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MEMBERS MUST GO ON RECORD

If the Scheme of the Dominion Alliance Cannot Be Blocked.

A PROHIBITORY MEASURE

Is to be Drawn Up by a Committee and Introduced by a Private Member.

A PLAN ADOPTED LAST NIGHT.

Provinces to Be Worked and Federal Government to Guarantee a Fair Trial.

Ottawa, April 20.—A meeting of the Legislative Council of the Dominion Alliance was called for 10.30 this morning. At 10 o'clock a prior meeting was held, at which a chosen few gathered round Mr. Flint, and went over the points of the majority report of the sub-committee on legislation. At 10.50 these gentlemen entered the Railway Committee room and Senator Vidal called the meeting to order. At that time there were 42 gentlemen present, several of whom were merely spectators.

Senator Vidal, in opening the meeting, said it was a meeting of the Executive and Legislative Councils of the Alliance to receive the report of the sub-committee appointed to consider what should be done in consequence of the plebiscite. Mr. Flint read the report of the majority of the committee, which was composed of Senator Vidal, Dr. Christie, Messrs. Flint, McMullen, McClure, Moore and Ganong. Mr. Moore remarked that the report had been greatly shortened since the committee met. Mr. Flint's report recommended the extension of the Scott Act, so as to make it applicable to provinces, and embodied a resolution affirming that the plebiscite vote called for the enacting of some legislation, and recommending the extension of the Scott Act as indicated. The report held that this extension would be a step in advance and acceptable to Parliament, whilst the endeavor to secure total prohibition must be carried on. The report, Mr. Flint pointed out, did not affect the position of the administration towards the plebiscite. Whatever they might think as members of Parliament, they were there as members of the alliance.

Mr. Taylor Charges Fraud.

George Taylor, M.P., said the substance of the report was materially different from that which appeared as the substance of the report in The Globe a few days ago. He said the lists in Leeds were fraudulent, and charged that The Globe's majority report was given out for political effect.

J. R. Dougall, Montreal, wanted to have a report embodying something to be done—not a history.

A. H. Moore, M.P., and Senator Vidal said the minority were surprised. A report had been published some hours before it came before the committee, then submitted to the committee, and now another report entirely was submitted.

Mr. Cochrane said the publication of the report before it was submitted to the committee was scandalous, and charged that the majority had betrayed the trust reposed in them. Now a new-fangled report, never submitted was brought on.

Mr. Ganong Complains.

Mr. Ganong said Mr. Flint had assumed that there was a majority and a minority in the committee. How he knew they could not say, as one member had never expressed his opinion. It was understood that Mr. Flint should draw up a report and submit it to either Mr. Moore or himself. That was not done. It was given the committee at 11 o'clock, and to their surprise they found it in The Globe hours before.

Mr. Firmin McClure was surprised. There had been reports of the meetings of the sub-committee which were partly correct and partly incorrect. The minority had moved a bold resolution in favor of prohibition. He suggested that all should be struck out of the report except the suggestion. He wanted legislation on the lines of the Canada Temperance Act, not the act itself.

Mr. Dougall's Motion.

Mr. J. R. Dougall thought they need not discuss the action of the Government, whether it had done right or not. Most of them would like to condemn it somewhat. He moved the following resolution: That, in view of the decision of the Government that the plebiscite of September 29th last did not show such a vote in favor of prohibition as would justify the introduction by the Government of a prohibitory measure, and the fact that every province of the Dominion but one, recorded for prohibition a substantial vote and a large majority, there ought to be enacted legislation that would give effect to the strongly expressed will of the people; that while still strongly maintaining the desirability of total national prohibition, which must be the continued object of prohibition workers, your committee believe that at the present time the temperance reform would be materially aided by the enactment of legislation upon the lines hereinafter set out, namely: (1) An act totally prohibiting the importation, sale or warehousing of intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes in any province adopting or bringing into force such an act by a vote of the duly qualified electors. (2) Voting upon question of bringing of such legislation into force in any province to be at the time of the holding of a general election, in order to save expense and secure the largest possible vote upon the question. (3) Such legislation when adopted by any province to be unrepealable for a period of time long enough to ensure a fair test of its effectiveness.

