MR. FISHER QUIBBLES.

Must AcceptHis Leader's Memory of a Secret Understanding.

Prohibition Not to Be Granted Unless a Miracle Should Happen.

Formal Challenge for Yukon Inquiry Met by an Evasion.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, April 13.-Mr. Sidney Fisher the representative of the prohibition party in the government, skated on thin ice this afternoon in endeavoring to justify the government's attitude on the prohibition question, clumsily answering In his opinion, he said, it would be folly and not consonant with the good government of this country, or with the duty which the government owes to the people if on the vote as expressed in the plebiscite the governmnt was to under-take to put in torce a prohibitory law. of the horse show association, presented an address to Lord Minto, who made for such a law to be successful it must show open. It promises have the sentiment of the peothe most successful held. ple behind it. Without this sentiment be hind it the adoption of a prohibitory law The common sense of the people of Can-ada realized that the result did not justify the introduction of a prohibitory law would bring discredit on the country and deal a blow at temperance which it could

be repealed within a year.

Mr. Bergeron: "And you \$250,000 to learn that!" Mr. Fisher: "We did it to find out the will of the people." Alluding to the statements of frauds in voting in Quebec, he said he believed these rash utterances of ignorant people He challenged any member of the house to make these charges on his responsibil-ity as a member and to ask for a committee of investigation

not overcome for generations. If parlia-

The Premier's Excuse.

Mr. Ives asked if the minister were statement was made that it was under-stood by the prohibitionists and anti-

Prime Minister for an answer to the Challenged on Yukon.

Mr. Clarke, of West Toronto, after a brilliant speech in which he severely scored Mr. Fisher for his time-serving attitude on the prohibition issue, moved the following amendment:

to inform his Excellency that the view of the widespread charges of incapacity, misconduct and corruption in the administration of public affairs connected with Yukon, it is the duty of the government to appoint without delay, an independent indicial commission to make a thorough nvestigation into that subject and re-Mr. Bertram, Liberal, of Toronto

Centre, moved the following amendment to the amendment: "That we have observed with pleasure on receipt of com plaints against some officials in the Yukon district, his Excellency's governmen took prompt action to enquire into the matter of such complaints and have ap pointed Mr. William Ogilvie as commissioner for the purpose. Having entire confidence in the integrity and ability of Mr. Ogilvie we are satisfied that his enquiry will be impartial and thorough and will place his Excellency's advisers i sary to enable them to do justice to all Mr. Bell of Pictou, having spoken, Mr.

Sutherland moved the adjournment of the debate, and the house adjourned at midnight.
Dr. Montague leaves for British Columbia on mining business. He will be absent about three weeks.

AN AWKWARD DAY

Toronto, April 13.—The three city corps, the Queen's Own, the Royal Grenadiers and the Highlanders, have received invitations to participate in the military review to be held in Montreal on May 24, but all have found it necessary to decline, the main reason being the ex-pense and the fact that the holiday falls

MANITOBA'S SCHOOL LAWS.

Premier Finds It Necessary to Speak Again in Their Defence-Judge Killam Made Chief.

Winnipeg, April 13 .- (Special)-Lieut. Governor Patterson gave assent to a number of bills in the legislature to-day, after which Premier Greenway made a lengthy speech defining the administration of the school laws of the province. tion of the school laws of the province. The house adjourned to-night until \$468,328.

The first official intimation of a redistribution bill was given to-day when Premier Greenway gave notice that h would on the 15th of June ask leave t would on the 15th of June ask leave t introduce a bil lto amend the electors

The appointment of Justice Killam as chief justice of Manitoba gives genera satisfaction here. On the opening of the Court of Queen's Bench this morning his Lordship received congratulations from members of the bar, to which he replied briefly expressing his thanks.

The Hudson's Bay Company announces their intention to make extensive additions to their store here. The plans include a new brick block on Main street.

Bishop Ridley, who has been in attendance at the centeniary celebration of the Church Missionary Society, left for ancouver this afternoon en route to his diocese of Caledonia.

PEG-LEG'S FORLORN HOPE. Counsel and Clergyman Appeal to Save Him from Fate He Administered to Policeman.

