PARLIAMENT.

Generous Grant to the Hull Ottawa Fire Sufferers.

Budget Debate Will be Brought to a Close Today-Sir Charles Tupper Squelches a Slander.

OTTAWA, April 25.-Replying to questions, Hon. Dr. Borden stated that the conveyance of contingents for

Replying to Mr. Clarke, Hon. Dr. Borden stated that most of the supplies for the Canadian contingents were furnished by the steamship companies, but the feed for our horses was bought by the government after inquiry among dealers, but without tender. Pressed hay was bought from W. C. Hamilton at twelve dollars: oats from H. Hagard at 37 cents, and bran from P. L. Dodge at \$18 per ton. Hon. Mr. Mulock stated that C. F.

Dodge was government inspector for the Kentville public building. He was paid seventy-five dollars per month, and had received \$540 for 226 days. Mr. McNeill asked Hon. Mr. Mulock when the public works report would

Hon. Mr. Mulock said the officer in taste to die, and his successor had the bad taste to get sick," consequently the report had only gone to the printer this morning.

Sir Charles Tupper read a letter sent Ly him some time ago to Dr. Borden, asking him for an official list of Africa. The Ocean Insurance company had money ready to pay to the (Tupper) had tried every means to get the requisite information in order exert himself to get assistance in ob- pleased to support it in the house. taining an authorized list of the killed. Hon. Dr. Borden said the letter had been sent to the war office, and subsequently a cable message, but no reply had been received. Dr. Borden added that other insurance companies had made payments without further evidence than reports received by this

government. Sir Charles called Dr. Borden's attention to the fact that his own report had returned some as killed who proved to be alive, and some were reported wounded who were killed.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he would do all possible to get the information required by Sir Charles. The premier agreed that the precaution of the company which required a certified list was justifiable.

militia department would information respecting soldiers reported missing. For instance there was Private Murnis of Halifax, who was reported missing some weeks ago and his relatives had not heard of him

Minister Borden said fifteen men committed some breach of discipline at Cape 'Fown and remained there. They had since joined the regiment. Mr. Borden of Halifax said Munnis was not one of them. He had given out on the march to Belmont.

The minister thought it would be found he was with his regiment. Referring to the Welland canal affair, the minister explained that if the local force had no ammunition it was the fault of the local officers.

THE BUDGET DEBATE. After further discussion on this matter Mr. Bell of Addington, conservative, resumed the budget debate and was followed by Mr. Fraser, lib-

JOHN CONNOR OF ST. JOHN.

The case of the Queen v. John Connor, Michael Connolly and Nicholas Connolly came up for hearing yesterclay in the exchequer court. The case was to recover \$8,800 alleged to be due for binder twine which defendants sold as agents for the Kingston penitentiary. The Connollys denied partmership or indebtedness to the government. John Connor admitted partnership and claimed deductions for bad quality of goods and negligence of the government in making collections and for loss incurred by the government cancelling a contract made by Connor with the Continental Twine company. Judge Burbidge was of opinion that Mr. Connor's contention was partly correct and advised a settlement, sugsesting that the government drop its interest claim of \$6,000 and that the defendants withdraw claim deductions. The solicitor general and deputy minister of justice on behalf of the gov-Straton for Connor, and Ester for the Connollys, arrived at a compromise this afternoon on the line of these suggestions, but unfavorable to Connor. Mr. Connor claims that the amount of accounts between him and Connolly be chargeable to the latter. An equity suit is now pending to settle this. Mr. Ratz of North Middlesex fol-

fowed, and Mr. Craig of East Durham moved the adjournment of the debate. NOTES

The case of the Coanoity brothers and John Connor against the Queen, was heard in the exchaquer court yesterday and today, and this afternoon the parties. It related to binder twine

The public accounts committee met Mr. Bourassa, M. P., as to his bill of if one of them took a chicken, probsecretary of the international commission. Mr. Bourassa did not appear. He from a number of his constituents had written to Chairman Fraser, who did not bring the letter, but it is known that he denies the authority of the committee to summon him, as he

is a member of parliament. Mr. McGregor, the Yukon licensa commissioner, also failed to appear, and John Connor was not examined, as the solicitor general could not at-

tend. The agricultural committee had summoned Immigration Agent Pres-

but as the minister of the interior has failed to bring down his report for last year, a motion was made that the hearing of Preston be nostponed voted down by the government's sup-porters after a long and stormy discussion, by a vote of twenty-eight to twenty-three. Immigration Officer Ped-

The result of the adjournment of Mr. Frint's provincial prohibition motion is that it stands in public bills and orders after forty-three other motions, most of them debatable.

