Provincial In Scope

meeting affecting the mining industry ever held in British Columbia took place yesterday afternoon at the Board of Trade rooms.

The meeting was the second which had been called by the representatives of the mining industry who are now in the city endeavoring to arrange for the formation of a Miners' association, which will be provincial in its scope and the attendance was large and thoroughly representative. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed regarding the project in hand, and the tremendous possibilities bound up in its successful consumnation.

The two prominent features of the meeting were the interesting speech delivered by the chairman, Mr. J. B. Hobson on the boundless mineral wealth of the province, and the presentation of a report from the committee which had in hand the task of suggesting plaus for the formation of a Miners' association in which it was recommended that a general convention be called in Victoria on February 25 next, and that the permanent headquarters of the association be in this city.

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A. C. Hirschfeld, Stevendyke Hydraulic
Partnership, Atlin; J. H. Brownlee, Otter Creek Hydraulic Co., Ltd., Atlin;
Fred. Peters, Arctic Slope Mining Co.,
Omineca; A. Stuart Robertson, Arctic
Slope Mining Co., Omineca; W. A.
Stephenson, Cariboo; C. Dubois Mason, Stephenson, Cariboo; C. Dubois Mason, Societe Miniere de la Colombie Britannique, Boulder Creek, and The English Counties Hydraulic Syndicate, Wright Creek, Atlin; J. B. Hobson, Consolidated Hydraulic Cariboo Mining Co., Ltd., and Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Co., Ltd., Cariboo; Capt. John Irving, West Coast of Vancouver Island free gold propositions; W. A. Dier, Mount Sicker Propositions; W. A. Dier, Mount Sicker Ltd., Hygs. Grigare Mines, Ltd.; Hugs Grieve, Roberts-Kitchener Mines, Ltd.; Hugs Grieve, Roberts-Kitchener Mines, Ltd.; Herbert Cuthbert, A. B. Fraser, sr., Gus Hart-nagle, C. H. Lugrin, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., M. P. P., Steve Jones, Lindley Crease, F. S. Barnard, A. C. Galt (Roseland) Frank J. Clarks and Park

purpose of taking steps towards the formation of a permanent Miners' association for British Columbia. The mineral and placer miners in the province had many grievances and thought it well to perfect an organization which would be instrumental in securing legiswould be instrumental in securing legis which was hoped would be the chief which was hoped would be considered. Treston, begged Englishment to greater practical interest in the ment of Canada's vacant lands. London, Jan. 14.—A parliaments which will be chieft which was hoped would be constructed in the security of the chieft which was hoped would be constructed.

miles in length and 50 miles wide, but when the proper legislation was obtained in 1872 a great stimulus was given to the industry, and as a consequence in the mining industry the sum of \$150,000. There was invested in the mining industry the sum of \$150,000, and gave a profit of \$15,000, and gave a profit of \$15,000. There was in regard to conditions in California; in British Columbia we have 10 times the area of rich alluvial soil that that state has. Within Cariboo alone there is a legiting to see some inparticipate in all the proposed to form would undoubtedly be the parent association of all the proposed to form would be given for the latter to join and participate in all the proposed that state has where the convention.

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The chairman observed that the committee to adjourn to a later date, after the appointment of a provisional committee to act until the convention was called.

Lindley Crease favored that all appointment of a committee of five at once, who would nominate the committee of at least three coal combinations doing business in Illinois and Indiana, are expected as the result of the labors of the special grand jury.

Wours faithfully,

E. G. PRIOR.

H. Cuthbert, traveling representative of the Tourist association, forwarded a letter tendering on behalf of the association, the use of the Tourist rooms and every courtesy which the association could extend during the visit of the delegates to Victoria.

