province, became acquainted with a fact who was at that time a prom of which not many people in the East have been aware, namely, that mineral riches are not confined to two or three small districts. Writing from Victoria he says: "It is somewhat surprising to the consulted Mr. Tailion, who said that time a prominent mean ber of the Conservative party in the province, Mr. Tailion being its nominal head, was approached for information as to the course which the opposition would follow in respect of the vote. Mr. Tarte consulted Mr. Tailion, who said small districts. Wrong says: "It is somewhat surprising to that as Mr. Whelan had been so large a of West Kootenay, to come hundreds of fund, it might be to the advantage of miles further west, to hear in Vancous the opposition to allow the vote to pass, ver of the great development in Cariboo, and then to reach Victoria only to find such case Mr. Whelan's willingness to the people all apparently more or less interested in the development of yet another gold-bearing region. This proves Tarte received the \$5000 in question, a that the whole province is teeming with mineral riches, which sooner or later will flow in streams of wealth, not through British Columbia alone, but through the whole of Canada. The discovery of rich deposits of the yellow metal in so many sections of this province at the same time shows unusual activity on the part of prospectors. This is but the natural consequence of the Mr. Tarte was at that time a prominent successes of Kootenay and Cariboo, and | member of the Conservative party and another natural consequence of these that the transaction in question was same successes is the fact that capital- such as has figured frequently in records eral power of regulating and protecting ists and the public generally now listen his leaving the Conservative party; inwith some attention to the reports of deed since his discovery of the rifling of discoveries in other quarters of British the Diminion treasury by the Connollys, Columbia, whereas a year or two ago he has rendered the cause of good gov-even a few months ago they would have ernment such signal service as to have right of fishing does not already exist even a few months ago they would have fallen on deaf ears." The correspondent proceeds to sketch the island discoveries, those of the Goldstream and Leech river districts, Alberni and Texada.

Doubtless a good many of the Globe's action in question. His sworn statereaders will be somewhat surprised by the information he furnishes, and the interest awakened by the Kootenay excitement will naturally make them their mirds more receptive to such information. The results of such spreading of personal honor will be no longer subject to attack in any respectable quarter. Sented the Dominion and the senior mirds more receptive to such informa- the matter, it is to be predicted that his satisfactory. There is little doubt that in time to come eastern and outside capital will find profitable investment in developing the wealth that lies imbedded

### HIS OWN ADMISSIONS.

in the rocks of Vancouver Island.

Dr. Duncan and the Colonist seem to forget that there are on record some admissions made by the former in regard to his offence. When the board of health inquired into the case, Dr. Duncan made a statement, part of which is as follows:

"When he first saw the two suspects he told them that they would simply be taken to the hospital, disinfected and allowed to go. During his absence from the room where he found them, one of the suspects broke out and went into another room, where there was another man. This made three suspects and the patient, all of whom were sent to the hospital. The suspects were disinfected and put into a pure building, and the regular caretaker, Mr. Shaw, being required to nurse the patient, Mr. Heathorn was engaged as caretaker. On the 23rd Heathorn and Morton expressed the desire to go and vote, and he coming to the conclusion that there was no danger, granted the request. If he had given the matter a second thought he would have acted otherwise, as the confined. He apologized to the mayor for acting contrary to his orders. The two men were told to go directly to the station and return immediately. Morton did return within an hour, but Hea-

