

B. C. BOARD OF TRADE

Important Business Discussed at Yesterday's Meeting of Council—The Yukon Service.

The Carmanah Point Telegraph Service—A Visit to the "Christofer Colombo"

Quite a lengthy meeting of the Council of the British Columbia Board of Trade held Wednesday morning, there being in attendance President D. R. Ker, Secretary F. Elworthy, Dr. Milne, Captain John Irving, T. S. Futecher, Joshua Davies, A. C. Flumerfelt, T. B. Pearson, A. H. Scatfe and H. Chapman. A comprehensive report from the committee appointed to collect information on the proposed short steamboat route to the upper Yukon was read by the secretary, in which were pointed out the advantages to be derived from a good service, and it was urged that the matter be brought before the Provincial and Dominion governments as soon as possible.

Dr. Milne spoke of the value of the trade, which is now approximately put down at \$150,000. He thought that the recommendations of the report which he had helped prepare could be feasibly carried out, and that the difficulties met with in securing the required service would be few.

As to the suggestion made in the report that the proposed line be subsidized, Mr. Scatfe wanted to know why a bonus should be sought when it was conceded that the enterprise would bring in immense profits to its promoters. To this the chair replied that a bonus would be the means of securing capital for the investment. Mr. Scatfe held that the report should receive full publicity, and that a map should appear with it. In this way the whole scheme could be laid clearly before the public.

Such a publication Dr. Milne, too, believed would be effective, and copies of the publication might with advantage be forwarded to members of the legislature here and of the House of Commons. Mr. Gustav Leiser agreed that the importance of the Yukon trade was very great, and believed also that the time now at the disposal of the board for looking after it was very inadequate. Personally he did not believe the provincial government would do anything towards the scheme in question this year. With reference to the present he thought all that should be done would be to establish steamboat transportation to the headwaters of the Yukon. He was of the opinion that a small steamer could now be effective, and that the Lyman canal without much trouble. Upon reflection he believed the value of the furs annually exported from the Yukon instead of reaching hundreds of thousands reached millions. Mr. Leiser suggested that the report be referred back to the committee for elaboration in view of the publicity it was proposed to give it, and in this he voiced the opinions of the other committeemen who had helped to prepare it.

In answer to Mr. Scatfe's objections to the undignified course of asking a bonus, Mr. Davies spoke of the expense a company would necessarily be at in the establishment of a steamboat service on the Yukon. Trade would have to be created as well as developed, and when this was done, according to precedents, competition would enter the field. For this reason he proposed in a bonus for the inaugurating service.

After further discussion the motion to refer the report back to the committee for amendment was adopted. Mr. Helmecken being added to the committee. Mr. Helmecken being present promised to do what he could for the board. A report from the committee of the Society of Comparative Legislation was read and ordered to be forwarded to the Law Society. Mr. Strong wrote for information regarding the establishment of a broom factory in Victoria or Vancouver, and the letter was referred to the committee on manufactures. The chairman mentioned also that he had received a telegram from Mr. William Kene, of Vancouver, stating that the latter had wired Hon. E. G. Prior, at Ottawa, to press cotton net lines on the free list, and that he had sent another telegram to the same effect to Mr. Prior. This motion was approved, and a letter from Chief Justice Davie inclosing his resignation as a member of the board was accepted.

After Mr. Leiser had spoken briefly of the necessity of a life-saving station on the southwest coast of Vancouver Island, the matter of holding the board's annual banquet was discussed, but nothing definite was determined, the subject being left over for the next meeting of the council. President Ker suggested that the board's reading rooms be opened to members of the legislature, and the suggestion being favorably considered, the secretary was instructed to extend invitations. Another letter of resignation was read from Mr. Robert Irving, after which Mr. B. W. Pearce was appointed to fill the vacancy in the membership of the council caused through the absence of Mr. A. B. Gray.