Before the regular business was taken up, Mr. Cuthbert said he, wished on behalf of Mayor Hayward, who was prevented from being present owing to the election, to convey to those present the latter's deep sense of appreciation of the importance of the gathering and sympathy with the project in hand, His with the project in hand, His Mr. Brownlee thought the selection of the interior of the province. The centre of activity in mining development had of course shifted from Victoria, but its citizens and the Board of Trade had never lost Trade had never lost

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convention on the 25th of February, when representatives of every section of arrangement would permit of the mation of local organizations in the dis tricts and the election of delegates to the main convention. When he (the chairman) was operating in California, the miners' there experienced exactly the same trouble as they had now to contend with in British Columbia—in-adequate and ill-advised legislation. They had first tried a mine owner's association, but they accomplished practically nothing after expending \$5,000,of the state, including ordinary miners. The result was that they secured every-thing they required. In six months they secured the repeal of the obnoxious

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lowing communication was read from Hon. Col. Prior:

James Stables, Esq., M.P.P., Sec'y Miners' Meeting, Beard of Trade Rooms, Vietoria, B. C.

My Dear Mr. Stables,—Will you please correct to being present today. My absence is occasioned by the fact that I am leaving for the East tomorrow, and the short time at my disposal is fully taken up with official matters. I am glad to know that the unking men propose to organize on broad comprehensive lines, as such a step is sure to redound to the advantage of the mining industry generally, aside from creating an organization to which the rovernment can look for authentic information.

Would be ensured that all parts of the province would secure proper representation on the committee. He was extremely gratified as a member of the Board of Trade, that the meeting of the miners to reduce the board, as it was at the supplementation to which the reverse the surface of the many years, to campbellior, out. Jan. 14.—(Special)—By an accident which occurred at 5:30 this evening at Wellman's Corner, Alva Hogle of that place, was killed and John Robin. Canada peat is manufactured for fuel for many years, to said fivel. In Norway water power is used, the peat being carbonized in retorts by electricity and the was extremely gratified as a member of the Board of Trade, that the meeting of the miners are cleant which occurred at 5:30 this evening at Wellman's Corner, Alva Hogle of that place, was killed and John Robin. Canada peat is manufactured for fuel, in devising machines for preparing peat fuel. In Norway water power is used, the peat being carbonized in retorts by electricity and the was extremely gratified as a member of the Board of Trade in devising machines for preparing peat fuel. In Norway water power is used, the peat being carbonized in retorts by electricity and the was the result of the Board of the John Robin. Camada peat is manufactured for fuel, in devising machines for preparing of the lines, as a cleast being held under the assumption of the gland of the much in

evening, when it will again convene to hear the reports of committees and to transact any other business which may come up to be dealt with. Note-At a conference of the mining men who took part in the meeting re-ported above, it was decided to change

the proposed name of the organization to the "British Columbia Mining Asso-Canadians in

Old Country

Urging That Britons Settle on Fertile Lands of the Dominion.

Expenditures For Pacific Cable. What the Members of the Strange Cult -Approval of Preference for Colonial Products.

Montreal, Jan. 14.—The Star's London cable says: Lord Strathcona, speaking at the Royal Colonial Institute last night, humorously protested against the phantasies published about himself, and alluding especially to Beckle Wilson's life of himself, said that many of the conversations related in that book never did and never could take place. He conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations. The conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that with the grain supply of the conversations related that the average contended that with the grain supply of the conversations related that the average conversations related that the average reader knows of Esoteric Buddhism. But as a back ground to all the nonsense there are conversations related that the average reader knows of the conversations and the conversations for the construction and the conversation for the construction of the construction at the earliest possible date of a rail-the conversation for the construction of the construction and the conversation for the construction of the construction of the construction and the clever jurglery by which she pretend-the conversations for the conversation for the conversatio did and never could take place. He contended that with the grain supply of the Canadian Northwest and an efficient navy, which every one in the Empire desired, Great Britain could not be

conditions in California; in British Columbia we have 10 times the area of rich alluvial soil that that state has. Within Cariboo alone there is a legitimate field for the investment of \$250-to 000,000—not as a speculative investment but as a business one with assured profits. (Applause.)

British Columbia was unquestionably the richest mining country in the world.

