellers tell much the same not commenced on a certain day. On gested. dispatch is dated San Agnello, Bay of a state of great excitement however, story.

Naples, Tuesday. After giving briefly requiring double guards. News From Observatory. Rome, April 11.-Prof. Mattucci, in

charge of the observatory at Mount Vesuvius, telegraphed from there at 10 "The situation of myself and the carbineers in the observatory was very grave throughout the night. Up to 8 nothing was visible toward Boscotre- o'clock this morning the observatory was enveloped in dense showers of sand, but the volcano is now calmer. The seismic instruments show quieter records than yesterday. I shall remain tree torn up by its roots and turned to here so long as possible. If my words black charcoal, which stuck out of the could influence the population they mass at a sharp angle. The air was would be words of encouragement of sympathy, for I am most confident that Vesuvius will soon return to its

normal condition." Showers of Boiling Water.

Rome, April 11.-The Vita to-day published a dispatch from Castella-"When the stream of fire reached Boscotrecase, soldiers dug a wide mare, timed 3.30 this morning, saying ditch across its path and threw up a that during the night trains arrived there with thousands of fugitives from Torre Del Greco. These people were in a pitable state, covered with ashes was useless. The molten stone adand badly panic stricken. They said that Torre Del Greco was visited by turning its head to the right and left terrible storm, accompanied by a fall of boiling water and stones the size of eggs. The houses began falling down and the population fled. The municipality of Castellamare is

succoring the fugitives. As the dispatch was filed at Castellamare the volcano tempest had recommenced at Torre Annunziata. The Giornale D'Italie this afternoon published a dispatch from questioning the magnitude of the disasters at Sarno and Sangennaro.

EDUCATION BILL.

Passed Its First Reading in the In

perial House of Commons. London, April 9.—The education bill he measure of the Liberal programme for the present session, to-day formally passed its first reading in the House Commons after an extended debate, participated in by Mr. Birrell, president of the board of education (its introducer), James I. MacDonald, Laborite and Socialist, and Sir Alfred Thomas, chairman of the Welsh Liberal party, who supported the measurde; and Sir William Anson (Liberal), representing Oxford University, George Wyndham (Conservative), and Lord laid its hands upon the man who mur-

Robert Cecil, who opposed it. Mr. Birrell declared the bill was an morning opened with the atmosphere education may be given in hitherto unover by the educational authorities, but not by the regular staff; nor shall the attendance of pupils be compul-

of shall be borne by the ratepayers. The bill provides for a further ansigns of activity being frequent and nual grant of \$5,000,000 from the im- day of the murder about 6.30 when they board of directors of the Canadian Paproposes the establishment of an edu- crime. After the discovery of the mur- ger on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm,

BUSY SCENES IN THE TOWN OF EDMONTON

More Interesting Evidence Regarding the Affairs of York County Loan Company.

Edmonton, April 10.-Although 587 homeseekers entered last month and broke all previous records in that time at the Edmonton office, the number of actual settlers coming into the country is greater than ever before, and indications are that April will be another record-breaker and overshadow March to a large extent. Settlers are pouring into Edmonton at the present time in a way not being realized even by the people of the city. Charles Sutter, Doninion immigration officer, stated today that no less than 56 men started out before 10 o'clock this morning looking for land. Nearly every one of these was an arrival of Saturday or Sunday night, and many of them represented other parties to follow. One party of eight from Illinois, who came Saturday night, represent 20 families already on the way. The rush is keeping immigration and land office officials busy handling the crowd. So great has been the demand for information that both offices are run out of maps altogether except for a few German maps left at the immigration office, and on Saturday the land office ran out of township plans. Down at the exhibition buildng, which the government has been flxing up for the accommodation of settlers there are 50 beds, and more are being added all the time. At the immigration office on Jasper street there is ccommodation for somewhere between 80 and 100 people. Notwithstanding that settlers are going right out as soon as they get their bearings, there has not been a single night for the past ten days when both these places were not filled to capacity, and at the same time every hotel in town is turning people away. On several occasions during the past week arrivals by late trains, sometimes to the number of nearly 100, have had to sit up until morning, until somebody would move out, so that they could get a room. As the season advances the influx seems to be increasing from day to day, and now every train which comes in from either south or east is crowded. Down along the line of the Canadian Northern Railway passengers say there are cars of settlers' effects standing on the railway tracks. At Manville there were seven cars received in two days last week. At Vermillion and Vegreville the cars of settlers' effects are arriving every day. A traveller who reached Edmonton yesterday said he had been travelling from Winnipeg to the mountains for fifteen years and had crowded with strangers as they have time had slept but five nights in an

Loan Company's Affairs.

