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RAILWAY ROBBERY.

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HE PERISHED IN THE SNOWSTORM

BODY OF MISSING C.P.R. ENGINEER FOUND

Montreal Alderman Wants a Royal Commission to Investigate Charges Against Police.

Winnipeg, Feb. 16 .- The body of J. P. Vance, travelling engineer of the C. P. R., who perished near Battleford on Friday, reached Saskatoon to-day and will be taken to Strathcona for burial. Vance had left his teamster on the morning of Thursday, and in the storm of the afternoon had missed the tent wandered about all night and was only found by a search party at sunset on the evening of Friday alongside the trail. Winnipeg's Population.

The new Winnipeg city directory just issued, estimates Winnipeg's population at 63,500. Of the thousand and some odd names that were in the 1876 directory only 85 appear in the new book. The us of 1901 gave a population of 42,-

Forgery.

Within the past two days a serious case of forgery has developed at Bran-don. Some time recently a number of grain tickets were stolen from the books of E. O'Reilly, at Chater. The name of Mr. O'Reilly, agent at Chater, was forged on a certain number of tickets and on these L. S. Patterson secured an advance of \$15,000 from the Bank of British North America at Brandon, and ever since the discovery detectives have been working on the case and the parties interested have been keeping it as quiet possible. Another elevator company Forest is understood to have had tickets stolen also. The number of tickets in this case was six, and on these the Imperial Bank at Brandon advanced \$1,100. The authorities are now on the trail of Patterson, endeavoring to effect

General Superintendent Leonard, of the C. P. R., has left for Montreal on important business in connection with the Western division. Rumors of ago purporting to affect some of the head officials of both the Western, Pacific and North Bay divisions have been revived in railway circles, but nothing definite can be learned. It is reported that J. K. McNeillie, C. P. R. car service agent here, has been notified that he will be transferred to Montreal, Mr. J. Mc-Gregor, who has been connected with the Western freight association is mentioned s his successor. John Caldwell, C. P. baggage master here for many years,

Cold. The weather to-day and yesterday has been the coldest of the winter. The mercury has ranged from 30 to 40 below to-

Badly Frozen. Miss Annie Gillespie, a school teacher

of Ochre River, lost her way on Main face and hands were badly frozen., A Busy Superintendent,

Toronto, Feb. 16.-In connection with Toronto, Feb. 16.—In connection with the proposed union of the Presbyterian and Methodist home mission work, Rev. Dr. E. D. McLaren. Presbyterian secretary, is setting out immediately for the West. He will go to Vancouver to attend a meeting of the synodical committee of British Columbia. In the following week he will-be at Winnipeg to take part in deliberations of the synodical part in deliberations of the synodical committee of Manitoba and the Northvest Territories. He will then return Toronto and attend a general home mission committee.

Montreal Scandal.

Montrea! Feb. 16 .- Some time ago the city council named a committee to instigate certain charges of wrong-doing members of the police force. The committee held a session for organizing was confronted by an injunction issued by the Superior court, which prevented their going on. To-day at the city council meeting Ald, Laporte moved on the government to appoint a comon of Superior court judges to en-1. If Chief Legault had not neglectenforce the law against selling on Sunday or after hours; 2. If termaster Kenoe had not received old overcoats from Drolet. Dufour & already paid for, and thereby exthe city to payment twice for the coats; 3. If certain officers had not ed civilian clothes instead of overcity was to pay for; 4. If Dro-Dufour & Co. did not deliver 13 old to the city as new; 5. Accusing Legault of appropriating to his se liquor seized in a house of ill-6. If a member of the police com-liberated a woman charged with ation at an election; 7. Solicition alderman of \$1,200 from Lieut. as price of promotion; 8. If a alderman was not enabled to take to Europe at the expense of ex-

Hughes; 9. If ex-Chief Hughes did

never raided certain houses at the in-structions of aldermen. It is expected the commissioners will bring out some

THE FERNIE STRIKE.

Miners Are Still Idle—Coal Brought From Lethbridge to Relieve Wants of Citizens.

Fernie, Feb. 17.-The strike is still on BRILLIANT SCENE IN and nothing is being done about the mines, except that the engines keep the fans in operation. The different camps are very quiet and orderly. The coal

rissey at a good figure.

The weather is not so cold and coal has arrived from Lethbridge to relieve the wants of citizens here. As it is superior fuel to the Fernie article for domestic consumption. It is thought that a local agency for it will be established.

