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THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 14, 1900.

THE OPPOSITION ARE STILL ASKING ABOUT THE BRIDGES

Fredericton, March 9-Mr. Lawson in the house yesterday committed a bill authorizing Victoria municipality to exempt creameries, cheese and butter factories and roller process wheat mills from taxation. Mr. Thompson, chairman, of the leader of the opposition the honor-

land department report for last year. for the work of riprapping the piers of the Woodstock bridge? In what way was the call for tenders advertised and for how long? How many tenders were re-ceived, and what was the amount of each

Mr. Mott gave notice of inquiry: "Has the government concluded to transfer or lease to the Dominion of Canada the rights of this province respecting the control and management of the fisheries and is it their intention to submit a bill for that to construct upon said site a permanent bridge with stone abutments and a steel

Dr. Pugsley gave notice of inquiry: "Is

the government's intention to grant aid for an exhibition next year at Sussex, Kings county?"

Mr. Campbell gave notice of inquiry:

"Is it the government's intention to grant aid to the York Agricultural Society, No. 34, for the purpose of holding an exhibition in the city of Fredericton during the present calendar year?" the present calendar year?"

Hon. Mr. McKeown committed a bill incorporating the St. John Police Relief Association. Mr. Barnes chairman; agreed

to.

Mr. Laforest gave notice of inquiry:

"What amount of money has been expended up to date for the building and maintenance of the Boucher road, in Madawaska county, including the bridge over the Iroquois River, and to whom were said amounts paid or are payable?"

Mr. Laforest gave notice of inquiry:

"What is the present amount due by Madawaska county for overdrawal of by road money? What amount was author."

road money? What amount was authorized to be expended in that county on byroads during the last year? What are the names of the persons who were authorized to expend said moneys? And what amount was each of said persons authorized. amount was each of said persons authorized to expend?"

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"For what purpose was the sum of \$20.4:
paid Messrs. T. McAvity & Sons on account of by roads in Westmorland county
for lest year as appears in the auditor

count of by-roads in Westmorland county for last year, as appears in the auditor general's report of last year? In what way is the interest \$46.69 charged against the by-road account of Westmorland for last year as appears in the auditor general's report, calculated and upon what sum of money was such interest paid and by what authority?"

Mr. Laforest gave notice of inquiry for Tuesday next: "What is the cost of the Tuesday next: What is the cost of the investigation held into the conduct of Samuel J. Raymond, and to whom were

said costs paid, or if not paid to whom were they payable and what amounts are payable to each person entitled to the Mr. Robertson gave notice of inquiry for Wednesday next; "Is it the intention of the public works department to repair any reconstruct the road between Moneton and the hospital in the patrish of Moneton during the coming summer and to use the lately acquired road plant or machinery in such work?"

Mr. Hazen gave notice of inquiry for londay next: "In what health district Monday next: "In what health district in the province is compulsory vaccination in force? What steps have been taken to

people in the districts have been vaccinated? What assistance is the government or the Provincial Board of Health render-When the bill providing for the revision

and consolidation of the statutes came up for third reading Mr. Hazen said that he for third reading Mr. Hazen said that he desired to make a few remarks. It would be remembered that when this bill was in committee he had ventured to point out that the sum of \$20,000 as provided by the bill was a large expenditure, and because of his course he had received quite a lecture at the hands of the leader of the government. The position taken by himself (Hazen) yesterday was exactly the position taken by the leader of the government, the present minister of railways and canals, the Hon. Mr. Blair, in 1896. The government having taken authority a government having taken authority year or two previous to that date to have the statutes revised and consolidated the leader of the opposition in 1896, Dr. Stockton, asked what action had been taken with respect to the revision of the statu-tes. Hon. Mr. Blair said, in reply, (as would be seen by reference to the official debates of that year) "no action has been taken by the government under the resolution of 1894 in regard to the revision of the consolidated statutes. This resolution had been passed in order to place the government in a position, if satisfactory arrangements could be made, to pro with such revision and con-tion. The government had

