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AN IMPERIAL COMMISSION PREMIER AGREES WITH SOCIALIST LEADER

The principal item of business in the legislature yesterday afternoon was the bringing down of the estimates and the delivery of the budget speech by Hon. R. G. Tatlow. This is reported at length elsewhere.

Mr. Grant presented a petition from Thomas Cairns and others asking for legislation protecting the rights of pre-emptors in the E. & N. Railway land bill. Mr. Kergin asked the chief commissioner of lands and works the following questions:

domestic. And in the contact between the white and Mongolian pupils in the public schools he conceived there was menace to the moral and physical good of the country. In Vancouver, he noted, recent discovery had been made that white girls were being detained virtually as slaves in Chinese dens...

House memorialize the Imperial government, through the colonial secretary, to appoint a royal commission to fully inquire into all the circumstances in connection with these matters. J. A. Macdonald moved the adjournment of the debate.

IMMIGRATION ACT WORTHLESS JAPANESE CANNOT BE SHUT OUT BY IT Chief Justice Gives Decision on Habeas Corpus Proceeding Under it.

Arrested Man May Be Murderer, Robber, and Kentucky Feudist. New York, Feb. 21.—The mid-looking young man who described himself as James A. Baker, of Columbus, Ohio, when arrested here last night after a 7,000 mile chase, charged with murder and a long series of postoffice and railroad station robberies, is now said to have been one of the Hatfield-McCoy feudists of Kentucky.

CHASED SEVEN THOUSAND MILES SANITARY INSPECTOR Appointment Made at a Special Meeting of City Council. At a meeting of the board of health last night, T. E. Lancaster was appointed to the position of sanitary inspector. Mr. Lancaster is an employee of the Victoria Chemical Company.

YACHT CLUB WILL BUILD DETAILED PLANS BEING PREPARED Large Number of New Members Joined Organization Last Night. The rules of the Victoria Yacht Club were last night temporarily suspended to allow the large number of new members whose names were presented as well as those presented at the previous meeting, to join and to take part in the reorganization of the club.

FRUIT GROWERS CHANGE BY-LAWS Representative Meeting Held in City Hall This Afternoon. A general meeting of the Victoria Fruit Growers Association was held this afternoon in the committee room of the city hall. President Captain Ellison took the chair at 2 o'clock and there were present between twenty and thirty of the most prominent members.

LADYSMITH HALTS FOR LACK OF FUNDS Little Improvement Work Can Be Accomplished in Island Town. Ladysmith, Feb. 20.—There was nothing of much importance before the city council at the regular weekly meeting. The subject of sidewalks was incidentally raised, and disclosed the fact that this question is going to be abandoned as it was the old one.