In bringing the Carmanah Point telegraph trouble before the meeting the chair explained that he had received a letter from Mr. James Wilson, superintendent of the C.P.R. service, objecting to his (President Ker's) published statements relative to the unsatisfactory service provided. He acknowledged the justice of the complaint, but expressed inability to keep the line in good repair as it now stands. He believed an improved service could be given if the wire was run by way of Alberni canal and Cape Beale. Mr. Wilson promised in the letter referred to to attend a meeting of the council in

the near future, providing his attendance was favored by his superior officers. This the council was pleased to learn and in consequence the matter was left over for a time.

Mr. Flumerfelt stated that Rev. Mr. Tait had sought his aid in getting the board's support towards sending the distressed seamen of the Janet Cowan home to England. Mr. Flumerfelt suggested that the board pay an official visit to the Italian warship Christoforo Colombo during her stay in port. Mr. Ker explained that he had seen Mr. Tait and had given him letters of introduction from the board for the distressed seamen, to aid them in securing cheap transportation. It was decided to visit the Italian ship upon notification of the President.

ARMENIAN OUTRAGES!

Important Reports of the Consular Delegates Attached to the Armenian Commission.

Difficult to Get at the Truth—Every Denunciation of the Sultan Justified.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Blue books have been issued containing all the official dispatches relative to the Armenian troubles between July 24, 1894, and October 16, 1895, and the reports of the consular delegates attached to the Sassoon commission. The report gives the history of the Armenian agitation for several years and records the obstacles thrown in the way of the commission by the Turkish delegates. It also acquires the Armenians of the charge brought against them of burning their own property to incite an outbreak among their people, adding that the facts elicited failed to prove that the Armenians were in revolt, but showed that Turkish agitators had instigated several Armenian outrages on the Kurds. The latter retaliated and the Armenians fled to their villages. The conflicts between the Armenians and Kurds followed, and the government did nothing to arrive at a peaceful settlement or to protect the women and children.

The delegates are compelled to believe, the report says, that all the Armenians who fell into the hands of the soldiers the Kurds or the Zaptiehs, were either killed or wounded and that with the exception of the eleven villagers of Taloria not a single prisoner was taken. The report shows that the number of killed has been grossly exaggerated, but it admits that owing to the absence of registration it is impossible, even approximately, to fix the number of victims. There is appended to the report a tabulated list of the evidence tendered to the commission. The villages mentioned show a total of 265 victims.

British delegate Shipley, in a memorandum attached to the joint report from the evidence gathered by Consul Hampson during his tour, estimates the total number of victims in the Sassoon district, including deaths from starvation, at about 900. One of the worst cases of cold-blooded cruelty, Delegate Shipley says, was the murder of the prisoners in camp at Chelloguzen, under promise of a safe conduct. But the numbers of those so murdered reached 40 or 50, and not hundreds as has been stated. While Mr. Shipley admits that there was violation of women, the alleged wholesale butchery of women, he says, was not confirmed. He points out that while an agitation subservient of Ottoman authority had existed amongst Armenians in Turkey and abroad, and had exasperated the Turkish government, it must be admitted that the government had failed in its duty of affording protection to all classes of its subjects. He complains of the suppression of evidence before the commission by Turkish officials and not calculated to advance the interests of the truth.

Mr. Shipley further declared that the Armenians were hunted like wild beasts and if the slaughter was not greater it was solely owing to the vastness of the mountain ranges which facilitated the escape of the Armenians. He was convinced that the Turks aimed at complete extermination of the Armenians in the Chelloguzen and Talori districts. The reports of the consular delegates show that the protests made by the delegates against the intimidation of masses and the suborning of evidence by the government's agents, and their attempts to remedy the state of things were always fruitless, so the violation of the truth was very difficult. Regarding the maltreatment of women, only four female witnesses were heard, the commission refusing to hear others. For a similar reason the details of the Chelloguzen massacre are still wrapped in obscurity.