Robert Johnston, spiritual adviser of he condemned murderer Marion Brown and McPhillips, the prisoner's counsel are circulating a petition for the com-mutation of the death sentence of the prisoner. There is a diversity of opinion concerning the justice of the verdict. A majority of the influential lawyers have majority of the inhuentari lawyers have refused to sign the petition on the ground that the evidence fully justified the verdict and that Brown premeditated the murder of every officer of the law in this or any other country, who interfered

About thirty legal men have signed the petition, some because they are opposed to capital punishment, and others as an act of courtesy to McPhillips. The general feeling, however, is that the law ould be allowed to take its course.

CANADIAN HORSE SHOW.

Fifth Exhibit Opened by Governor General and Promises Great Success.

Toronto, April 13 .- (Special) - The fifth Canadian horse show was formally libel case was through. Mayor Prefontaine says he is satisfied with Col. important questions submitted to him. Lord and Lady Minto drove from Government House to the armory, where the show was being held, escorted by the Royal Dragoons. A large crowd greeted them on arrival at the building, and the band played the national anthem. G. W. Beardmore, president anthem. suitable reply and then declared the

For Kang.

Vancouver Chinese Will Kowtow Come What May to Relatives.

Bricklayers' Strike Still On.

Vancouver regarding the formal recepprohibitionists who met together in the tion of Kang Yu Wei, the famous Chi-Ottawa convention that there must be an nese reformer now in Victoria. All were actual majority of all the votes on the afraid to express themselves and for lists recorded in favor of prohibition in order to have it acted upon. Was Mr. Fisher cognizant of that understanding? Mr. Fisher: "The hon, gentleman has put a question which is evidently agitating the opposition. He must go to the their sentiments and their relatives question. He must know perfectly well that the Prime Minister has made a statement here on the floor of parliament, and he is bound to accept that statement." (Derisive opposition cheers.) Kang, but they need have no fear. Kang was not a rebel; he was formerly a companion of their Emperor and a prophet of the people, and Great Britain was his friend. Kang Yu Wei would travel throughout America to form influential lodges of Chinese sworn to struggle by amendment:
house deems it expedient
s Excellency that the view
among the nations. The speech has caused an intense sensation among the Chinese and Kang is to be given a buge of coal. is to be given a hug reception in true Oriental fashion. will tour through Canada and the States, to secure adherents to his cause, finally locating in England, until he can return

A Miserable End. John Smith, commonly known as "Mis-

souri John." dropped dead in the Glasgow hotel to-day. He was 70 years of age and had been drinking hard of late He had no relatives and had a mis of late in doing odd jobs around the city. The Strikes.

The tailor strike is still on and there is no indication of an amicable settlement. The strikers now say that the boss tail-

ors have imported men from Seattle con-trary to the alien law. Very strong letters are being written in the local press regarding the matters by strikers and The bricklayers are still out on strike

in Westminster. They claim the present scale is not more than 28 cents an hour and they are asking 50 cents, which paid any place else on the Coast.

KILLED A MAN EATER.

Slave Lake Indians Charged With Murder for an Act of Self Protection.

Winnipeg, April 13.—(Special)—An Ed monton despatch to the Free Press says the Mounted Police had arrived there with two Indians from Lesser Slave Lake. They are charged with the murder of another Indian, who was insane and had become a cannibal, having killed and partly eaten a man. The Indians are now lodged at Fort Saskatchewan.

EXPORTS BOOMING.

Montreal, April 13.-(Special)-The month of March shows a remarkable in-crease in the amount of Canadian produce wihch was exported, according to the monthly returns at the Montreal



FROM ESQUIMALT TO SAMOA

London, April 13.—(Special)—Rev. Dr. Soldiers to Be Rushed From Halifax to Waiting Transport on Pacific.

Halifax, April 13 .- The military auth-

orities have received instructions by cable to rush the soldiers and sailors who came by the steamer Carthagenian through to Esquimalt with as little delay as possible, as a transport is waiting for them. The authorities refuse to divulge their

DOMINION NEWS NOTES.

Special to the Colonist.

Knows a Good Thing. Montreal, April 12.-The chief of po lice has not resigned his position as he announced he would do as soon as the Hughes' course.