Toronto, April 10.-Evidence regarding the general mixing up of selling pianos, soliciting of life insurance, conducting a teaming business, the publication of two magazines rying on of the affairs of the York Loan was given in the investigation of the conspiracy charge against Joseph Phillips to-day. Thomas Clarke, a teamster, said he had secured an advance amounting altogether to \$2,950 from the loan company. He drew \$400 at a time and with the amounts bought horses and wagons. He used to drive Phillips and also drove Miss Georgina and Miss Lillian Hudson on two occasions. For the \$2,950 he gave no security. He used to retain a third of the profits and hand two-thirds over to Miss Lillian Hudson. He drew \$15 a week in addition. The advances he five years. used to draw from Mr. Linn on an order from Phillips. Charles F. Broadhurst, now an insurance agent in the Sun Life Company, and previously for ten years with the York Loan, said he and then an inspector. He only sold It was amended to confine the bill to American vessels should be carefully one piano and it was for \$325. His commission was 15 per cent. He also South Kootenay passes. wrote life insurance, his average being from \$2,000 to \$5,000. This was done while he was in the pay of the York Loan, who also paid his hotel expenses in addition. Miss Alexander testified to working for the York Loan, the National Monthly and the Home Magazine all at the same time.

The Prince at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, April 10. - His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught held a public reception at Government House this afternoon from 4.30 to 6 o'clock, and hundreds of citizens called to see the royal guest. In the evening he was entertained at a dinner at the Manitoba Club, and after this function, which marks the conclusion of his visit to Winnipeg, the Prince will leave for Brandon, where he will proceed tomorrow, proceeding thence to Regina. Admiral Seymour, who is a member of the suite of Prince Arthur of Connaught, received a cablegram last night announcing the death of his brother, Ven. Archdeacon Seymour, of Barnstaple. England.

Suspect in Custody. Montreal, April 10.—Detective departdered little Ida Ahern. His name is problem. Under the bill religious and employed by the Montreal Steel Works. Already he has been identified provided schools, if they are taken by four people who saw him either in the scene of the murder. Two emfirst acquainted the police with the both trials was self-defence. story that Hackett was the guilty man. They were returning from work on the der, it occurred to them that Hackett arriving at New York Tuesday.

scription given of the supposed murderer and they communicated the news to Captain Coleman. Hackett was arrested and brought down to the city hall and there he was identified positively by several witnesses as the man they had seen with the little girl on Tuesday last. Hackett worked at night in the steel works and failed to turn up Tuesday night. When questioned by the police, he explained that he had spent the afternoon in question loafing around the neighborhood where he ed home about half-past five, had sup-per and went to bed. The cousin in question denies that Hackett was at her house as he alleges, but his wife says that he was at home at half-past five. Mrs. Hackett weakened her story, however, by swearing positively as to the hour on this day, but being unable to say at what time he returned home on the day before or the day after. Hackett's reputation is none too good.

Saskatchewan House. Regina, April 10.-The debate on the address in reply came to an end this afternoon when Premier Scott asked for a vote, but Mr. Haultain immediately interposed and said that so far as the opposition was concerned, the motion would be unanimous. The latter had introduced an amendment in order to put members on record, and had no intention of voting against the address in reply. The House then adjourned for a fortnight over Easter, the long cessation of business being necessary in order to permit of members living the northern districts getting back to their homes. The government expects to conclude the session within three weeks or at the outside of a month of the reassembling of the

Edmonton, April 10.-Alberta College

baseball team went to Strathcona Saturday afternoon and defeated the Strathcona High school team by 12 to Unknown Body Found

Kenora, Ont., April 10.-An unknown

body was discovered to-day floating

near the sawmill here, the features be-

ing unrecognizable owing to the time it had been in the water. The body is believed to be that of a young Swedish laborer who disappeared late last fall.