It is submitted that the enactment of such legislation is certainly in the power of Parliament, inasmuch as it would be merely a further extension of the principles embodied in the Canada Temperance Act, the constitutionality of which has been affirmed and which act might be so amended as to include the further legislation suggested.

Parliament Not to Be Excused.

Mr. Moore said he did not propose to relieve Parliament of its duties. Parliament had not yet confirmed the Government's decision. Parliament had promised the people to give effect to the declared wish of the people. Let Parliament decide; when it refused they might step in.

Mr. Ganong read the minority report conclusions:

1. To ascertain whether such a bill as they desire could be introduced without

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THEY ALL DESIRE THAT CORBIN GETS A CHARTER

Every Device Will Be Used at Ottawa by the Canadian Pacific Railway to Keep the Monopoly to Itself.

A well-known Toronto firm, doing business in British Columbia, has received a request from a number of merchants at Grand Forks, B.C., asking the firm to wire the Toronto members to support the bill now before Parliament, giving D. C. Corbin a charter for the Kettle River Valley Railway. The letter adds:

"Every device and method that a number of people with varied experience in lobbying can devise will be resorted to by the Canadian Pacific Railway, with the object of keeping the Boundary district—the richest mineral region in the world—to itself. The people throughout Southern British Columbia, realizing the consequences of an intolerable monopoly, with its accompaniment of excessive freight rates, are unanimously in favor of unrestricted railway competition.

"This can only be accomplished by the construction of an additional railway through this district. The matter is as vital to wholesale firms on the coast and in the east as it is to the local merchant, trader or other business man.

"We hope you won't think this a matter of little concern, as it is of vital importance to us, the Canadian Pacific Railway having tried their best to kill all the towns already in existence."

CHINESE KILL EACH OTHER.

Bing Kung Tongs and Suey On Tongs at Fresno, California, in Bloody Conflict.

THREE ON SLABS AT THE MORGUE

Two More Are Mortally Wounded and Nine Are Behind Bars in the Jail.

Fresno, Cal., April 20.—A bloody Highbinder war that has been expected for some time broke out in Chinatown early to-day, and as a result three Mongolians occupy slabs in the morgue; two more are at the County Hospital, mortally wounded, and nine are behind bars in the county jail.

The officers have anticipated an outbreak for some time, as it was known that large numbers of hatchetmen had arrived here from San Francisco, but so cunning were their plans that not an officer was close enough to witness the opening of the battle. The Chinese had decoyed the policemen on duty in that district to various quarters remote from the scene of their intended onslaught.

A Redhot Fusilade.

Upon hearing the first shot Policeman Rapelji, who was a block away, ran to the alley north of Tulare-street, between F and G, where he saw two Chinese pumping lead into the body of a third Chinaman, who lay at their feet. Further up the alley were at least a dozen Chinamen, running about and blazing away at each other.

As Rapelji ran up the alley a Chinaman ran past him, pursued by a Highbinder. The fugitive made for a doorway, but was dropped on the steps by a bullet from the Highbinder's gun, which struck him in the head, killing him instantly. Rapelji captured the murderer, who gave his name as Wong Duck.

Saw Another Murder.

Policeman Morse, who was running to the scene of the shooting, saw a Highbinder run up to a Chinaman named Chin Chi, who was standing in a doorway, and deliberately fire two shots at him, killing him instantly.

The murderer then started to run, whereupon Morse ordered him to stop, but instead the Highbinder threw his gun at Morse's head. As he continued to run Morse fired, the ball penetrating the Chinaman's back, and he is now at the hospital not expected to live. The fight is a factional one between the Bing Kung Tongs and the Suey On Tongs.

More Trouble is Feared.

