## SENSATION IN RUSSIAN CAPITAL

REACTIONARY PLOT TO DETHRONE CZAR

Late Grand Duke Vladimir Said to Have Been Implicated.

throne Emperor Nicholas and pro- bonds, which are convertible into throne Emperor Nicholas and pro-claim a regency in Russia is being re-time they increased the stock of the lated in St. Petersburg to-day, in connection with the recent death of Grand vide for the conversion of the bonds. Duke Vladimir Alexandrovitch, the Emperor's eldest uncle. The authority Emperor's eldest uncle. The authority for the story is a high judicial official TIMBERMEN ARE of St. Petersburg.

According to this individual the affair was uncovered in connection with the revelations concerning the Azeff and Lopukine cases while investigating the relations between Azeff and the reactionary organizations.

Azeff is the man who has been condemned to death by the organization because of his alleged treachery. The prosecuting department of the govern- Government Proves Dilatory in ment found indications that the organization, dissatisfied with the present moderate policy of the government, desired to substitute a strong handed reactionary regime and had formed a plan to establish a regency under Grand Duke Vladimir. How far the Grand Duke was cognizant of was about to be undertaken when the Grand Duke suddenly died. This put an end to the project.

Almonte, Ont., Feb. 19.—The main building of the Wylie flour mills was

AUTO VICTIM'S DAMAGES.

will be heavy.

London, Ont., Feb. 19.-Harold Tib-\$2,000 damages as a result of injuries after the twenty-one year term has to his leg by a motor car owned by Francis Hawkins, who has gone to

JAMES J. HILL MAY BUILD ACROSS CANADA

Significance of Great Northern's Application for Incorporation in Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 19.-A bill has seen introduced in the Manitoba legislature which foreshadows the construction of another transcontinental railway by J. J. Hill. The bill is for the incorporation of the Great Northern railroad in Manitoba, and one clause asks for power to construct a line from Winnipeg west to Brandon, thence to Elkhorn and to the westerly boundary of the province. Five years is given to commence construction and ten years for completion. It is said that the Great Northern is preparing for the invasion of Canada on an extensive

scale. A special dispatch from St. Paul says: "Less than two years ago Louis Hill, in an interview in St. Paul, outlined the nature of railroad work his company expected to do in Canada in the immediate future. At that time he stated positively that the Great Northern would build a line across Canada from Winnipeg within the next five years. The present action for a charter in the Manitoba legislature, Mr. Hill said yesterday, confirms the truth of that interview.

RANCHER'S FATAL FALL.

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 19.-Vincent Nelson, a rancher, of Claresholm, Alta., fell and broke his neck.

ARMY OF COLOMBIA

Valparaiso, Feb. 19.-The republic of Chilean army officers to this end. The men left here to-day for Bogota.

LADYSMITH SMELTER

Contracts Made With Mines Which Insure Steady Supply of Ore.

There is every prospect that the smelter will run throughout the summer without any stoppage for ore, says the Ladysmith Chronicle. This will be managers of several mines for their full output of ore, and this means steady operations at the smelter. The barge Charger is discharging ore from CASTRO FLEES TO nce of Wales Island and there are also three scows in with small lots of

COUNT BONI-DE SAGAN QUARREL.

Paris, Feb. 19 .- Count Boni de Castellane has appealed from the decision of to-day for Dresden, where he purposes the French court handed down on De-cember 30th, that his sons remain in the custody of their mother, the present Princustody of their mother, the present Princess de Sagan. It is said that the Count's purpose in trying to re-open this issue is to compel the de Sagans to come to a private settlement. The de Sagans are at present living quietly here. They say they are "saving money to pay de Castellane's debts."

The present try leaves Berlin on account of the quantity of begging letters due to the fanciful stories of his lavish expenditures while in this city. One writer demanded \$125,000 of which the first installment of \$25,000 was to be sent immediately.

CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN MAILS. Commonwealth Government Willing to

Renew Vancouver-Sydney Subsidy. Melbourne, Feb. 18.—Sir James Mills, director of the Union Steamship Com-pany, states that the Australian government is willing to renew the Canadian-Australian mail contract, provided a quicker service and better steamers are guaranteed. The present contract expires in July. The Canadian government has not yet signified its acceptance of the

\$82,000,000 ISSUE.

Southern Pacific Railway About to Increase Its Capital.

New York, Feb. 19 .- Directors of the St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—A sensational story of a reactionary plot to deal story of a reactionary plot to de-Southern Pacific Co. by \$100,000,000 to pro-

## STILL WAITING

OPPOSITION'S STAND SATISFACTORY TO THEM

Giving an Answer to Requests.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The timber men are still in the city this scheme is not set fodth, but the taking every opportunity that preofficial investigation said that a search sents itself to urge their wishes upon of the documents in Vladimir's palace the government. The representatives of the interests concerned are moreover determined to get satisfaction, and have settled down to stay until a FLOUR MILL DAMAGED BY FIRE. definite decision has been reached by the government. The stand of J. A. Macdonald, the

leader of the opposition, appears to be eminently satisfactory to the timber men. The indefinite position in which destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss the Premier leaves them, however, is DEADLOCK EXPECTED IN not regarded as businesslike, All those interested in the industry have united in demanding one thing bles, nine years old, has been awarded that is the renewal of the licenses

> With respect to the price of the licenses the timber men say that they are prepared to leave that alone at the present time, the fees collected are too high in their opinion. There can be little danger they think that the fee will ever be increased.

KOOTENAY CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Ottawa, Feb. 19.-The Commons railway committee yesterday granted two years' extension of time to the Kootenay Central Railway Company. Bills respecting union stations Fort William and Portage la Prairie were referred to a special committee.

INDIAN WAR CHIEF BURIED.

ers of war in Fort Sill and 200 warriors joined in the slow procession that car-ried the body of their old leader to the grave.

VANCOUVER'S FINANCES.

Surplus at Close of Year.

Vancouver, Feb. 18. - The annua financial statement of the city for 1908 will be placed in the hands of the al dermen in a few days It is understood that the report will

FRENCHMAN WHO IS ENAMORED OF JAIL

Would Consider it an Injustice If He Were Put

Colombia desirous of reorganizing its army has engaged the services of two Chilean army officers to this end. The Marie, was sentenced to two years' don its hitherto firm attitude in the try. The advancement of the proposition at this time is regarded simply WILL HAVE LONG RUN an injustice if he were put out. He does menial work.

DEATH OF DONALD MACKAY.

Toronto, One., Feb. 19 .- Donald Mac-Kay, head of the dry goods firm of Gordon, MacKay & Co., and known as the rday, aged 94 years.

AUCTIONING A RACE TRACK.

good news to the citizens of Ladyrace track was sold at auction at the
smith. During the past few weeks
contracts have been made with the

Storage of Ladyrace track was sold at auction at the
this afternoon to discuss conditions in
the trade. While no official statement
to preserve the peace, etc., operate to
had been given out, it was current restem the enactment of the bill so that D. Williams, referee in the foreclosu

ESCAPE BEGGING LETTERS

Berlin, Feb. 19.-Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezula, left here to make a prolonged stay. He is now fully restored to health. General Casimmediately.



THE INEVITABLE RESULT

When a movable (busy) body strikes an unmovable force-chaos!

## NEWFOUNDLAND HOUSE

Another Appeal to Electorate as Solution for Tie in Parties.

St. Johns, Nfld., Feb. 19.-Declaring that an honorable and satisfactory solution of the deadlock in prospect at the opening of the Newfoundland legislature will be impossible without an appeal to the electorate, the parliamentary supporters of Premier Bond, numbering eighteen, have published a resolution pledging their unswerving oyalty to the support of the govern

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERIES. Justrian Professor Proposed as Umpire in Forthcoming Arbitra-

tion Court.

London, Feb. 19.-Dr. Henrich, scientist and a professor of the Uniersity of Vienna, has been propo Newfoundland fisheries question.

REPORTED DROP

IN PRICE OF STEEL

Open Market-Carnegie Company Rumor.

New York, Feb. 19.-Reports of an impending reduction in the price of Ottawa, Feb. 19.-A Frenchman the price of United States steel com- eigners holding property in the island, named Jules Siglein, who waited in mon stock on the New York stock ex-Bryson jail 23 months for trial on a change to-day. It was stated unofficiimprisonment there. He had only one maintenance of prices of finished steel tion at this time is regarded simply month to serve, and that time ended other than rails, and that the market as an evidence of the desire of some three months ago. He is still in jail will hereafter be an open one, with elements to more completely national-and will not leave, and would feel it both independent manufacturers and ize the island, to confine its vested inthe steel corporation taking orders at terests to Cubans alone, and to elimin-such prices as the immediate condition ate the domination of foreigners and of the market may warrant.

corporation in this respect,

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 19.-The Kenilworth ed States Steel Corporation were held gives the right to the American govport that sweeping reductions in the Cuban government is acknowledged prices of steel except steel rails had to be within its rights in the matter been decided upon by the corporation, to be accompanied by a corresponding lowering of wages, and that to mee this situation, the various independent steel companies were organizing for

> MUST DIE AT SING SING. Electric Chair for Baker Who Murdered

His 16-Year-Old Daughter.

baker who shot and killed his 16-year-old Dakota, last November, in this city, and to-day sentenced to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison during the week of jute and hides, the loss being estimated at \$25,000.

## CHINA CREATES NAVAL DEPARTMENT

Pekin, Feb. 19.-An imperial edict issued to-day brings into existence a naval department for China. Prince Su is the chief nd his associates are Duke Tsai Tse, a cousin of the late emperor; Tieh Lang, superintendent of customs, and Admiral San. Prince Ching is adviser to the department.

WOULD AFFECT INTERESTS **WORTH TWO BILLIONS** 

Proposed Law Against Foreigners Holding Any Property in Cuba.

Annual Statement Shows Substantial as umpire of the arbitration court to from Havana, there were reports curwhich it is intended to submit the rent there last night that a bill will be introduced in the house prohibiting MAURETANIA SHATTERS foreigners holding any property in Cuba, and that judging from expressions by members of both houses of congress the bill would be enacted into law. The property of Americans. U. S. Corporation May Favor French, which would be affected amounts to nearly two billions of dollars value. Such action by congress, it is believed would bring President Gome: face to face with a domestic crisis and entail international complications. Washington Comment.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.-Government officials are not altogether surfinished steel products, other than steel prised over the fact that a bill has rails, circulated in the financial dis-trict, were followed by a recession in of Representatives prohibiting forforeign capital.

E. H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel point of legal enactment, is sure to Corporation, is expected to issue a meet with strong diplomatic objections statement defining the position of the from all countries, whose citizens have interests in Cuba. There is nothing in It was reported to-day that the Car- the Cuban constitution which would regard old man" of the dry goods businegie Steel Co. has cut the price of prevent the suggested legislation, but in Canada, died at his residence here steel bars to \$1.20 per 100 pounds. This explicit provision is made that there is said to be equivalent to a cut of \$4 shall not be retroactive legislation nor

SELKIRK PIONEER DEAD.

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 19.-James Heap, aged 79, a pioneer of Selkirk, MORE GOLD FOR ARGENTINA died last evening. Berlin, Feb. 19.—The sum of \$1,725,000 in gold was withdrawn from the Im-

FIRE ABOARD STEAMER.

from Calcutta, at her dock here to-day daughter and shot and wounded his son, the Rev. F. W. Loose, of Yale, South Dakota, last November, in this city, was to-day sentenced to die in the electric it. The chief damage was to the cargo

WANTS MILLION-ACRE NATIONAL PLAY-GROUN to the grant of mineral rights and for a crown grant of surface rights a fee of \$10 is provided. For the purchase of this under section 128, the

E. A. Brown, of Denver, Ge Practical Experience How the Poor Live.

Brown, of De spent a night in the Chicago pal lodging house as one of the leade ment here than there is in Denver. make a national playground of the In the middle of the park it is pro-New York, Feb. 19.-According to a sanatorium to care for its indigent and than one year.

ATLANTIC RECORDS

English, Spaniards. Germans and Beats Her Sister Ship by Nearly Two Hours Over Long Course.

> New York Feb. 19 -The turbing flyer Mauretania, of the Cunard line, came abeam of the Ambrose channe lightship at 10.30 o'clock last night. She thus completed a very fast voyage, in which several new records were established. The steamer not only broke 25 minutes, but she also hauled down the figures held by her sister ship, the Lusitania, and has set the new record of four days, 17 hours and 50 ninutes, which is one hour and 46 best time over the course.

The one disappointment of the voyage was the failure of the ship to arrive in time to come up to her dock last night, the fifth day of her voyage The Mauretania reached Quarantine station at 7.15 a. m. to-day.

G. T. SHOPS AT BRANTFORD.

Brantford, Ont., Feb. 19 .- The formal ening of the new Grand Trunk railway shops here took place yesterday, General Manager Hays, with several members of any action that would work to the im- the staff, arrived in the afternoon and as the chairman of the delegation from Conferences between the nands of pairment of contracts. Nor would the inspected the works, which were then the subsidiary companies of the Unit-so-called Platt amendment, which thrown open to the public from 3 o'clock.

The extent,

MASTER MAJON TAFT.

a Master Mason. The impressive cere-mony which brought him that distinction was conducted by Chas. H. Hoskinson,
Most Worshipful Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio.

ANTI-JAPANESE BILLS

in the territorial legislature.

Chicago, of a movement in his home city to es- mention more plain,

of a movement in his home city to establish modern municipal lodging The Placer Mining Act is amended the House this afternoon. ouses. He made the experiment here by giving the gold commissioner power to gain inside knowledge of what Chi- to extend the limits of a claim in bench REV. J. P. WESTMAN cago does for her poor. He says he or dry diggings beyond their limits, but has found more humanitarian senti- not to exceed 250 feet square. The law at present gives that power only as re-Mr. Brown is on his way to Wash- spects bench claims, and to an extent ington to urge the framing of a bill of 100 feet square. 1,000,000 acre White River reservation, repealed, which enacted that no free

miner's license shall be issued to any posed to have the government erect a joint stock company for a period longer

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tner's title in the re:

New York, Feb. 19.—According to a convalescent soldiers and sailors, especial dispatch received by the World pecially those who incur illness in the polynomial of compatency. coal miners' certificates of competency. The boards are to be constituted at each colliery "which the lieutenantgovernor in council may designate,' and provision is made for two alternates for the mine owners and for the

> DISCUSSING RESOURCES OF NORTH AMERICA

> Forestry Problem Among Matters Before Conservation Congress.

Washington , D.C., Feb. 19.-With her own record over the long winter course of 2,895 miles by two hours and only two days in which to deliberate and to reach some definite conclusions regarding what steps should actually be taken to conserve the natural resources of the three participating naminutes better than the Lusitania's tions, the United States, Canada and Mexico, the commissioners representing these countries in the North American conservation conference, which is church work at least temporarily. being held at the state department. undertook their work with energy to- NEW STEM OF TRANSIT

> The condition of the forestry problem in the United States and Mexico was dwelt with yesterday, and at thi morning's session a statement concern- Big Piece of Steel Returned to ing this question, as affecting Canada was made by the Hon, Sydney Fisher

The extent, condition and regulations governing the resources of the three nations involved were thoroughly dis cussed to-day. The wild animal and game phase of the conservation ques-Cincinnati, O., Feb. 19.-W. H. Taft is tion also was presented by Dr. W. T. At the beginning of the week a new Hornaday, director of the New York stem that had been forged in Seattle

BOYCOTT EXPOSITION

New York, Feb. 19.—Fire in one of the shipment to Argentina for the account lutions agreeing not to participate in the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, to be held in Seattle next summer, on the Transit was \$5,000, but it is thought to be held in Seattle next summer, on the Transit was \$5,000 but it is thought account of the alleged anti-Japanese that the forging and fitting of the new attitude of the Pacific coast. The ac- stem will cost in the neighborhood of Honolulu, Feb. 19.-Two bills direct- tion is not regarded here as important. another \$5,000. In the meantime the ed against the Japanese fishing in Other commercial organizations are charterers. Mackenzie Brothers, Hawaiian waters have been introduced preparing to participate in the exposi- Vancouver, are needing the ressel for

FORMING NEW LOAN COMPANY

REAR-END COLLISION.

Two Dead and Several Injured in Acci-

Olean, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Two Italians were killed and several injured, one perhaps fatally, when a work train to-day ran into the rear end of a freight train

on the Pennsylvania railway near Lime Lake, 35 miles north of here.

COUNCIL UNSEATED.

vesterday declared the municipal coun

the Mayor, who was elected by acclama-tion, to be unseated, and ordered a new

election. The judgment follows an at-tack made upon the election of the council as a result of the license reduc-

PULLIAM IN ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 19.-Harry Pulliam

president of the National League of Baseball Clubs, arrived in St. Louis this

morning, accompanied by Stanley Rob-inson, president of the St. Louis club.

IN MINING LAWS

Increase in Some of the Fees

and Minor Amend-

ments.

BEEN INTRODUCED

MAKING CHANGES

SEVERAL BILLS HAVE

tion fight.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 19.-Judge Anglin

APPLICATION COMES BEFORE COMMITTEE

of St. Catharines, with the exception of Bill Brought Up by the British Columbia Permanent.

> (From Friday's Daily.) The private bills committee spent the whole of this morning and the early part of this afternoon in consideration of the act to incorporate the British Columbia Permanent Loan and Savings Company. The committee, consisting of Messrs. Ross (chairman), Garden, James, Thomson, Henderson and Williams was waited on by General Manager C. L. Langlois and R. W. Harris, K. C., for the company, while the interests of the province were watched by A. F. Griffiths, chartered accountant, appointed by the

> treasury to give technical advice The act is aimed to form a new company, to be known as the British Columbia Permanent Loan Company from the old British Columbia Permanent Loan and Saving Company As passed by the committee, the bill provides that the officers of the old concern shall be officers of the new one until their successors are appoint-

The capital shall be \$5,000,000, divided into shares of \$100 and \$150 each.

A snag was struck in clause 3. Mr. Garden objected to the clause, which A batch of mining legislation was stated that no officer or employee of A batch of filling legislation was introduced by the premier Thursday in his capacity of minister of mines. The longest of the four bills he brought in of the company. He did not think that a company. He did not think s in amendment of the Mineral Act. that an employee could have an inde-The clause imposing a penalty of \$25 pendent voice at a meeting as such a costs for mining without a free man would be more or less under the

miner's certificate on any crown lands, is amended to read "in any waste land" Mr. Harris took an Mr. Harris took an opposite view and the point was left for further con-Several changes are made as to fees. sideration.

On the application to the gold com-missioner for a crown grant the fee progressed smoothly until the section is raised from \$10 to \$25. The \$5 fee relative to the securities upon which for issuing a crown grant is restricted the company may lend money was to the grant of mineral rights and for reached.

at \$5 an acre, while the rown grant is increased to.

n regarding a partner's pup his free miner's cerevalure a forfatture is copper mines or similar securities. causing a forfeiture, is copper mines or similar securities.

The committee was inclined to agree

ler's office of a certificate and the clause was held for future artment of mines of the consideration. tered to read that the two chartered ac er that upon the ap-

stock or shares, the accounts may be examined by increase.

TENDERS RESIGNATION Section 161 of the Companies' Act is Congregation of Mount Pleasant Church Anxious to Re-

tain His Services.

Vancouver, Feb. 18.-Rev. J. P. Westnan, for the past two years pastor of Mount Pleasant Methodist church, has tendered his resignation to the board of the church through a letter addressed to A. G. Taylor, recording steward. The board, on behalf of the congregation, succeeded in inducing Rev. Mr. Westman to consider the possibility of remaining at his post in the event of being relieved for such a length of time as would enable him to recover from the effects of a nervous disorder from which he is now suffering. Rev. Mr. Westman promised to consult his physician, and he will in a week's time give the board a final answer. During the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Westman, the Mount Pleasant Methodist church has prospered as never before in its history, and the pastor is so popular with the congregation that his resignation is a thing to be avoided if possible, declare

members of the church. While it was the intention of Rev. Mr. Westman to give up the paster-ate of the church he had no idea of leaving Vancouver. disordered state of hismerves however he felt that it would be impossible for him to continue in the ministry, and it was his plan to retire from active

NOT CORRECT SIZE

Forger to Be Remodelled.

The repair work on the steamer Transit is being considerably delayed. by Westerman & Co., was brought over on the Princess Victoria, but when it arrived it was found that it was not the right size, in spite of the fact that the old stem had been sent over, and also that a wooden model had been made. Now the Victoria Machinery Tokio, Feb. 19.-The Weavers, a Depot is awaiting the arrival of the perial Bank of Germany to-day for small organization, have passed reso- reformed stem in order that work may

their freighting business

BRILL

MANY AT AT GO

His Honor ernor a

(From The ball gi last night l Governor an which will only by Victo many outsid

Shortly afte Government and over sixt welcomed mo Governor and ceived them i Dunsmuir lo in a rich Pa with Persian Muriel and M sisted in recontrast in and pink res The ball re orated with two large en the Union Ja electric light

touch of addi and mirror draped with the poinsett ame twined balcony. Dancing co o'clock, when furnished by couver, was danced most Waltz .... Two-Step Two-Step Waltz Lancers

Waltz .... Tal Two-Step Two-Step Waltz Two-Step Waltz Waltz Two-Step Two-Step

Two-Step .. Hang Waltz Two-Step .. Afraid Waltz .... The walls covered with effectively which lent the color scheme.

A most bew

ful dresses w

itary men ret and white of Mrs. H. Dal most exquisit yellow satin corsage form outlined with also wore dia Roy Troupe a tage in a ve con in de fects, with jet in the same to a rich white tin, pale blue rich blue and (Mayor) Hall black net gow mings; Mrs. tremely well i ing wore a with touches o was handsome Templeman wo Mrs. (Colonel brocade. Mrs. well in a pale George Simps with white an Richard McE satin; Mrs. Tr and gold seq berton, cream blue and gold rose in her ha was looking her brocade with w and an effective D. McKay look

grey poplin, wi Miss Alice Po white satin go man wore black satin; Miss Ce very pretty in a Mrs. D. R. Kei R. Marpole, Va ing sheath dre ming; Miss Rus in a pink and g was handsome with large Troup, was ver a pink spangle Morley, wore with silver str looked well in Pooley wore vroses; Miss Glacream; Mrs. Ho becoming p ooked handson ace; Mrs. Gu pretty blue go handsome in

looked very ni princess dress; with ostrich Mills wore pale ace on corsas well in a black bouquet; Mrs. very handsom real lace; Mrs ery rich wh Frank Higgin Harry Briggs, satin Empire; very smart in Empire, with hair; Mrs. G

satin, with