OTTAWA, May 1.—The house met ain this afternoon. Sir Charles Tup-Mr. Drysdale, M. P. P., was not employed in any capacity in connection with contracts for supplies and for outfitting of steamships at Halifax for charged that the leader of the oppositions of charged that the leader of the oppositions of the conveyence of continuous for tion went about Ontario in a private car and even on special trains when he was carrying on the campaign of 1896. Sir Charles said that he was premier at the time, but that he was per-sonally charged by the Grand Trunk railway with all transportation expenses and supplies and had personal-ly met the liability.

Mr. Bourassa explained that he ha not refused to attend meetings of the public accounts committee and explain his accounts as secretary of the international commission. He had written to Chairman Fraser explaining that he was appointed by the self accountable to parliament for his es. He had received no reply to his statement, and when next summoned to attend he remained away, as he thought he was entitled to a reply. charge of this report "had the bad It had since been explained that the letter had not been received by the Mr. Bourassa said he would not refuse to attend a future

neeting. Sir Wilfred Laurier mentioned the Ottawa fire, explaining that the government had concluded that the cal-Canadians killed or disabled in South amity was too great for private charity to meet, though that was abundant and prompt, and had decided to ask heirs of these men, and had asked for for \$100,000 and to advance \$10,000 at a list certified by the war office. He once. He had sent a note to Sir Charles Tupper at once, and the opposition leader had replied in a letter that this sum of between thirty and which the premier read. Sir Charles forty thousand dollars might be dis- told him he was glad the government tributed. He urged the minister to had taken this action and would be

Hon. Mr. Fielding then handed message from the governor genera sking for not only the \$100,000 but for \$20,000 to replace the public building at Hull and \$21,000 to replace the burned bridges.

Sir Charles Tupper said the government had in this matter properly interpreted the feeling on both sides of the house and of the country. The calamity was of such an unusual character and great extent that the pro posed action was justified. In committee Sir Wilfrid Laurier

said it was proposed to pay the money into the hands of the relief committee. Mr. Foster agreed with this probut hoped that the government would take steps to impress upon the city that measures ought to be taken Mr. Borden of Halifax hoped the to prevent a re-occurrence of the disaster. He pointed out that the piles of lumber were so disposed as to make it impossible to stop the speed of the fire. The destruction of the mills at the falls and so much of the town made it possible for action to be taken that was impossible before.

There was further discussion on this point, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and others agreeing with Mr. Foster's views, though the premier saw difficulty in giving effect to them.

Discussing the items about the buildings and the bridges, Mr. Foster suggested that as the fire had burned out the working men without regard to. party, the acting minister of public works should show on this particular occasion equal impartiality in giving work to the sufferers.

The resolutions were reported. Mr. Craig (conservative) resumed the

budget debate. Reports were brought down today of the department of the interior; cenitentiaries and militia, public works, and railways, agriculture. others are vet behind.

On the budget debate the speakers today were Craig, conservative; Dr. MacDonald, liberal, Huron: Clancy, liberal, Bothwell, and Cowan, liberal and McNeill, who moved the adjournment of the debate. The house adjourned at one o'clock.

NOTES. The budget debate will end tomorrow, when the vote will be taken on Sir Charles Tuppers' preferential trade

amendment_ OTTAWA. May 2.-Replying to Mr Oliver, Hon. Dr. Borden explained that 1,208 horses went out with the second contingent. Of these 455 were bought west of Lake Superior at an average price of \$92. Of the 63 horses which

died on the way out, nine came from the west. Hon, Mr. Mulock replying to Mr. Mills of Annapolis, said Port George ceased to be a money order office in ernment; H. A. Powell and James August, 1897, in consequence of certain irregularities by an assistant.

Replying to Mr. Macdonald of Kings P. E. I., Sir Louis Davies stated that Dr. Kendall had received since 1897 the sum of \$550 for services connected the compromise will on the taking of with services rendered to the department of fisheries. Probably he further claims, but no account had

been rendered. The same minister informed Mr. Martin, P. E. I., that no arrangements have yet been made with the Anglo-American Telegraph Co., nor for a service to P. E. Island.