The fight created much excitement, and more trouble is feared in Chinatown. It is remarkable that there were no more victims, as fifty shots were fired. At one time four Chinese Highbinders were standing at a street corner discharging their revolvers as fast as possible at the entrance of a stairway leading to the room over the store of the King Kick Company. Only the prompt action of the officers prevented more serious rioting. After quiet had been restored a raid on the suspected haunts of the Highbinders was made, and in one place were found three cases of mail and a small arsenal of revolvers, hatchets and knives. Nine men were arrested on suspicion. Three were charged with vagrancy and three with murder. One of them had a 45-calibre pistol, five boxes of cartridges, and a pair of brass knuckles on him at the time of his arrest.

Three Victims Identified.

Three of the victims have been identified. One is Ah Tai, a vegetable peddler. He was probably shot by accident. One of the dead is Chin Chee, a well-known Highbinder, and another is Lee On Tong, a peddler. Their bodies present a horrible spectacle, most of the fatal wounds having been inflicted at close range.

The trouble which led to the murders commenced with the conviction of Tai Choy, who was yesterday removed to San Quentin to serve a ten years' sentence for murder in the second degree.

Where Ladies Trade, at Dineens'.

It is easy to tell what proportion the ladies contribute to a store's trade, by the special provisions which a store affords to its lady patrons. Dineens is the only hat house in Canada which contains a large special department, in a distinctly separate part of its immense establishment, which is exclusively devoted to the hat requirements of ladies, and employing a staff of saleswomen. People who get their impressions of the facilities of a store from its advertisements in the newspapers probably assume that Dineens' is altogether the popular and fashionable hat resort for men—but the visitor quickly notices that there is a large store enshrined within the great establishment which caters to and is favored by a vast patronage of ladies. The ladies' hat trade at Dineens' has been won to its present proportions by the exclusive styles of millinery—imported novelties by men designers of ladies' fashions—and which are offered at reasonable prices at Dineens'.

Pember's Turkish and Vapor Baths 127 and 129 Yonge. Bath and bed, $1.00

Metropolitan Railway.

Every Saturday and Wednesday afternoon cars leave C.P.R. crossing, Yonge-street, at 1.20, 2.40, 3.30, 5.40 and 7.45; returning, leave Richmond Hill at 2.30, 4, 4.30, 7 and 10 p.m. Return fare: Adults, 25c; children, 15c. Through excursion every evening at 7.45 o'clock. Return fare, 25c. 356

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OWEN SOUND BLAST FURNACE

The Chief Promoter is at Ottawa to Make Known His Requests to the Government.

WANTS ONE BOUNTY ABOLISHED

But Requests the Protection of Native Ore Continued—Various News From Ottawa.

Ottawa, April 20.—Mr. John Brown of Toronto is here on business with the Government in connection with the bounties on iron. Mr. Brown is interested in the iron and steel company of Owen Sound. This company has a capital of $1,000,000, and intends putting up at Owen Sound an iron and steel plant worth $800,000. Six hundred men will be employed, and all the ore will be mined in Canada. It will be brought by water all the way from the mines to Owen Sound, and Mr. Brown estimates that it will cost his company less for freight than are the expenses for freight of any other company. Mr. Brown wants the Government to abolish the $2 per ton bounty on other than native ore and to maintain the bounty of $3 on Canadian ore.

Arrived With the Prisoners.

Constable A. J. Nault of Maniawaki arrived in Hull to-day, having in charge Jacques Boileau and his wife, Josephine Bedard, of the Bois Franc, accused of the murder of Levina St. Onge, their adopted daughter. The prisoners, in conversation with a reporter, declared that they were not guilty. When told that they would have to remain in jail until June the prisoners wept bitterly.

A Real Live Company.

The Ottawa Car Company are again in full swing. The machinery has been placed in the building this week, and the workmen commenced work this morning. This is the quickest work on record. Two weeks ago the company started to rebuild the shops, which were destroyed by fire about the first of March.

The Conference of Prelates.

Rev. Dr. Constantineau, rector of Ottawa University, has returned from Chicago, where he had been attending a conference of the rectors and principals of the Catholic colleges throughout the United States and Canada. Rev. Dr. Constantineau states the conference was a great success. It was the first gathering of the kind so far as Catholic colleges were concerned.

A Change of Name.