Bicycle Makers' Scheme. Montreal, April 12.-Negotiations have ing in view a combination of leading Canadian manufacturers of bicycles are still progressing and it is expected that within a few days some definite action

Mountain Climbers. Montreal, April 12.—The Swiss guides who have been engaged by C. P. R. for mountain climbing in the Rockies have arrived here via New York from Switzand, holding it over his head so as to envelope his body, scratched in a mysterious way at the blinds of the Bell residence. Bell came to the window, erland. They are in native costume and only one talks English. They are to be placed at the disposal of tourists who want to see the wonders of the Rockies. pistol in hand, and threw open the blinds. When he beheld the white figure he let his pistol drop and it struck

John Smith's End. North Gower, April 12.-Mr. John day. Smith, of Malakoff, was thrown from his buggy yesterday. His neck was broken and he died instantly

A Great Man Gone. Belleville, April 12.-A cablegram ha been received announcing the death in England of Leonard, the fat man who has been on exhibition there for three years. He belongs to Wellman's corners, Alien Law Invoked by Tailors -- this county, and weighed at his death 650 pounds. Manitoba's Capital.

Winnipeg, April 12.—It is announced that the main line of the Northern Pacific in Manitoba is to be extended northcagnizant of an understanding between the members at the Ottawa convention upon the subject of the vote and the action to be taken after the vote. The board of trade have held a meeting in society centenary celebration.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 12.—The Chinese board of trade have held a meeting in Society centenary celebration. Business in the legislature to-day was confined to the passing of third readings for the recess to be taken after to-

NANAIMO NOTES

Fall of Coal Catches Two Miners-Crafty Beggars Infesting the

Nanaimo, April 13.-(Special) - Mrs. Forest, wife of Frank Forest, a miner, died at the hospital to-day, having been taken there last night in a critical con-

The steamship San Mateo sailed to night for Port Los Angeles with a cargo Postmen to Get Their Rightsof New Vancouver coal.

D. G. Dailey, the pioneer barber, is confined to his room with severe illness. David Morgan and Dorcey, miners working in the New Vancouver

The Free Press says that impostor beggars are infesting the town during miners' pay week.

AN ATTACHE RUN IN.

Gave Offence at Pekin by Refusing to Kowtow at Religious Function. London, April 12.-The Daily Mail blishes the following despatch from

Hongkong:
"Lieut.-Col. C. F. Browne, military attache of the British legation at Pekin, was arrested for refusing to remove his hat while a religious procession was pass ing. Browne was finally released on the demand of the British consul."

FLOODS BLOCK RAILWAYS.

Water So High in Montana Tha Trains Have Been Brought to Standstill.

St. Paul, Minn., April 12.-The Great Northern and Northern Pacific have suffered greatly by the floods in Montana, and the train service to and from the coast has been almost suspended

since last Saturday. The Missouri river is filled with ice, The Missouri river is filled with ice, and the water had been backing up over land expressing the regret of the the tracks, so as to make it impossible that failing health has compelled him to to run trains. For 10 miles in the vacate his seat, with the hope that he vicinity of Mandan, N. D., the track is tors Scott, Bowell, Allan and Boulton covered with water. Wagons have been all paid a tribute to the high character brought into use, however, for the transfer of passengers, and mails have been transferred by teams around the water. Both roads have been making up trains this side of the washouts and pretrains this side of the washouts and pre-serving their regular schedules to and from the flooded districts, as far as pos-knowledge of the French language.

sible.
The Canadian Pacific has not been affected by the water as yet, and some month last year the same exports were of the through passengers are being transferred to that line

ominion Line to Carry Them From Canada Until Next August.

Montreal, April 13.—(Special)—There s much interest being taken among rival shipping firms just now in the contracts for carrying the mails to Great Britain during the summer sea-son. The Beaver Line, now under the son. The Beaver Line, now under the jurisdiction of Elder Dempster & Co., ing the limits of Stanley park does not include Deadman's island and that the vere bidding for the business of mail order-in-council placing the park under arrying, and Messrs. Allan and Tor- the charge of the civic authorities does rance also were in the field early. For not apply to the island, and accordingly the last couple of days Mr. John The the last couple of days Mr. John Tor-lease to Theo. Ludgate, representing a rance, Jr., has been in Ottawa, and it is reported the mail contract has been secured by the Dominion Line till August of this year.

The Contract of Source of the Contract has been been secured by the Dominion Line till Augfor milling purposes rental of \$500 per annuments.

CARPETS, RUGS, ART SQUARES



UP-TO-DATE GOODS

IN EVERY LINE &

KILED THE GHOST.