On orders of the day, Colonel Mc-Lennan of Glengarry, Ontario, brought up a report concerning the severe punishment inflicted on a Canadian sol was settled by agreement between dier who confiscated a chicken. He was sure that the story of tying to cart-wheel the man was not true, but he would like an explanation from the this morning to hear the statement of minister. The men were starving, and two thousand dollars for expenses as ably most of this house would have done the same. He read a petition who desired inquiry to be made into

> the matter. Hon. Dr. Borden could see no good in bringing up this matter. He had no notice and could give no information. The Canadian soldiers were under the Queen's regulations.

Clarke Wallace was surprised that Dr. Borden could not give the information. It struck him that the punishment was unduly severe.

Sir Adolphe Caron could not express

opinion as to the severity of the icers would do right. Looting

Mr. Davin thought the Glengarry

Col. Tyrwhitt thought the was not in a position to criticise from want of knowledge of the facts. It ht be that the soldier had comnitted previous offences and been in-We must not suppose all these men were perfect or easy

Col. Prior made inquiry as to the prevalence of smallpox at Winnipeg and in Kootanav. The minister of agriculture said he

had taken precautions as to Kootenay. He explained that smallpox was brought to Winnipeg by a patient who had been discharged from the Victoria entine hospital. He had become ill at Winnipeg and went to a hospital, where the doctors did not know what was the matter until he was dead. Meantime, he had been in contact with other patients, who had gone out. It was a very peculiar case, and seems to have been too much for

The house went into committee on the bill for a grant of one hundred thousand dollars to the fire relief fund and for rebuilding the Hull buildings

and bridges. Mr. Foster laid before the house a plan which he had discussed with some bankers. Much money which was coming in would be left after immediate relief was afforded. Part of the fund would of course be used to committee. assist the homeless people to restore their homes. It was suggested that ond reading of his apple barrel bill, steps should be taken to make sure remarked that many petitions had so expresed to fire as those which were present barrel. The Kings county, burned. Large donors might be allowed to designate the particular use that which would appropriate \$200,000 and which might float bonds for say \$800 .vide a good class of homes for those a single representation had been working men who had been house- ceived from Ontario or Quebec. holders and who were industrious and Henri proposed that before the five years without interest, the balance to be raid in ten years at the same rate as the trust could raise the flow out again as it did this time.

A general discussion followed, some nembers pointing out the difficulties, mittee reported progress. but all agreeing that the subject was worthy of consideration.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier thought that the gestions might be taken later.

today by Bell of Pictou, N. S., Mc- house adjourned at 11 o'clock. Hugh, liberal. of South Victoria, Ganthe patron member.

NOTES.

In the senate today the secretary of state declined to give the price the government had paid this year manila for binder twine. OTTAWA, May 3.-When the house

met this afternoon, Hon. Dr. Borden read the cable received this morning at the militia department from Col. Otter, commanding the first Canadian contingent, giving the casualty list. Afterwards Dr. Borden explained the delay in obtaining from the war office a certified list of the killed of the first contingent. He had cabled to the high commissioner, whose officers did not understand. Afterwards his deputy asked the governor general to cable for information to the secretary of state for war. Dr. Borden thought the list cabled to this country was good enough, though he admitted that the first one had contained some errors. Sir Charles Tupper thought there was no occasion for this delay, and begged the minister to procure as soon as possible the certified list, which, he was sure, Lord Lansdowne would be glad to furnish. The father of one of the men killed had inquired when the money would be paid, and he (Sir patrick examined him in respect to his Charles) was particularly anxious that the families of the dead should get the

money which was waiting for them. The budget debate was continued by Mr. McDougall, conservative, of Cape Breton, and Mr. McNeill, conservative, and after dinner by Mr. Bourassa, liberal, in French.

In the evening the debate was continued by Bourassa, liberal, Sir A. Caron, Snetsinger, liberal, Beattie of London, conservative. Logan of Cumberland, liberal, Norcotte, conservative, in French, Savard, liberal, in French, and Hon. Mr. Fielding. The finance minister read letters from W. B. Ross and H. M. Whitney, to prove that Sir Charles was in error in saying that Fielding had met Whitney with a blank refusal when he applied for extension of the iron bounties. A vote was then taken on Sir Char-

les Tupper's preferential trade amendment. The motion was defeated by a straight party vote of 88 to 48, majority 40. The house went into committee, but rose immediately at half past

The debate closed this morning, just forty-one days after the delivery of the budget speech. Notwithstanding all that has been said about obstruction, the government side made more speech on the debate than conservative side

THE SENATE.

