Royal Commission Sails for Canada on Board Alsation

## AUSTRALIA WINS AGAIN

The main body of the Dominions Royal Commission will sail for Canada to-day by the Alsatian. They will land at Rimouski, from whence they will be conveyed to St. John's, Newfoundland, by the Canadian Government steamer Earl Grey. The chairman, Lord D'Abernen, known until the recent birthday honors as Sir Bdgar Vincent, is unable to sail on account of illness, but hopes to proceed Jugar Vincent, is unable to sail on account of lliness, but hopes to proceed in three weeks. In the meantime, Sir Affred Bateman will preside at the sittings in Newfoundland and the sittings in Newfoundland and the sittings in Newfoundland and the comtaint of the month, the comtains on will cover the East as far as Montreal and Ottawa, and will proceed to Toronto early in September, taking side trips. They will travel via Sara side trips. They will travel via S nia on September 12th to Fort Willi ala on September 12th to Fort William, reaching Winnipeg about the middle of the month, and subsequently visiting Reigina, Edmonton, Calgary, Banff and Vancouver. They will conclude their tour at Victoria on October the 11th. The members of the commission will then disperse in different directions, one of two possibly returning via Panama, while others will travel to Prince Rupert, and see something of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

The popular vote in the Manitoba election compiled by the Free Press, in forty-five constituencies out of forty-six is as follows: Opposition candidates, 66,832; Roblin candidates, 64,271; Independent candidates, 7,148. Total

ed 50.77 per cent. of the total vote; Liberals 47.58 per cent. and Socialists 1.65 per cent. Relative figures for 1914 are: Roblin, 46.47 per cent.; Lib-erals, 48.36 per cent.; for Independents, Socialists and Labor candidates, 5.17 per cent. In 1910, the Roblin Government poll

After having been held up for several months owing to the builders' strike, the foundation stone of the magnificant new buildings for the British Columbia offices was yesterday laid by Prince Arthur of Connaught. A congratulatory cable from the Governor-General to the Secretary for the Colonies, Mr. Lewis Harcourt, expressed Hig Royal Highness' anticipation of visiting the beautiful western province.

The Vossifche Zeitung, quoting a section of Lt.-Col. Frobenus's book, 'Germany's Fateful Hour,' so highly praised by the Crown Prince, which persons to Great Britain's "selfish plane" to attack Germany at a favorable without a declaration of war "The book has hitherto received says:—"The book has hitherto received ed. little notice, and caused no excitement. Now, it anks to the Crawn Prace's telegram, it will have cortain success, lowever, may be that official success, however, may be that official quarters may at last take steps for regulating the political demonstrations of the Crown Prince, in order to avoid possible embarassment in consequence of the divergency between his utterpossible embarassment in consequence of the divergency between his utter ances and the aims of our responsible

The present strength of two units of the permanent force, the engineer corps and the army service corps, is to be shuced by the Minister of Militia, it als announced yesterlay.

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creat, and Col. Sam Hughes intends to both of them to a workable siz

reduce both of them to a workable size. The Caradian army service corps is now one-third as great numerically at that for the whole British army, in spite of the great disparity in the rize of the Canadian and British forces. These units were constituted in their present strength ten years ago.

"The Minister of Militia has always contended that they might with advantage be reduced and considers the present a good time to do so. This does not mean, however, that the officers and men whose services are dispensed with as far as these two units are concerned will be out of positions, since, according to military law, they insust be given an opportun-

ity to transfer to other corps.

The present strentsh of the army service corps is about 150, and of the engineering corps about 200.

The itinerary for the Western tript to be taken by Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and the Princess Patricia has been announced. The Vice-Regal party will leave Ottawa on July 23, arrive at Victoria on August 20, and will be back in Ottawa on September 6. They will visit Port Arthur, Fort William, Kenora, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary Bant, Field, Revelstoke, Kamloops North Bend, Vancouver, Victoria Medicine Hat, Swift Current, Moost Jaw. Regina, Broadview, Brandon and Toropto.

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## INCREASE IN NUMBER

fard Times Supposed to Be One of Reasons for Domestic Trouble in New York State This Year.

New York, July 17.— County Clerk Schneider submitted yesterday his semi-annual report to the Board of Estimate, which shows that the num-ber of divorce decrees for the half of the year ended June 30 is nearly twice the number issued last year. Com-menting on that fact the County Clerk said:

Prince Arthur Lays Cornerstone of British Columbia Building in London—Estimate of Popular Vote in Manitoba.

