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ashington, Feb. 5.—A dispatch to
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LAND ACT.

FORM OF NOTICE.

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were soon in a foul condition, and my finger nails, all except two, fell off. During the different stages of my trouble, I sought the advice of three different doctors and received treatment, but although getting slight relief at first, there was no cure. Amputation was one time thought necessary, the timely introduction of m-Buk prevented this fearful ding.

Zam-Buk was recommended a friend and we bought a pply. The first few applica-ns gave me a little ease, but it s not until I had continued th it for some time that I felt decided improvement. After at my cure went on quickly. m-Buk did what everything had failed to do. Now my nds and arms are quite freed m the terrible eczema."

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embrocation, it cures rheumatism,
or Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price.

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SWITCHMEN IN FAVOR OF STRIKE

ULTIMATUM PRESENTED TO RAILWAY COMPANIES

Employees of Eighteen Lines Will Not Submit Dispute to Arbitration

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Armed with written authorization to call a strike of railroad trainmen at a moment's notice, officials of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen to-day submitted an ultimatum to officials of eighteen railroads centering in Chicago.

The action was taken at the instance of the yardmen here who are determined not to temporize, believing that every moment's delay in the settlement of the question one way or another, is more costly to the unions than to the railroads.

The switchmen are overwhelmingly in favor of striking. It is reported that the vote to strike stood 3,007 to 91. It was announced that an ultimatum would be presented to the railway officials next Saturday, but the apparent unrest of the men forced union leaders to make a demand for immediate settlement.

Committees representing both sides began their conference at 11 o'clock today. Vice-President Whitney, of the Brotherhood, attended the conference and carried with him the written authorization of the trainmen for the calling of an immediate strike. Several tentative conferences have been held at which the demands of the men for increased wages were refused repeatedly. The railways offered to submit the matter to a board of arbitration and agreed to change the working rules for the benefit of the men. The offers were refused by the yardmen, who declare that their demands require only one answer by the company, that of a general raise in wages.

ASQUITH'S LETTER.

London, Feb. 10.—The prime minister last night issued the customary letter to his followers, asking their attendance at the opening of the next parliament, "as matters of urgent importance will immediately arise."

Mr. Asquith's letter disposes of the rumor current recently that the question of the Lords' veto might be proceeded with even before the address in reply to the King's speech was moved, by explicitly stating that the address will be moved immediately the King's speech is delivered.

In influential quarters it is stated that the King's speech will refer to no legislative proposals whatever except those for limiting the veto of the House of Lords, and that no separation will be made between the financial and legislative veto.

REBELS NEAR CAPITAL.

Fighting in Outskirts of Managua Expected Shortly.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Feb. 10.—(By Wireless to Colon.)—Dispatches received here state Gabriel Bishop, an American, who was in command of the provisional government's artillery corps, was wounded in an engagement near Lake Managua. His condition was reported to be serious. Bishop's home is at New Iberia, La.

Reports reached here this afternoon that Gen. Chamorro and his rebel army have approached close to Managua. The dispatches state that it is not improbable that fighting on the outskirts of the capital may begin to-morrow.

SPAIN'S NEW CABINET.

Madrid, Feb. 10.—Jose Canalejas Y Mendes, a Democrat and leader of the extreme Liberals, has formed a new ministry as follows: Premier, Joseph Canalejas Y Mendes; foreign minister, Garcia Priotro; minister of the interior, Senor Sagasta; minister of war, Gen. Azmar; minister of finance, Senor Cobian; minister of justice, Ruiz Valerino; minister of public works, Senor Calbeton; minister of public instruction, Count Romanones.

INVESTIGATING THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

Statistics Show Falling Off in Receipts at Leading Markets in U. S.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—Figures which may show that the "meat trust" may not alone be responsible for the present high cost of living were issued to-day by the bureau of statistics.