not positively engaged at that time to proceed with the work. Since then they had investigated the matter and con-cluded that it would scarcely be prudent to assume the cost which the consolidation would involve. The consolidation of 1877 had cost nearly \$20,000. The government had, however, decided upon a mode of procedure which would involve little expense beyond the item of printing. They had concluded to revise the various chap-

ters from time to time." That policy, Mr. Hazen said, was exactly in line with the position he (Hazen) had taken yesterday. Some of the acts have been revised and consolidated from year to year since Mr. Blair made his remarks in 1896. Among them were the supreme bate court act and the municipalities act and this year, we have the school ac Notwithstanding that counsel had been retained and had done work in connection several years, it was now proposed to expend the very large sum of \$20,000 in the work of revision and consolidation. The present leader of the government had not

tories and roller process wheat mills from taxation. Mr. Thompson, chairman. Agreed to with amendments.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson recommitted the coroner's bill. An amendment was added providing that witnesses be allowed fees of 50 cents a day and five cents mileage. Railway employes attending inquests made necessary because of railway accidents, will only be allowed necessary expenses agreed to as amended. then, Mr. Dunn submitted the crown and department report for last year.

Mr. Fleming gave notice of inquiry:
When did the department call for tenders or the work of riprapping the piers of he Woodstock bridge? In what way was performed since 1896, it would have been almost impossible to have had anything like a proper idea of the laws of the province. The total cost of the work of con-solidation, he hoped, would not exceed the \$20,000, and the government would take pride in keeping the amount if pos-sible within that figure. If the work of a complete revision and consolidation of the statutes had been delayed because of the state of the finances of the country purpose during the present session?" the state of the finances of the country Dr. Pugsley gave notice of inquiry: "Has that was no reason why there should be any further delay, and the government was not afraid that the heavens were going to fall because of the passage of the act of yesterday. The leader of the to the condition of the bridge on the great road in the village of Rothesay, Kings county, and the necessity for replacing the same by a new bridge in the near future? If so is it the intention of the chief commissioner, in view of the great amount of travel over said bridge to construct upon said site a permanent much during the past four years.

Mr. Osman spoke at some length and created much laughter by giving his experiences as a justice of the peace in the county of Albert for the last several years. He believed that a complete reof the statutes was a necessity in The bill was then read a third time.

Mr. Burchill submitted a report from the standing rules committee. Bills were introduced by Hon, Mr. Dunn, to aid in the settlement of crown lands of the province; by Hon. Mr. Mc. Keown, to authorize the city of St. John to enter upon and take for public purposes any private properties that may be

Fredericton, March 8 .- Dr. Pugsley roduced bills incorporating the Maritime Pulp and Paper Company; incorporating the New Brunswick Cold Storage Company (Limited), and incorporating the Lancaster Pulp and Paper Company (Lim-

Hon. Mr. Tweedie committed a bill to legalize the Mencton school assessments of 1899 and to authorize an increased asessment for the present year; Mr. Wells in the chair. The attorney general explained that the trustees are only allowed to assess for \$10,000 but that the need of the schools required more money and the trustees had so assessed. The bill had been introduced by the government in response to a memorial from the people of Moncion. The consolidation of the school law provision will have to be made for in-

creased assessments in the future.

Mr. Robinson said the people of Mon Mr. Robinson said the people of Mone-ton were not clamoring for the passage of the bill, and many of them had spoken to him in opposition to the bill, but no doubt thought it covered future assess-ments. Mr. Robinson said many Moneton people believe their schools cost too much and it is a fact that the cost is steadily increasing although the number of public increasing, although the number of pupils is not. The town meeting had ratified the assessment, so it is necessary to pass the bill to legalize it. The bill was

Hon, Mr. Emmerson committed a bill to enable the municipal, city and town councils throughout the province to assess for sums granted or to be granted in aid of members of the Canadian forces sent to South Africa; Mr. Wells chair-

incorporating the St. John Home for Incurables; Mr. Wells chairman. Agreed to

with amendments.

