The full-orbed moon which yesterday evening shone resplendent in a clear sky never looked down upon a more patriotic demonstration than that which occurred when fifteen loyal men and true—Victor's quota to Strathcoac's Horse for service in South Africa—bade good-bye, accompanied by the plaudits of a vast multitude, to the Queen City of the West, named after the gracious lady for whom hundreds are laying down their lives daily on the burning sands of Africa.

It was a stirring spectacle. Handsomely dressed ladies, escorted by fashionably attired gentlemen, heeded not the muddy streets nor the pressing throng, but fired with the spirit of patriotism.

The full-orbed moon which yesterday evening shone resplendent in a clear sky never looked down upon a more patriotic demonstration than that which occurred when fifteen loyal men and true—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented with neat New Testaments by the pastor, Rev, Hughes, at the services in the James Bay Methodist church on Sunday evening, the edifice being handsomely decorated for the contingent—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented with neat New Testaments by the pastor, Rev, Hughes, at the services in the James Bay Methodist church on Sunday evening, the edifice being handsomely decorated for the contingent—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented with neat New Testaments by the pastor, Rev, Hughes, at the services in the James Bay Methodist church on Sunday evening, the edifice being handsomely decorated for the contingent—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented with neat New Testaments by the pastor, Rev, Hughes, at the services in the James Bay Methodist church on Sunday evening, the contingent—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented to Mr. Spencer had on the inside cover we have form the two first countingent—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented to Mr. Spencer had on the inside cover we have form the two first countingent—Victor Spencer and William Winkel—were presented to Mr. Spencer had on th

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on Victoria and the Province of British Columbia in whatever capacity they might be employed in South Africa; but it would be well for them not to forget to use as far as is possible the tactics which the Boers are employing so successfully against us—ingenuity and cunning. That they might be successful would be the wish of everyone. The success of the British arms in South Africa means a great deal—it means the establishment of liberty and enlightenment in a territory where those principles have been absent for years past. Mayor Hayward closed a very neat speech by wishing one and all of the members of Strathcona's Horse from Victoria Godspeed and safe return, laden with honors.

patriotic citizen had arranged a fre-cracker accompaniment to the march; and Mr. C. E. Jones greeted the boys with red fire when they marched past his

Good-byes were said by acquaintances

any member of the committee or at the city hall or newspaper offices. Mrs. Dunsmuir has contributed the sum of \$100 to the fund.

community, marched from the Drill hall to the wharf to the strains of "The Red, White and Blue."

The Drill hall was packed long before the hour for which the "send off" ceremonies had been arranged; but the czowd waited good-naturedly until Mayor Hayward, the aldermen and Col. Gregory put in an appearance. Finn's band discoursed patriotic music in the early part of the evening; then there was a battalion parade; and this served to entertain the audience to a slight degree until the appearance of the Strathcona recruits. Here is the list as they lined up in front of the stand on which were seated His Worship Mayor Hayward, and others:

G. D. P. D'ARMOUR.
G. V. N. SPENCER.
B. A. ST. GEORGE.
W. C. WINKEL.
G. V. N. SPENCER.
B. A. ST. GEORGE.
W. C. WINKEL.
G. E. FAALL.
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G. E. LLIOTT.
H. C. CHILDERS.
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W. K. HUMPHREY.
OHAS, G. DUNCAN.
W. H. BURNS.
J. E. HARDING.
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G. E. LLIOTT.
And a sturdy looking lot they weremen who were members of the Northwest Mounted Police; hardy fellows who had battled with the cold and rigors of the northern country, and "kookum" the northern country, and "kookum" the northern country hops from the ranches of Cowichan—not to forget two sturdy Victorians.

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COUNCIL OF WOMEN. Branch of the Red Cross Society to E Organized in This City-Help

For Doukhobors.