The special statement which contained the figures declared that the live stock receipts at seven leading markets in the interior of the country for 1909 were considerably lower than for any year during the last five years. Live stock receipts at four principal Atlantic seaboard markets were less than for 1907 and 1908. The decrease was particularly noticeable in hogs. At fifteen large interior markets, grain receipts were lower than during any years since 1904. A heavy decline in grain and its products, compared to the receipts of the last two years, was noted in grain and flour at principal Atlantic ports. The figures contained in the statement will be presented to the committee of the Senate appointed in accordance with the Elkins-Lodge resolution

OAK BAY GETS COMMENDATION

COUNCIL KNOWS ITS BUSINESS, SAY MEMBERS

Bill Before Committee This Morning—An Excellent Local Improvement System

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Oak Bay municipality came in for some praise from the members of the private bills committee this morning during the consideration of the bill conferring special powers on the municipality.

"Oak Bay's record before this committee is that they know their business," was how W. R. Ross, K. C. (Fernie), the chairman, put it.

The sections dealing with the obtaining of a water supply, the laying of water mains under streets in Victoria and highways in Victoria Lake and Saanich districts and the enforcement of by-laws on the foreshore were laid over until the city has been heard.

The first section taken up and passed was that ratifying and confirming the Upland Farm by-law and authorizing the council to carry out the agreement made with Wm. H. Gardner in that by-law.

A large part of the bill is taken up with sections dealing with local improvement work, based upon the Ontario Municipal Act. Oak Bay has been working under the local improvement system since its formation into a municipality and it now desires to have legislation governing this matter which will be clearer and more workable than the special sections in the Municipal Clauses Act. The sections now asked for are very full and complete, and in addition to the usual works done by local improvement assessments provide for an extension of the system to sweeping, lighting and watering of streets, cutting grass and weeds, trimming trees or shrubbery and removing snow, ice and dirt. The corporation is given power to construct drains or sewers which are required for sanitary purposes as a local improvement without petition or notice. Power to lay sidewalks or pavements desirable in the public interest in the same manner was struck out. Private owners may be allowed to construct or improve and maintain sidewalks in front of their lands at their own cost, under direction of municipal officers.

The corporation is given the alternative of assessing property to the extent of the benefit it derives from any work instead of assessing according to frontage. Properties specially assessed for local improvement shall be exempt as to lands from any general rate or assessment for the same work except as to street intersections and portions opposite exempted lands.

One section provides that the municipality shall keep local improvement works in a "good and sufficient state of repair" out of general revenue during their estimated lifetime. This H. C. Hanington, legal adviser to the committee, thought would be taken to mean that there was no obligation on any one to keep them up after that and that persons suffering injury would have no recourse. The section was allowed to stand. So was another, in regard to by-laws not being submitted to a popular vote, on which the opinion of the attorney-general is to be asked.

The clauses in which the city is interested will be taken up on Tuesday next.

FORMER OFFICIAL OF SUGAR CO. SENTENCED

Gets Two Years for Conspiring to Defraud the U. S. Government

New York, Feb. 10.—Oliver Spitzer, convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with the weighing of sugar importations, was sentenced to-day by Federal Judge Martin to serve two years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta.

Spitzer formerly was superintendent of the American Sugar Refinery Company's docks at Williamsburg. With four checkers at the docks he was found guilty by Judge Martin on December 17th, 1909. The checkers were John C. Coyle, Thomas Kehoe, Edward A. Boyle and Patrick J. Hennessey. They were sentenced on January 8th, 1910, to serve a year in the Blackwell's Island jail. Because of Spitzer's illness his sentence was not pronounced at that time, and he was placed under $10,000 bail. He appeared before Judge Martin to-day to learn the penalty he must pay.

Spitzer immediately announced that he will appeal the sentence. Spitzer was denied bail, and it was announced that he would be taken to Atlanta late to-day to begin his term, pending the result of his appeal. Spitzer preferred to enter the prison at once when it was explained to him that time spent in jail here would not be deducted from his period of sentence in case the appeal was denied.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The Canadian Women's Suffrage Association proposes to inaugurate a campaign in the legislatures of the provinces of Manitoba, Quebec and Nova Scotia.

THE OMNIPRESENT THEODORE.

Theodore Roosevelt is being asked to lead an expedition to the South Pole—News note.

CANADA'S CREDIT HIGH AMONG FINANCIERS

London Financial News Says Method is Object Lesson for Other Colonies

(Special to the Times.)