thorn was away until next morning." To any person who reads this it is perfectly plain that both Mayor Beaven and Dr. Duncan thought Morton had been exposed to smallpox contagion, and that there would be danger to the pub- to the Cariboo country should also re- provinces could not issue fishing licenses and Fishing," or any other the prolic health in allowing him to be at large. If they did not think so they acted like now, after thirty years' experience, be arrant fools in having him placed in manifest to every old-timer that the quarantine. It does not matter what northern half of British Columbia will enact the forty-seventh section of the subsequent discoveries are alleged; the never be developed without railways. To Revised Statutes, chapter 44, so far as it statutes of Canada, chapter 95 intituled fact remains that the mayor and the embody a Cariboo extension as part of purports to authorize sales and approdoctor declared by their actions that the scheme, would, perhaps, make the priations of lands covered by water in ing," or any other of the provisions of they thought there was danger to the public in allowing the man his liberty. Therefore in granting him permission to a road to the golden hills of Cariboo go out and vote Dr. Duncan wilfully sinned against the public safety. Why did he order Morton to return immediately if he thought there was no danger in his being abroad? Dr. Duncan now produces a statement from Morton to the effect that he voted for Dr. Milne and Mr. Templeman, but that is only an afterthought. The doctor supposed when he allowed Morton to go to the poll that his vote would be cast for Messrs. Earle and Prior. If he had thought otherwise he would not have allowed him to go.

### WHELAN'S \$5000.

while he was a member of the Tory as a people are to prove equal to the party. If he had remained a member responsibilities that are being so rapidly of that party our now virtuous contem- forced upon us, we must adopt a definite poraries would have seen nothing wrong and a progressive policy and carry it out in his conduct, since the \$5000 was ex- with vigor. color of their spectacles very materially, to make a schedule of rates common to agrees with the Gazette's as to facts, though not as to deductions:

"J. P. Whelan, the contractor, had a cier was at that time head. Mr. Whelan throw any rocks at each other.

WIDESPREAD RICHES.

The correspondent of the Toronto Globe, who recently made a tour of this claim should be settled and Mr. Tarte contribute might be lessened. This statement having been communicated to only what I have previously stated- contribution by the campaign managers for the government to the funds in the hands of the campaign managers for the opposition. The vote was passed without opposition. Mr. Tarte applied the whole \$5000 to the purposes of the Conservative party.

do with it, a declaration which must be It is to be remembered that of the politics of the province. Since fairly entitled him to a place of honor as to Mr. Tarte's personal standing in ada was the result.

ernment officials are growing wings and will be flying before Christmas.

R. G. Dun & Co's table of failures in Canada during the third quarter of 1896, compared with the same period in 1895, following is the table:

| - | Ontario 186 Quebec 171 B. C 14 Nova Scotia 30 Manitoba 8 | \$1,091,108<br>1,330,900<br>450,600<br>107,600<br>57,579 | \$1,215,634<br>2,022,635<br>359,350<br>159,566<br>57,282 |
|---|--|--|--|
|   | New Brnw'k 18  | 53,779   | 103,700  |
|   | P. E. Island 2   | 3,868  | 6,090  |
|   | Total 429  | \$3,095,636  | \$3.924,257  |
|   | Total 1895 482   | 2,512,931  | 3,390,218  |
|   | Nine Mo 1,551  | \$9,309,636  | \$12,485,046   |
|   | Nine Mo. '95 1,339                                       | 7,692,254  | 9,928,203  |
|   | Nfld 1895 3  | \$13,500<br>18,442                                       |  |

RAILWAY TO KOOTENAY.

ning south to connect with the projectof the scheme. This suggestion, we believe, has been anticipated by the proceive serious consideration, for it must undertaking too formidable to be carried out in two years, but the construction of must of necessity form part of any covering the main points. He submitor later it will be built. Upon the com- granted before Confederation are, pletion of the proposed Kootenay line and its successful operation, a Cariboo branch will become a question demanding immediate attention; but for the present we must bend our energies to the accomplishment of that which is most needed. Kootenay is the present objective point, and to Kootenay we must go with a railway. Other projects -and there are many-can wait until this one, the saving of the trade of the province for the people of the province, is assured. There will be work in Bitish Columbia for the next ten years for a Tory papers have been endeavoring to government of earnest business men, find some satisfaction for their vindic- presided over by a statesman who has tive hatred of Mr. Tarte in that gentle- the courage to take the tide at the flood man's acknowledgment that he handled and lead the province on to fortune. We \$5000 of Contractor Whelan's money are entering upon a new era, and if we