Fatal Ending of Alabama Merchant's

Birmingham, Ala., April 13.-James

Liggers, a merchant, went to the house

of his friend, B. M. Bell, last night to

frighten him by playing ghost, Bell

being considered superstitious. Liggers

covered a long pole with a white cloth,

RESPITE FOR MOLINEUX.

Swell Poison Suspect Gains Time by

Flaw in Procedure Against Him.

New York, April 12.-Justice Pardon

Williams to-night handed down his

decision on the motion made to discharge

the indictment against Roland E. Moli-

neux, charged with sending poison to

Harry Cornish which caused the death

of Mrs. Adams. Justice Williams dismissed the indictment on the ground that

other than legal evidence was received

and considered by the grand jury, and

the grand jury, now sitting, or to the next grand jury that shall sit in New

Contractors Sued on Bargain

for Rails and Rolling

Stock.

Thompson Wreath Suit

Settled.

Ottawa, April 13.-Messrs. Mackenzie

and Mann were here to-day watching

the suit entered against them at the

Ottawa assizes by the Alberta Coal &

Railway Company for \$100,000 for steel

rails and rolling stock for the Canadian

Yukon railway. When the Senate

threw out the deal last session Macken-

zie & Mann cancelled the order. Judg-

Justice for Postmer

give the letter carriers their statutory in-

Wreath Suit Settled.

W. B. Northrup, ex-M.P., has been

here for several days in connection with

the suit entered by Mrs. Davidson of Montreal for the sum of \$900 for a wreath suppiled by her late husband on

behalf of the members of the late gov-ernment for the funeral of Sir John

Thompson. An amicable settlement has

been reached and the case has been withdrawn from the courts. The sum

paid Mrs. Davidson is said to be con-

siderably less than the amount claimed.

In the Senate to-day the seat of Mr.

Sutherland of Winnipeg was formally declared vacant. Mr. Scott moved, sec-

onded by Sir Mackenzie Bowell, that a

Quebec Exchequer Cases.

Mr. Mills introduced a bill to provide

that Exchequer court cases in Quebec may, if thought advisable, be referred to

Sick Relief for Navies.

A government bill introduced by Mr

compel railway construction companie

to provide hospital accommodation, and medical attendance for their men. Events

connected with the construction of the

Crow's Nest Pass road have shown the

Mackenzie Bowell said he thought the

The Preferential Lease.

The Deadman's island job stands and

principle of the bill all right.

provides for making regulations to

A Vacant Senatorship.

The postmaster-general has decided to

ment was reserved.

crease this year.

IN COURT.

YUKON ROAD

lirecting that the case be re-submitted to

We show 10 patterns to any other & stores one.

WEILER BROS, Victoria, B. C.

Axminsters, Wiltons, Brussels, Riche Velvets, Tapestry, 370 Pieces Carpet, 324 Rugs, 214 Art Squares & & Above Goods were Just received

E. & N. RIGHTS

by us in one shipment from the

Arbitration Will Settle the Rental Payable by Railway Company.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, April 12.—The statemen wired to the Victoria Times that the E. & N. railway company's lease of the right-of-way on the Songhees Indian reon the window sill and exploded. The bullet went through Liggers' lung, inflicting a wound from which he died to-

There have been several conferences on this subject between the minister and Mr. Dunsmuir, who is well pleased with the manner in which he has been received by the government.

decision that the price to be paid by the E. & N. railway company for the right of-way shall be settled by arbitration. The decision is acceptable to both par

BOUNDARY ARRANGEMENT. American Proposals as to Alaska Making Circuit of Washington, London and Ottawa.

Washington, April 13.-When the By Associated Press. United States government recently proposed a modus vivendi on the Alaskan prints the following despatch from Berboundary to overcome the possibility of a lawless outbreak pending a final adjustment the British authorities referred the proposition to the Canadian officials at Ottawa. The Ottawa government general idea of a modus vivendi although some changes in the original proposals are suggested. This must now go to the British foreign office, after which, if approved in London, the response will be officially submitted here.

Buelow, German minister of foreign affairs, and Sir Frank Lascelles, British ambassador at Berlin, having failed to settle all the disputed points."

THE FINNS' EXODUS.

Making for the States by Shiploads to Avoid Russian Oppression.