Washington, Jan. 14. — While a large crowd was skating on the bathing basin, near the Washington monument, this evening, the ice suddenly gave way, and precipitated 20 or more persons in the water. Thre persons are known to have lost their lives, and it is possible other deaths may have been caused by the breaking of the lee. Miss Jessie C. Thomas, a young woman 20 years of age, employed as a clerk in the Bureau of Etymology, died at the Emergency Hospital. The names of the two other dead persons are unknown as yet. Fight other persons were treated at the Emergency hospital, and recovered.

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The meeting then adjourned until this ster Bowen full power of attorney. The state Department at Washington has advening, when it will again convene to bear the reports of committees and to has sailed from La Guayra. Nothing more will be done from this side until Mr. Bowen shall have reached Washington. It is hoped a full agreement will be attained without arbitration.

> IMPROVING CAVALRY. Lord Dundonald Preparing New Work on the Subject.

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Lord Dundonald is preparing a new syalibus on cavalry tactics. Mr. Mansell, architect of the Millitia Department, will visit the principal cities of the Eastern States to look for pointers on armory construction.

The government steamer performing ferry service to Prince Edward Island, is caught in the ice off Cape Tourmentine.

Meeting to Talk ST. LOUIS LATE.

New York, Jan. 14.—Nothing of the American liner St. Louis had been received up to midnight.

THEOSOPHY.

Believe. The Tingley-Times libel case in Lo

fuel in peat than in coal. A square mile of bog ten feet deep contains peat equal in heating power to over 300,000 tons of large bogs from ten to thirty feet deep. In Sweden, where peat is more largely used than in other countries, a crown peat engineer has been appointed. In Finland. Russia and Germany locomotive boilers are fired with it. It is now proposed to use peat fuel for electric power stations in Germany. It has been manufactured for fuel for many years, and much ingenuity has been displayed in devising machines for preparing peat in devising machines for preparing peat in heating power to over 300,000 tons of the legislature, bers meeting Viscount Kitchener in India. He remember that the reconquest of the Soudan—was due the province waited on the Ontario Government today and demanded the abolition of the public bar, the abolition of the public bar, the abolition of the recenquest of the Soudan—was due in clubs. In reply Premier Ross stated that legislation dealing with the liquor traffic would be introduced at the coming session of the legislature, but that its nature could not be announced until he had an opportunity to consult his supporters in the House.

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BANK OF TORONTO.

Bank of Toronto, at the annual meeting today, decided to increase the capital stock another million dollars, making the authorized capital stock four millions.

REPORT DENIED.

Berlin, Jan. 14.—The German Government has sent a note to the United States relative to the report that Germany is seeking to acquire Colombia's interests in the Panama canal company, assuming that the report is utterly base.

owner of land being entitled to one trap site. It is the present government's intention to deal fairly by all.'

col. Prior further said that the report that the House would not meet until the latter end of March did not emanate from him. He could not prevent the papers saying things. He would not say when the House was to meet.

Talk Railway

Citizens to Be Called Togethe By The Mayor Early Next Week.

Progress of Movement fo Secure Extension of Island Railway.

Angeles California, seems to have revived an interest in theosophy which has been lying dormant since the death of the nomade in the Colonist a couple of weeks g d to all the nonsense there clearly today, a public meeting of the citizens of Lord Kitchener's bloodthirstness. of Lord Kitchener's bloodthirstness. of Lord Kitchener's bloodthirstness. It is think he looked on a battle as a which gives a certain or Wednesday evening next in the City noisy brawl and that the intellectual of the citizens of Lord Kitchener's bloodthirstness.

There is a great future for peat as a fuel. The most productive area for it is the north of Germany and the adjoining parts of Denmark and Holland. In Friesland there are bogs 1,500 square miles in extent and Germany has more fuel in peat than in coal. A square mile of bog ten feet deep contains neat aguel.