London, Feb. 10.—The Financial News observes that nothing could be more eloquent of Canada's high credit than the fact that the recent loan, under such close and stringent conditions, should have been so readily subscribed. In the last few years Canada has shown an astuteness in borrowing, which might well be studied by other colonies.

ELECTRIC WIRE CARRIES DEATH

LINEMAN IS KILLED WHILE MAKING REPAIRS

Two Others Sustain Serious Injuries and Are Now in Hospital

(Times Leased Wire.)

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 10.—In a desperate flight from the deadly glare of an arc of over thirty thousand volts at Barnet last night, Lee Weever, an unmarried man, was killed instantly and his two companions had their flesh so scarred that they are in the general hospital to-day.

Immediately after the accident there was not one unit of light or power in Vancouver. All the performances at theatres came to a dead stop. People caught down town started their weary walk home and those by their own firesides had to give up their evening paper and retire to bed. It was some time before another line was in operation and the city again given light and power.

The three men were mending a dead wire in the tower that carries the higher power wire from the generating station over Burrard inlet. Suddenly the live wire that was supplying the city broke and there was a blinding glare as an arc was formed. The men made a wild dash for the door and on their way touched the corrugated iron sheeting of the tower. This was highly charged and all three were insensible when rescued by their comrades. The tower caught fire from the current but this was soon controlled.

J. Dempster and H. Smith, the other two injured, are in the hospital here and will recover.

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—The Manitoba Legislature opened this afternoon. The government announced a policy to establish government-owned abattoirs to offset the high prices and monopoly created by the meat trust.

TO ESTABLISH PASTEUR INSTITUTE IN ONTARIO

Steps Toward Organization Taken By the Provincial Government

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The Ontario government has taken the first step in the organization of a Pasteur institute for Ontario. The sum of $1,000 has been placed in the estimates for serum in connection with the treatment of rabies.

ALLEGED SUGAR FRAUDS.

Trial of Secretary of American Refining Company Opens in New York.

New York, Feb. 10.—The trial of Charles Heike, secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, who is charged with complicity in a conspiracy to defraud the government through fraudulent weighing of imported sugar at the Williamsburg docks, was begun to-day in the criminal branch of the federal circuit court.

In the opinion of jurists, the trial is likely to open a new field in court endeavor and may establish precedent of inestimable importance.

Heike claims immunity because he was compelled to testify before the grand jury that indicted other employees of the sugar trust on similar charges. He claims the evidence he gave was used against him.

The government denies his assertion, and if the jury upholds the government denial the prosecution will demand imposition of punishment, claiming that the decision will be equivalent to a conviction. This attitude is assumed on the ground that an immunity plea is a confession of guilt.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

U. S. Senate Adopts Resolution Providing for Investigation by Special Committee.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—The Senate yesterday adopted the Elkins-Lodge resolution providing for the appointment of a special committee of senators to investigate the high cost of living. It is expected that the committee will make its report in April or May, in view of the fact that the Senate leaders to-day declared that its findings should be made public as early as possible so that the public may understand the situation before the fall congressional campaign.

TORONTO STREET RAILWAY.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The city's total percentage of the total receipts of the Toronto Railway Company has more than doubled in five years. The percentage paid by the company to the city last month was $37,704, as against $27,402 for January, 1905. The company's receipts last month were $331,346, an increase of $41,374, compared with last January.

THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

London, Feb. 10.—The judicial committee of the Privy Council sits on February 15th. Among cases to come before it is that of Jones vs. North, Vancouver Land Improvement Co.

PRINCE ALBERT OF WALES IN SERIOUS CONDITION

Too Ill to Be Removed From Naval College to Isle of Wight

(Special to the Times.)

London, Feb. 10.—The naval college at Osborne, Isle of Wight, where the sons of the Prince of Wales are cadets, has been closed in consequence of an epidemic of influenza and pneumonia. About one hundred cadets, including Prince Albert, are too ill to be removed. Others have been sent to their homes.

CONSERVATIVES IN THE SENATE

REPRESENTATION NOW REDUCED TO TWENTY

Toronto Globe Says System of Appointments May Have to Be Changed

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The Ottawa correspondent of the Globe says:

"By the death of Senator Baker in Montreal yesterday the representation of Conservatives in the senate is now reduced to twenty, out of a total membership of eighty-seven. When the present government assumed office, thirteen years ago, there were but eleven Liberals in the senate. Consequently the present disproportion in the standing of the parties in the upper chamber is still not as bad as was the last days of the Tupper administration. But since changes in the personnel of the senate the average was but four per year, it will be seen that before another general election the situation will have become such that the extreme preponderance of Liberals in the senate must necessitate the finding of some remedy in the near future for the present system of appointing to vacancies only men who are in sympathy with the present administration. Before very long it must be the case that several provinces will not have a Conservative member in the senate, a situation which would constitute a serious anomaly in the view of the reasons usually given for the existence of a second chamber.

"At present Saskatchewan has four Liberal senators and not a single Conservative; Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Alberta have each only one Conservative to eight Liberals; New Brunswick two Conservatives to eight Liberals; Nova Scotia three Conservatives to seven Liberals; Ontario five Conservative to nineteen Liberals, and Quebec six Conseratives to eighteen Liberals."

TORONTO'S POPULATION.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—According to the new directory Toronto has a population of 402,56

C. P. R. WORSTED IN RACE FOR COAL MINES

Mackenzie & Mann Are Acquiring James Dunsmuir's Interests on Vancouver Island—Vast Plans for Development in View.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Mackenzie & Mann have apparently worsted the C. P. R. in a move for the Dunsmuir coal mines. Before May 1st the mines in all probability will become the property of the Canadian financiers, who have developed such wide interests in this country in the past few years. A C. P. R. option has expired and now the other interests have but to make good to acquire the whole of the coal fields with the mines now working.

It is said that Mackenzie & Mann are backed up in this latest enterprise to which they have turned their attention by no less a financier than J. P. Morgan and the alleged interests of J. J. Hill. To such an extent is Morgan allied with the proposition that it is said that the $11,000,000 which Mr. Dunsmuir is to receive is to be paid over in actual cash.

The acquisition of the mines is to be followed by further extensions. The output is to be increased very materially just as fast as the work can be done. There is also included in the scheme of development on this coast the erection of steel works which will provide for a considerable output from the mines, and at the same time develop the resources of the province.

The expenditure in further developing the mines and accessory enterprises will, according to the plans in view, represent an expenditure of an additional $5,000,000 or more. At the present time Mackenzie & Mann are developing from small beginnings a smelter near Port Arthur on Lake Superior, a smelter which those qualified to understand say will be one of the best of its kind in America within a short time. The intention of the firm is now to enter the field on the Pacific coast and build up a vast enterprise.

Some months ago, in an interview given to the Times, D. D. Mann, while in Victoria, stated that if no such works were provided here before he and his partner became factors on the coast they would erect one. Apparently the opportunity has presented itself to this firm sooner than they expected, and the work is to begin almost at once.

It has long been known that the C. P. R. was willing to acquire Mr. Dunsmuir's coal mines. It is believed, in fact, that that company regarded them as destined eventually to come into their possession. Procrastination on the part of the directors, however, although at times the dealings went so far as the obtaining of options, resulted in the prize passing from their hands and the acquisition of it by rival financiers.

Victoria is looked upon as the most probable centre in the policy of development and as a result the outlook for this city is exceedingly bright. The negotiations in connection with the proposition are well advanced and those best informed see no likelihood of its not bing completed.

GOVERNOR-GENERALSHIP.

Successor to Earl Grey Has Not Yet Been Selected.

London, Feb. 10.—While many names have been mentioned no one has yet been chosen to succeed Earl Grey as Governor-General of Canada. A provincial paper says it is practically settled that Lord Carrington will be Earl Grey's successor, but it is learned that Lord Carrington is of the opinion no one over fifty years of age should accept the Governor-Generalship of any colony, and though Lord Carrington did not state definitely that he would not go, there is reason to believe that he will not accept the post. It has, however, not been offered to him.