Hull, England, April 13.-There is a great rush of young Finlanders for the passed in annual instalments for the the extension of conscription. The steamer Arcturus landed 315 men here to-day from Hango Ko; 202 arrived

a few days ago, and all report that many are coming as soon All the attempts of the Fins to check recent Russian aggression in Fin and have proved futile. General Bobrikoff, the new envoy-general, has compelled the Finnish senate to send orders to all ministers throughout Finland forbidding them even criticize the imperial ukase. He has himself supplemented the edict which makes the Russian language obligatory in the university of Helsingfers and in the schools of the provinces, which an m the schools of the provinces, with an order introducing Russian coinage and directing that all old Finnish coins shall

from circulation. The Swedish profes sors at the university have been replaced The Czar's secret service agents, who are very active throughout the country, have been promising farm hands that as soon as the Finnish law has been repl ed by the Russian system they shall have all the land they want. This the Fin nish newspapers say means theft and spoliation of the present landed proprietors who own most of the arable land. Any such measure if carried our would result in the ruin of all agricul-

returned to the mint and removed

tural enterprise in Finland. Throughout Scandinavia, which is warmly sympathetic with Finland, this attitude of Russia has provoked a feeling of intense indignation and the Swedish press calls on the government to ab stain from taking part in the disarmament conference which meets next month at The Hague, a congress which they stigmatize as hypocritical in the face of the decrees which contemplate an inof armament and would attain destroying all hope of perpetuating the Finnish nationality which the Czars are under the most solemn pledge

to maintain. SLOANE AT NEWMARKET. Crack American Jockey the Rider Four Winners-A Derby Engagement.

London, April 13.-Sir R. Waldie Griffith's St. Ia (11 to 8) ridden by Tod Stoane, won the Biennial stakes at Newmarket to-day.

The Double Trial Plate was won by Van Victus, Sloane up. The betting as the British ambassador. H therefore, was accepted as evid the commissioners would be commissioners. Swirl, also ridden by Sloane, won the The Deadman's island job stands and the beautiful precincts of Stanley park, the betting was 3 to 1 against Sloane's

Lord Dunraven's Sea Fog, ridden by Sloane, won the second Welter handi-ap. Eleven horses ran. Betting was cap. to 2 against Sea Fog. Sloane has been engaged to ride Lore Dunraven's colt Desmond in the Derby. ROSEBERY COMING OUT.

esume active political life."

DIED ON THE POLE.

Horrible Fate of a Lineman on Street in Elmira.

Elmira, N. Y., April 13.-Wm. H. Mc Clure, a lineman in the employ of the Elmira Illuminating Company, was electrocuted by a live wire about 1:30 o'clock this afternoon on a pole on Hall street.
It is supposed he lost his balance and grasped the wire.
A man sitting on the porch of a nearby

house noticed smoke arising from the lineman. He called to McClure, but he did not answer. Then realizing his peril he climbed up the pole and released McClure from his position. McClure was dead at the time. His hands were terribly burned, he having received an alternating current of 1,100 volts.

BASEBALL RULES.

Washington, April 13 .- During the practice games of the various baseball held their annual meeting to-day. The clubs, it was found that the balk rule president's report suggested that the adopted by the National League was government should establish more hatchunsatisfactory, and many complaints eries, as the Americans are doing, allow were made in regard to it. The old American trap-caught fish to come into rule in relation to the bases provided British Columbia free, and increase the that a motion made by the pitcher to throw to any base without delivering the ball should be a balk. A change

FORTY-FIVE DROWNED. They Were Greeks and Victims of Col-

lision in Mediteranean. Malta, April 11.-The British steamer Kingswell, Capt. Humphrey, arrived here to-day and reports being in collision with the Greek coaster Maria on April 9 in the Mediterranean off the coast of Tripoli. The Maria was sunk. Fortyfive persons went down with her. The Kingswell was uninjured.

Germany Held Responsible.

outcome of these conferences is a British Opinion Calls For Atone ment for Taking of Sailors' Lives.

