Week's Doings At The Capital

Premier's Health Leads to Belief Present May Be Last Session.

Alaskan Boundary Treaty---Anomalous Postage Laws---Railway Bill.

From Our Own Co. espondent. Ottawa, March 16.—Once again the name of legislation are full of life and animation. The representatives of the people have gathered together once more to transact the business of the country. This is only the third session of the present parliament, but there are many who feel that it may be the last. What is the reason for this belief? It is that the Prime Minister's health is consider. the Prime Minister's health is consider-ed by his friends to be of such a char-acter as to lead to the desire to snatch a verdict from the country with Laurier still as Premier, rather than to run the risk of his retirement from the fight, and having to go to the country with a man like Fielding at the head of the minis-

It will of course be a source of gratification to all true Canadians to learn that Sir Willfid's health is vastly improved. His stay in the South has done him good. He still looks very thin, but with care he should be able to pull through the session, and if he does this ten, depend upon it, parliament will serve out its full term of diver years. When the time comes for Sir Wilfrid to retire from the leadership of the Liberta party it will be a case of, "After me the deluge." Two names of, "After me the Liberta leadership in succession of the Liberta leadership in succession of the Liberta leadership in succession. Sir Wilfrid, Mr. Fielding and I, William Mulock. Mr. Fielding is a man for odd ability, but is somewhat narrow. His range of vision is alimited by the political boundaries of Nova Scotia, His saccession movement is still a black mark against his record, and it will take a long time to wipe out the stain. Sir displaced the dispute to the front. He has done some good things as Postmaster-General, but the draw-back with him is that anything he may do is desired solved from the press to the country whose interests have to be seried. Sir William Mulock will, in the front the leaders and their employers. It will be introduced this week. The bill has been done to dispute between railway employers. It will be introduced this week. The bill has been done to dispute between railway employers. It will be introduced this week. The bill has been done to the transfer of disputes between railway employers. It will be introduced this week. The bill has been done to the first and mediation bill, depending the force of public opinion as created the first and mediation bill, depending the force of public opinion as created the first anything the may do is desired when the state of the first anything the may do is desired when the country, whose interests have to be served. Sir William Mulock will be a state of the first anything the may do is desired the force of public opinion as created the first anything the may do It will of course be a source of grati-

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Catarrh

Invites Consumption It weakens the delicate lung tissues, deranges the digestive organs, and breaks down the general health.

It often causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, and affects the voice.

quires a constitutional remedy. Hood's Sarsaparilla Radically and permanently cures catarrh of the nose, throat, stomach,

bowels, and more delicate organs. Read the testimonials. No substitute for Hood's acts like Hood's. Be sure to get Hood's.

"I was troubled with catarrh 20 years Seeing statements of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla resolved to try it. Four bottles entirely cured me." WILLIAM SHERMAN, 1030 6th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.

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Canadian journals going free of postage
to the homes of their subscribers, and
turned back the clock nearly 20 years to
restore newspaper postage. For one
paper that goes from Canada to Great
Britain, thousands go from Canadian
publishing offices to Canadian readers.
If Sir William Mulock really believes
that the people are the better for the
cheap transmission of newspapers let

SECRETARY'S CALL

Voters League Decides to Discontinue the Regular Weekly Meetings.

The Bu dick **Murder Trial**

Widow Disclaims any Knowledge of Who Did Awuful Deed.

Being a constitutional disease it re- Pennell's Household Give Testimony Before Coroner's Jury Yesterday.

> Buffalo, N. Y., March 24.—"Have you received any information as to who killed your husband?"
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> "No sir."
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> "You swear you have no knowledge or information as to who killed him?"
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> "I do."

> The above questions were addressed to Mrs. Alice Hull Burdick this afternoon at the inquest into the death of her husband, by District Attorney Coat-worth. The answers were returned by Mrs. Burdick in a calm clear voice. The questions came abruptly while the Dis-trict Attorney was drawing from Mrs. Burdick information about her relations with Arthur Pennell. She had denied

that Pennell took her key to the front door of the Burdick home while they were in New York together, and had several duplicates made of it.

