nes

The offering will no doubt for yourself.

re Bargain

r \$23.00

t is massively made of back, adjustable shelves. art glass top section. is price, and as we have too long if you intend to

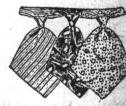
\$23.00 ains Friday

vill be offered for sale on ngs have a cream backcolors: black, salmon etty cloth and just the Regular

r for Men

w Neckwear that is sure

a nice assortment at 50¢ and fancy patterns at 50¢ s and polka dot designs,



and visitors to our city ad our stock of Dent's well kid gloves very complete. special new line, the ST.

LINEN HANDKERfrom, per dozen, \$9.00,

r Dresses

well worth an inspec-We have complete. d call particular attena New York house, that lusively. These dresses umper effects, the feamaking the patterns are ly see, and are very likely to become comen of all ages.

llpapers

ether you need any or he third floor would not ntion to this section, and tter what kind of Wallnent is very extensive, it is shown in all grades ce selection, our range e sure of being pleased. nd have a look at them.



ial for Friday

The Semi-Weekly Colonist,

VICTORIA, B. C. TUESDAY, MAY 19, 1908

APPEARS SURE FOR SECY. TAFT

Manager of His Campaign Says He Has Majority of Delegates

VOL L., NO. 147

LARGE NUMBER INSTRUCTED

Nomination on First Ballot

delegates to the Republican national convention, the nomination of Secretary Taft on the first ballot of the convention is a foregone conclusion.

"Of the 980 delegates who will sit in the convention 563 have been chosen Montreal, May 16.—At a mass meet—

ment or preference that were the equivalent of instructions.

"Two hundred and twenty-five delegates have been instructed for other candidates. One hundred and ninety-two delegates are uninstructed. Of these 192 more than 100 are known supporters of Secretary Taft. This assures Secretary Taft at this time a total delegate strength in the convention of only a few votes less than 700."

Clare a general strike in the Ho aga mill of the Dominion Textile pany on Monday morning. This will add about 1,500 more to the uployed. The mill closed today, it was because the employees were uning on short time.

PRINCE IN DISGRACE

Residence of Zu Eulenberg Searches
By a Commission for Political
Correspondence

Berlin, May 14.—The residence at Liebenburg, of Prince Philip Zui Eulenberg, who was arrested recently charged with perjury in connection with the Harden revelations of last summer, was searched today for political correspondence. The result of the quest has not yet been made known. The investigation was conducted by a commission appointed by the judge in whose halds the Eulenberg case has been placed, and a number of the prince's papers were gone over.

private desk or not.

COLLISION CAUSED DEATH of the senate last night reported Hon. Mr. Fischer's bil One of Ottawa's Crew Killed and Four others Injured When Steamers Met

Montreal, May 14.—The Dominion Line steamship Ottawa, which sailed from here last Saturday bound for Liverpool with passengers and cargo, and which was in collision with the Collier Troid, below Fame Point early on Monday morning, returned to port this evening, when it became known for the first time that John Taylor. Second Baker, had been killed and four other members of the crew injured when the ships came together bows on. Taylor and the other men were sleeping in the forecastle. When Taylor's body was found after the collision his chest was encircled by one of the ship's plates, which had curled around the sleeping man. The Ottawa's passengers and cargo are being transferred to the Kensington of the same line, which sails on Saturday morning.

Population of London, Ont.

London, Ont., May 16.—London's population is now 48,541, an increase of 1779 compared with last year.

Bucket Shops in Trouble.

Toronto, May 16.—Two of the leading bucket shops are in difficulties, and are likely to be compelled to close their doors.

Call to Rev. J. B. Silcox

Toronto, May 16.—The Northern Congregational church has extended a call to Rev. J. B. Silcox formerly of Winnipes.

Canadians Lack Culture

Toronto, May 16.—Addressing the Baptist laymen last night on "The Building of a New National Life," D. E. Thompson, K. C., said Canadians lacked culture.

YAL II TIMPED

YALU TIMBER

China Unexpectedly Refuses to Sign Agreement Proposed By Japan-ese Government

Pekin, May 14.—Contrary to expectations, China has refused to sign the agreement proposed by Japan for the settlement of the Yalu timber controversy. The statement given out that an agreement was reached was erroneous. This proposal confirmed the creation of a joint stock lumber company of Japanese and Chinese with a view of carrying on the business of cutting timber in the forest on the right bank of the Yalu.

convention which meets in Chicago on June 16.