It is reported from Fernie that the Northport smelter has closed down for want of coke, as a result of the coal felt in connection with the copper inare running at a very narrow margin of profit, owing to the low price of copper.

BLIZZARD IN EAST.

again about eight o'clock. Surface and tower through the Mall, the Horse elevated railroads were partially crippled, but were not so badly tied up as by several previous storms this winter.

All the great officers of state in varied uniforms were assembled at the Royal

ave to purchase carriages from a ooo on the stock, and the insu alderman; 10. Why the police stock and building is \$46,500.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS

company have sold their three general stores at Michel, Coal Creek and MorThe Speech From the Throne Refers to
Woman Drowned While Attempting to
Passua Her Pet From River. Alaska Boundary and Baikan Questions.

London, Feb. 17.-King Edward, acompanied by Queen Alexandra, and surrounded by the court and the officers of state opened parliament this afternoon. miners' strike. The smelter near Green. Early in the morning the vaults of the wood, belonging to the Boston & Mon- houses were searched as usual for im-Early in the morning the vaults of the treal Company, may also be expected to aginary conspirators by the Yeoman of follow in the same course. This latter the Guard, carrying ancient lanterns and the Guard, carrying ancient lanterns and has not more than twenty-five days supply of coke on hand, so that if the strike continues the results will be seriously the Guard, carrying ancient lanterns and a change necessary. The commission the Chowan river, off Woodley's pier.

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The Royal procession, consisting of six Snowstorm is Crippling Traffic and at state carriages and escorted by Life barracks.

Boston Steamers Are Tied Up.

Guards, left Buckingham Palace at 1.30 last night left New York in a better condition than was expected. The snow ceased falling at an early hour but began again about aicht solech.

Up to nine o'clock the total snowfall, as entrance of the House of Peers to re reported by the weather bureau, was ceive the King. The procession, which MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S

Prisoner Says He and Partner Alone COMMISSION TO Were Concerned in Holdup. St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 17.-A special from Butte, Mont., says: "George How-

ard has made a confession correborating the story told by his partner, Cole, that they alone were concerned in the holdup of the Burlington train on the Northern AND PREPARE REPORT Pacific last Thursday. They say only \$7.50 was secured. Cole says their reilure was due to the insanity of How-

Rescue Her Pet From River.

New York, Feb. 17.—Striving to rescue New York, Feb. 11.—Striving to rescue ner pet dog, Mrs. Mary Thompson lost her life in East river. She was the wife of Capt. Thompson, of the Morning Star, which was lying at Williamsburg. The dog fell overboard and Mrs. Thomp-son leaned quickly over the side of the

SPENT NIGHT IN STATION.

New York, Feb. 17.-Two hundred and fifty men, captured by the police while British Columbia, to reopen the case, alwaiting to see a prize fight decided, spent though any new documentary evidence on account of the water she had taken

ON FISHERY MATTERS

Any Further Documentary Evidence Forwarded to the Capital Will Be Considered.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—Professor Prince, commissioner of fisheries, has been detained in Prince Edward Island by son leaned quickly over the side of the boat to save her pet. She lost her bal-ance and fell into the river. The deck hands heard her cries but she was every mission, but the shortness of the time be-fore the meeting of the House has made dence and prepare a report. It was not threw her on her beam ends. intended, had the meetings been held in When she righted it was only to sink wateng to see a prize again decided, spent though any new documentary evidence the night in the police station. They were taken in a building on West 14th street, adjoining the Salvation Army barracks.

It in. A majority of the passengers and crew were below at the time, and had no time to reach the pilot house of the er to reach British Columbia in time will in no way affect the sittings of the complex of the control of the water she had taken as the control of the water she had taken as the last of the passengers and the crew were below at the time, and had no time to reach the pilot house of the vessel, which alone remained above was treed to retain Hon. Edward Blake as chief to retain Hon. Edward Blake as chief to retain Hon. Edward Blake as chief to retain Hon. Other counsel will also be retained. Wr. Blake was notified by earlier themselves by standing all night in the mission. Senator Templeman wired the themselves by standing all night in the Minister of Marine a few days are repilot house up to their waists. questing that the meeting take place in Ottawa and for the reasons stated.