pended for the good of the Tory cause. The Sentinel does not approve of the But circumstances have changed the proposal in a board of trade resolution, and they now see appalling rascality in the four cities, and characterizes such what would have been quite innocent in a condition as "hoggish." Our contheir sight if Mr. Tarte had only re- temporary must not permit the despicmained a Tory. And what is there so able sin of sectionalism, which we all of easement, but is strictly a right of heinous in the action Mr. Tarte took? must wish to see dead and buried, to in-Eyen the Tory Montreal Gazette is con- fluence its actions or its criticisms. Vicstrained to admit that he profited noth- toria is heartily in sympathy with the ing personally by the Whelan deal, and it even accepts his statement that he it even accepts his statement that he sarily must be imposed upon the province knew nothing of the ultimate source of to build it. To give her merchants the Robertson. He said: the money. The Herald in its turn same freight rates as the merchants of gives this summary of the matter, which | the other cities, is not placing the lat-

might be. The undertaking will be a large one claim for \$140,000 odd against the pro- and it will require united effort if it is vincial government, of which Mr. Mer-

Ruling of Supreme Court of Canada on Dominion and Provincial Jurisdiction.

Generally in Favor of Provinces-Case to be Appealed to the Privy Council.

Ottawa, Oct. 13.—The question of jurisdiction over fisheries and the status of the provinces and the Dominion in inland non-navigable waters, decided to-day by the supreme court of Canada, is one of the greatest importance and will be appealed for the decision of the judicial committee of the privy council in England when the matter will be finally set at rest. The question first arose in the case of the Queen vs. Robertson. "Mr. Tarte declares that if he had known that the \$5000 had come from Whelan he would have had nothing to right of the minister of marine and fishright of the minister of marine and fisheries to lease a portion of the Miramichi river for the purpose of, fishing was challenged, Mr. C. A. Robertson being interrupted in the enjoyment of his fishing. The court held that the genfisheries is in the parliament of Canada but that the license granted by the minister of marine and fisheries was void because the law only authorized the by law," and in this case the exclusive among the avowed champions of that right of fishing belonged to the owners cause. No one who knows the man has of the end through which that portion ment that he did not do so is accepted through provincial property would be ilby the Gazette without question, and legal. This judgment led the provinces since the Gazette has been the most in- to assert their rights and the friendly dustrious in the fomenting of suspicion reference to the supreme court of Can-

counsel for Ontario was Mr. Edward It is said that certain Dominion gov- Blake. It was contended on behalf of the Dominion that section 91 of the British North America Act vested in the Dominion parliament authority to legislate respecting the sea coast and inland fisheries, and that the right of control, including the issue of licenses for fishing privileges was vested in the Do- navigation, or other full use of the harshows a small decrease (3) in the num- minion government, which claimed the ber, but an increase in the liabilities of ownership of the beds of all rivers, tidal Dominion legislation within the compeabout half a million. For the first nine or non-tidal, navigable or non-navigable, tence of the Dominion parliament? months of 1896 there was an increase ungranted at the time of the passing of over the first nine menths of 1895 of the ownership of the beds of so much ing in non-navigable lakes, rivers, The British North America act; also 212 in the number and \$2,556,843 in the waters of lakes as were occupied by imamount of liabilities of insolvents. The provements forming part of the public works of any of the provinces in 1867 and also the ownership of the beds of jurisdiction to authorize the giving by all the fresh water lakes, more especial- lease, license or otherwise to lessees, lily the chain of great lakes. Great stress, censees, or other grantees, the right of was laid on the fact that the exclusive fishing in such waters as mentioned in power to make laws in respect to navi- 'the last question, or any and which of gation was vested in the Dominion and them? reference to navigable rivers forming part of the boundary between the Dominion and the United States and the same international reason applied to the great lakes and it was pointed out that these great lakes have been held by the supreme court of the United States to come within the term of "high seas."

That the Dominion parliament eximple the bank open."

That will depend on how soon we are able to clean up our business with our customers and others. As soon as we had the first opportunity to advise our customers in order that they may make such arrangements as will enable them to close their accounts with us. As soon as that has been finished Learness that he company in keeping the bank open."