> Tension Reputed from Berlin-Samoan Commission **Hastily Completed**

London, April 14.-The Standard

"The tension between Great Britain and Germany over the Samoan question has somewhat increased since yester ded with an acceptance of the day, the conference between Baron voi Buelow, German minister of foreign

Berlin, April 13.—The afternoon newspapers continue their bitter comments on Great Britain. The semi-official Post strongly urges the reichstag to place at the government's disposal forthwith the whole amount of appropriations United States to avoid the recent decree naval increase for last year and to strikers hint that clothes are being turn of Emperor Nicholas regarding Finland hasten the work of construction, arguing ed out there for the unyielding merchants which provides for an increase of the that with a respectable navy Germany need not fear a repetition of th

ating occurrences at Samoa." London, April 13.-Premier Seddon of New Zealand has cabled the agent-general for New Zealand here, saying: "We deeply regret the adversity which has vertaken the forces in Samoa. Inform the secretary of state that New Zealand will do anything possible to render assistance in emergency. Our steamer is awaiting orders at Auckland. deputy governor has communicated to the admiralty at Sydney that the Mildura (a British third-class cruiser de-tailed for the protection of floating trade in Australasian waters) is now on her way to Raratonga with the governor.
The Daily Chronicle, referring Samoan affairs, says: "The question is

whether one power, who tries to overeach one or two others, can complain f it suffers a rebuff. There is no ques on that when local intrigues lead to the sacrifice of white life the central power must be held responsible. No doubt she will behave fairly, but the

The Globe declares the maintenance of the German consul at his post "an act Evans semed to voice the sentiments quires to be explained."

Washington, April 13 .- The Samoan ommission will sail for Apia on the Therefore the board should take a net United States naval transport Badger, leaving San Francisco on the 25th in-This arrangement was made to- ing of an amendment that a stant. This arrangement was made to-day after Baron Speck von Sternberg, first secretary of the German embassy, had called on Secretary Hay and ad-vised him of his appointment as the German member of the high commission. This completed the body. 'As the plan to have the members get away on the Mariposa, sailing on the 19th, was no longer feasible, the transport Badger onger feasible, the transport Badger, now at Callao, Peru, on her way to San Francisco, was placed at the disposal of She is a large, servicehe commission. ship with first-class accommoda-

for the commissioners The formal announcement of Baron Sternberg's appointment was received from the German foreign office and gave general satisfaction among officials and diplomats, as throughout the recent troubles he exerted his influence in such a manner as to win the heartiest approval of the state department, as well as the British ambassador. His choice the commissioners would be able to co operate and to reach the unanimous de cision called for by the agreement.

The early sailing of the commission in regarded as evidence that the recent co on at Apia will be settled diplomati

NANAIMO.

cally.

Nanaimo, April 11.-Nanaimo has deed to celebrate the Queen's Birthday ROSEBERY COMING OUT.

London, April 13.—The Daily Mail says this morning: "We understand that the Earl of Rosebory is about to resume active political life."

ROSEBERY COMING OUT.

The steamship Wellington, Capt. Salmond, sailed this morning with 2,600 tons of Wellington coal. The ship Star of Russia, Capt. Hatfield, arrived this The Canners Troubled.

Ottawa Hampering the Supply and Ignoring the Trade's Suggestions.

Victoria Merchants Branching Out-Trouble With the Asphalt Pavement.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, April 11-The Salmon Can-

ners' Association of British Columbia

ON THE RESERVE has been adopted, so as to make the rule new regulations came up for discussion there was a control of the reserved apply to first base only. there was a general protest against them, the following resolution being unanimously passed: "Resolved that this association, after full discussion of the new fishery regulations just received and substituted for those passed in Augus last, regret that when being altered the department has not taken the opportur ity to make amendments mo ning to the suggestions adopted by the joint committee of canners and fishermen in October last, and further that this association desires to place of record their condemnation of the regula tions issued and their intention to agitate for the amendment of the objection able clauses." It was thought wise by many to send a delegation to Ottawa to

consult the government.

Another resolution was carried asking Another resolution was carried asking the government to establish more hatcheries and to conserve the spawning beds and if more money was needed to put a tax on salmon cases.

The thanks of the meeting was extended to the Victoria Colonist, the Van couver papers, the Westminster Columbian, Toronto Globe and Montreal Star for services rendered them. An attempt to do away with the Quesnelle river dam will be made to give hundreds of miles will be made to give hundreds of miles of spawning ground for salmon.