and much ingenuity has been displayed in devising machines for preparing peat fuel. In Norway water power is used, the peat being carbonized in retorts by electricity and the waste products recovered. Not only in Europe, but in Canada peat is manufactured for fuel, Canada peat is manufactured for fuel, and this industry could be carried on with coal even at a lower price than it to his wise choice of the tools he usedthey really were tools, rather than men, and no finer body of young fellows ever wore sword than those splendid officers who worked and slaved for him, day after day, in those God-forsaken, sand-

swept wastes. But no one knows, no one perhaps will ever fully know, the extent to which Kitchener was implored, beseeched, cajoled by the highest in the land to employ A. or B. or C. on his staff or anywhere. Kitchener was adamant to such requests. * * * No general has ever been more entirely independent of the help of those immediately around him; not one of his tools was indispensable, or even a dozen of

diately around him; not one of his tools was indispensable, or even a dozen of them, though many did not realize the fact. 'Are you going to bring up Gen. X. for this campaign?' I once asked him. 'No, I don't think so,' Kitchener replied; 'he is doing very well where he is, and on my staff he always makes a channel.'

"Kitchener hated channels, hated any straight-waistcoat which hampered and stew-

A Big Convention in February

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aside, and who first handed in their applications, due considerations to be paid to owners of land on the foreshore, each land hairs catility and shove their man never count with and never understand—to their own infinite loss and the army's." At the same time, "no man ever kept his own counsel better than Kitchener when fighting was afoot; there was never any leakage of information, because there was never any information to leak. Once when any information to leak. Once when the enemy threatened our line of communications I expressed some anxiety about our wires, which were laid, for all the world to see, as a ground-line along the desert, g.istening in the sun and bearing a meaning even to the dervish, which is saying a good deal. Kithers with the river chener told me to ride down to the river bank and say if I felt happier; down I went, and after diligent search discovered a second wire cunringly laid under the bush and sedges. As I was about to ride back I saw a steamer pushing off, and asked the young engineer officer on board what he was about; it turned out that he had personal instructions from Kitchener to lay a third line of telegraph on the other bank of the Nile,

matter. Assurance was made not doubly but trebly sure. "I always feel a confidence amounting to certainty that when Kitchener arrives The movement, of which notice, was made in the Colonist a couple of weeks goodwill of an ill-conditioned ferryman

noisy brawl, and that the intellectual part of him always regretted when he could not strangle or starve the enemy-In gale, C. H. Lugrin, H. D. Helmcken, K. C. M. P. P. Steve Jones, Lindley Crease, F. S. Barnard, A. C. Galt (Rossland), Frank I. Clarke and Rowland Machin.

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nothing.

of temperance workers from all over the province waited on the Ontario Government today and demanded the abolition of the public bar, the abolition of the

and \$2.00, until after stock-taking. B. Williams & Co.

If sick headache is misery, what are Carter's Little Liver Pills if they will posi-tively cure it? People who have used them speak frankly of their worth. They are small and easy to take.

20 cases latest style American hats, all at sale prices for cash. B. Williams & Co.

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art are New Members of Council.

No Change in School Trustees ... Labor Candidates Defeated.

After the closest and hardest fought municipal campaign in the history of the city Mr. Alex. G. McCandless, who has for three years sat at the council board, was elected to the position of Chief Magistrate of Victoria by a ma-

W. G. CAMERON. G. H. BARNARD. F. W. VINCENT.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES. DR. LEWIS HALL. ALFRED HUGGETT. GEO. JAY.

All day yesterday the City hall and the market were thronged, there being a steady stream of voters. The arrange ments were, however, excellent. Treturning officer, Mr. W. W. Northe having made excellent arrangements to facilitate the balloting, and there was not a hitch nor an unpleasant incident during the day. One of the features of the election was the large number of women who exercised their franchise The vote cast was a large one, 3.007 ba lots having been cast out of a possible 4,435—that number of persons having been entitled to vote.

The Mayoralty campaign was by far the most exciting, and when the ballots and no one in the army but the chief and this young officer had wind of the seen to have run most even. Mayou were counted, the two candidates we seen to have run most even. May Hayward led by six when the first lewere counted, and then, hundred hundred, the two candidates were close touch, now one leading by a fethen the other, until after the 600 ma had been received when Mr. McCandle had been reached, when Mr. McCandles forged ahead a trifle, and for some time there was a difference of about 20 votes

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TEMPERANCE WORKERS.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 15.—A delegation of temperance workers from all over the land temperance workers from all over the unit the cross, and another agreement.

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