Considered By Committee of the Do-

RAILWAY ACTS.

minion House of Commons. Ottawa, April 10 .- At the railway ate the Kamloops & Yellowhead Pass railway was discussed. The incorporators are citizens of Vancouver. They propose to build from Kamloops. thence running in a northerly direction following the valleys of the North Thompson river, Canoe river and Mc-Lellan's creek, to a point near Tete Jaune Cache, in the province of British Columbia. Mr. Thompson, of Ottawa, explained the bill. Duncan Ross asked him as to the difference between this bill and that which the company had obtained from the local legislature. Hon. H. R. Emmerson said that this would be necessary because they ought due to the inspector of hulls. He would just as soon take a gun and shoot never seen the trains and towns so not to pass legislation behind the back of the province. Mr. Thompson said afloat. were some obligations in the provincial motion of W. A. Galliher, who had

Green lake, along the Lillooet lake, ignorance he had passed her. Lillooet river and Harpoon lake, thence from a point between Cottonwood and tain was only twice in British Columthrough the Yellowhead Pass to Edmonton. A clause was inserted prowithin three years, and completion in

way Company bill was adopted. Mr. American certificates for American Galliher had charge of it. The bill asked power to build from Fort Steele, American certificates were required for B. C., by a convenient pass, through American vessels in Canadian ports. was first agent, next superintendent, the Rockies to Lethbridge in Alberta. That was a mistake. He asked that the use of the North Kootenay or

ELECTION LAWS.

Question of Returning Officers Discussed at Meeting of Special Committee

Ottawa, April 10 .- At to-day's meeting of the Dominion election laws committee Hon. F. Oliver and western members, Liberals and Conservatives, were examined with a view of ascertaining who should be made returning officers at elections. There was a difference of opinion on the question. The Liberals wanted to let the law stand as at present. The Conservatives held that the sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and superintendent of Mounted Police should be named.

Hon. Mr. Oliver objected to involving the police in election matters which would impair their efficiency. Ralph Smith favored the law as it now stands in British Columbia.

CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Helena, Mont., April 9.-The second trial here of Camile Remey, charged ment is of the opinion that it now has with killing Wasson J. Oliver, of Dillcon, near Wolf creek, 30 miles north of Helena, on September 22nd last, re-James Hackett, and he is a married sulted in a conviction of manslaughter. honest attempt to deal with a difficult man, residing on Grand Trunk street The jury took the case Saturday at 5 p.m. and reported a verdict this morning, leaving the infliction of punishment to Judge Smith. The maximum the company of the little girl or around penalty is ten years in state penitentiary. The jury disagreed at the first ployees of the Montreal Steel Works trial last January. Remey's plea at

Sir William C. Van Horne, of the

# IMPROVEMENTS IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

## around the neighborhood where he lives and visiting a cousin. He returnmons--Minister of Marine Will Visit Coast During Summer.

Ottawa, April 11.—On the orders of | bonused. The salaries of lightkeeners the day R. G. Macpherson (Vancouver) would be rearranged on the maximu in the House yesterday brought up the and minimum scale. He would co question of aids to navigation on the sider the requiring of a British inspec west coast of Vancouver Island. He tion of officers and craft carrying Amsaid that prior to the advent of the C. erican certificates when calling at Can P. R. shipping on the Pacific coast was a dian ports. very small indeed. To-day they had two lines between Vancouver, Victoria and Oriental points, so with Australia, guard improvement on the Pacific th and next month there would be a new line with New Zealand. Then there was appoint a British Columbia repres the Blue Funnel line running from Liv- tative on the lighthouse board. erpool, round Cape Horn to Vancouver and Victoria. Mr. Macpherson gave the registered tonnage of both | British Columbia members had de ports, showing how it had increased during the past few years. The boats called twice at Victoria. That should ince during the coming summer be borne in mind when calculating ton-

Mr. Macpherson proceeded to picture

in a graphic and touching way some of the wrecks which had taken place on the west coast. He dealt first with the Pass of Melfort, and not one soul was saved. She was coming in ballast to load lumber at Puget Sound. Then graph and other modern appliances. there was the King David, from Glasgow, when six men and the chief officer ance to British Columbia, and its in were drowned. Then there was the wreck of the Valencia, which shocked the whole of the civilized world. Some sixty souls were drowned. The chart which the King David used was dated 1859. for sailing purposes. A note was on the chart that a place of assistance and attempt to fasten on the govern was at Cape Beale. That was 120 miles | ment the responsibility for the wred from the city of Victoria. At that part known as "The graveyard of the Pa- of life which followed. It was an eific," the Valencia's crew and passengers were 24 hours on the rocks and great political party should attempt no one to same them. Unless some radical measures are taken that will reduce these dangers to the very smallest possible minimum the department of marine and fisheries, in my opinion will be condoning murder. That may seem a strong statement to make, but those who wished to commit t would better interview the orphans and widows of those who had met watery graves.