The officers elected were as follows: President, R. J. Ker; first vice-president, H. O. Bell-Irving; second vice-president, G. I. Wilson; secretary, W. D. Burdis, Committees: Victoria—H. J. Kirk, J. H. Todd, M. T. Johnson. Vancouver—Frank Burnett, E. E. Evans, E. A. Wadhams, New Westminster, Alex Evans, Market Market and Ma hams. New Westminster-Alex. Ewen, J. S. Talbot, W. A. Duncan.

Victoria Enterprise.

A G. Ferguson is erecting a block on the northwest corner of Hastings and Richards street. E. A. Morris, the cigar man of Victoria. is erecting a block near the old post office on Hastings street for a palace

cigar store.
Mr. Spencer, the dry goods man of Victoria, is negotiating for the Flack block at the corner of Hastings and Cambie streets, which would make the largest dry goods store in the city. The rent asked is \$600 a month. Rumor has

The Strikes. The tailors are still out on strike causing great inconvenience in the city. Tailor shops in Chinatown present a very busy appearance and some of the who refuse to sign the union ticket. The bricklayers in New Westmins

are still out on strike

Municipal Affairs. The asphalt pavements of Vancouver as the weather permits they are to be repaired at much expense. The bitumen repaired at much expense. The bitument is not a success, but the block paving to date has proved very satisfactory. Trinidad asphalt is to be tried on the repairs At the meeting of the city council last night Angus McDonald was appointed to inspect all wiring done in the city. resolution to build a free library Westminster avenue was objected to West End aldermen as too far east. Th resolution was laid on the table. A resolution to re-appoint the lawyer whose services were recently discontin look after the city's interests in Ottawa met the same fate.

A by-law to expend \$100,000 on a system of sewage was read a second tim Mr. Corbin's Project.

There was a well attended meeting of danger is that it will take little, after the experience in the Philippines, to blow up a flame in the United States, which the German authorities will give much to extinguish."

The Clobe declares the maintenance of the board of trade to discuss the Corollar railway scheme and the request of the Grand Forks people to favor granting the charter. There were about sixty present. Mr. G. McL. Brown spoke for the C. P. R. and Mr. Coulthardt stated the claims of the Corbin road. Mr. apparent unfriendliness which rethe majority when he stated that Var couver should not antagonize the C. R., which was always fair in its treat ent of Vancouver or Boundary people tral stand. The resolution offered far oring the road was shelved by the pas report on the subject one week henc

> The Vancouver branch of the Domi on Alliance are to present resolutions. a mass meeting to be held on Thursda, evening, for the purpose of strengthenin the hands of the British Columbia repre Lyman Lewis, R. D. Townsend and H Cohen have leased a mile of Fraser river near Yale and propose extracting the

gold from the black sand by a new pro Two robberies took place on Sunday One hundred dollars' worth of good were stolen from the store of J. Rahy Westminster avenue, and Chas. Johnson was robbed of \$25 while drunk. Jos isen was arrested in connection wit the latter case.



The Work Day

Board of Trade ernment to New

Council Busine Reviewed-Mus

At a quarterly g terday afternoon Board of Trade un esolution offered h bert, which urges the desirability o the legislation of lathe employment of ground workings hours in any day, tion of Messrs. A. I. A. Brenchley, A. Vincent and R. W. whip in the hoard ship in the board business of the me-tended by a meagre The securing of members, indeed, sources of the activ venient teleph until a quarter to fo -convened for three opened with the barr bers present. Introd of the day, the presi the work of the cou quarter, treating of order as follows:

"Purchase of Gold mittee appointed at terly general meeting provincial governme arrangements can be chase of gold dust. ernment was unwill assays and the pure the government will A deputation from ed upon the governm mission and it app that permission to assay stamp would sayer at Vancouver the bankers and mer The deputation from sured that any privil couver in this conne extended to Victoria.
"Port Angeles Ferr ceived a deputation representing the Por Railway Company an John Lehman sub suggesting an indepe establish and maintai Port Angeles and thi ens to pay a bonus pany for the privilege landed here. Mr. Le ed to submit a pro railway company will and maintain the fer heard from since. quest to confer with meeting was arrang at the time named At the time appoin members of your coun ness men met, but Mr keep his appointment, planation or communic

ed from him since the "Ferry With the M way committee of gested that a ferry land with the Mainl the United States more advantageous ferry to Port Angel be taken up in due "Pilotage.—The vessels entering

der consideration bu yet disposed of.
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