The bill providing for the grant to the Ottawa fire relief fund passed all stages in the senate today.

The Nova Scotia Steel company's hall passed the second reading, on motion of Hon. Mr. McKay. It gives the company power to dispose of their property, either by sale or by taking stock in another company.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE. The public accounts committee this morning began an enquiry into payments made by the Northwest Territories' government to the Regina Leader company, of which N. F. Davin

Mr. Bourassa, M. P., appeared and

nmission and not by the govern-nt, and therefore was not respon-te to parliament. Solicitor General sible to parliament. Solicitor General Fitzpatrick supported this position, but when Mr. Clancy asked Mr. Boudid with the money, Mr. Bourassa offered to answer the question. He said that he had received twenty-two. hundred dollars and had returned one dollar and ten cents. He had kept no accounts or vouchers and could give no items. He had simply charged elf with personal expenditure, and the rest of the money received and used was charged to the commission. As he was engaged 150 days, his expenses were about fourteen dollars per day. He had not supposed the ners would ask him for an temized account, but supposed they would accept his statement that he had spent the money.

NOTES. The news of the death in battle of young Cotton was heard with great sorrow. He was an all round athlete and very popular. It is said that he was so anxious to go on this service that after the enlistment began he refrained from taking part in any sports, lest he should be injured so that he would not be accepted.

OTTAWA, May 4.-The resolution permitting the government to enter into a contract, with Allan Bros. to furnish cold storage next year in their steamships, the subsidy for this purpose not to exceed \$28,750 a year, passed its first reading this afternoon The general inspection act, the act

to amend the gas inspection act, and the act to provide for grants of lands to western militiamen went through

Sir Henry Joly, in proposing the se that houses to be built should not be been received against the size of the Nova Scotia, petitions stated that the New York standard barrels competed should be made of their gifts. It in the English market with those of might be possible to organize a trust Nova Scotia, which were much larger. The petitioners represented that the disadvantage was equal to \$30,000 for 000. This trust might arrange to pro- the Kings county product alone. Not bill reputable. Two-thirds of the cost went through the committee those inmight be advanced on mortgage, say terested should have another opportunity to make representations.

Mr. Mills. Annapolis, gave notice of certain amendments which he proposed money. The buildings could be con- to move when the bill was taken up structed to guard against fire, and again. He proposed that a standard with proper sanitary conditions. Mr. of weight should be established for Foster pointed out that if Ottawa and apples and potatoes, and that the pen-Hull were rebuilt as before and again alty for improper barrels should be burned, public benevolence might not applicable to the cooper as well as the packer.

> After further discussion the com-The bill respecting grain inspection

was read a second time. The bill to amend the railway act best thing to do now was to pay the was read a second time, and the house money over to the committee, and that went into committee on the criminal action in the line of Mr. Foster's sug- code amendments. Considerable prog-

ong of Charlotte, N. B., and Rogers, again today for the first time since about a loosening of the dead-wood. his late illness.

> PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE. testimony was wanted here. Mr. banks and trusts of the country. Smart said he telegraphed to Brandon that the department had made no efinformation were constantly thwarted. John Connor, late of St. John, was on was brought on by Mr. Taylor to prove tenders, but Solicitor General Fitzown previous transactions with the passages at arms occurred between usual proving more than a match for his questioners. Incidentally Mr. Connor was asked if he knew anything about the contract of H. N. Bate of Ottawa for the purchase of the binder twine output the year before last. He said he knew all about it, inasmuch as he was a partner with Mr. Bate. Last year's contract was awarded to Martin Connolly, whose tender was higher than that of Hobbs or that of

Coll Brothers of St. John. The Connolly tender, signed with name of Connolly, was produced, and John Connor swore that the signature was not that of Connolly, moreover he knew that Connolly was then in Colorado. This contract was assigned to the Hobbs company.

ST. ANDREWS NEWS.

ST. ANDREWS, May 4.-Dr. N. G. D. Parker and Mrs. and Miss Parker have arrived at their home from Halifax, where they spent the past winter. M. A. Maxwell, principal of the intermediate school department, has tendered his resignation to the trustees, to take effect at the end of the present term. Mr. Maxwell intends entering McGill college, Montreal, as a student. Both the grammar school end the highest grades in the intermediate schools will be vacant.

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BOSTON LETTER.

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High Tide of Business Expansion Reached - Prices Now on the Back Track.