Mr. Lawson committed a bill amending the law authorizing Victoria municipality to exempt woollen, cheese and starch factories and grist mills from taxation; Mr. Thompson chairman. Progress was reported with leave to sit again.

Hon. Mr. Dunn committed a bill relating to certain lands of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum; Mr. Wells chairman.

Agreed to.

Mr. Todd recommitted a bill authorizing Charlotte municipality to exempt the property of J. Sutton Clark from taxation; Mr. Porter chairman. Agreed to

with amendments.

Mr. Melanson gave notice of an inquiry as to what arrangements, if any, had been made for a French translation of the de-bates, with names and terms, etc.

Bills in Committee Fredericton, March 9 .- Investigation in

to the lunatic asylum accounts was con-cluded at the public accounts committee Item of \$4,486.50 for public works was taken up and explained satisfactorily by Messrs. T. B. Winslow, of the Board of Works office, and by Mr. W. A. Quin-

Mr. Humphrey said the sum of \$684 Mr. Humphrey said the sum of \$684 paid to C. D. Jones for superintending and inspection of the electric plant was excessive and demanded an explanation.

Premier Emmerson was called and said the amount paid Mr. Jones was five per cent. of \$12,685, the cost of the plant. He said Mr. Jones, who was a first class electrician, had performed a large amount of work and the sum paid was not too

Mr. Quinton stated Mr. Jones had prepared for the installation of the plant, had run it for a time and had put in two water motors which was extra work and had been busy at the asylum for some

Recorder Skinner, Ald. Macrae, McGold-rick and Seaton in reference to the St. John assessment bill which proposed to change the plan of taxing insurance com- the subject of the war loan, said that in panies from assessing them on their net income and to compel them to take out a government saw no indication whatever income and to compel them to take out a license. The aldermen and recorder were promoting the bill and Major Grant was present on behalf of the insurance men to present on behalf of the insurance men to compose. The bill passed the committee \$30,000,000 would be subscribed by lunch \$30,000,000 would be subscribed by lunch

The bill relating to the Bathurst Boom Company and Bathurst Power Company occupied the attention of the corporation committee this morning. Consideration of these bills was postponed yesterday with the hope that Burns, Adams & Co.'s representatives and those of F. W. Sumner who were opposed to the incorporation would come to an agreement, but none had been arrived at. After considerable discussion the committee appointed a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Glasier, Mott, Gibson and Carvell to hear the parties and endeavor to arrange a settlement, At the evening session of the corporation committee the bill of the Northwest Boom Company was taken up. Messrs. Allen, Ritchie and Edward Hutchison were present promoting the bill. C. A. C. Brace, of the Maritime Sulphite Company and J. H. Barry, Q. C., counsel for the Dominion in the impossibility of conceding any strongly opposed the clause in the bill which aims to increase the rate in handling small lumber through the bill which aims to increase the rate in handling small lumber through the booms from 40 to 75 cents per thousand, as the pulp companies' wood would come. as the pulp companies' wood would come under this head.

Mr. Hutchinson claimed the reason for increasing the rates was that smaller lumber was more trouble and expense in

The two rival companies, at the request of the committee, met and tried to come to an agreement.

The pulp company offered to pay 60 cents per thousand feet for rafting and

booming lumber.

This the boom company would not agree to and the committee adjourned until to-morrow. Other less important amendments are asked for by the two pulp com-

A bill to incorporate the Carleton County Co-operative Assurance Associa-tion was before committee and at their suggestion Mr. Carvell agreed to hold it over until tomorrow and make several amendments, one of which is that association will not have power to do business outside of Carleton county. The com-mittee believe that the association will not be a strong one and could not recom-

LATE WAR NEWS.

will be required."
Whatever the government may know

since the war began.
Sir Redvers Buller, second in command in the field, and Lord Wolseley are understood also to consider that no more artillery is needed. Lord Roberts had alto-

lery is needed. Lord Roberts had alto-gether 452 guns, including siege pieces. It is quite clear that Gen. Buller will not try anything large in future, as he is to lose Sir Charles Warren and the latis to lose Sr Charles Warren and the latter's 1,000 men who have been ordered to join Lord Roberts. It is the expectation of the war office that Lord Roberts, notwithstanding the necessity of garrisoning his depots, will be able to operate a constantly increasing force until by the time the Transvaal frontier is reached he will have 70,000 troops. His telegrams dealing with non-essentials, are taken to mean that he is up to

usually spells uncommon activity.

Mafeking, as a beleaguered town, at tracts much sentiment and sympathy.

Nothing has been heard from there since Feb. 19. There is a rumor this morning that Col. Baden-Powell has been relieved but this cannot be traced to any substan-

London, March 10-The Daily Mail

London, March 10—The Daily Mail publishes the following despatch from Pretoria, dated Thursday, March 8, via Lorenco Marques, which has been censored by the Boer government:—
"Conversations I have had with the highest state officials show that the Boers want some arrangement. They say that if England is waging a war of conquest they will fight to a finish. Otherwise they believe that a plain statement of the British intentions will reveal a basis of British intentions will reveal a basis of negotiation, now that England's prestige

repaired.
"President Kruger and President Stevn conferred Monday at Bloemfontein on the incorporation of the above representations in a cablegram to Lord Salisbury. The preservation of the independence of two republics is a sine qua non."

London, March 9-9.05 p. m.-The wa office has issued the following despatch from Lord Roberts:—

from Lord Roberts:—

"Clements has occupied Norval's Pont and the adjacent drift. As soon as the engineers, pontoons and troops arrive he will cross the river, when the necessary repairs to the railway bridge will be commenced.

British to Bloemfontein posed.

Boy from Toronto Sick.

Ottawa, March 9.—Lord noon, received the following posed.

menced. "Gatacre occupied Burghersdorp March the amount paid Mr. Jones was five percent. of \$12,685, the cost of the plant. He said Mr. Jones, who was a first class electrician, had performed a large amount of work and the sum paid was not too much.

"Gatacre occupied Burghersdorp March 7 and was greeted with great enthusiasm on the part of the loyal inhabitants. His report that large numbers of the rebels in the neighborhood are anxious to surrender."

Premier Emmerson said Mr. Jones was not a personal or political friend and had been employed only because he knew his business and his work proved this. Mr. Wilson, who had assisted in the work, had done different class of work and was also a first class man.

The committee expressed satisfaction at the work and accounts, and no image and point it is a pity this advice was not followed for, in that case, Lord Roberts would probably have captured the whole

The municipalities committee heard London, March 9-The chancellor of the

with slight amendments.

The bill relating to the highways in the municipality of St. John was recommended to the house.

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The Standard, which is in close touch

All the special despatches from Poplar Grove confirm the reports of the panic of the Boers. The Morning Post's correspondent says: "President. Kruger shed ties at his ineffectual attempts to rally the Boers, who were completely paralyzed by Lord Roberts' masterly taction.

"As the sixth division emerged from a hidden position and appeared on the crest with the mounted infantry in skirmishing order, the Boers thought the whole earth order, the Boers thought the whole earth covered with soldiers, in their front and rear and on their flanks. They did not wait to verify their supposition, but fled, seized apparently with a dread that they might share the fate of Cronje."

London, March 10, 4.15 a. m.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, when explaining to the bankers the terms of the new loan, gave an intermediate the end of the war near. "Since the estimates were prepared," he said, "events have taken place that have changed the situation and probably not all the money will be required."

Shropshire regiments, forming part of the ninecenth brigade, took an active part in the engagement at Osfontein today. The Canadian troops occupied the left bank of the Modder River where were also the Cornwalls and Shropshires, the Gordons keeping the right bank. There were no casualties among the Canadian troops and our men saw very little of active fighting. The army advanced to Osfontein on the 6th. There the enemy whatever the government may know or intend, unofficial opinion seems every were found to be in force of about 6,000 where to think that the Boer power is column. occurring the transfer where to think that the Boer power is collapsing.

The eighth division has been under Modder River. After a few hours shellthese orders, so far as the artillery contingent is concerned, have been recalled. Lord Roberts having reported that no more artillery from home is necessary. This is the first pause in reinforcements since the war began.

Modder River. After a few hours shelling by the British artillery the Boers evacuated their positions. The evacuation was brought about by a flank movement by the British cavalry supported by 42 guns, which force had moved rapidly south and got between the Boers. ments. Deprived of support it became impossible for the Boers to maintain their position in their long lines of trenches and they hastily retreated. The pursuing cavalry was unable to come up with them before they had made good their escape. The Shropshires, who occupied a position in advance of the Canadians along the left bank, charged a koppe held by the enemy and captured a Krupp gun. The fight was over before the Canadians had an opportunity to come into close action.
The health of the regiment has improved and there are now few in the hospitals.

A New Feature of Canada's Participation In the War---Were We Advocates of the

London, March 10.-The Daily Chronicle an editorial on the military situation "There is no comfort for President Kruger even in the eccentric agitation States, where some people are of the opinion that by taking part in the war Canada has inflicted a deadly affront upon the Monroe doctrine. The ashes of Monroe are so often in commotion at election time that we are in danger of overlooking.

Boer Amunition Destroyed.

Poplar Grove, March 9-A great amou of ammunition was destroyed to-day. This included several boxes of explosive bullets, on the outside of which the Boers had marked "Manufactured for the Brit-

Poplar Grove, Orange Free State, Friday morning, March 9—General French, who is ten mikes ahead, reports that his front is clear of the Boers. All other reports tend to confirm the state of disorganization of the Boer forces. Trens organization of the Boer forces, Transvaal, as well as Free State. The general impression is that further progress of the British to Bloemfontein will not be op-

Ottawa, March 9 .- Lord Minto, this after-

noon, received the following cable from Sir Alfred Milner:— "Cape Town, March 9.—Regret Lieut. C. S. Wilke, Royal Ganadians dangerously ll at Wyndberg. Millner." Lieut. Wilke was a lieutenant in the 10th Royal Grenadiers in Toronto.

London, March 9.—The huge serenade in front of Buckingham palace which was kinson, dealing in the Morning Post today with the disappointment expressed by the war correspondents respecting the Poplar Grove battle, says: "Doubtless it was not a great victory since the enemy was not mynished and no great strategical adof the royal family appeared at the win-dows; and the people sang God Save the Queen and other patriotic songs.

Her Majesty has not suffered from her

Blobbs—Henneck has bought his wife a folding bed. Slobbs—Yes; he told me he thought that was the only way he could shut her up.

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O00,000.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "I learn that there is dissension between President Kruger and General Joubert and that the latter has resigned. Probably President Kruger will assume the chief command. General Schalkberger and other prominent commandants are also likely to resign for kimilar reasons and because President Kruger ignored their advice to make peace overtures after the first Boer victory."

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being taken by the Russians."

After saying he is willing to send numerous troops to help Great Britain in the Transwaal, but adding that the late the Quebec Southern Railway Comtaken up in committee, Mr. Fielding expansions of the pany.

I am always ready to fight for her on land, here or in India."

The Ameer refers to a letter from the Indian government, reminding that he had been faithful for twenty years and advising retrenchment in purchases of arms, os otherwise parliament might become suspicious. He takes strong exception to such suspicious, saving it was serving in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the soldiers to be paid to them when their term of service expired. After some destanding their absence in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service act and the police pension act for the benefit of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service act and the police pension act for the benefit of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service act and the police pension act for the benefit of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service act and the police pension act for the benefit of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. The stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service act and the police pension act for the benefit of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. The house went into supply and passed into committee on the bill to provide for a number of items connected with the matter of the police pension act for the benefit of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service expired. After some devenue of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. He stated that it was to preserve the provisions of the civil service expired. After some devenue of the civil service expired. After some devenue of the police notwith standing their absence in South Africa. The stated that it was t ough to resist a Russian advance.

Montreal, March 9.—The Star's special cable from its correspondent with the litigants would not be an ordinary experience in judicial affairs. It is quite true that we have again and again, under various governments, tried what unoffined representation could do to induce the Gordon Highlanders, Cornwalls and the Gordon Highlanders, Cornwalls and the Gordon Highlanders, Cornwalls and the formed that the tribupal entirely declined to the purchase of horses and saddles, and to the purchase of horses and saddles, and the governments tried what unoffined representation could do to induce call representation could do to induce the Gordon Highlanders, Cornwalls and the Gordon Highlanders, Cornwalls and the formed that the tribupal entirely declined to the purchase of horses and saddles, and the government are to the propose of giving offices to their polytical friends.

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parties concerned."

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A Resolution of Sympathy Declared Out of Order.

The premier frankly admitted that the government's chances of taking action were very small. The delay, he added was very unfortunate, not only in its baring on the fortunes of the litigants, but in the discredit which it reflected upon the principle of arbitration from which they had hoped great things.

Lord Salisbury then remarked: "There is no doubt that the powers will be less willing to refer, any difficulties which they may have to arbitration when they are bed in the result, but it is beyond our power to correct he action of the tribunal."

Provisions Cannot Be Made for "Drowning the Shamrock."

London, March 9—Replying to Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Nationalist, who asked in the Mr. Alford Salisbury the shamrock."

London, March 9—Replying to Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Nationalist, who asked in the content of the correct the government would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment. Would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to each Irish soldier on St. Patrick's day to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a shilling to enable him to eclebrate the occasion by Coremment would give a sh

are to be offered a share of the British war loan of £30,000,000. This is the first time the British government loan has been offered in Canada. The rate of interest is

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TAYLOR, THE CONSERVATIVE WHIP, BROUGHT TO TIME

Ameer of Afghanistan has authorized his Ottawa, March 9.—The session to-day pay that mounted police who have served Ameer of Afghanistan has authorized his agen in London to publish the following statement of the policy of Afghanistan as authorized his saying that he had devoted much anxious thought to the possibilities of Russia taking advantage of the Transvaal war to advance through Afghanistan on India, his highness adds:—

Ottawa, March 9.—The session to-day was mainly occupied with the discussion to day with the discussion of the solutions of the bill providing for pay of the solutions of the bill providing for pay of the solutions in South Africa. The principal feature of the discussion was the disposition shown by some western members to have the government of Canada pay the Strathing of the Transvaal war to advance through Afghanistan on India, his highness adds:—

Ottawa, March 9.—The session to-day pay that mounted police with the discussion to day was mainly occupied with the discussion to day five years will receive.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier dissented from the view that civilians of the range were equal or superior to the mounted police.

After recess the bill respecting the river St. Clair Railway Bridge and Tunnel company was passed in committee.

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come suspicious. He takes strong exception to such suspicions, saying it was necessary to keep the country strong enecessary to keep the country strong enecessary to regist a Russian advance.

The estimates provided for 10rc, the new lights of which 12 are in British Mr. Foster said Sir Charles Tupper new lights of which 12 are in British Columbia, 12 in Nova Scotia, five in Quetried to raise a difficulty in regard to the light of question of the pay of the men, stating bec, nine in Ontario and two in that the men in South Africa could not Brunswick.

paralyzed by Lord Roberts masterly testics. They were too demoralized to heed his expostulations and declared that the British cannon were everywhere."

The correspondent of the Daily News says: "The Boers were seized with a panic, thus spoiling the whole plan which had been beautifully calculated to destroy the lowest of Lords today asked the government was necessary in the way of legislation what steps are being taken to hasten the was to give 50 cents a day, and whatever on it.