Mr. Shipley's memorandum is a most interesting document and couched in less severely official forms than the delegates' report. Consul Hampson, who made a tour of the villages, put the number of victims at from twenty to sixty to a village. Mr. Shipley therefore thinks it fair to estimate forty dead for each of the twenty-three villages destroyed. He was unable to gather any evidence as to the truth of the alleged massacre at the Convent of Surpmerpa, but thinks that all such stories were enormously exaggerated if not absolutely invented. The account of the torture of the priest Obanuz at Chelloguzen seems to have some foundation, but the alleged slaying of the Armenian Shero by Col. Tewfik is extremely doubtful.

Without desiring to appear partial to the Armenians, Mr. Shipley emphasizes the fact that they are exposed to the rapacity of government officials and to the exactions of Kurds, who would have burned their houses and stolen their cattle unless they had paid their demands. It is easy to understand that the Armenians could not pay taxes and satisfy the Kurds, and as the government did nothing to keep the Kurds in order, one cannot be surprised that the Armenians were discontented.

The editorials in the morning papers upon the Armenian blue books mostly comment on the fact that they only picture overtures to a long tale of massacre and that the careful report of the delegates has been justly every denunciation yet published of the Sultan.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver's Ball in Honor of Prince Louis of Italy—The Kaiser's Birthday.

Murdered at Capilano—Ore Shipments—School Troubles at East Vancouver.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER. The social event of the season took place at Dunn hall last night. It was the occasion of a reception to the officers of the Italian war cruiser Christoforo Colombo. Although very little time was at the disposal of the citizens who took the initiative the affair proved a splendid social success. It was originally intended that the reception should be under the auspices of the mayor and council, but the latter had no time to prevent the carrying out of any concerted plan, so that Prince Louis of Italy and his fellow officers were really the guests of those citizens who were fortunate enough to be present at the reception, while Mayor Collins and Aldermen Banfield, Shaw and Painter represented the city. About 9 o'clock the officers of the cruiser arrived in a body, and by that time about 200 of Vancouver's citizens and their guests were present. As the officers, headed by the Prince, filed into the ballroom, handsomely uniformed, the Italian National Anthem was played and the guests rose to their feet. The officers formed in a line, and for a few moments admired the festoons of flags and the smiling, expectant faces and pretty costumes of Vancouver's fair daughters. Then the presentation commenced. Nearly all the ladies were presented to the Prince, commander and officers. Those who enjoyed the social distinction of dancing with the prince say that his is a splendid dancer and interesting talker. The guests dispersed at 2:30 a. m., the commander and officers expressing themselves as pleased with the reception given them.

Yesterday being the birthday of the Emperor of Germany, the acting German consul, Capt. Von Hartman, entertained several officers of the Italian warship Colombo, the mayor and the different consuls in the city at lunch.

It is reported that the Christoforo Colombo will leave to-morrow for Esquimalt. Reeve May, of East Vancouver, will interview the Minister of Education on behalf of the citizens of East Vancouver in reference to the vexed school district question. East Vancouverites do not want to extend the district by adding on a portion of West Burnaby, and want no other than the site originally chosen by them.

Not of motion was given at the council meeting last night that a suitable site be chosen for a recreation ground in Stanley Park. It is thought by many that Phillips, the colored man who was found dead, the coroner's inquest reveals the fact that death resulted from alcohol and exposure.

The Association of Provincial Land Surveyors in this city this year will hold a banquet at the Merchants' Exchange on the evening of the 8th prox.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Jan. 28.—Mr. W. A. Carlyle's third lecture was well attended. General satisfaction is expressed at the reduction of the price of admission. Indian Agent Devlin has gone to Chilliwack to act as executor for an old Indian woman who has just died, and who made a will in regular order shortly before her death. Devlin is the sole executor. The property consisted of several milch cows, horses, wagons, farm implements and household furniture, the whole valued at about \$1,000.

H. W. Hughes, at one time connected with the Pacific Herald newspaper, died at the insane asylum yesterday. A Russian Fin, called One-Eyed Jack, entered the residence of J. Marshall last night while drunk, when Mr. Marshall, who was alone, was severely injured. He threatened to use a knife on the children, but left, anticipating the immediate return of Mr. Marshall.

WESTMINSTER, Jan. 29.—The Westminster and Vancouver mails are to be dispatched hereafter by tramcar. This will be a great advantage to the citizens of Westminster. Sunday service from Westminster to Victoria is much desired. Arthur Craven, formerly of Ducks, will shortly return from England, where he has arranged a working bond on the claims of the Swan Lake Mining Company near Vernon. The parties taking the bond are given six months in which to prospect the property, and at the end of that time are to pay \$250,000 for it if satisfied. If not they are out the cost of their work.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Jan. 29.—Provincial Constable McLean has returned after a tour throughout the district, during which he has been compiling agricultural statistics for the Provincial Department of Agriculture. One of the curtains in the diagonal slope of Protection island shaft hung yesterday morning, but the flames were extinguished before any serious damage was done. A sailor from one of the vessels now at Departure Bay, was fined \$50 in the district court yesterday for having liquor in his possession while in an Indian house at the Euclatash reserve.

W. Laveridge, the new manager of the Duke of York claim, came in from Alberni and has gone to Victoria to make arrangements for the immediate purchase of Dumbleton's sawmill, together with pipes, monitors, derricks, giants, etc., from San Francisco. The sawmill has a capacity of 10,000 feet of lumber per day and as early a date as possible will be in thorough working order on the property, when lumber for many miles will be cut and the money on hand. Mr. Laveridge feels confident that the mining districts are thickly covered with both placer and quartz prospects calculated to pay development. The new shaft on the Constance is being run and no time will be lost in sinking the bedrock.

An important case, involving \$12,000 or \$14,000, will come up before the Court of Revision here next Monday. The Victoria Lumber Company own an extensive acreage of land in the districts of Nanaimo, Cowichan-Alberni and Comox, held under an agreement for sale from the railway company. In view of the fact that the lands of the railway company are exempt from taxation unless they are either sold, leased or alienated, and inasmuch as the lumber company merely hold their property under an agreement for sale, it is contended by them that they cannot legally be taxed for the property.

KETTLE RIVER.

(From the News-Advertiser.) Perhaps no part of the province is attracting more attention than the Kettle River country, situated just north of the international boundary line. Grand Prairie, containing about 50,000 acres, the home of many prosperous settlers, is without doubt one of the most beautiful valleys in the Northwest. In it is situated the town of Grand Forks, at the junction of the North Fork with the main Kettle River, the most important place in the valley. There are a large number of good mineral claims tributary to this place, and it has a bright future. It is not its agricultural or grazing resources that are bringing this country to the front, but its immense bodies of mineral. Most of the mines and claims, about 600 in number, are located around Boundary Creek and in the vicinity. The capping is similar to that of Trail Creek, in some cases identical. The rock carries gold, silver and copper; in some cases a large percentage of copper. A good deal of the ore is low grade, but sample shipments of ore have given satisfactory results, and many of the best properties have been sold or bonded to outside capitalists. The principal claims are the Greenwood, Providence, Wellington, Copper, Deadwood, White's, Atwood's, Long Lake and Summit.

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NEW DENVER.

(From the Ledger.) Cody Creek is fast coming into prominence. The position which it occupies cannot otherwise than bring it in a short time to the front. Three concentrators will be running in the Slokan by next May, which will tend to make this a summer as well as a winter town.

Mr. Maxwell, surveyor of Sandon, is here with the purpose in view of bonding some claims in which Denver people are interested. The Hyack and Clatawa claims have been examined with a view to bonding. These are just across Slokan lake from New Denver and are of considerable promise.

The Antoine mine near Kaslo shut down the latter part of last week. Scarcity of supplies was the cause given. The ore sack factory has been moved across the lake and power to run it obtained from Warton's sawmill.

The shilling made from Dec. 28 to Dec. 30, inclusive, of the Idaho and Slokan Star mines was 160 and 20 tons respectively. The Idaho shipped her ore by way of Nakusp to Omaha, and the Slokan Star by the same route to Everett.

The November shipment of the Sky-line to Pilot Bay was 200 tons, and that of the No. 1 75 tons. The December shipment of the same mine was 180 tons, the No. 1 60 tons, and the Mile Point, 15 tons, all to Pilot Bay. The Silver King shipped 1,500 tons of ore to the smelter at Nelson during December.

The amount of ore shipped over the K. & S. road to points in the United States, from the 9th to the 15th of January, 1896, aggregated 779,150 lbs., valued at \$37,592. This is about 380½ tons. The total shipment of the K. & S. road during the month of January was 81 of the principal mines in the Slokan via Kaslo was 1,397½ tons, via Nakusp 2,661½ tons. The total amount of ore shipped from the mines in West Kootenay since June last was 48,337½ tons.

REVELSTOKE.

(From the Kootenay Mail.) The rawhide trail to the Silver Cup is now in full swing and shipments will commence as the trail is completed. The Great Northern has four feet six inches clean ore—silver and copper—which will average \$80 per ton. The freeing of the narrows and part of the Lower Arrow lake last week practically cut off for a time all communication between the main line of the C.P.R. and the Lower Kootenay country. This water route can never be entirely depended on, as during severe winters interrupted communication would be impossible. The New Denver Ledger advocates as a solution of the difficulty, the immediate construction of a railway from the C. & K. branch up the Slokan river to Slokan lake; presumably to connect with the Nakusp & Slokan road. The shortest and most direct route from the main line to Kootenay lake, however, could be got by extending the Revelstoke & Arrow Lake branch for a distance of fifty miles through the Trout lake country to the north end of Kootenay lake, which never freezes, where boats could connect for Kaslo, Silver worth, Pilot Bay and Nelson, thus securing much of the trade, which for want of a more direct route, now goes over the Great Northern and other American roads.

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rossland Miner.) Rossland has organized a volunteer fire department. Nineteen members signed the roll. President, D. Stussi; vice-president, John Edgren; secretary, B. R. McDonald, the new customs officer; treasurer, Gus Martin; chief, Chas. Collins, assistant chief, A. B. Clifton. The Blue Bell mine shipped 52,000 tons of galena ore to the smelter at Pilot Bay in 1895. In January the shipments amounted to 2,054 tons, the lowest for any month in the year, while in April 8,622 tons were shipped, that being the highest. The December shipments were 4,410. Of lime rock 2,994 tons were shipped.

M. S. Davys has been making arrangements for working the Iron Hand, recently acquired by the Hall Mines, Limited. A contract has been let to James Sproule for taking out 12,000 tons of ore,

which will be shipped at the rate of three or four cars each day. Rossland had decided to incorporate. At the mass meeting held in the Opera house on Monday evening the sentiment expressed was almost unanimously in favor of this action. The chairman, Mr. Newton, appointed the following on the executive committee: C. O'Brien Reddin, John Boultbee, R. Hunter, Mr. Watson, Dr. Bowes, J. S. Clute, Jr., Chris McDonald and Mr. McCutcheon. The meeting then resolved itself into a ratepayers' association to prepare constitution and bye-laws and proceed to organize the association on a permanent basis.

The Le Roi mine boasts of fifteen feet of clean ore in the bottom of the shaft with only one wall. The shaft is down 435 feet. Average assays from this chute run over \$200. A. A. Drury is running a tunnel on a cross vein in the Little Darling. He is now in about 40 feet and the ledge is well mineralized. Both the No. 2 tunnel on the War Eagle and the No. 3 on the Iron Mask continue to look well. The drift from the shaft on the Iron Mask is in solid ore as likewise the tunnel on the Virgilio. About this time a day are being shipped. The ore in the shaft and drift of the Iron Mask runs about \$300 per ton. On the Deadwood the owners have been steadily at work and have 20 tons of galena sacked and ready for shipment. This ore will average over 150 ounces in silver and 60 per cent. lead. It is all taken out of a pay streak about 18 inches wide.

NELSON.

(From the Tribune.) The mill on the Fern, a gold mine on Hall creek, twelve miles south of Nelson, is nearly ready to start up. The gold commissioner of the Nelson division of West Kootenay, whose division includes Nelson, Ainsworth, Slokan and Goat River mining districts, is preparing a report of mining operations in his division for 1895. The Le Roi company has commenced the delivery of 300 tons of ore to the Puget Sound Reduction Company at Everett, Washington. A sample taken from each slight before leaving the mine in an aggregate of 50 tons, ran \$264, making the value of the shipment \$13,200.

It was expected that the rails on the Revelstoke and Arrow Lake branch of the Canadian Pacific would be laid to the steamboat landing on Upper Arrow lake on Thursday. G. W. Coplen, who owns an interest in the Morning and Evening mines near Nelson, reports that the mines are bringing handsome returns to the owners. Saturday they made a clean-up and took out \$6,000 in gold. This is the result of the work done since the 1st instant. Last year over \$100,000 was taken from this claim.

One of the best-looking discoveries made last fall on Springer creek, at the foot of Slokan lake, is named the Arlington. It was said that a cash offer up in the thousands was made by a Vancouver syndicate, and that John A. Finch offered a big sum on a bond. Soon afterwards Mr. Finch secured a bond on the Enterprise and Slokan Queen, and is now reported to have sold the Arlington for \$50,000, 10 per cent. down.

In 1891, Harry Young and James Durkin, of Colville, purchased Jake Coghans' interest in the Silver King group of mines. The interest was one-twenty-sixth. In 1893, the other owners sold their interests to the Hall Mines, Limited, but Messrs. Young and Durkin refused, claiming they would sell for themselves only. The company held the original offer open to them, and they week they agreed to take it. They will receive \$7,459 in cash and 6,730 full paid up shares in the company, or \$40,100 in all, reckoning the shares at par.

Byron N. White, manager of the Slokan Star mine, says that about 1,000 tons of Slokan ore have gone out by way of the Kaslo & Slokan since that road opened.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PORT ARTHUR, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Patch, wife of Conductor Patch of Schriber, while putting her children to bed last night upset a lamp. Her clothes took fire and before any assistance could be rendered she was dead.

MONTREAL, Jan. 28.—The liabilities of the Canadian Trading and Shipping Company, now in the hands of a receiver, amount to \$170,000. The principal Canadian creditor is La Banque du Peuple for \$72,000.

LISTOWAY, Jan. 28.—William Hay, for forty years one of the most prominent and public-spirited men in this town, died last night at the general hospital, Guelph, where a few weeks ago he underwent an operation. Deceased was 65 years old.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 28.—The body of Annie Kempton, the 14-year-old daughter of Isaac Kempton, of Digby, was found this morning with her head fractured and throat cut. She had been assaulted and murdered while alone in the house last night.

QUEBEC, Jan. 28.—The winter carnival was opened by Lieut. Governor Chapleau in a blaze of glory. The Albanian concert, which was a great feature of the ceremonies, was an immense success, the Canadian prima donna being greeted with deafening cheers.

TORONTO, Jan. 28.—(Special)—The fight between the locked out tailors was considerably embittered this afternoon by the importation from Buffalo of four first class tailors. The union is making strenuous but unsuccessful efforts to prevent upon these men to go back.

The examination of Mrs. Harry Hyams, in the case of conspiracy to murder her charged against Dallas Hyams, was gone into this afternoon. The reporters at the request of Mrs. Hyams were excluded. Crown Attorney Curry, however, says Mrs. Hyams' memory was very bad and that she had been unable to get from her any facts that would help the Crown in its prosecution of Dallas. He had other evidence, and it was not likely that Dallas would be discharged at present. There are also four charges of forgery against both brothers.

Don't worry. Don't run in debt. Don't trifle with your health. Don't try experiments with medicines. Don't waste time and money on worthless compounds. Don't be persuaded to take a remedy for the sake of a few dollars. It is the best of blood purifiers.

A COMMISSIONER IN B.R.

GENTLENESS HAS USED HAYWARD'S Pectoral Balm in our family for years. I have no hesitation in saying that it beats everything else we ever tried for coughs and colds. It cures as well as grows up people. It relieves that tight binding sensation in the chest. We would not be without it for anything, as we have a large family.

WILLIAM ANDREW, Commissioner in B.R. Balmoral, Man.

RANK OBSTRUCTION!!

The Liberals Are Not Inclined to Allow Business to Be Proceeded With.

Budget on Friday—Liberal Caucus Favors a Manitoba School Commission.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—Today's sitting in the House of Commons was characterized by rank obstruction on the part of the Liberals. They are evidently determined not to allow any business to proceed this session.

Hon. Mr. Foster wanted to take a step in Supply to-day, but the Grits talked every imaginable subject, the Remedial bill, Newcastle regulations, the non-appearance of the auditor's report, until the Finance Minister at last gave it up in despair and the budget was definitely fixed for Friday.

Many Eastern papers commend the proposed purchase of Martini-Enfeldts. Mr. Stairs will move a resolution in favor of procuring the most approved rifle. Mr. Barnard is urging additional mail routes through the Cariboo country, owing to mining developments.

A caucus of Liberal members was held this morning. The gathering lasted upwards of an hour. Every follower of Mr. Laurier was on hand. Besides laying out their programme for the session, the caucus dealt with the Manitoba school question. After a discussion of the view of that important issue which the Liberal leader had chosen to adopt the rank and file of the party gave their assurances that the reform party is in favor of a commission. This will be backed up by a solid vote.

A dispatch from Right Hon. Mr. Chamberlain received to-day expresses the appreciation of the Queen and Princess Beatrice for the resolution of condolence passed by parliament on their sad bereavement.

A TRUE BENEFACTOR.

Thousands Bless the Memory of Prof. Edward E. Phelps, M.D., LL.D.

He Gave Humanity Paine's Celery Compound.

Medical Men Say It is the Only Perfect Cure for Bright's Disease and Diabetes.

Dr. Phelps' wonderful prescription, Paine's Celery Compound, is a boon to suffering humanity. This remarkable medicine has cured and saved many victims of kidney trouble than have all other combined agencies in the world. It has rescued thousands who were thought to be hopelessly lost—made them well after medical men had pronounced them incurable.

The case of Mr. C. F. Kevill, of Dunsford, Ont., is one of the strongest proofs ever put on record, that Paine's Celery Compound cures kidney disease, and all the terrible evils that follow this dangerous malady. Mr. Kevill has written for the benefit of other sufferers, he says:

"I wish to testify in favor of the wonderful curative powers of Paine's Celery Compound for two reasons; first, in justice to the proprietors; and secondly, for the benefit of suffering humanity.

"For the past fifteen years I have been troubled with diseased kidneys. I am engaged in the manufacture of cheese, and am obliged to work more or less in a stooping posture. At times I found it almost impossible to work owing to severe pains across my kidneys. Often, after working in a stooping position for a time, I would find it very difficult to straighten up, and would only do so after repeated efforts.

"Of late years, while laboring under these severe attacks, I became very nervous, and continually had tired, worn out feelings. My rest at night seemed to do me no good, and I always felt tired out in the morning.

"I had been taking various medicines and was getting worse all the time. At last I decided to give Paine's Celery Compound a trial. I procured a bottle, and took it according to directions, and found its effect wonderful. Before I had used the first bottle I began to improve; after I had used the second bottle I felt as well as ever I did in my life. It had banished all aches and pains, my nervousness was all gone, and the tired and worn out feelings were banished. I can go to bed now and sleep well, and rise in the morning rested and refreshed.

"I have recommended Paine's Celery Compound to my friends who were suffering from the same troubles as I had, and all have been benefited. Knowing what it has done, I can cheerfully recommend it to any person suffering from kidney disease."

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WILLIAM ANDREW, Commissioner in B.R. Balmoral, Man.

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