"That will depend on how soon we are able to clean up our business with our customers and others. As soon as we had learned that it was decided to close we took the first opportunity to advise our customers in order that it was decided to close we took the first opportunity to advise our customers in order that it was decided to close we took the first opportunity to advise our customers and others. As soon as we had learned that it was decided to close we took the first opportunity to advise our customers and others. As soon as we had learned that it was decided to close we took the first opportunity to advise our customers and others. As soon as we had learned that it was decided to close the company in keeping the ban The Kamloops Sentinel endorses the People's Railway" project. Such a Crown it must be in right, of the Doroad, it says, would be of tremendous minion and not of the respective prov. advantage to the country, as it would inces. The Dominion claimed the exmayor had ordered him to keep them | be not more than half the length of the | clusive jurisdiction not only over the C. P. R. to the coast and would open up regulation, protection and preservation the splendid mineral district to the south of fisheries but over "fisheries." The right to take fish was a definition given of Kamloops. Our contemporary advo- to "fishery" and it was held that this pose of provincial revenue or otherwise cates that a line from Kamloops, run- was property subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Dominion in the or other grantee to take out a provincial ed railway, be insisted upon as a part same way as other property is subject license also? to provincial jurisdiction. The Dominion contended that over fishing in all jurisdiction to pass section 4 of the re-

waters the Dominion parliament may vised statutes of Canada, chapter 95, inmoters. The extension of that branch exercise complete control and that the tituled "An Act Respecting Fisheries even for the purpose of raising a revenue because it was not direct taxation. and it was submitted that the legisia- and what parts thereof respectively? ture of Ontario had no jurisdiction to harbors, rivers or other navigable waters in Ontario. In behalf of the provinces, the argument of Mr. Blake may be taken as and are not Indian lands?

well-planned railway policy; and sooner ted that the beds of all waters not der the British North America Act. the property of the province. The question of public harbors was dealt with the proprietary right of the Dominion public harbors exists only in such harbors as were the property of the province at Confederation and had by previous legislation been declared to b sublic harbors and provincial property. It was further contended that there is po need of any proprietary right by the Dominion in the bed of harbors, or of other navigable waters, in order maintain the effectiveness of the legislative powers for the purposes of navigation. The distinction was drawn between the franchise of the port which is common to all subjects and the property

of its soil. The following is an extract form the udgment of the present chief justice of the supreme court in the case of the Queen vs. Robertson:

No principle of law can be better established than the rule which ascribes the ownership of the soil and bed of a non-navigable river prima facie to riparian proprietors of the opposite banks.

It results from the proprietorship of the rinarian owner of the soil in the hed of the river that he has the exclusive right of fishing in so much of the had of the river as belongs to him, and property.

On the question as to where the jurisdiction rests to authorize fishing, the case for the provinces is well founded on the judgment of the late Chief Justice Ritchie in the case of the Queen vs. "I cannot discover the slightest trace.

of an intention on the part of the Imter at any disadvantage. To ask that perial parliament to convey to the Dom-much is not "hoggish;" to refuse it inion government any property in the heds of streams or in the fisheries inci-dent to the ownership thereof, or to confer on the Dominion parliament had not been granted to them by the power to appropriate or dispose of them, Crown?
und receive therefor large rentals; but The chief justice of the court announ-

specifically set forth." The provinces also claimed the right

The following questions were submit-ted by His Excellency the Governor-General-in-Council for the purpose of determining the questions in this case:
1. Did the beds of all lakes, rivers, public harbors and other waters or any of them, situate within the territorial limits of the several provinces, and not granted before Confederation, become under the British North America Act property of the Dominion or the property of the province in which the same are situate, and is there in that respect, any, and what distinction between the various classes of waters, whether salt waters or fresh waters, tidal or non-tidal. navigable or non-navigable, or between the so-called great lakes, such as Superior, Erie and other lakes, or the so-called great rivers, such as the St. Lawrence, Ottawa, Richelieu, etc., and other rivers, or between waters directly and, immediately connected with the sea coast and waters not so connected, or between other waters and waters separating (and so far as they do separate) two or more provinces of the Dominion from one another, or between other waters, and waters separating (and so far as they do separate) the Dominion

'navigable waters," an act which the Dominion parliament had the jurisdiction to pass either in whole or in part? 3. If not, in case the bed and banks of a lake or navigable river belong to a province and the province makes a grant of land extending into the lake or river for the purpose of there being built thereon a wharf, warehouse or the like, has the grantee-a right to build thereon accordingly, subject to the work not interfering with the navigation of the lake or

from the territory of a foreign nation?

2. Is the act of the Dominion parlia-

ment, Revised Statutes of Canada, chapter 92 intituled, "An Act respecting

certain works constructed in or

4. In case the bed of a public harbor or any portion of the bed of a public harbor at the time of confederation had not been granted by the Crown, has the province a like jurisdiction in regard to the making a grant as and for the purpose in preceding paragraph stated, subject to not thereby interfering bor as a harbor, and subject to any 5. Have riparian proprietors before Confederation an exclusive right of fish-

streams and waters, the beds of which had been granted to them by the Crown? 6. Has the Dominion parliament the

8. Has the Dominion parliament such jurisdiction as regards navigable or non-navigable waters, the beds and banks of which are assigned to fhe provinces respectively under the British North America act, if any such are so assigned?

9. If the Dominion parliament has such jurisdiction as mentioned in the preceding three questions, has a provincial legislature jurisdiction for the purpose of provincial revenue or otherwise to require the Dominion lessee, licensee or other grantee to take out a provincial license also?

10. Has the Dominion parliament jurisdiction to pass section 4 of the revised statutes of Canada, chapter 95, intituled "An Act Respecting Fisheries and Fishing," or any other the provisions of the said act, or any, and which of such several sections, or any and what parts thereof respectively?

11. Had the Dominion parliament jur-

isdiction to pass section 4 of the revised "An act respecting Fisheries and Fishthe said act, so far as these respectively relate to fishing in waters, the beds of which do not belong to the Dominion

12. If not, has the Dominion parlia ment any jurisdiction in respect of fisheries, except to pass general laws not derogating from the property in the lands constituting the beds of such waters as aforesaid or from rights incident separately, and it was contended that to the ownership by the provinces and others but (subject to such property and rights) providing in the interests of the owners and the public, for the regulation, protection, improvement and preservation of fisheries, as, for example, by forbidding the fish to be taken at improper seasons, preventing the undue destruction of fish by taking them in an improper manner or with improper engines, prohibiting obstructions in ascendng rivers and the like?

13. Had the legislature of Ontario the jurisdiction to enact the 47th section of the revised statutes of Ontario, chapter 24, intituled "An Act respecting the sale and management of public lands," and sections 5 and 13, both inclusive, and sections 19 and 21 both inclusive, of the Ontario Act of 1892, intituled "An Act for the protection of the provincial fisheries," or any, and which of such several sections, or any and what parts thereof respectively?

14. Had the legislature of Quebec urisdiction to enact sections 1375 and 1378, inclusive, of the revised statutes of Quebec, or any and which of the said sections, or any and what parts thereof? 15. Has a province jurisdiction to legislate in regard to providing fishways in dams, slides and other constructions, and otherwise to regulate and protect fisheries within the provinces, subject to and so far as may consist with any laws passed by the Dominion parliament with-

its constitutional competence? 16. Has the Dominion parliament power to declare what shall be deemed an interference with navigation and require its sanction to any work or erection in, or filling up of navigable waters? 17. Had riparian proprietors before Confederation an exclusive right of fishing in navigable non-tidal lakes, rivers, streams and waters, the beds of which

on the contrary, I find all the property ced that there were shades of difference in the opinions of the court, but a gensisting of Chief Justice Strong, Justices to make provisions to protect their interests as proprietors and the interest of the private owners in respect of fish.

Sisting of Chief Justice Strong, Justices Taschereau, King and Girouard. The questions were answered as follows:

1. The beds of public harbors belong to the Dominion.

Determined by answer to No. 1.

5. Yes. 6. 7, 8. No. 9. The Dominion has no such jurisdic-

12. The jurisdiction of the Dominion is mited to the passing of general laws.
13, 14, 15 and 16. Yes.
17: Yes.

The case is so complicated that it is ifficult to say off hand what the effect of the judgment is, except that it is generally in favor of the provinces. lands of public harbors are declared to belong to the Dominion, and, as a consequence, the right of fishing therein belongs to the Dominion. The Dominion has also control of water within the Indian reserves. The Dominion has no power to grant a lease for fishing in any part of the Dominion. In tidal waters neither the Dominion nor the provinces neither the Dominion nor the provinces has any power to restrict the public right of fishing, but the Dominion has the regulating here as elsewhere. The Ontario fishery act is good and the Dominion fishery act almost wholly bad. The judgment confirms the judgment in the Queen vs. Robinson, with respect to non-navigable waters, but extends the same rule of law to apply to navigable, rivers and great lakes, the beds of which are wholly within the provinces, the right to fishing therein being a public common right, subject to provincial legislation. The Dominion is confined to powers of conservancy and the regulation of fisheries, and the Dominion has power to enact the imposition of a great lake with the latter he is said to have made much with him at the time vere when the stomach. With him at the time were the stomach. With him at the time were work has daughter and Mrs. Kingsley, the mother of Mr. Abbey's first wife. The provable advorce suit, is said to be in the same about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon, and from that time he grew steadily was said to be serious, but after that he came about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon, and from that time he grew steadily was suit he somether of Mr. Abbey was been ill for some time. Several months ago his condition was said to be serious, but after that he grew steadily was said to be serious, but after that he grewere in the sound to be in the stomach. With him at the time were and Mrs. Kingsley, the mother of Mr. Abbey's first wife. The mother of Mr. Abbey's first wife. The mother of Mr. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Kingsley, the mother of Mr. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first wife. The bar has daughter and Mrs. Abbey's first tion of fisheries, and the Dominion has power to enact the imposition of a general license upon all persons fishing, but such licenses cannot be restricted to any particular locality. The Dominion power is general and cannot give license for any particular lake or river. The provinces, while not getting all they ask, are, nevertheless, given by this judgment, much of the jurisdiction and authority exercised by the Dominion.

BANK OF B. C. IN TACOMA. Manager Simon Interviewed and Explains Reasons for Closing.

Mr. J. Simon, manager of the Bank of British Columbia at Tacoma, when asked what reasons could be given for withdrawing the agency from Tacoma and Se-

attle, sa'd:

"That matter is settled in London, and of course we don't know what the exact reasons may be; but I presume the directors think they can make better use of their money elsewhere. It is well known that banking in this part of the country has not been profitable for the last few years, and I do not see any brilliant prospect in that line for the immediate future. It know we have endeavored to run the business here on business principles and to make it profitable, while serving our patrons in the best manner possible, yet I can't say that the business at present warrants the company in keeping the bank open." attle, said:

ed."
"Are those branches more profitable than the Tacoma and Seattle branches?"
"Well, they hardly have the business we do, but I don't suppose it costs anything near the expense to run them that it does this branch. Their expenses are very light." 'Has the political situation anything to with the withdrawal of your com

do with the withdrawal of your company?"
"Well, to tell the truth, I know nothing about that. It is a matter that is settled by the company, and I am not in a position to know what their reasons may be."

SCHOOL INQUIRY. Investigation Continued by the Special Committee.

The North Ward school investigation was

esumed on Saturday evening. R. S. Day,

The North Ward school investigation was resumed on Saturday evening. R. S. Day, a partner of Mr. Sodle at the time the contract was awarded, was the first wit ness. On the 18th of September, 1893, he left the office and did not return, and the partnership was dissolved on December. 31st of the same year. He did not have any thing to do with the construction of the building. He superintended the filling in of the yard by Mr. Haggerty for Mr. Soule, who was then absent in Cariboo. Mr. Elford, one of the contractors, asked him for a certificate for the final payment of 25 per cent., but he declined, not having the necessary authority from Mr. Soule to do so. Mr. Elford afterwards returned and informed him that Chairman Hayward of the school board had stated that it would be all right to issue the certificate. Mr. Day went to see Mr. Hayward and he learned the same thing from him. He then issued the certificate, signing it C. J. Soule, per R. S. Day. He disagreed with Mr. Northcott that all the walls were strengthened; only the lower walls were strengthened. The other walls were as originally designed.