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Sir Louis Davies said he was glad that Sir Louis Davies said he was glad that London, March 9—Baron Wenler, in the House of Lords today asked the government what steps are being taken to hasten the Delagoa Bay arbitration proceedings and whether the government was preparing to join the United States government for pressing for an immediate award. Lord Salisbury, replying, agreed that the delay was most lamentable. He said:—

"We should be very glad if this litigation to could be ended, but his lordship has not indicated what kind of a movement he wished the government to initiate. The tribunal is not subject to the government he wished the government to initiate. The tribunal is not subject to the government to indicate what kind of a movement it and an official remonstrance from one of the litigants would not be an ordinary.

"We are only litigants before it and an official remonstrance from one deductions from the British soldier's pay in time of war.

"We also give 50 cents a day, and whatever on it. Was no gleislation on it. Sir Louis Davies said he was glad that Mr. Taylor had announced his intentions. The whole shipping interests had been deamoring for new lights and had expressed the utmost gratitude when the new lights were supplied and now the opposition proposed to oppose them tooth and nail. Now the shipping interests would know who their friends were and who their friends were supplied and now the opposition proposed to oppose them tooth and nail. Now the shipping in

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The bill providing for the expense of

The estimates provided for forty-two new lights of which 12 are in British

sent and Mr. Taylor, the whip, seemed to be leading the house and said he proposed

to admit its responsibility for the delay. The president expressed the belief that it was due not to the tribunal, but to the A Resolution of Sympathy Declared Out of Order.

lowed to wear shamrocks on St. Patrick's day and that the same privilege be extended to the navy.

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Toronto, March 9.—Canadian investors are to be offered a share of the British are to be offered a share of the British. not be discussed in public.

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Mr. Lodge said that the debate would not be confined to the motion, but would go into the merits of the resolution itself and that was the danger of having the debate in public.

Mr. Mason replied that there could be no grave danger to this country in any such discussion. The only people with whom the United States was at war was whom the United States was at war was
the Filipinos and he could not see how
this race could profit by what senators
said concerning the war in South Africa.
Senator Spooner opposed discussing the
resolution in public. He was in sympathy, he said, with the Boers and the people might be, but this was a governmental
matter and Great Britain would have
cause for offense if this government should
take any action.

it would be taken as an expression of the government. The question was one for the executive and not for the senate. Mr. Mason has no right to have a vote on this question.

senate.

The subject of an alleged

came up. Mr. Mason said we were told every day that there was no secret al-liance. If there was not, he said, let us carry out our usual habit in such cases. We always had passed resolutions of sympathy with struggling republics, and we should do so now. There was nothing against Great Britain in the resolution.

Mr. Spooner responded that England had been our friend in the Spanish war and we should do nothing to interrupt those friendly relations.

right and wrong was involved and it should be settled regardless of questions should be settled regardless of questions of friendship, whether it was of Spain, England or the Czar of Russia.

Mr. Depew said he had recently been waited upon by a committee of Finlanders who wanted the United States to take action upon the outrages perpetrated up-on them by the Czar. He asked why it

Mr. Hoar said that a great question of

Mr. Mason responded that he had number of other resolutions on tap, which

The Hay-Pauncefote Treaty on the Nicaragua Canal Endorsed by a Committee With Slight Changes.

Washington, March 9.-The senate com- with this amendment was reached after mittee on foreign relations today reported the Hay-Pauncefote treaty to the senate with an amendment reserving to this country the right to defend the canal in case of war. The amendment merely places of war. The amendment merely places of the committee, in which Senator Morgan very strennously opposed the amendment. He was, however, the only senator in opposition, Senators Bacon and Daniel, the other Democratic members of the committee was reached after of war. The anticle of the committee, voting with the Republican members for the amendment and then for a resolution to report.

"Insert at the end of section 5 of article
2 the following:—

"It is agreed, however, that none of the immediate foregoing conditions and stipulations in sections numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this article shall apply to measures which the United States may find it necessary to take for securing by its own forces the defence of the United States and the maintenance of public order."

The conclusion to report the treaty