Memorials from polarus of statements from private individuals, canners or others, will also be considered by the commission, and a report to the department will be prepared from the evidence received. Parties interested in the way stated, and as the duties of the commission will likely terminate in the course of three or four weeks, any additional evidence or four we

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COAL RATES INCREASED. Freight Officials Decide on Making a Number of Advances.

TO GREAT BRITAIN, POSTAGE PREPAID \$2.00

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—Coal freight rates were advanced in keeping with the

advances on other freight rates at a meeting of the leading freight traffic officials of railways interested in the coal traffic from Pittsburg, Ohio and West WILL MEET AFIER Virginia districts. Among the rates agreed on are: Rail and lake; Pittsburg to lake, old rate 73, now 83; Ohio district to lake, old rate 75, now 78; West Virginia district to lake, old rate 81%, now 91%. The commercial rate from the mines in all districts to lake cities was increased from 90 to \$1. The short hau rate, covering coal sent from mines near the lake cities, was likewise increased from 60 to 70 cents per ton.

TWENTY-FIVE DROWNED. Steamer Capsized by a Cyclone-State-

ment by the Captain.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 17.-A cyclone hands heard her cries but she was swept away by the strong tide and sank.

British Columbia several weeks ago to struck the passenger steamer Olive, hold final meetings of the fisheries com- which plies between Franklin, Va., and Edenton, N. C., at 9:30 o'clock last

According to the statement of Capt. Withy to the Associated Press corres-In connection with the above it may be secessary to explain that the commission eccessary to explain that the commission in the receive any evidence, in writing, that the commission into the subject of the commission of the commission in the receive any evidence, in writing, that the commission into the commission is the commission of will receive any evidence, in writing, that any person interested in the fisheries, and especially in respect to the proposition to license traps, may feel inclined to fender.

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ALL-BRITISH COLONY.

Over Two Thousand Emigrants Will Leave For Canada Next Month. Fraser river against traps, now being ing a vessel whose light could be seen in the distance, is yet unheard from London to-day, says:

Memorials from boards of trades or statements from private individuals, the death list will reach 25.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—A special cable from London to-day, says:

"The boom in Grand Trunk stock has given a great film to the Consider.

heavy that I would not risk open water and put the boat about to return up the river for safety. It was about 2 o'clock when everything became inky black and a terrible roaring broke out of the night. I was alone in the pilot house, and most of those below had turned in. In a scend something struck the boat on her port beam and turned her over on her starboard side. I thought she would never right herself, and a monster wave dashed over us. It flooded the house and smashed everything around us.

the Lake Manitoba, sailing on March 25th, and 1,000 leave on the Lake Sinnede on the Lake Sinnede on the Lake Sinnede on the Lake Manitoba, sailing on March 25th, and 1,000 leave on the Lake Sinnede on the Lake Sinnede on the Sinnede on the

pong tournament took place on Saturday dense smoke. The fire started in a night at Duncans, when, after an excit-bakery near the hotel, and burned for ing battle, the Victoria team wrested the victory from their opponents. The Victory from their opponents. The Victory from their opponents. toria representatives were Messrs. Wil-son, Garesche, Leeming and Rickaby. control. The loss is \$100,000.

THE PLACE.

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THE BOUNDARY JUDICIAL TRIBUNAL

NO. 5.

DOMINION SESSION

Names of Canadian Commissioners Not Yet Submitted-Hon. E. Blake Retained as Chief Counsel.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.-Senator Fairbanks. chairman of the joint high commission, has written the Dominion government suggesting that the commission meet in March. A reply has been sent stating that the government was agreeable to an early meeting of the commission, but that March, as the sitting of the congress would be over. The commission will likely meet after the Dominion session

The Dominion government has decided sion. Other counsel will also be re-tained. Mr. Blake was notified by cable

and has accepted.

There will be two Canadian commissioners, but so far their names have not been submitted by the Dominion government.

Leave For Canada Next Month.

HOTEL BURNED. Many of the Guests Were Forced to Make Their Escape in Their Night Clothes.

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 18.-The St. Clair hotel, one of the largest of this firemen were slightly injured. All the hotel guests made their escape. Many fled in their night clothes when they awoke to find the house filled with a

Heavy Damages. Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 18.-The foundry plant of Thomas Carlin's Sons Company, in Allegheny, was almost destroyed by fire early to-day. The estimated loss is \$200,000, partially insured.

ON VERGE OF WAR.

Outbreak of Hostilities Between Guate-mala and Salvador Now Seems Inevitable.