Mr. Day gave corroborative evidence regarding the steel girders, and also stated that at the request of the janitor he examined one of the stairs landing while superintending the Haggerty contract. He found that the landing had dropped and attributed the trouble to the displacement of the timber. He reported this to Mr. Hayward and at his request wrote to the contractors asking that they should look to making the necessary repairs. They promised to do so, but did not, and he wrote them again, and as far as he knew they did nothing.

In answer to Chairman Marchant, Mr. Soule stated that the iron steel girders were manufactured at Carnegie's works. Pittsburg, and were according to specifications.

R. R. Bayne, architect since 1851, stated that he had visited the North Ward school

Pittsburg, and were according to specifications.

R. R. Bayne, architect since 1851, stated that he had visited the North Ward school building in company with Mr. Day. He re-affirmed what he had written regarding the safety of the roof and which has already been published. He did not think there was at any time any danger.

Chairman Hayward of the Board of School Trustees, detailed how the plans, were obtained and selections made. All the plans, were referred to R. Mackay Fripp, of Vancouver, for advice, Messays. Soule and Day's plans were awarded first place and the trustees acquiesced in this decision. The plans were referred to Building Inspector Northcott to see if they compiled with the building regulations. No tenders would have been accepted by the board unless the inspector was satisfied. Trustees did not interfere with the architects re plans, specifications or anything

in the matter of the boiler, which was done after the building was completed. He did not know how the clerk of the works came to write to the board direct without consulting the architect. He architect. He did not consider thought Mr. Gray a competent man as clerk of the works. He did not consider him an intermediary between the architect and the board. He could not say whether the architect had been consulted regarding the changes suggested in Mr. Gray's letter.

The investigation was adjourned until 3.30 Thursday afternoon.

# HENRY ABBEY DEAD

The Well Known Theatrical Manager Passes Away in New York on Saturday.

The He Handled Many of the Big Attractions That Came to America.

New York, Oct. 19.—Henry E. Abbey, the theatrical firm of Abbey, Schoeffel Grau died Saturday morning in his apaments at the Osborne, of hemorrhage, the stomach. With him at the time we

manager of Edwin Booth and Lotta. With the latter he is said to have made much money.

In 1876 Abbey assumed control of the Academy of Music in Buffalo and took as a partner John B. Schoeffel, whom he made manager. A year later they acquired possession of the Park theatre in this city. On October 30, 1882, fire broke out in the theatre and spolled Mrs. Langtry's American debut.

The firm of Abbey & Schoeffel has since managed the Grand opera house in this city; Booth's theatre, the Park and Tremont theatre, in Boston; the Metropolitan opera house in this city twice, and the Lyceum theatre, in London.

Mr. Abbey is credited with the distinction of having restored Italian opera in this country. In this attempt he was associated with Maurice Grau. Their first attempt was a disastrous failure. Abbey, in 1884, was given a benefit at the Metropolitan opera house that netted, it is said, \$30,000. In later years they met with a measure of financial success, but a few months ago the theatrical world was surprised by the bankruptcy of the firm.

Mr. Abbey has had little publicity since the publications of his wife's action for divorce and the reorganization of his firm. Only intimate friends knew where he was living, and they had no intimation of the seriousness of his condition. For this reason the announcement of his death came as a surprise.