NO CHANGES CONTEMPLATED.

(Special to the Times.)

Montreal, Feb. 10.—The rumors of changes in the officers on the western lines is without foundation, says Wm. Whyte, second vice-president of the C. P. R., here to-day.

LOSES LIFE IN FIRE.

Nicolet, Que., Feb. 10.—The Hotel Rochette was burned to the ground last night. E. Rochette, brother of the proprietor, who was asleep in his room at the time, lost his life. An adjoining restaurant, belonging to J. Lapage, was also burned. The loss is $20,000, fairly well insured.

INSURANCE BILL BEFORE COMMITTEE

Proposed Amendment to Clause Restricting Unlicensed Companies

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—Aime Geoffrion, of Montreal, was heard before the Senate banking and commerce committee this morning in opposition to a clause of insurance bill placing fifteen per cent. restriction upon all unlicensed fire insurance companies doing business in Canada. Mr. Geoffrion said this clause would give Canadian companies opportunity to put up their rates. He proposed the following as a substitute:

"Notwithstanding anything herein, any person may insure any property situated within Canada with any foreign unlicensed insurance company or underwriters, or with persons who reciprocally insure for protection only and not for benefit, and such risk may be inspected and any loss incurred in respect thereof audjusted, provided such company, underwriters or person does not in Canada solicit or advertise for insurance.

"The fact that an unlicensed insurer solicits or advertises in Canada for insurance shall not affect the validity of any insurance contract made with such unlicensed insurers but shall subject him, his agent, representatives, inspectors or adjusters to the penalties provided for in section 40 of this act."

If this clause were adopted, said Geoffrion, Canadian companies would not be hurt as they would be left in the same position in which they had been for years past.

MONTREAL BANK CLEARINGS.

(Special to the Times.)

Montreal, Feb. 10.—Bank clearings this week were $36,641,395, compared with $32,408,925 the same week last year and $24,024,759 in 1908.

SIX MEN KILLED.

Over Dozen Others Injured by Explosion in Sawmill.

Bay City, Mich., Feb. 10.—Six workmen were killed instantly to-day when the Princeling sawmill at Crump, 18 miles northwest of this city, blew up. Two received injuries that probably will be fatal and a dozen others were seriously hurt.

The men were gathered about the boiler in the mill just before the work whistle blew this morning. The boiler exploded from some unknown cause.

MISSION WORK IN CANADA.

(Special to the Times.)

London, Feb. 10.—At the annual meeting of the central board of missions it was announced that the Archbishops of Canterbury and York intend issuing a strong appeal for church work in Western Canada. The Archbishop of Canterbury wrote: "I think we have never had any occasion of greater urgency, anxiety and responsibility in the history of the church beyond the seas."

The Bishop of London said he wanted the church in Canada to be "a better Christian church." If they didn't do something he said children would grow up no better for the Christian church.

GRANT TO HOSPITAL.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The board of control has recommended another grant of $200,000 to the new Toronto general hospital. The city gave $200,000 some time ago, but since that time the cost of the site and building had increased.

BANK RATE REDUCED.

London, Feb. 10.—The Bank of England to-day reduced the discount rate to three per cent.

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The Imperial Bank of Germany to-day cut the rate of discount to four per cent.

PERSIA MAY BECOME RUSSIAN PROVINCE

Deposed Shah is Believed to Be Fomenting Trouble From Place of Exile

(Times Leased Wire.)

Teheran, Persia, Feb. 10.—While the Persian government is preparing to prove that Ali Mirza, deposed shah, is fomenting troubles in Persia from his place of exile at St. Petersburg, the Russianization of the shah's country is progressing.

Protests by Persian leaders have failed to move the Muscovite power from its course, and the Persians look in vain for aid from Great Britain. It is believed that Russia has succeeded in securing the promise of non-interference of Great Britain or has taken advantage of Britain's political struggles at home to entrench herself on the borderlands of India. The view taken here is that the Czar only delayed his attempts to Russianize Persia as long as he did on account of possible British interference. It is freely predicted to-day that within a year Persia will be virtually a Russian province, although it may still be under the nominal rule of the shah.