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### Legislative -

Assembly

A Short and Uninteresting Ses-Held Yesterday Afternoon

Only Measure of Importance the Amendment to the Assessment Act.

PRAYERS by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, Ph. D. Dr. Young presented lows

the second report from the Private Bills committee, as follows:
Legislative Committee Room,
23rd January, 1906
Mr. Speaker: Your select standing committee on private bills and standing corders beg leave to report as follows:
That the standing orders in connection with petition (No. 16), being an act to incorporate the St. Mary's Valley Railway Company, have been compiled with:

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That the standing orders in connection with petition (No. 15), being an act to incorporate the St. Mary's and Cherry Creek Rallway Company, have been compiled with, but with reference to this petition your said committee begs leave to call to the attention of the railway committee the decrepancy between

### THAT OVER WORKED, PLAYED OUT FEEL-ING AMONG WOMEN

There are thousands of females all over our land who are broken down in health and dragging out a miserable existence, overburdened with diseases peculiar to their sex, apparently growing old while yet young. Often they have pale or sullow complexion, hollow, sunken eyes, with a liteless look; the face has a pinched and haggard appearance; they are weak, weary and trembling, often extremely nervous, starting at every little noise. Many are low-spirited, and some are fretful. Some are apparently bloodless, with cold hands and feet, while others are fushed by an unequal circulation of the blood, dizziness, and sometimes dimness of vision, loss of memory, and often loss of appetite and sleep, and are wearied with terrible dreams. Palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration, smothering and sinking spells, shortness of breath and the sensation of pins and heedles are all indications of a weakened condition of the heart or nervous system, and should any of them be present we would strongly advise the use of

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Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills 50 cents per box or three boxes for \$1.25, all dealers or The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Torosto, Cat.

2. \$50.
3. Yes, excepting two slight deviais, owing to cost of rock work.
4. \$1,523.54.
5. Width of road, from 11 to 7 feet;
latter width made in a few places to the bill instituted "An Act respecting the County. Court of Atlin," was read a third time and passed.

The bill initiated "An Act to amend the 'Small Debts Act,'" was committed Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Third reading tomorrow

Amend Assessment Act

Hon. Mr. Tatlow in moving the second reading of the bill intituded an act to amend the Assessment Act, 1903, said that there were only a few respects in which the act was not favorable to the taxpayers. The second section refering to seal property was accessary to determine on which class of property the lower assessment should apply. Parsons having properties assessable under both grades had taken advantage of the lower and sought to bring the whole ander that classification. That, of course, was not fair and had to be remedled.

The next point was the determining of the extent to which exemption should be allowed. The assessors had professed to find some difficulty in this, which he did not share, but still it was desired to make the act as perfect as possible, so he proposed to make these alterations in that interest.

Another clause proposed to extend the

time during which land would be forfeited by six mouths.

Mr. J. H. Hawthornthwaite said that
the Province was to be congratulated on
having secured the services of the Hon.
gentleman, the minister of Finance. It
was not often under capitalism that a
man found this true billet, but this was
an exception.

Turning to the Assessment Act he
said that he thought the small farmers
had not quite had fair treatment and
immediately on the passing of the act
all small farmers whose assessments
were below \$2,000 had their assessment
raised so as to bring them within its
higher provisions. He claimed that
farmers should be put on the same basis
as business men who were exempt from
taxation or incomers under \$1,000. He
further objected to the provisions for
confiscating land in case of default and
urged the government to amend the act
in the direction suggested. Mr. Murphy moved the adjournment of the debate—agreed.

The adjourned debate on the second
reading of bill intituled "an act to amend
the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" was
resumed.

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The Hon. Mr. McBride presented to Mr. Speaker a message from his honor the lieutenant-governor, which reads as follows:

# herewith a bill intituled "An Act for the Relief and Disincorporation of the Municipality of Dewdney," and recommends the same to the legislative assembly. Ordered, That the said message and bill accompanying the same be referred to a committee of the whole house forthwith.

Called Forest.

Resolved, That the committee rise and report to the house a bill intituled "An Act for the Relief and Disincorporation of the Municipality of Dewdney," and recommend the introduction of the same.

Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading to-morrow.

morrow.
Notices of Motion.—On Thursday next—The Hon. Mr. Green to ask leave to introduce a bill Inituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act.'" Mr. Williams to move, on consideration of the report on Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the Small Debts Act," to add the following new

In the Committee

Debts Act," to add the following new section:

3. Section 5 of the said chapter 18 of the statutes of 1901, is hereby amended by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following words: Provided always, that this section shall not apply to any debt not exceeding \$100 due, or accruing due, to a mechanic, workman, laborer, servant, clerk, or employee, for or in respect of wages or salaries."

By Dr. King—On Thursday next—That an order of the house be granted for a return giving full particulars of election deposits forfeited to the government under section 64 of the Provincil Election Act pertaining to last general Provincial election held in October, 1903. Such return to specify the names of the candidates concerned the constituencies for which they were nominated, the amount received by the government. Resolved, That the house, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o'clock tomorrow, and then the house adjourned at 2:40 p. m.

## ABOUT THE SAN

the prayer of the petition and the nosices of the same as they appear in the
newspapers and B. C. Gazette,
H. E. YOUNG, Chairman.
The report was received.
Questions and Answers
Mr. Evans asked the hon, the chief
commissioner of lands and works the
following questions:

1. Was Mr. Hy. Fry, C. E. employed
and paid for locating and laying out
new road from near Cowichan astation
to King Solomon mines, Cowichan d's
trict?

2. How much were Mr. Fry and
party paid for work?

3. Was the road constructed upon
the location marked by Mr. Fry? It
not, why not?

4. How much did said road cost the
government?

5. Why was the road not made full
width throughout?

The Hon, Mr. Green repiled as follows:
1. Yes.

the necessity of inspecting citrus fruit. If the scale were on orange peelings, scattered abroad, and the temperature favorable, there is no reason why breeding should not begin. Other insects, such as would surely visit the corange peels, would carry the young scales to adjacent trees and plants, there to begin their life work. In speaking to a reporter of the News-Advertiser yesterday the Inspector explained that a portion of the young broad lived three weeks from birth on the glass slide in the microscope without food of any kind. Magistrate Alexander was in the Horticultural of fice on the 21st day after the young sters were born, and saw at least one was living. This

Marvelous Tenacity of Life is another discovery of great economic importance, showing low difficult it must be to destroy this pest.

It was once held by experts that this scale would not affect fruit trees as far north as the International boundary, but this error has been exploded by the terrible experience of Ontario truit growers.

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Mr. Cunningham states that the policy of his department is to take nothing for granted and run no risks that can be avoided. The issue of the controversy involved in the discovery of the scale on Japaness oranges would certainly seem to justify the contention of the Inspector.

### FINANCIAL NOTES.

During 1905 not a single Canadian company was compulsorily wound up or reconstructed, but quite a number were voluntarily liquidated. In the latter list were several Yukon concerns which have been dormant since the early Klondike boom days.

The companies voluntarily wound up were as follows: Anglo-Canadian Graphite Syndicate; Anglo-Slocan Syndicate; B. C. and Dominion Exploration Company; British Columbia Telephones; Canadian Timber and Samillis; Cariboo Consolidated; Dom. (Yukon) Gold Mines; Fort Steele (B. C.) Gold Mines; Fraser River Gold Dredging Company; Idaho Exploring Company; Klondike Contract Syndicate; Sturgeon Falls Pulp Company.

The voluntary liquidation of the British Columbia Telephones resulted from the fact that the company has been reorganized as a Canadian concern with head office in this city.

During December last two British

During December last two British Columbia companies applied for new capital in London. The B. C. Electric Rallway Company had an issue of £185,000 5 per cent. Cumulative Perpetual Preference shares of £1 each at £1. 0s. 10d. per share. The Cariboo Consolidated (1994), Ltd., made an increase of £20,000 in Preference shares of 2s. each, pro rata to shareholders.

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## **And Gets Poor**

Government's Bargain With the Western Land Co.—Brush

Land Exchanged Originally Sold at \$1 an Acre-Refused by Rallway Company.

A special to the Mail and Empire

One of the observations of Sir Wil frid Laurier which was most vigorous ly applauded at the recent Forestry Congress was when he stated that it might be necessary for the government to buy back forest lands which had been allenated in past years. Becently the officials of the government have been strenuously denying the report which first came from Winnipeg that the Dominion government had recently been strenuously denying the report which first came from Winnipeg that the Dominion government had recently sold to the Saskatchewan Valley Land Company one million acres of land at \$1 per acre. These officials were right as far as they went, but they did not tell the whole truth. While it is not correct to say that one million acres of land, worth at least \$8 an acre, have by some hocus pocus work been sold to the company at the figure named, and which Parliament will fathom before the session is many weeks advanced, it is certain that a million acres of the best unoccupied land in the Northwest had been transferred to the Saskatchewan company. Curiously enough it is said that the alleged exchange was brought about under the pretext that the lands taken back by the government, a large portion at any rate, are "forest" lands, and the question is naturaly being asked whether the first Minister had this exchange in vièw when he made his observations at the opening meeting of the Forestry Congress. If he had the facts do not bear out his statement.

History of the Desi.

The Saskatchewan Valley Land Co.

Mr. Corbin came in today from Seattle and leaves tomorrow for Portland.

BLOWN UP AND SUNK.

Explosion on a Famous Blockade Runner.

The far-famed blockade-runner Cartisle, which had on board arms and ammunition valued at five million dollars, has been blown up and sunk in the Saign river as the result of a fire on board. It will be remembered that this vessel, which had been detained in French Indo-China for some months, was damaged by a fire a few weeks back.

Several of the crew are reported to be missing, and others have been injured.

While under charter by the Russian government the Carlisle, in December, 1904, left Vladivostock under sealed orders for an unknown destination. She had several Russian officers on board at the time.

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Inspector's Diagnosis of Discussed Condition of Citrus
Fruits Confirmed.

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Fruits Confirmed.

Proyincial Inspector Cunningham received from Ottawa yestenday a letter written by Dr. Fletcher, Domision Encieved from Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Wilson were infected with the true San Jose scale, says the Vancouver News.

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LARGE YIELD OF FALL WHEAT. Alberta Crop Reported to Be in Splen-

Alberta Condition of the fall wheat of Alberta today is declared to be Al. The acreage is largely increased as compared with 1905, and the progress of the plant is good in every instance. From Lethbridge the report asserts that the fall wheat acreage is heavy, and as a result of the recent snows in a very favorable condition. From Nanton the reports are that the fall wheat is a very fair average. High River is not quite so optimistic, the report saying that the wheat has not set to the legislature of the summer fallow, which is most fair tering. It is six inches high on summer failow and quite visorous. That put in after September 15, however, is not so good, but a favorable spring will result in a large crop.

Macleed reports a splendid condition and prospects of a fine yield. At Claresholm, one of the best "Alberta red" districts in the West, the conditions are most satisfactory, the plant is strong and making excellent progress. At Pincher Creek everything is reported progressing, with a largely increased acreage and prospects of a huge yield. Two feet of plant is strong and making excellent progress. At Pincher Creek everything is reported progressing, with a largely increased acreage and prospects of a huge yield. Two feet of person for the growing grain.

RAILWAY MAGNATE

NOW IN THE CITY

D. C. Corbin of Spokane—His Huge Industrial

Finterorises.

Huge Industrial Enterprises.

Therefore the undersigned residents and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the British Columbia railway circles, for the is rushing to completion the Spokane and International line which will give the C. P. R. access to the state of Washington and carry Crow's Nest coal and coke to the American market. This line is 140 miles long from Spokane to the International Boundary, by way of Bonner's Ferry. The C. P. R. are building from that point to Yahk on the Crow's Nest line a distance of 50 miles. Mr. Corbin states that the work which was only commenced a year ago will be completed during the coming summer.

Asked as to the report that he had under contemplation the extension of his system west of Spokane to the coast, Mr. Corbin said that his plans were not matured and that there were no definite arrangements yet concluded for building.

Asked if it was true that negotiations had been opened looking to the acquisition of running powers over the O. R. & N. to Portland. Mr. Corbin preferred not to make any positive statement, but would not deny the correctness of the runnor.

would not deny the correctness of the rumor.

This is not the first time that Mr. Corbin has been active in promoting the construction of rallways between British Columbia and Washington state. He built the Nelson and Fort Shepherd rallway, which was sold to the Great Northern in 1897. In his present scheme he is acting in friendly co-operation with the C. P. R., and whilst in some quarters the Spokane and International is regarded as a counter move to J. J. Hill's invasion of Canadian territory, there is no doubt that it will prove a boon to the Province and especially to East Kootenay, which will by its menns spend a large and increasing demand for its natural products.

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# one only knows how to play the game. And the favored few individuals who have been successful in putting the deal through stand to clean up five or six million dollars, and the country's exchequer is despoiled to that extent.

PROPOSED GAME LAWS

Petitions Legislature to Oppose

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## WEILER BROS

MAIL ORDERS CAREFULLY FILLED

city and other parts of the country passed eastward during the night, but today the wire situation is but little better than yesterday. Out of a total of seventy private wires between Chicago and eastern points, but two were working today. Some of the brokers sent their messages for New York over private lines to San Francisco and from there back via St. Louis and Montreal. The street car service was restored today, but the railroads are still demeralized, many trains arriving from the east three to six hours behind time. The train service to the west is slowly improving.

V. V. & E. SURVEYS.

Two Big Parties at Work at Present on

Petitions Legislature to Oppose
Proposed Enachments—
Text of Petition.

The petition published below practically explains itself. There have been several of these petitions in circulation for the past few weeks, and in all some 1236 names have been signed from Nanimo and district, including Ladysmith, says the Nanaimo Free Fress. The pe-

MIDWAY & VERNON RAILWAY. Report That It Has Been Purchased by

the Great Northern. Grand Forks, Ian. 20.—The latest report is that the Great Northern railway is at present negotiating for the purchase of the Midway and Vernon system, and that no more work will be done by that company until after it has been taken over by the big American line. This statement was made by a railway contractor arriving here yesterday from Midway. It is intimated that the financial affairs of the Midway and Vernon company became entangled, and it has been decided to unload the entire system to a company capable of carrying the big enterprise to completion.

Nanaimo, Jan. 23.—A fashionable event took place at Cumberland resterday when two of the city's most popular young people were married. The constitution of the consti young people were married. The contracting parties were Miss Ethel Vass and Harry Walker, chief electrician of the Wellington Colliery company. Rev. L. Hall performed the ceremony. Miss Sarah Horbury was bridesmaid and Mr. Hugo supported the groom. The bride wore a cream satin dress with white all over lace. The charming young bridesmaid wore white silk with white net over. The young couple are honeymooning down coast.

Nanaimoite's Good Fortune

F. H. P. Rogers, chief engineer of

Nansimoite's Good Fortune
F. H. P. Rogers, chief engineer of
the Nansimo saw mill has just been notified that he comes into possession of a
valuable estate in England which has
been in chancery for some time. The
value of the estate is not given out but
it is learned that it is of sufficient
amount to make Rogers independent for
the rest of his days. He leaves tomorrow for Oak Bay where he owns a farm
and after making the necessary arrangements will proceed to England to prove
his title.

STORMS AND FLOODS. New Orleans, Ia., Jan 23.—A drop of 40 degrees since Sunday converted spring-like weather into winter. The mercury early today registered freezing. Elsewhere in the state lower temperatures with traces of snow were reported.
Mobile, Ala., Jan. 23.—The Warror
and Tombigbee rivers are on the rampage. Flood warnings have been posted.

LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION.

Provincial Stockmen Interested in the Meeting to Be Held on Friday. The petition referred to is as follows:

To the Honorable the Speaker and the Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Parlianment Assembled:

The humble petition of the undersigned sheweth as follows:

That an agitation is being carried on in the province for the purpose of securing legislation to establish within the E. & N. railway belt, Vancouver Island, reserves for the preservation of game, and further to cause your legislative body to impose a licence upon those who desire to bear arms for the purpose of shooting game.

And further to make it unlawful for Shooting game.

Therefore the undersigned residents and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the province desire to make protest against any such enactments upon the grounds that all such laws tend to curtail the liberty of the subject and further and voters of the peace of the province desire to make