Suicide From Grief.

Montreal, May 16.—Broken hearted over the loss of his wife, who had been dead less than a week. Isale David, 60 years of age a resident of Tetreault-ville, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in a shed in the rear of his home.

Viloence by Strikers.

Toronto, May 14.—Richard Gribbin, G. T. yardman, is dead from injuries caused by falling lumber in the rail-way yards at the foot of Bathurst

Thaw Hearing Ended.

Poughkeepsie, N.Y., May 16.—Harry K. Thaw's plea for his liberty from Matteawan insane asylum, where he has been confined since his acquittal for the murder of Stanford White, will probably be decided by Judge Morschauser on Monday, May 25. The hearing in the habeas corpus proceedings brought by counsel for Thaw ended late tonight after District Attorney Jerome, of New York, had made the sensational request that Thaw, whom he had called to the stand, permit his alienists to examine him and judge of his mental condition, as heretofore they had no opportunity to converse with the defendant. Thaw Hearing Ended.

BILLS OF LADING mendments to Be Made in Senator Campbell's Bill at Instance of Steamship Companies

Ottawa, May 14.—The senate banking and commerce committee today decided to report the Campbell bill on bills of lading. As a result of the conference between Senator Campbell and representatives of the steamship companies, the bill will be amended in a number of particulars. The principal is that a steamship company cannot by the terms of a bill of lading contract itself out of liability for damage to goods in transit or for liability for delivery of wrong goods.

The principal concessions which have been made to steamship companies are that they shall not be liable for damage to goods damaged by strikes or

that they shall not be liable for damage to goods damaged by strikes or causes beyond their control; that the owners of a steamship cannot be indicted in a criminal court for violation of the act, though a \$2,000 penalty provision is retained.

A new provision is inserted protecting steamship companies from misran-

Columbus, Ohio, May 16.—Arthur I vorys, manager of the W. H. Taft canacter and value of his goods. The original bill proposed that a steamship company had to defend a suit for dam-

in the convention 563 have been chosen under positive instructions to vote for Taft, or under resolutions of indorsement or preference that were the equivalent of instructions.

"Two hundred and twenty-five delegates have been instructed for other candidates. One hundred and ninety-two delegates are uninstructed. Of these 192 more than 100 are known ployed. The mill closed today, but it was because the employees were work-

commission cannot upon the prince who is being held a prisoner in the charity hospital, and reduested the key of his private desk, which was locked of paper or to restrict the output. This evidence was given before the special committee of the House of Representatives that is investigating and a physician had to be summoned to apply restoratives.

The prince still refuses the commission to examine his private letters, and remarked that in any event, no political correspondence would be found, as he had long ago deposited such communications in another place. It is not known whether the commission forced the prince's private desk or not.

Association to tals the price who list causes the price of paper or to restrict the output. This evidence was given before the standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country was and and reduced that he was overcome by an attack of weakness, and a physician had to be summoned to apply restoratives.

The prince still refuses the commission to examine his private letters, and remarked that in any event, no political correspondence would be found, as he had long ago deposited such communications in another place. It is not known whether the commission forced the prince's private desk or not.

Association to restrict the output. This evidence was given before the standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely to lose their grip in the country standard spring wheats are never likely

Canned Goods Bill.

Population of London, Ont.

For Temperary Chairman.

Old Packing Plant Burned. Onaha, Neb., May 16.—The old plant of the Omaha Packing company at South Omaha was destroyed by fire last night, together with three million pounds of meat. The damage totals \$500,000. The old plant was used mostly for storing meats. The ice plant was also destroyed. A fireman was slightly hurt.

Both Spring and Winter Wheat Hold Promise of Bumper Harvest

FAR AHEAD OF LAST YEAR

per Growth of Young

Winnipeg, May 16 .- The weather Winnipes, May 16.—The weather acter and value of his goods. The original bill proposed that a steamship company had to defend a suit for damage at the point of origin. This is changed so that suits have to be brought at the Canadian port of shipment or on the other side at the point of arrival.

Cotton Strike Spreads.