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The figures in the report are all the more redarkable because the decreissued this year are for the Borough Manhattan only and do not in lude Theorem. The number of decrees of all solute divorce signed betwen Januar 1 and June 30 last year was 540, whil I and June 30 last year was 540, while the total number last year during the same period for both Manhattan and The Bronx was only 372. The County Clerk estimates that if the court business that went to the Bronx after January I last had remain-ed in New York county the number of

It was learned from the attendar

n the courts where divorce tracked that of the women who orces brunettes predominated. The majority of the women sued

the majority of the women sued by their husbands were blondes. It was estimated also that the great percentage of the women were defen-dants, especially in jundefended cases, percentage of the women defendants, especially in undefended cases, were under 25 years old, while the majority of men divorced by their wives were between 25 and 45 was suited. between 35 and 46 years old.

## NO COLORED TEA

Sufficient Ground For Barring Leaf From United States Rules Dis-trict Court Judge.

New York, July 17.—An opinio handed down in the United States District Court yesterday by Judge Hougupholds the right of the examiner the General Board of Appraisers to exclude from the country importations ade from the country importation a that are found to contain co tea that are found to contain color The application of the Read tea test the Judge declares, shows that import-ers of green teas often use blue lead-such as is used in blue lead pencils to give the leaves the proper tinge. Even if an importation of tea is of the highest grade in all other respects the Judge finds, it can be excluded under the law if found to contain color The Judge's onlying displaces the

The Judge's opinion dismisses that brought by Carter, Macy & Co., te suit brought by Carter, Macy & Co., tea Importers, against George S. Browne and the General Board of Appraisers to have the Read test declared illegal. A considerable quantity of "young Hy-son" tea imported by the plaintiffs had been excluded because of color. The plaintiffs appealed to the tea board, which consists of general appraisers, but this body upheld the examiner. Then Carter, Macy & Co. appealed to the courts to enjoin the General Board of Appraisers from using the Read test, their attorney, Joseph H. Choate, Jr., arguing that the fest was not in accordance with the customs of the trade.

## RAILROAD MERGER

Bullfrog and Goldfield Line in Nevada Taken Over by Las Vegas & Tonepah Ry.

in the stock of the Bulfrog & Gold-field Company, whose line parallels the Las Vegas & Tonopah road from Beat-ty to Tonopah, assume its indebtedness and practically reconstruct a new line between Beatty and Tonopah, using or the purpose the best parts of both-roads and abandoning other sections. The plan has been approved by the Nevada Stafe Railroad Commission and other State officials.

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harangned me upon them. "These al started at a dollar. Look at 'em now! What if you'd hopshi at a dollar — only fifty shares think of it—a small fortune!"

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Sir Thomas Shaughnessy Says Financial Horizon The Patter of the Ubiquitous Parasite Would be Harmless were the Investing Public Aware of the Simple Rules that Govern Disposition MANY NEW FEEDERS of their Money.

/ast Capital Expenditures Indicate Strong Belief in Canada's Econo (Special Correspondence.)
Toronto, July 17.—The curious and questionable expedient adopted by some of the vendor-promoters of Al-Strong Belle mic Future. From the Financial News, London July 1st, 1914.) July 1st, 1914.)

When invited by our Special Commissioner in Montreal to express his views on the situation in Canada today, in so far as they particularly bore upon the policy of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy frankly announced his unbounded faith in the Dominion. "It is because we are so convinced," said Sir Thomas, "of Canada's economic wealth from Atland's to Pacific that the Canada was considered to the Canada's conditions of the Canada's economic wealth of the Canada was a considered with the canada was a would certainly defeat its end were the public more familiar with the obvious rnomas, "of Canada's economic wealth from Atlantic to Pacific that the Can-adian Pacific Railway has spent and is still spending such large sums on con-struction and equipment."

Is Clearing Up

When it is considered what a mag-nificent chain of hotels the Canadian Pacific Railway Company maintains Pacific Railway Company maintains right across the country, and the luxurious conditions under which travellers by train may proceed from Montreal to Vancouver in five days, it is 
obvious also that the money is spent 
in ways which are not only productive 
of immediate profits, but which provide for contingencies of the future 
The days are almost gone now when 
the pioneering families which emigrated to the prairies to take up farms 
and government homsteads had to live 
thirty miles from a railway station. miles from a railway station. business texperience to business texperience to business of who extent and ramifications of the gets plucked deserves no tittle of our thirty miles from a raine, which the canadian Pacific Railway Company, continued Sir Thomas, "are such that very few settled districts in the Dominion are off the line. It is in the interests of the railway to tap every available source from which traffic of any description can be obtained. The general economic situation of the country as a whole, therefore, has a vital bearing upon the constructive programme of the company as well as its financial policy.

"The West of Canada may not be floor, sir."

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"I don't know," I said, "what's the oing ahead quite so fast as has be the case during the past few years, but its present progress is still mark-ed and is on a more stable and con-

vative basis."
With regard to the money which "With regard to the money which the Company is at present spending in the west, Sir Thomas stated that these expenditures were being devoted particularly to the final stages of the extensive programme compiled two years ago. The policy of the Company once having been defined in this respect, every part of the original programme is being adhered to. When that programme is completed the strategic po-sition of the Canadian Pacific Railway

sition of the Capiadian Pacific Railway in relation to traffic, both local and in competition with United States railways, will be exceedingly strong," in many parts of the prairie the permanent way of the Canadian Pacific is undergoing alterations, the reasons being that new lines are being laid in order to double the track in certain areas. Congestion of traffic, especially in popular centres, is a difficulty which has arisen in the last year or two, and these new lines have become a necessity.

accordance with the customs of the trade.

As to the examination of the Carter Macy tea, the Judge says that the test revealed the presence of Prustian blue in small quantities and while there was no proof that the color in such quantities was deleterique it was often used by tea importers to increase the weight of tea.

"The customs authorities of this country have long tried to exclude bolored teas," says the Judge, "and the Secretary of the Treasury, having power under the statute to enforce the provisions of the act by appropriate resulations, has required examiners and the tea board to use what is known as the Read method to examine artificial coloring or facing matter."

RAHEROAD MERGER

"From January 1 to May 20, 1914, no less than 253 miles of steel were laid on new branch lines, while 52 miles were laid on double track.

Exceedingly heavy expenditives have

Builfrog and Goldfield Line in Nevada Taken Over by Las Vegas & Tonopah Ry.

Salt Lake City, July 17.—The Builtrog & Goldfield Railroad, running from Rhyolite and Beatty, Nev., to Goldfield, will be absorbed by the Las Vegas & Tonopah Railroad Company, a Clark interest, according to the decision of the stockholders of the latter company at a meeting held in the office of Dana T. Smith assistant secretary. The plan outlined was to take up the stock of the Builfrog & Goldfield Company, whose line parallels the Las Vegas & Tonopah road from Beat-Canadian Pacific Railway Company is

dollars," between which sums there is an unhappily liberal difference. "When do you expect to start drill-ing." I persisted. "We're going right forward now," he said, vaguely.

bertan oil propositions in giving options on blocks of shares to those ubiquitous parasites, the share pediars, I asked.
"No, but we're going right forward realling at fifty would certainly defeat its end were the public more familiar with the obvious and simple rule that governs the disposition of its money, and no rubrick surely, could be simpler or more obvious than the law of commonsense. The chief source of wealth of the share-peddling bureaux, which I condemned in Saturday's Journal of Commerce, is the small investor whose ignorance of oil technology and share-pushing wiles makes him a comparatively easy prey, which is all the more deplorable in that the loss of his paltry dollars, which a swindler of any magnitude or subtlety would score to life. "Have you been there?" I put in. "Have you been there?" I put in.

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nitude or subtlely would scorn to lift. "Yes."
"Well, what indications of oil did
"Well, what indications? dependants, if nothing more. It seems Were there any mud volcanoes like hose of Trinidad or any puddles with il floating on the top, such as abound a Maikof and Taman in Russia, or to me inconcelvable that these despoil ers could fleece any but the smallest fry, and any man of substance with

what?"

He excused himself weakly,
"I'm not an oil man," he said, "bu
geologists and oil men have all agreet
that we've got a promising property
and our shares are worth—"
"What do they know?" I broke in
"Have they drilled and examined the
core to see what the formation is and
how the strata bears? Apparently you
have no geological data to support you,
You just surmise that you've got oil
because somebody found it a hundred
miles away. What do you really know
about your property, and what justifies
your efforts to sell me shares?"
He looked pretty uncomfortable, the "I den't know, I said, price of your shares?"
"One dollar shares selling at fifty

more so as an audience had gathered and sought to pass it off by accusing me of being a broker.

"How much are your vendors get ting?" I resumed.