Mr. Macpherson then pointed where lighthouses should be located, whistling buoys placed and other improvements to prevent accidents. There was the necessity of lifeboats at Barkley Sound. Touching the loss of the Clallam, Mr. Macpherson said it was just as soon take a gun and shoot those on board as send that coffin

In conclusion he said that in the in terests of Vancouver, in the interests bill not to be found in this one. For of British Columbia, and in the interorthodox bed; the rest of the time a instance, a deposit of \$10,000 had to be ests of humanity, every effort should

Ralph Smith (Nanaimo) followed Mr charge of the bill, it was referred to a Macpherson. He showed that the loss of the Clallam was entirely due to a R. G. Macpherson had charge and ex- badly constructed vessel only six plained the Vancouver, Westminster & months in commission. The fault lay Yukon railway bill. This was for an with the inspector of hulls for British extension of time and for building Columbia, who passed her. At any branches. One branch was from the rate, the evidence at the inquiry was main line between Anderson lake and that either through carelessness or

In reference to the Valencia, he said south easterly to the international that the crew was picked up on the boundary. Another branch was from streets of San Francisco without any the main line between Lillooet and previous training. There was no dis-Quesnelle to Tete Jaune Cache, also cipline on board the boat, and the cap-Willow rivers to Barkerville, and from bia ports, and was miles out of his a point near Willow river along the course. It was lost through bad sea-Fraser river to Tete Janue Cache, manship and carelessness. The government was not to blame for that. But the government ought to have the viding for the commencement of work supervision of men who were in charge. He spoke of the importance of Brit-

ish certificates as against American. The Crawford Bay & St. Mary's Rail- In 1895 an order was passed accepting vessels when previously British and inspected. He suggested wireless telegraphy as

one thing which the government should establish on the Pacific. There were now 13 stations on the Atlantic and none on the Pacific. The government should own the wireless telegraphy and should establish compulsory pilotage on Pacific coast passenger steamers. These two vessels stranded without British Columbia pilots aboard. In closing, Mr. Smith said he believ-

ed the minister of marine realized the importance of these matters and would immediately apply relief. W. Sloan (Comox-Atlin) followed

making a very strong speech in favor of aids to navigation on the Pacific. Mr. Sloan advise1 the Canadian government to complete the hydrographic survey of the British Columbia Coast begun by the British government. The southern coast was charted, but the have also had the matter under consider northern coast line was little known. The terminus of the Grand Trunk with a view to establishing a certain Pacific at Prince Rupert brought the northern coast into prominence. He advocated an increase in the salaries of lightkeepers as well as dealing fully with the question at issue.

Hon. L. P. Brodeur, minister of marine, said he had taken charge of the department a few da's after the but I am quite certain that the neces Valencia disaster. He had ordered an ties of the case will be met and ever investigation into the cause of the wreck and of marine protection on the perty, and every possible appliance the Pacific coast. The investigation was can be provided for saving life in case of made by Agent Gaudin, Capt. Cox and Capt. Newcomb. They had thrown the ment at a very early date." blame on the captain of the Valencia who had neglected to allow for the currents. A similar finding was returned by the American inquiry. The government was now prosecuting a hydrographic survey of the coast, was having surf life hoats built for patrol land lines, and improve lights and Leuchter, of the colonial punitive force, buoys. A wrecking plant was to be is in pursuit.

proposed aggressive policy of coas minister announced his willingness Hon. Mr. Bordeur had no fault find with the manner in which

with the subject, and concluded promising to pay a visit to that pro familiarize himself with its needs. Hon. W. Templeman (minister of land revenue), and Messrs. Macphe son, Smith and Sloan had advance many reasons for improving the aid

to navigation on the Pacific coast b the erection of light houses, fo alarms, beacons, buoys, wireless tele The question was of great impor portance was fully realized by the gov ernment, which had taken active ster towards improving navigation on th Pacific Coast. The leader of the oppo sition in his address thought it well That was all that was extant depart from the arguments adduced the members from British Columbia of the Valencia and the lamentable los fortunate thing that the leader of make political capital out of such misfortune. One would think it small a thing for a gentleman of high position to attempt to saddle on the government of the country responsibility for the loss of life in marine casualty of this kind. "I sorry to say," said Mr. Brodeur, "th the leader of the Conservative part should attempt to build up a politica platform upon certain calamities and nisfortunes. Only the other day po litical capital was sought to be mad