Westboro will, after May 1, be the official name of Skead's Mills. The Postmaster-General has forwarded to William Lowry, postmaster of the place, notice that the new name will go in force the first of the month, and to govern himself accordingly. The residents of Skead's Mills, otherwise Birchton, have for some time been agitating favoring the name, and Westboro is the result.

DEPLORABLE AFFAIR.

John Miller of Wroxeter Shot Himself With His Own Weapon and Died.

Wroxeter, Ont., April 20.—One of the saddest accidents that have ever occurred in our village happened this evening about 8 o'clock. John Miller, a lad about 15 years of age, and a companion named Arthur Robinson, were shooting muskrats along the banks of the Maitland River. Robinson asked Miller for some more cartridges, as his supply had run out. Miller laid his gun on a pile of brush, handed over the cartridges and picked up his gun by the muzzle, drawing it towards him. The trigger caught in the brush and the whole charge passed through the right lung, killing him almost instantly. The deceased is a son of the late T. F. Miller of Wroxeter, and brother of Richard Miller, employed as clerk at H. E. Snell's store at Toronto Junction.

A Drummer Anxious.

A citizen is wondering who let a certain story out. Everyone knows him, but The World is nothing if not fair.

Going home at noon yesterday Mr. G. (we shall call him) got hold of the wrong satchel in the gloom of his private office; although if he had examined it closely he would have seen that F, his lately-returned traveler, had unintentionally placed his own grip close beside the other. They differed only in color. When Mr. G. got back from lunch he found that the Luxfer Prism Co., Limited, of Toronto, had carried out his order and installed their prism windows, so that the whole of his entire office was as bright as day. He wished those prisms had been put up in the morning—either that, or that his wife had not opened the satchel at home.

Pember's Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge-St.

To-Day's Program.

Dan Godfrey's band in Massey Hall, 2 and 8 p.m.

"The Charlatan" at the Grand, 8 p.m.

"A Night Off" at the Princess, 2 and 8 p.m.

The Empire, 8 p.m.

Old Boys of George-street School, dinner at Albion, 8 p.m.

L.O.L. 613, dinner in Victoria Hall, 8 p.m.

Batoche column meets at the Armouries, 8 p.m.

Inspector Hughes speaks in Queen Victoria School, 4 p.m.

Women's Missionary Society in Metropolitan, 3.30 p.m.

Cold in Your Head.

Dr. Evans' Special Snuff gives immediate relief and cures quickly or money refunded, no sneezing. All druggists, 25c. 135

A SURE THING.

WILFRID: With that hot brick applied to the egg I rather looked for a bird like this.

BROCKVILLE GOES LIBERAL.

Mr. W. H. Comstock Elected by a Majority of 232 Over Hon. Peter White.

A HEAVY VOTE BROUGHT OUT

The Victors Had a Great Jubilation When Their Victory Was Found to Be a Certainty.

Brockville, Ont., April 20.—Great excitement prevailed here to-day over the election. The Liberals were somewhat dubious of the result at first, but immediately the returns commenced to show a majority for their candidate, Mr. W. H. Comstock, they became wild, and when the final result was announced—232 majority for Comstock—there was such a demonstration as Brockville inhabitants never before witnessed. The following figures give the result:

	White.	Comstock.
Brockville	802	1133
Elizabethtown	525	549
Kitley	313	190
Totals	1640	1872

Comstock's majority, 232.

At the general election in 1896 there were three candidates and Hon. J. F. Wood, the Conservative, received 1761 votes; Mr. J. Cumming, Liberal, 1549; W. J. Cluff, Independent, 148.

OLD SHELLS ARE DANGEROUS.

One Fired During the War Woke Up and Killed Three People at Havana.

Havana, April 20.—Mail advices to La Lucha from Manzanillo say that an American shell fired last summer during the bombardment of the town by the United States warships exploded last Sunday, killing three persons and wounding many others. The shell had been fired into a cafe called the "Labyrinth of Gold" and workmen were digging it from under the floor. The shell exploded, wrecking the room. The accident occurred on the same day with a demonstration in honor of Gen. Gomez, and it was at first reported that enemies of Gomez had thrown a dynamite bomb.

Three cases of yellow fever developed today. Col. Davis isolated the houses. No Americans are among the sick.

ROSSLAND NEWS.

Iron Mask-Centre Star Suit Begun—Brokers Have Established a Stock Exchange.

Rossland, B.C., April 20.—(Special.)—The Iron Mask-Centre Star suit was called today in the Supreme Court here. It is expected the case will last fully two weeks. Great interest is being taken in the evidence, though nothing remarkable was developed to-day.

The brokers of the camp have established a stock exchange and will hold daily sessions in private. A. R. M.

Only Patterns of the Kind in Canada

Next to the neck there is nothing like Quinn's new scarfs—the Kipling for men and the Rosalynde for ladies. A bargain in silk waists will be given to-morrow (Saturday), when we place on sale one dozen waists, regularly sold at $9.50, $10 and $12.50; your choice, while they last, $6 each.

Armeda Ceylon Tea has the flavor.

First Boat at Wiarton.

Wiarton, Ont., April 20.—Arrived, steamer Milton, from Lonely Island, with lumber. She reports large quantities of field ice. Tug Seaman and scow Big Bay, cordwood. The bay is clear of ice. Wind northeast; foggy.

Nothing succeeds like success. A successful likeness is at all times desirable. Herbert E. Simpson, 143 College-street.

JAS. M. MACLEAN FLOPPED.

An Imperial Commoner Was Frequently Called to Order and Finally Got Wrathy.

WENT OVER TO THE OPPOSITION.

Received by the Liberals With a Storm of Applause and Jeered by His Former Colleagues.

London, April 20.—There was a curious scene at question time in the House of Commons to-day. Mr. James M. MacLean, Conservative, who was editor and proprietor of The Bombay Gazette, chairman of the Bombay town council, and president of the Institute of Journalists, and who is the author of several books on India, and is bitterly antagonistic to the India countervailing duties on sugar, commenced questioning the Secretary of State for India, Lord George Hamilton, in an irritating manner, for which he was frequently called to order by the Ministerialists, and by the Speaker. Finally, turning angrily to the Ministerial benches, Mr. MacLean shouted: "If the Unionists do not want me I can join the Opposition." Suiting the action to the words, Mr. MacLean crossed over to the Opposition benches, where he was greeted with a storm of Liberal applause, and ironical Ministerial laughter. The angry member finally left the House.

"LORD, DELIVER US!"

The Supplication of the Silver Democrats as Set Forth at a Syracuse Meeting.

Syracuse, April 20.—The Alhambra, with a seating capacity of 3000 people, was comfortably filled with an enthusiastic crowd this evening to hear Col. William Jennings Bryan. As each person passed he was given a dodger, which reads:

"Lord deliver us from this canned-beef administration."

"Lord deliver us from Matt Quay's banking system."

"Lord deliver us from Tom Platt's and Dick Croker's clutches."

"What the Ten Commandments are to the soul the Chicago platform is to the body."

"16 to 1 is a winner."

"This is the people's cause."

JOHN BROOT ARRESTED.

Stole Funds on the American Side and Was Caught on Canadian Side.

Niagara Falls, Ont., April 20.—Detective Mains of the Ontario police, on information received from Niagara Falls, N. Y., apprehended to-day a man named John Broot, who had tapped the safe of the Hotel Atlantique of that place of $300. Broot, who is employed as a cooper, boarded at the hotel, and the proprietor had left him in the bar while he went out for a short time, when Broot did the job and skipped. When arrested he had a little better than $100 in his pockets.

Friday for Cyclists.

To-day we start our great clearing sale of bicycle suits, bicycle hose, sweaters, etc. These goods we positively refuse to carry to our new store, consequently they must go at 25 per cent. off regular prices. This is a rare chance to buy your spring outfit at practically makers' prices. Sword, 55 King-street east (old stand).

Fetherstonhaugh & Co., Patent Solicitors and experts, Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto.

Cook's Turkish Baths—204 King W.

In a private letter from Mr. E. Waldo, secretary Rideau Club, Ottawa, to Mr. Philip Todd, he states that "Radnor" is very popular and that the club use 500 bottles per month.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Rubbra sr., who sailed on the steamer Marquette from New York, arrived in England yesterday.

HEAVY SALES OF REPUBLIC.

Toronto Capitalists Are Gathering In a Lot of the Stock Prior to the Listing.

THE PAYNE'S MONTHLY DIVIDEND

Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars Distributed Among the Shareholders — The Shipments.

Montreal, April 20.—(Special.)—Your correspondent learns that Toronto capitalists have been making heavy purchases of Republic stock, in anticipation of the listing on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges next week. These purchases in three days amounted to 140,000 shares, the minimum price paid being $1.20 per share.

The regular monthly dividend of the Payne mine was declared to-day, the amount being $25,000. This will be the last dividend payable on the old stock. The weekly shipments of the Payne up to April 18 reached 300 tons, or 50 tons in advance of the preceding week. The total for the month of April, up to April 18, is 750 tons.

JOHN RICHARDSON WILL STAY

He Telegraphs a Denial to the Report That He Would Resign From East York.

John Richardson, M.L.A. for East York, wired last night that the rumor given currency in The World of Wednesday, April 19, to the effect that he was about to resign, was incorrect. His telegram said: "Deny the report in toto. There is no truth in any part of it."

CORBIN DRAWS OUT.

Cannot Get Legislation This Session and Quits the Game.

Greenwood, B. C., April 20.—(Special.)—A telegram to hand is as follows:

W. S. T, Greenwood: Bodwell wired me he had received message from Bostock that bill for Corbin charter could not pass House this session, therefore I have withdrawn application for charter.

(Signed) D. C. Corbin, Spokane.
A. M. R.

The attention of users is invited to the merits of E. B. Eddy's indurated fibre ware tubs, pails, etc., which are for sale at all first-class grocery stores. Housekeepers readily recognize their superiority over the ordinary wooden tubs, etc. 135

MARRIAGES.

CAROLAN—GLEASON—At St. Peter's Church, Bathurst-street, on April 19, by Rev. L. Minnehan, John Carolan to Maggie youngest daughter of Owen Gleason, both of Toronto.

DEATHS.

BEDFORD—On Thursday, April 20, Bro. Valentine Bedford, late President of Cheltenham Lodge, S. O. E.

Funeral will take place from H. Ellis' undertaking establishment, 283 College-street, on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

Members of Cheltenham Lodge, S.O.E., and sister lodges are invited to attend.

CHANDLER—On Thursday morning, April 20, 1899, at her late residence, 336 Wilton-avenue, Mary Ann, beloved wife of George Chandler, in her 90th year.

Funeral Saturday at 4 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

DICKIE—At 260 Dunn-avenue, on Thursday, 20th inst., Jean Gilmour, infant daughter of Edwin and Mary Dickie, aged 7 months.

Funeral private.

PARSONS—Jane H., beloved wife of William Thomas Parsons, P.D.G.M., Tasker Lodge, No. 454, R. S., St. John's, Newfoundland, in the 79th year of her age.

Funeral Saturday at 2 p.m. from residence No. 222 Hamburg-avenue. Friends will please accept this intimation.

Newfoundland papers please copy.

WILL THE N. P. BUILD PORTAGE BRANCH?

A Good Deal of Interest in Winnipeg as to The New Project.

MANY REASONS ADVANCED

Why It Is Desirable That the Extension West From Portage La Prairie Should Go.

IT WOULD RELIEVE SETTLERS

By Securing Competition and Would Materially Help the City of Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, April 20.—(Special.)—There is a great deal of interest through the city over the reported railway project west from Portage la Prairie. There is a strong feeling in favor of an extension of the Northern Pacific through this fine territory. There are many reasons advanced for this. In the first place, the people living in the districts affected have petitioned for the Northern Pacific, which is pretty good testimony of the value placed upon the Northern Pacific in regard to handling lumber. Besides this, it is felt that another 50 or 60 miles added to its Portage branch will make this branch self-supporting and give the Northern Pacific two main lines westward through the province, which may be extended indefinitely into the territories, thus giving enlarged railway facilities over a large part of the Canadian west. The Northern Pacific, it is pointed out, would then tie between two C.P.R. lines in South Manitoba, giving relief to settlers on each of these, and also between the main line and the M. & N.W., which is now understood to be part of the C.P.R. system.