"Eight hundred thousand dollars."

price of your shares?"
"One dollar shares selling at fifty cents," he responded.
"That's cheap," I remarked, and he waxed warm.
"Sure," he said, "but they're worth a dollar-ten dollars. They're going up. You won't get 'em for a dollar in a few days. Look here!"—and he pulled from his vest a card bearing a list of Calgary oil shares showing the Monarch, Dingman and the rest at their monstrously, inflated values. He harangned me upon them. "These all "Why do you ask the public to pay that price for ground that may not be worth 800 cents? That's not its econo-mic value but your vendors' fancy

it was a poor one: "They could sell it over and over again at double the price to men on the field." '"Come, come," I remonstrated: "that beggars the question. Surmising that

only fifty shares think of it—a small fortune!"

I grew inquisitive.
"Did you buy any?" I asked, perhaps hoping that he had.
"No," he said, "but I've got something as good. You people down here don't understand. You've no idea of what this chance means. Dingman got oil and we'll get, it too. Here's our property—"

He pointed to a chart, gummed to the window, of the Alberta oil field. It was all squared out in plots, with Dingman prominent in the centre, and here and there it was dotted with in-"Well, they'd go ahead." He said "Well, they'd go ahead." He said this so simply that I laughed outright. "Wouldn't they do just as you are doing?" I suggested. "Wouldn't they turn it into a company as you have done and sell it to the public at a fictitious value, as you're endeavoring to do?"

He seemed altogether unnerved and I feel sure that on my departure he took a respite from the share-selling in order to brush up the points upon which the encounter had proved him to be a little hazy.

The unfortunate thing is that most of the investors he tackles will not possess that invaluable gift, the enquiring mind; they will know nothing of oil shares nor of the elements of speculative investment and his playing upon

here and there it was dotted with in-verted V's, which represented the headgear of hypothetical wells. I may point out that this chart embraced an area of over a thousand square miles and that the plots of my informant, marked in red ink, were scattered over the four corners of the chart at im-mense distances apart.

"Here's our property" he said point. tive investment, and his playing up the control of the chart at immense distances apart.

"Here's our property," he said, pointing to the red squares; "here and here are a dozen sorre of miles from his playing upon the shares although they are a dozen sorre of miles from his plot, is likely to throw a glamour over the intoxicated victim and nobody can be upon the commence drilling. How many have you sold."" a step further and careful state of properties are shown to be in order. cient number to enable you to commence drilling. How many have you sold?"

He couldn't give me the number, but he knew it was "a good lot," whatever that may mean.

"To what sum do you limit the subscriptions before you start drilling." I asked.

He found the point difficult, so I enquired how much it would cost to drill a 'well. He hesitated and then gave a mumbling guess at 3,000 dollars. I swung at him on the instant with an incredulous "What!" and, after a pause in which he did mental arithmetic, elicited: "From 30,000 to 50,000" have some some on prohibiting the sale of properties are shown to be in order. Why not go a step further and compel vendors to register themselves as an exploration syndicate to test the property and do a fair share of preliminary work before they are permitted to the sort would tend to eliminate the widespread economic mischief of minima booms and confine part of the invitable losses to those who could bear them best. Moreover, the investor has a great a right to protection from the financial species of plunderer as he has from the highwayman or the vulgar

Application of Grand Trunk to Lay Additional Tracks Was Refused by Board of Control.

AROUND THE CITY HALL serve all its rights. But if the mem serve all its rights. But if the members of the Board preferred to have trains delayed as they were at present in entering Bonaventure station, and thus let the public suffer, then reject the report.

## GLEANED FROM MANY SOURCES

American Paper Co., of Bogots, to as failed. Assets are estimated \$734,000 and liabilities at \$685,000.

Industrial Aid Society reports more idleness in Boston and greater difficulty in placing men than at any time within a Gozen years. Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was ar-

The Mobile & Ohio Railroad will construct a new bridge to cost \$5,000, 006 across the Ohio river at Calco, Ill. The Mobile is to spend \$1,122,000 fo

Mrs. Hattie Willetts, supposed nave gone down with the Empress of reland, has been arrested in California in company with two white slavers.

Traffic on the Owen Sound branch of the C. P. R. was held up for sev-eral hours when an engine was de-

Japan Mail Steamship Co., for half year ended March 31, 1914, made net profits of \$1,276,794, and declared 10

Work of eliminating cross-overs: elevating tracks and constructing tunnel and bridges in Pittsburgh by Pennsylvania Railcond will cost \$5,000,000.