Henry E. Abbey started life in theatricals in a way particularly his own. He would handle only the greatest attractions. In the presentation of performances in volving great risk layish display, boidness of conception and perseverance, Abbey

volving great risk, lavish display, of conception and persovered of conception and perseverance, Abbey was unequalled. To Abbey Americans are indebted for the introduction to them of Bernhardt, Henry Irving, Patti, Jane Halling, Monet Sully, Rejane, Beerbohm Tree, Jose Hoffman, Calve, the brothers De Reszke and many others. Jose Hoffman, Calve, the Reszke and many others Hoed the last tour of Mary An Mr. Abbey was an enthus man and belonged to a num His first wife was Miss Kin her death he married Floren well known actress, who rece separation on the ground of

separation on the ground of cruelty. Mr. Abbey's answer was that his wife was extravagant, abusive and jealous. He accused her of setting a servant to spy on him. Mr. Abbey's daughter, Kate, 14 years old, by his first wife, declared that her father always used the second Mrs. Abbey kindly.

MURDER AT LILLOOET. An Indian Woman Murdered -- A Suspect Committed for Trial.

Lillooet, B.C., Oct. 19 .- On Friday night Lillooet, B.C., Oct. 19.—On Friday night an Indian woman named Annie was mutdered on the outskirts of the town. The body was horribly mutilated after the manner of "Jack the Ripper." A man named Charles Moore, who has been employed at manual labor here or in this vicinity for some time, was arrested on suspicion on Saturday night. There is the most direct evidence against him. including blood market on his alektor. There chiding blood marks on his clare strong connecting links the evidence. He was declare are strong connecting links all thr the evidence. He was declared guilt a coroner's jury this afternoon and mitted by Magistrate Phair to stand at the Clinton assizes next spring. V key cut a considerable figure in the tredy. The prisoner is believed to be Swede and is understood to have lived Seattle or some other part of before coming to this province

T. W. Paterson left on Saturnday evening for the Grand Cache Mine, Lillonet, where a gang of men are to be put work constructing a road to the mit which it is proposed to have complet before the arrival of the machinery the ten stamp mill in about six weeks.

Extreme tired feeling afflicts nearly everybody at this season. The hustlers cease to push, the tireless grow weary, the energetic become enervated. You know just what we mean. Some men and women endeavor temporarily to overcome that

Feeling by great force of will. But this is unsafe, as it pulls powerfully upon the nervous system, which will not long stand such strain. Too many people "work on their nerves," and the result is seen in unfortunate wrecks marked "nervous prostration," in every direction. That tired

ing is a positive proof of thin, weak, impure blood; for, if the blood is rich, red, vitalized and vigorous, it imparts life and energy to every nerve, organ and tissue of the body. The necessity of taking Hood's Sarsaparilla for that tired feeling is, therefore, apparent to every one, and the good it will do you is equally beyond

# question. Remember that Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1 Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. are easy to take, easy Hood's Pills to operate. 25 cents.

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San Francisco, C last trip of the Pa Company's steamer of California, the the vessel was sur the ports they me wiped off the face the ship reached th Culiacah in the sta tle mining town of there on the Orizal gone, not a buildin This was one of t rible storm which Mainland coast of ber 17 and 18. Th brought the first comprehensive ide damage done. The composite affair, of wave and cloud b od down from the and met the tidal v by the sea and th ated. Many mines the coast were floo burst. Fortunately slight and the Altat in tents or rudely tle back from wh Viewing the forner the gulf the most meet the view are schooners Cometa German barkentine heached by the grea At Mazantlan, the most remarkable is observed. In street, more than the water's edge, sits keel. She rode in and when it receded Mazatlan sto well, but much dam German barks, which as to be well off li storm in the gulf of port two days after ments had subsided The San Vicente mi to the rear of Maza the surface by the as Alatata is conce thing to find itself of the third time the t lowed up by the se has been rebuilt, each ther up the Culiacah residents will build

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cables, which reported cited and from 31/2 to valent to an advance cents. No such jump enced in that market first half hour the cra to cover, and the mos was done around 79 ce ines were dumped of out that figure. All bullish by any means ceipts were heavy, by gainst 1887 last yea ipments were liberal. a pre-eminent influence

Poronto, Oct. 19.—Ma advanced 8 to 10 cents day and is now held at

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