The Local Council of Women met yesterday afternoon in the city hall to transact the usual monthly business, and to consider a very urgent request from the National Council of Canada re the formation of a local branch of the Red Cross Society in Victoria. The request met with a hearty response, and a committee was formed to arrange details. As this society's funds go almost entirely to the sick and wounded, it is hoped the needs of their brothers in the field may not be forgotten, and that those who are now working so kindly and energetically making socks and other comforts for "Tommy Atkins" will not relax in their efforts.

A report from the committee re Doul-The Local Council of Women n

other comforts for Tolling Remains of the committee remains will not relax in their efforts.

A report from the committee re Doukhobor relief fund was sent in. These unhappy women, the convenor said, are now in great numbers in the Northwest, and are greatly in need of help to start home industries. So far the committee's efforts have met with no success. Its duties are not easy, for a loan of \$100 for three years, without interest, is asked for. Much has been given by people in other parts of Canada, either as loan or gift, but the \$1,000 calculated to be necessary for efficient help to these poor women is not yet reached.

THE DIRIGO CALLS. Number of Men Come South in Hope of Joining Strathcona's Horse.

any member of the committee or at the citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dunion dispress Contingent.

Joining Strathcona's Horse.

The steamer Dirigo called at the outer wharf early on Sunday morning, on her way from Skagway to the Sound, to land a number of men who were anxious to get a place in Strathcona's Horse. Among the number were Robert Hyland, from Telegraph Creek; W. K. Humphrey, Bennett; Charles Tennent, Dawson; C. G. Duncan, Tagish, J. E. Harding, White Horse; and W. H. Binns, Tagish. It was just two weeks ago when Mr. Hyland heard that interest and good will felt towards them by the citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the Citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the Citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the Citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the Citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the Citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are given to the Dominion Express Company for the Citizens of Victoria. Hearty thanks are controlled to the Citizens of Victoria and the citizens of Vi

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Crisis in the Legislature

Mr. Prentice Denounces Coal Mines Bill and Defeat Faces Ministry.

Indecent Haste to Press Measure Produces Scene at

this bill bore upon its face the word "deception." It attempted to do by subterfuge what the courts had determined the province had no right to do. It proposed to do by stealth what could not be done to do by stealth what could not be done directly or apenly. It proposed to drive the devil around the bush. There was a way to accomplish the result aimed at, but it was not this way. The right way was for the representatives of British Columbia and the provincial interests to stand shoulder to shoulder, and bring all necessary influence to bear upon the Dominion government, so that eventually minion government, so that eventually minion government, so that eventually that proper tribunal to deal with the question would take such steps as would exclude the Asiatics altogether, directly and legitimately. The bill also hit at that portion of the population of good, honest, hard-working men, who by accident or misfortune solely, could neither read nor write. There were included not only the white men now working in the British Columbia coal mines, but those Above goods were just received by us in ane shipment from the manafacturer.

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It is a shipment from the minduced him to unqualifiedly oppose the bill. There were therefore three main reasons why he should vote against the second reading: 1. Because it would be found ultra vires if passed, and was an attempt to do something by an underhand method which the province well knew it had no right to do; 2. Because it would not have the desired effect of driving one single Chinaman out of the province be brought up to the English statutes in this respect, incorporated with the results recurred from the report of the English commissions on explosions in coal mines. He urged the government to give consideration to this matter. As for abondward mines also it would not have the desired effect of driving one single Chinaman out of the province; and 3. Because it struck unfairly at working men, who although honest and industrious had the misfortune through lack of opportunity to be unable to read or write. He thought this bill required very serious consideration and therefore moved the adjournment of the debate for ten days.

Hon, Dr. McKechnie could not agree with this proposal. British Columbia coal mines, but those

Hon. Dr. McKechnie could not agre with this proposal. "The sooner that the bill is settled, the better," he observed.

consideration to this matter. As for abandoned mines, also, it would be well to go to the English law, where valuable legislation would be found in the direction of affording additional protection to life. It appeared to him quite probable The motion for adjournment of the debate was put to the house, and on a division against, Mr. Helmcken was found to be the only member of the opposition who did not raise his hand with Mr. Prentice. tion of affording additional protection to life. It appeared to him quite probable that the salient features of this old country statute might advantageously be incorporated in the present bill. The English federation of mines had recently directed special attention to the danger of employing aliens, ignorant of the language, in the English mines—1,000 Poles having heen introduced into the mines of "How does the senior member for Victoria vote?" asked Mr. Speaker.
"I suppose I vote 'aye,'" was the response.
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(From Wednesday's Daily Redistribution Assigned a

Ministers Offer No Ren Resolution But Deny plicity in Shelving

Accept Taunt of Drawi ari's Without Suppo House or Countr

yesterday was devoted by the lmost exclusively to routing the preliminary skirmish or tin's motion with respect to tion being the only break in eny of the afternoon proceed no evening session. The bating of the redistribution with private bills, will occ and to-morrow it is antic Messrs. Martin and Cotton their personal dispute to settle foregoing other business to duel. The Coal Mines Regu is not likely therefore to reach mittee stage before Friday,

lace.
The Speaker took the chair a Clay.

The following petitions read

were received and ordered to From the Vancouver Trades Council, re closing barber shop From the Vancouver Typ Union, No. 226, re amendmen couver City Consolidation Bill. From W. C. Wainwright a re ward system amendments ver City Consolidation Bill. From J. H. Watson and oth ing prayers of petition again

ver City Consolidation Bill.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the posented yesterday by Col. Bake
Kauffman and others of Fernie of the eight-hour law was out being improperly addressed. PRIVATE BILLS REPO Mr. Green presented the four port of the private bills commit that the time for the reception tions for private bill be ext Monday next, he explained tha had expired. To Mr. Joseph remarked that this did not mean that the time for rec

yould be further extended. The rules were suspended EXPLOSIVES STORAGE Mr. Kellie introduced a bill the Explosives Storage Act, but denied responsibility for it. Hi it in in this way for private order that it might go before t The bill was read a first tim

REDISTRIBUTION UR MR. JOSEPH MARTIN his want of confidence motion redistribution said that he wish propose this motion for any ob-to bring pressure upon the gove do that which was suggested tion. Perhaps the house would that early in the session he hout the position of this matter that while he was very much the government and thought ance in power most prejudic province, yet he was prepared take to give a loyal support to In fact, he continued, he that he was prepared to vote eally any measure of redistri the government might pre-house. He at that time mer did not intend his support to way illusory. He was quite object in that respect was bona fide and he did not pro-

cape from it.

The resolution in the first r

what the position politically vesent. He did not suppose would be questioned, especi what had occurred in the h what had occurred in the h last sitting, when they four three occasions the governme want of confidence motions, saved by your vote, Mr. Sp was apparent that the first ci resolution could not be compared to the compared with the present. of the province it was a ma serious concern that the cou-be liable at any moment, at caprice of any government find itself suddenly in the election and be bound to ha tion conducted on the seats, which was opposed s this house by hon, gentlement such of them as were then such of them as were then the house, when it was introd 1898. He considered the should assume responsibility try if such a catastrophe occurred and as was likel livery gentleman opposite he power to force the governm duty in this matter. They what had occurred so far that the government would ing unless forced. As the single vote meant the defearmment a heavy responsibil rnment a heavy respons

every hon, gentleman opposition of seats and to support to occur the cated so much.

The second recital stated the which the present government to represented took strong in opposition against the untion of seats and to support the debates on the second recital states. the debates on the second redistribution bill, moved 1898. Mr. Semlin was the saying that "the bill was quitous one ever proposed quitation from Mr. J. E

Mr. Helmcken asked: " Cotton say?"
Mr. Martin took no notice agustation from Mr. J. B speech. Next he read from speech. The Kootenay men the Premier of having neith the backbone of a sausage."
"I think," said Mr. Mar have fallen from grace si have fallen from grace s when such elegant languag
used on the floor of the hou
Mr. Martin went on readi
cerpts from the speeches cerpts from the speeched Hume, Graham, Sword, K son and Foreter. During to one of the extracts, Mr. M "During my long course