For year ended June 30, 1914, crude il production in Oklahoma totali-i bout 67,525,490 parcels, velued at \$67,-

Two historic banking houses in London have decided to combine, namely Courts and Company, and Robert Lubbock and Company. Both are

The Montreal police have arrest the principals in an extensive "wi apping" game which has been golon but here in connection with the rece

The Allan steamer Sicilian, which put in at Queenstown on July 9, with disabled machinery, sailed yesterday for Montreal, the damage having beer

The latest attraction to be offered a one of Montreal's amusement parks it troup of one thousand educated bees thown as Professor Barrett's Educat ed Bees West Pullman shops of Pullman Co

The Grand Trunk Railway has re quested permission from the Montreal civic government to add two new main tracks to those which they already have leading out of Bonaventure Sta-

Counsel Folk, of the Interstate Commerce Commission says that di-rectors of New Haven should be prose-cuted under state jurisdiction in New England, as well as under the Sher-man anti-trust law.

Depositors of Atlantic National Bank Providence, which failed more than a year ago, were paid 10 per cent, of their claims this week, fourth dividend de-clared by receiver, other three amount-ing to 50 per cent.

Pres. Alexander of National Bank of Commerce, chairman of Claffin note-holders' committee, says none of the \$31,690,000 Claffin notes now held by 3,000 banks and investors will be paid at maturity.

Dissatisfaction Expressed by American Backers Over Result of Fight ROYALS WIN FIRST

sunboat Smith lost to Carpenuer and the state of the stat uled 20-round battle last night in don. It was an unsatisatory sion as both men were strong, travelling fast when the foul occu and all the more unsatisfactory reason of the disagreement over decision. The referee Eugene C awarded the decision to the Fre man, because Smith as truck while Carpentier was on his k The backers of the control of the control sted once more while being borne on stretcher to address a meeting of while in the exc rrenchman probat last night, justly morally to give the

The Royals knocked Bobb out of the box yesterday, and won the opening game of the Rochester series with a tally of 10 to 4. Thirteen hits and nine runs were made off Keefes delivery in the six innings the ex-Royal twirled. Duchesnil, the local twirler, who still draws down Rochester money, relieved Keefe in the box and apart from a circuit smash from Derninger in the seventh finished the game without a hit being registered off his delivery. Umpire Harrison who game without a hit being registered off his delivery. Umpire Harrison, who had to handle the game alone, suced to the heat, but re and finished gamely

cond of a double-header with isons yesterday.

Although outhit 10 to 7, the Oriole put across another win yesterday at Newark's expense. The score was 6

The Grey gave the Skeeters a bad trimming yesterday. Oldham was a puzzle and all Jersey City could get out of five scattered hits, was a single run, while the Greys put eight across the pan.

There was only two games in the National yesterday. Philadelphia beat St. Louis and Brooklyn, by hard batting, won both ends of a double-header.

Fournier knocked out another home me to the Athletics, it was in spit of the good stick work of the ex-Royals for Dearmitt made two in three times up, while Fournier got four in five times at the bat.

Detroit won at Boston yesterday and Washington was shut out by Cleve-land, Hagerman allowing the Sena-tors but two hits.

west Pullman shops of Pullman Co. are taking on suspended employes, and now have 10,000 men, compared with regular force of 13,000. Western Steel day. The winner will play George Car Foundry at Hegswich, Ill., has reemployed 1,500 men.

thy of the name, is slight. tralia can send men halfway ro world to play, it should be po Canada to get together a team send them a few hundred miles.

## PLANTS REOPENING

Industrial Awakening Will Have Not-Circles.

the New York. July 17.— Chairman by Wall Street have been predicting betid ter times for some weeks say that the 
continued reports of the increasing of 
working forces at manufacturing plants 
and of the re-opening of mills that 
have been closed during a part at least 
to the period of depression is certain 
to have a notable influence in financial circles.

No one can take

No one can take a pessimistic posi-tion with respect to the crops already harvested, or those now well advanced

harvested, or those now well advances toward maturity.

From all points easy conditions is the money market are reported.

It is pointed out, therefore, that with the manufacturing industries more active Wall Street and those who would ordinarily buy securities must take a more hopeful view of the situation.

Washington, is, still the source of most of the pessimism so far as the financial district is concerned.

Jean Bouchard, proprietor of the Canada Hotel, Quebec, was drowned at St. Tite, near Ste. Anne de Beaupt, waile out fishing.

Suit of state of Mississippi against Standard Dil of New Jersey. Standard of Louisiana. Standard of kandard and Galena Signal Oil Co., charging re-straint of trade, was compromised for

Western Maryland Railway Co's li-nancial needs for the next frea su-have been arranged by its bankers as-eording to a director, who says as-interest on the first morigase beautiful and the says as-

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Inland revenue collections for at month of line totalled \$1.715,997. dight decrease as compared with Julia, when \$1.785,239; was collected.