The Crowell Gold Brick Industry Catches the Lumber and Fish Markets-Rece

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BUSTON, May 3.-Recent happenngs in this part of the country have aroused a suspicion in the minds of some that New England is not so very far behind the southern and western States in the category of crime. For several days the authorities of three counties in staid old Vermont have been scouring over mountains and across country in pursuit of two outlaws, who recently broke jail at Woodstock, in that State. When on one occasion the fugitives were surrounded they shot and killed a deputy sheriff. Since then hundreds have been after them with bloodhounds. Or Tuesday, at South Berwick, Me., the body of a woman was found in the cellar of a barn. She had been murdered and mutilated only a short time before the discovery, and a fire built around the body. The fire was extinguished before much damage was done Another case was that of a Pole, who was arraigned in Northampton, State, on Tuesday, charged with killing one of his countrymen. The victim's head was severed from the body and the latter thrown into a farmer's well. Still another flendish crime was recalled on Tuesday by the trial of a man in eastern Maine on a charge of murdering three of his family with an axe. In Quincy, a boy of sixteen is under arrest for manslaughter, in causing the death of a ten year old boy by taking him out in a mill pend beyond his depth and allowing him to drown, the younger one not being able to swim. It is such crimes as

understood in the east. From present appearances it looks as if the high tide of business expansion had been reached. The phenomenally high prices of leading staples have begun to give way, and the general demand is much less now than it was several months ago. By this it is not meant that business is anything like dull, but all indications point towards lower prices in most commodities, ice of course excepted. The trusts, dium and \$5.50 for large shore and which endeavored by artificial methress was made in this measure, after ods to maintain high prices on their steady at \$6 to 6.50 for large and \$5 The budget debate was continued which progress was reported, and the products, are having troubles of their 5.50 for medium. Live lobsters are own, and possibly the approach of the liberal supply at 12c. and boiled at Hon. David Mills was in the senate presidential campaiga is bringing

these that are placing New England-

ers where they are not in a position

to criticize the doings in States which

go with civilization, as it is commonly

The republicans expect to re-elect President McKinley next fall, but their leader, the Hon. Marcus A. Han-In the public accounts committee to- na, is attempting to work up a scare, day Deputy Minister Smart was called presumably for the purpose of duplito explain why the Yukon license in- cating the enormous campaign fund spector was allowed to go back to which he raised last time from among Dawson when it was known that his the business centres of the east, the

A meeting of the New England that he was wanted, and next day re- "heirs" of a citizen of Bristol, Eng., ceived word from the operator that named Elisha Crowell, who died there Mr. McGregor had gone west toward in 1825, leaving what is said to now Dawson. This was on the twenty- amount to \$33,000,000 in English banks, has, with my approval, realized the sixth day of April, and nothing more was held in Somerville Monday night. was done for some days, when Mr. A number of people in different sec-Smart asked the telegraph people to tions of the maritime provinces are try and find him. Nothing more was also interested in the supposed fordone until this morning, when Mr. tune, including the Crowells of Wind-Smart telegraphed to Skagway and sor, N. S., and connections in Carle-Bennett, asking that Mr. McGregor ton county, N. B., and in Prince Edshould be notified. Mr. Foster and ward Island. The meeting was not other members expressed the opinion very harmonious, and after a wrangle the president and secretary of the fort to get this official, and protested Crowell organization resigned. It apthat the efforts of the committee to get pears that some of the so-called heirs some time ago sent W. C. Crowell, a imperial majesty's most gracious carpenter, to England to look into the gram, the terms of which will creat the stand the rest of the morning. He prospects of securing the money. He a thrill of gratitude throughout India reported that a careful search of the the signature to some binder twine records failed to find anything concerning Elisha Crowell's death or a will left by him. The delegate claimed, however, that there was \$33,000,000 government. Mr. McMullen joined in in the Bank of England for Crowell's toward the end, and several lively heirs. He found he could not do anything without presenting the authorihim and the witness, Mr. Connor as ties with a clear genealogical record. Notwithstanding that considerable doubt about the existence of a fortune was expressed at the meeting, a committee was appointed to raise funds and continue the work of investigation. Some time ago it was reported that a Mrs. Hillson of Bridgeport, Conn., formerly of P. E. I., one of the "heirs," was about to receive money from the Crowell estate, but as yet English lawyers are the only individuals who have been benefited by the investigation to date.