Montreal, May 16.—At a mass meeting of the textile workers of Hochelaga last night it was decided to declare a general strike in the Hochelaga mill of the Dominion Textile company on Monday morning. This move will tie up all the Montreal mills, and will add about 1,500 more to the unemployed. The mill closed today, but it was because the employees were working on short time.

PAPER MAKERS DENY

COMBINE STATEMENT

Allege That Canadian Mills

Are Selling Product at a Loss

Winnipeg, May 16.—The weather during the past week has been all that could be desired for a growing crop and wheat is reported from almost every district in the three provinces to be well above ground. Cool temperatures and local showers have been doing their best to give the young grain a good story and these conditions have resulted in remarkably sturyd growth. On the one hand rains have not been sufficiently heavy to make the tender shoots lush, and on the other, there has been no scorching heat to attenuate them.

The wheat is at least a month earlier.

The wheat is at least a month earlier then the grain from two to six or eight inches high, the vernal season must be almost malignantly unpropriet of the following month, or black rust and hail damage. Damage from the latter two causes are bound to minimize year by year as farmers learn more generally to treat their seed against disease, and as the spreading area of cultivation relieves the trifling percentage of local damage by hail storms.

With such fine spring wheat prosduring the past week has been all that

And the part of th

For Temporary Chairman.

Chicago, May 16.—U. S. Senator
Burrows, of Michigan, was selected tonight by the sub-committee of the
Republican National committee to be
temporary chairman of the national
convention which meets in Chicago on
June 16.

Mr. Jackson came here today and,
after a conference with his deputy,
announced that he coincided in the
opinion of the receiver that the proposed settlement was the best thing
for all concerned. 'The \$8,000 will give
the depositors about two per cent,
making a total of about \$5 per cent
paid to them by the receiver.

Suicide From Grief.

Suicide From Grief.

Montreal, May 16.—Broken hearted over the loss of his wife, who had been dead less than a week. Isale David, 60 years of age a resident of Tetreault-ville, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in a shed in the rear of his home.

Protection of Passengers.

Toronto, May 14.—The Ontario Railway board will not allow the street railway company to carry passengers on the front vestibules of cars.

Toronto, May 14.—Richard Gribbin, G. T. yardman, is dead from injuries caused by falling lumber in the rail
Old Packing Plant Burned.

Suicide From Grief.

Montreal, May 16.—Broken hearted over the loss of his wife, who had been dead less than a week. Isale David, 60 years of age a resident of Tetreault-ville, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in a shed in the rear of his home.

Viloence by Strikers.

Brantford, May 16.—Volence continues in connection with the strike of moulders at the Buck stove works in this city. Attacks by unknown parties were made at midnight last night on two houses occupied by non-union men. Considerable damage was done but no one was injured.

Old Packing Plant Burned.

Killed Wifs and Self

London, Ont., May 16.—George Jones, of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authorities of Rattle street, has received the following telegram from the authoriti

LOOKS LIKE INSANITY rish Barrister Charges Lord Aberdeen and Secretary Birrell With Theft of Jewels

London, May 14.—A warrant for the arrest of Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, "for the theft of the crown jewels from Dublin castle," was the demand made by elderly men this afternoon before the magistrate of the Westminster police court. The applicant, who claims to be an Irish barrister, handed up a statement charging that "Lord Aberdeen, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and Mr. Birrell had committed the theft in conjunction." He declared that in support of this charge he had circumstantial evidence of an extraordinary character.

The megistrate cox the statement and read it, after which he told the applicant that he could, if he desired, proceed through the attorney-feneral or the public prosecutor.

The Irishman thereupon commenced to argue in favor of immediate action on the part of the magistrate, but the latter instructed the officials to remove the man from the court.

Jewels valued at \$250,000 belonging to the regalla of the Order of St. Patrick disappeared last summer from Dublin castle. The matter has never been cleared up.

Railway Shops Closed.

Horton, Kas., May 16.—The Rock Island railway shops closed last night, no definite time being announced for their reopening. About 600 men are thrown out of employment.