Burdick's private papers in the vault. She claimed to have been ignorant of its existence.

Mrs. Burdick declared that the last time she saw Pennell was on the Tuesday before the murder. He left her that hight in Atlantic City, arriving in Buffalo Weenesday. She was informed of Burdick's death by a message from Mrs. Hull on the following Friday and hastened to Buffalo. She weached her home Saturday morning. A note of sympathy from Pennell came to the house that day. She never heard from him or saw him between that time and the day he was killed! by his automobile bunging into the stone quarry. Before leaving the stand Mrs. Burdick took occasion to say in reply to questions from her attorney that nothing improper of immoral had occurred between her and Pennell. At the same time she said her husband was fond of the society of other women, and for some reason not clear, said Mrs. Pennell was quite familiar with the dining room and had "dhed" in the Burdick home.

George C. Miller, attorney for Burdick a the divorce proceedings against Mrs. Fundick, was the first witness of the

NOTED CHURCHMAN DEAD. Dean of Canterbury Passes Away at Good Old Age.

London, March 23.—Yery Rev. Frederick William Farrar, Dean of Canterbury since 1895 died yesterday in his 72nd year. Dean Farrer had long been in delicate health, and disabled by creeping paralysis. He latterly had to be carried everywhere, and was unable to officiate although a constant attendant at the Canterbury cathedral service to the last. He was present at some school sports on Saturday afternoon, but passed a restless night. His condition became serious this morning, and he expired peacefully at 8 o'clock.

HAPPENINGS IN HAMILTON.

Hamilton, March 24.—The Hendrie teamsters strike was settled today, but the corporation teamsters are still out.

Frank P. Robinson and wife, convicted by Judge Snider today of fraud in getting goods and money from William Galloways, storekeeper, by the Mexican money silver dollar dodge.

Sir Sandford Fleming's Views

Favors Building Transcontinental Line With Terminus at Port Simpson.

No Public Undertaking Would Better Meet Wants of New Dominion."

The secretary of the Board of Trade s in receipt of copies of a neat pamphlet giving the contents of a very interesting ject, which was read before the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, by Mr. J. G. Scott, on January 13 last. Mr. Scott is general manager of the Quebec & Lake St. John Railway, and the Great Northern Railway of Canada.

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Mr. Scott presents a report of an interview with Sir Sandford Fleming, which has not heretofore appeared in any of the Western newspapers. The great railway authority has long been an advocate of a line of railway across the continent having its Pacific terminas

Many Vessels At Outer Docks

First of Large Blue Funnel Line keache, Victoria From Liverpool.

lyo Maru From the Orient-Riojun Maru and Empress Sail.

Four large Oriental liners, and two coast liners were at the Outer docks preserved, and kept the wharves in an animated condition. One of the arrivais was the steamer Achilles, Capt. Williams, a fine modern cargo carrier of 7,043 tons. This steamer is the first of the large face of "The Biue Funnel line" to call at Victoria. The blue tunnel steamers are owned by Alfred Hold. & Co., which concern recently acquired the China Mutual fleet. The Achilles had a fair passage across the Pacific, have for which is to be landed today at Victoria. Blue Funnel steamers are one of the large face of the Sound from Liverpool in connection with the China Mutual fleet. The Achilles had a fair passage across the Pacific, have for Firincess Street, Vancouver. The China Mutual fleet. The Achilles had a fair passage across the Pacific, have for succeed Rev. John Robson, B. A. of Firincess Street, Vancouver. The China Mutual fleet and Sound for the Columbia. The president, Rev. E. E. Scott has good sized cargo, about 360 tons of which is to be landed today at Victoria, Included amongst this are some new cranes, each weighing five tons, which are to be placed on the coal wharf of the navy at Esquimalt, Amongst the cargo for Vancouver is a shipment of 3,000 tons of steel rails for the C. P. R. A. and 700 tons of general freight, ipcluding tin plate and cannery supplies. The Achilles is a steamer of 7,043 tons.

Another arrival from the Orient was the steamer Iyo Maru, Capt. C. H. Butler, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line.
Iyo Maru brought a small number of represented.

ryo many prought a sman number of saloon passengers, but about a hundred steerage. She had a cargo of three thousand tons of general freight, including tea, silk, matting, rice, etc.; 120 tons of general freight was landed at the Outer docks before the steamer sailed this marning for Seattle. The ctars

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MILLS BURNT.

**Bolton, Ont. March 24.—Walshaw's woolen mill was burned to the ground today. Loss \$50,000, partially insured.

CONFERENCE FAILED.

**Huntington, W. Va., March 24.—The joint conference of the United American concentration of the correct of the United March 25 years ago.

**Second—The greater part of the vast region through which the new line might pass between Quebec and Port Sailed to accomplish anything. They agreed to meet in Huntington again April 14.—*

SAN DOMINGO REVOLUTION.

**Washington, D. C., March 24.—U. S. Consul General Maxwell at San Domingo, is in the country of State today that the city of San Domingo is in the country of the march and the wishom or expedience of party of the wishom or expedience of party of the wishom or expedience of party of the wishom or expedience of the party of the state of the party of the state of the party of the state of the party of the party of the party of the telegram from Vancoured the present through the government forces have lost considerable quantities of ammunition, arms and provisions. In addition, about 20 government to tool at Chemainus, was the chief to work and the content of the vertice of the Chief was the party of the telegram from Vancouried to the vertice of the Chief was and provisions. In addition, about 20 government to content the form Atlantic points at 10 per cent. The greater part of the vast reinsured at 20 per cent. The latest and seasons.

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B. C. METHODIST CONFERENCE. Will Meet in Metropolitan Methodist Church 14th of May.

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Rapid strides have been made in every department of church work which had aliade it necessary to secure more men for the province, as it is difficult to build and rent dwellings in many places during the first periods of formation. It would infinite a hardship on men with families, as well as be an additional and unnecessary expense on the missionary society.

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At the roll call last year 83 ministers and laymen were present, and this year on account of the method adopted of equalizing traveling arrays. equalizing traveling expenses, it is expected that every district will be well mittee.

Rev. A. C. Crews, the secretary of read. the Young Feople's Societies, is expected to visit the Coast during the conterence, and will assist terence, and will assist in convention work it he comes. The B. C. conference is regarded as one of the most progres-sive throughout the Dominion, and it

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LONE HIGHWAYMAN.

Attempts Hold Up of Californian Stage, But Fails.

Ukiah, Cala., March 24.—A lone high wayman held up the stage between this point and Mendocino city today, and shot and knifed the armed messenger, O. A. Overmeyer. The driver, Harry Owaly, whipped his horses, and amid a rain of bullets escaped uninjured. The stage was held up in the same spot about a month ago. Today's stage carried a heavy treasure.

The presence with a frightesied look, but when they didn't see the cangue or the bamboo basket, nor even the execution—the cherch wanted three dollars instead of "No. sabbee." He could not paled the offenders before the magistrate.

In order that the Chinamen might be fooled if they thought they could escape the government's tax, the cases were laid over to All-Fools' day, six days hence.

WANTED SURVEY OF THE ISLAND

The minutes of previous meetings of the sub-committee haying been read, the Mayor presented a letter from the president of the E. & N. Railway Company. in which the offer was made to give free right-of-way through the company's lands to any railway which had for its purpose the opening up of the Island as proposed, and to assist the committee in accomplishing its laudable purpose by every means possible.

The letter was received and will be referred to a meeting of the general

It was a very voluminou Summarized, it favored ing the route known as Route No. 6, in