James Poulin (or Pullen) said to be a former resident of St. John, was sentenced to jail for six months at Laconia, N. H., Monday, for creating a disturbance, the result of taking too much New Hampshire cider. During the arrest of Poulin. Judge Everett. who aided the officers, dropped dead from heart failure. Poulin is a lumberman.

The fund being raised here in aid of the Ottawa-Hull fire victims is growing rapidly and amounts to about \$4,-James Murray Kay, formerly of St. John, is chairman of the citizens relief committee. Henry M. Whitney

has contributed \$1,000. The trial of Elmer Maxwell of Sackville, charged with murdering Captain Baisley of the schooner Vandusen, at Portland, this week, is attracting more attention than the average murder trials on account of the unusual

circumstances. William B. Smith of Charlottetown and Miss Jennie A. Dawson of Cape Breton were married in Roxbury on

Deaths of former provincialists in this vicinity are announced as follows: In Boston Highlands, April 28, Andrew McGillivray, aged 77 years, formerly of St. John; in this city, April 25, Mrs. Margaret McDow, formerly of Halifax; in Jamaica Plain, April 36, Mrs. Harriet Ives, wife of Frederick B. Ives, aged 27 years, late of Halifax: in



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formerly of St. John. The board of trade in Portland is raising funds for Ottawa and Hull There is practically no change in the spruce lumber market here. The car mills represented in the association are to reduce their output one half, the reason given being a short cut of logs It is said 50 per cent. or more of last winter's cut in Maine will be used by the pulp mills. Those mills in the association which ship by water to Boston in summer time have adopted the same scale of prices as that quoted by rail mills. Frames, nine inches and under, are in moderate demand at \$17 10 and 12 inch dimensions at \$19: 10 and 12 in. randoms, 10 feet and up \$18.50: 2x3, 2x4, 2x5, 2x6, 2x7 and 3x4. ten feet and up. \$15; other randoms \$16.50, and merchantable boards, \$17. Laths continue very firm at \$3 to 3.15 for 15-8 in. and \$2.35 to 2.95 for 11-2 do not enjoy all the advantages which in. Hemlock also continues firm, with supplies very limited. Canadian boards are worth \$17 to 17.50. Cedar shingles

> clear, \$2.85; second clear, \$2.35; clear white, \$2, and extra No. 1, \$1.50. The fish trade is quiet, with the mackerel men hopeful of a successful Large fresh mackerel have season. been selling from vessel at 15 to 173 for large. Codfish are quiet and stendy at \$5.50 for large dry bank, \$5 for me Georges. N. S. split herring are

are firm, with extras held at \$3.25;

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GERMANY HELPS INDIA.

SIMUA, May 4.-Emperor William has telegraphed to the Viceroy India Lord Curzon of Kedleston.

follows: "Full of the deepest sympathy the terrible distress in India. Berlin sum of over half a million marks, and I have ordered it forwarded for disposal. May India feel that this a tion on the part of the capital of the German empire is from a deep sen of the sympathetic love for India which has prompted my people which emanates from the fact that blood is richer than water."

To this message the viceroy lold replied as follows: "I have the honor to receive you for the warm-hearted, sympathet attitude of your capital, Berkin, acting upon the opportune and noble ative of your imperial majesty. indeed an illustration of the binding force of kinship by your majesty the German people should turn kindly thought to the work being by the British government in country for the relief of the suffering with which the poor people are afflicted. On their behalf venture to acknowledge the general action of your majesty and the mu cent contribution of your people

SANDON WIPED OUT.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 1.- 11 town of Sandon, having a popular of two thousand and located neart of Slocan silver lead mining trict was destroyed by fire today. was one of the most flourishing m centres of British Columbia. All the business part was reduced

ashes, and not a dozen houses remastanding in the residential distric The loss will exceed \$250,000. The r sidents, who are left without food shelter, have appealed for relief other towns. Two churches eighty dwellings are among the build ings burned. Sandon was situated a narrow gulch at the base of mountains which encircled it. one loag narrow street could be laid out, and when the fire started it was certain that the town would be destroyed. The mines had just started up again after a nine months' strike

EVEN THE DOGS!

Here is a true dog story, ought to knock the Spectator side ways. I have a little Manchester ter rier, which never leaves the house a rule. On Thursday morning this dog disappeared. Late in the evening I found him on the Red Road gazing with admiration, at Lord Roberts statue.-Calcutta Saturday Journa

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