There is a feeling, too, that the Northern Pacific, once developed in Manitoba so as to reach the heart of the province, with the good traffic originating in this province, would act generously in regard to its appointments; that is to say, if the Manitoba division takes the place in the province and in the Northern Pacific system that was intended, the company would make Winnipeg more of an independent headquarters and would in all likelihood rebuild the Manitoba Hotel in its former style.

On the other hand, if the system in Manitoba is to be cut and dried, and maintained, then the company will, it is held, feel inclined to reduce its expenditures and keep its Winnipeg branch to that idea of a divisional point that would prevail in case of similar mileage and a smaller amount of traffic on the main line. As to the present state of affairs, it is thought that the Northern Pacific is ready to go ahead if the Government will give the customary assistance. In some quarters it is held that the starting of the survey parties from MacGregor and Varcoe is somewhat of a feint on the part of the C.P.R. and Dauphin Railways, which a good many think are playing into one another's hands.

The Fort William Fire.

Manager Whyte returned from his trip to Fort William to-day, where he had been to investigate matters in connection with the recent fires there. Questioned as to the company's loss, Mr. Whyte said: "I estimate that it will cost $10,000 to repair the engines, and the shop can be put into shape again for the sum of $85,000." He said the loss was covered by insurance.

Mr. Whyte said nothing definite had been settled in regard to the change in the time card, and he did not wish the impression to get abroad that such a change was certain, as it would only create unnecessary agitation.

THE DEATH ROLL.

M. Alexandre Weill, the French novelist and publicist, is dead in Paris.

The death occurred yesterday at Kingston of Mrs. Mills, wife of Thomas Mills of the banking firm of Mills & Cunningham. Deceased was a daughter of Armstrong McCormack, wholesale merchant.

M. Edouard Jules Henri Pailleron, the French poet and dramatist, is dead at Paris.

Mr. Boustead Out Again.

The many friends of ex-Ald. J. B. Boustead will be delighted to hear that he is able to be out again. The ex-alderman had a narrow squeak from internal hemorrhage, and for four weeks he was able to see no one but his physician and nurse. However, he is now on the high road to full recovery.

Local Showers.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, April 20.—(8 p.m.)—The depression which covered the Missouri Valley last night has since diminished in energy, but an extended trough of low pressure now extends from Lake Superior to the Gulf of Mexico, in which other depressions are likely to be developed. Snow has fallen very generally over Manitoba, Winnipeg reporting as much as five inches, but elsewhere throughout Canada the weather has been generally fair and mild.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 42—52; Kamloops, 40—66; Calgary, 22—60; Qu'Appelle, 36—28; Winnipeg, 32—34; Fort Arthur, 32—38; Parry Sound, 30—52; Toronto, 38—40; Ottawa, 38—42; Montreal, 46—58; Quebec, 36—46; Halifax, 30—54.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Winds easterly; fair for the most part, but some local showers, most especially at night; temperature about the same.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fine; not much change in temperature.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fine; not much change in temperature.

Maritime—Fine; not much change in temperature.

Lake Superior—Cloudy and cooler; light falls of rain or snow.

Manitoba—Fine, with rising temperature; decidedly milder on Saturday.

The variety of cloths and patterns at Oak Hall is the largest in the city. Any man or boy can be fitted in a few minutes with a becoming suit or overcoat at 115 King-street east, Toronto.

Steamship Movements.

April 20.	At	From
Friedrich der Grosse	New York	Bremen
Ethiopia	New York	Glasgow
Aorangi	Victoria, B.C.	Australia
Patria	Hamburg	New York
Belgenland	Queenstown	Philadelphia
Scotsman	Moville	St. John, N.B.

Sailed.	From	For
Numidian	Liverpool	Montreal