out of a falling tower, and this after noon a similar attempt is made regard to a disaster which happene at the other end of the contiment, an or which possibly no one was direct esponsible, except the unfortunat captain, who went down with R. L. Borden followed the minister of

narine and fisheries in a speech prac tically charging the government with sibility for the wreck of the Valencia. Hon. W. Templeman recited the cir. umstances of the disaster and par

of the report of the commission, and then said: "In the city of Victoria where all the facts are known, where the nature of the coast line is known where the efforts of the governmen to provide greater facilities for navi gation are known, my friends of the Conservative party were unsuccessful this government responsible in any respect for this melancholy disaster. Now, we all realize the necessity for more aids to navigation on the Pacific coast. As one member from British Columbia said, our coast line is se eral thousand miles in extent. this particular part of the coast, Carmanah lighthouse westward northward, is exceedingly dange would be absolutely impossi am advised by the expert of the de partment, to maintain a life saving station at any point between Car manah and Cape Beale. This is stretch of coast where most of thes infortunate disasters have take place. The coast is abrupt, mountain ous, almost down to the water's edge is densely wooded, is cut here and there by mountain streams and gorges, and it would be absolutely impossible to maintain at any point along that coast a life saving station. But I understand that the policy of the depart ment is to place a life saving station at Bamfield creek, from which point lifeboats might proceed to sea. might also be well to have a life saving station at Carmanah, but along this coast line, all the way from Car manah to Barkley Sound, there is point where lifeboats could be launch

"This matter has been engaging " sonal attention for some weeks, of the department even before the ter of marine and fisheries had att that position, with a view of trying solve the difficulty. Officers of the partment have had the matter under sideration and have been making an spection with a view of trying to the difficulty. Officers of the departme tion and have been making an inspect number of wireless stations and arran ing to have constructed a road along coast line in order that life-saving pliances could proceed from poin point as might be found necessary. The problem is an extremely difficult one. possible security given to life and pre wreck will be provided by the govern

REBEL CHIEF ESCAPES.

Bambaata and Seventy Warriors Make Their Way Into Zululand.

Durban, Natal, April 8.-Chief Bam baata has escaped into Zululand with a

Houses in Vicin Weight of

Naples, April 11.-The Vesuvius district as fa Caserta and Castellman Saharan desert: Report all sides state that the ot so heavy as it has b few days, and that the ner, and from this it

the prospects are much The blockade of loc tinues, but service on th railway has been rethough greatly disarran where foreigners, not fu ing the situation, inve delays and discomforts have been subjected. disquieting day in Napl alarmed by what has deserted their shops an rowds are in a tempe It would only require a conflagration

The arrival of King el and Queen Helena To Restore They have been receive which turned into del the sovereign left for a visit to the wounde women exclaimed: "I be wounded for the sa ords in which to ext

tude that both the Capporimond and Sa been given up to the Conditions to-night affected by the eru Vesuvius are great The fall of volcanic a ished, and scientis opinion that the volc

All the papers to-n that the public be ca improved condi The papers also Matteucci for his co ing to the ruined Mount Vesuvius and messages of encoura pressions of confider will soon quiet down. All the theatres, of amusement have fore all the sacred

streets candles are while smaller images the streets and down in the open candles. Troops are

of buildings of the

sand and ashes. The large glass throughout the city frequented, have lest the weight up them to collapse. Gennaro has been sand and ashes, have collapsed. persons were killed

In the road at

suffocation. The people who Annunziata are in from starvation, al been closed. Ration have been sent t ships ordered here effective service

refugees. Premier Sonnini r by rail from Rome been much impeded King Victor Emma the Premier

Discussed th to be adopted to r dence, maintain or and repair the dam directed that the r Fernando be open of wounded refug sent here to aid in t Two American g lessly ventured into trict, where the ak causfied them much little peril, were b by the steamer St. The distress an

thousands of refu The government i plies of food and the Italian cities and private citize money for the ass ferers, but more h King Victor Em the royal palace a ated above Naples

and early in the da tention of return Rome in order to relief work. The reached Naples to ceived with an Later they visited hospital and were ed through the st report that the troyed is denied. The number of k surrounding villag it is believed that : Even Capri, a sm pania, 19 miles son orite resort for tor been covered with abandoned by its

which included se The magnitude Almost In Mount Vesuvius h and terror over a

country. Minister of Fin