Yalu River Timber. Pekin, May 16.—The proposed agreement for the settlement of the Yalu river controversy between China and Japan was sent down to Tien-Tsin by

ENGLISH HOP GROWERS DEMAND PROTECTION

Great Demonstration in Trafalgar Square in Favor of

Ottawa Department to Incite Defiance of Provincial Authority

TEST POWERS IN COURTS

Scene of Initial Stage of Fight

Ottawa, May 15 .- The Dominion government is planning to fight the British Columbia authorities in respect to the fishery regulations recently

British Columbia authorities in respect to the fishery regulations recently adopted by the province. These regulations conflict with those of the federal department of fisheries in several important respects, and it is the intention of the Dominion government to force a test of the powers of the province during the approaching salmon fishing season.

Ostensibly the Dominion will acvenothing to do with the fight, but as a matter of fact the preliminaries are now being arranged in Ottawa, and whatever action is taken to dispute the provincial regulations will be with the consent and advice of the federal department of fisheries. It is reported that the Minister of Fisheries, Hon L. P. Brodeur, is even prepared to greather and foot the law costs, and possible fines of those who are selected to defy the province and bring the dispute into the courts.

So far as is known, the scene of the fight will be laid on the Fraset river. Arrangements will be made with some fishermen to refuse to take out provincial licenses, and they will also be instructed to defy the provincial close season regulations. The result will be the arrest of these men by the provincial authorities, and a tussle in the courts will follow.

The Dominion government is secretly backing the men who are to break the provincial regulations.

BOMBS IN INDIA

FIRM FOR HOME RULE

London, May 16.—In today's The Nation, John Redmond tells a touching story of the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's determination in behalf of Home Rule for Ireland. The last time he visited the House of Commons Sir Henry told Mr. Redmond that it was his intention himself to wind up the approaching Home Rule debate. The next day the premier was stricken with the illness that eventually proved fatal. The debate was fixed for February 17, and as Mr. Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, also was indisposed. Mr. Redmond asked Mr. Asquith as acting leader in the House to postuppe the debate.

mr. Asquith as acting leader in the House, to postopue the debate. Mr. Asquith declined, but Sir Henry, hearing of this, sent word that unless the debate was postponed he had made up his mind, whatever the cost, to leave his bed and go to the House of Commons and participate in the discussion. Thereupon Mr. Asquith yielded, and postponed the debate to March 30. Steel-Coal Case.

Toronto, May 14.—J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron and Steel company, knows nothing of the

Chilliwack Improvement.

New Westminster, May 14.—A by-law authorizing the ditching and draining of ten thousand acres of valuable land near Chilliwack has been passed by the mayor and aldermen of that city. Work will be commenced on the big undertaking in the immediate future. The improvements are expected to have a tendency to increase the value of land in the vicinity of Chilliwack.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR AMERICAN SPRINTERS

President Sullivan Enthusiastic Over Chances of Team to Go to Olympic Games

New York, May 15 .- Following the

FIFTIETH YEAR

Some Men Who Refused to Strike Are Roughly Han-- dled By Mobs

Cleveland, May 16.—In the midst of a day of incipient riot, some blood-shed, general disorder, and a partial stopping of the street railway service, incident to the strike of the conductors and metormen of the Municipal Traction dempany, came a proposition tonight to stop further violence and submit the whole matter to arbitration.

violence and submit the whole matter to arbitration.

This propositio — me from Joseph Bishop, a member of the submit and of arbitration, but with neither side of the strike willing to make overtures to this end, a peaceful settlement and the immediate termination of the disorder still is an open question. All night Mr. Bishop labored with the head of the union and with the head of the union and with the head of the traction company. In the meantime disorder continued.

The night was made eventful by the

disorder continued.

The night was made eventful by the company rescinding an order during the day. It first was proposed to stop all cars at dark and make no further attempts to operate until tomorrow. Late today the company decided to continue the service.

From the moment the strike went into effect early this morning there was more or less rioting. At first the men who remained at work were appealed to by the strikers to leave the cars. When they refused to strike or quit work, motormen and conductors

cars. When they refused to strike or quit work, motormen and conductors were forcibly taken from the cars. Cars were stopped by the placing of obstructions upon the tracks. Trolley wires were cut, tracks were ripped up and switch points broken. On one occasion a mob surrounded a car and the police attempted to rescue the crew. Stones and clubs were nurled, and the officers used their maces. Chief of Police Kohler was struck by a stone, but not seriously injured. At noon Mayor Johnson Issued the following proclamation: