## LONDON

It is Officially Stated Over 150 Large Warehouses Have Been Completely Gutted.

An Estimate of the Drainage is Placed at About Five Million Pounds.

London, Nov. 19 .- The great fire broke out in a large block of buildings lying east of Aldergate street and between that thoroughfare and Red Cross street, at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The flames were fanned by a strong wind, and fed by highly inflammable stocks of Christmas fancy goods and which filled every floor of the six-story whole metropolitan district. building in the old street. Consequently after more than a hundred engines had way, worked an hour that the chief of the fire brigade sent out the signal that the fire was under control.

the scene of great excitement. Fifty Two feather firms alone have lost 150 .engines are playing upon the ruins and 000. tons of water are pouring into the fiery to penetrate the cordon maintained by a thousand policemen, reinforcements for whom were sent up when at 5 o'clock buildings, which fall now and again with lond report. The latest advices indicate that nearly a hundred warehouses have been destroyed, while the loss will probably exceed £3,000,000. The historic church of St. Giles has

struction being to the roof, the old winoutbreak of the fire, which was due to crowded with girls when the fire broke out, and it was instantly the scene of a semi-panic. the operatives rushing to eraceing to other buildings and so effecting their escape, while the flames had envelcped the adjoining warehouse and

been much damaged, the principal de-

ormous paper warehouse which was fully alight in less than ten minutes. By this time it was evident to the firegreat disaster, and a general alarm was tions, even those five miles from the cause he had no ammunition. scene, engines were hurrying to the spot and the police gathered in great force. This display on the part of the police was required, as the crowd, swelling London, Nov. 19 .- A dispatch from every moment, soon amounted to thous- Berlin describes a terrible fatality in Poands of people, and the firemen required land. While a recent performance of every possible freedom of action, as their wild beasts and their tamer were in prothat part of London, combined with the among the spectators, and several perdone, but the direct damage, exclusive beight of the warehouse, which cut off sons were crushed to death, many others the firemen from all fair chance of con- being seriously injured.

That the excitement among the onlookers, who crowded every possible bad to be repeatedly assisted by their hosts of clerks who were trying to save suing licenses. books and valuable papers from the fire and the rushing about of many employes who were attempting to carry to places of safety costly merchandise and othtions under showers of water poured upof age. Cook was born at Brenks Hill,
on them. But in spite of the exertions of
and in 1836 came to this country with ly until Nichol Square, at the far end of exhibit in America.

Hamsel street, was reached. A little after 2 o'clock a dozen hose pipes, each with a 12-foot spread, poured water into the blaze from opposite the burning premises themselves, but it from the ground floor like a waterfall properly cooked veal. while the flames leaped higher and higher, and as the floors fell in the fire still HIGH SPEED OF TROLLEY CARS blazed. The confusion in the street in

creased as the fire spread. gas neters, sounding like the reports of valuable chinaware, etc. One man ac-

emerged from the building. tons of brick and masonry into the cannot be distinguished from steam streets, hursting and cutting the fire railroad service. ing in every direction, making it imposto forsee where the confingration would stop, as roof after roof caught fire, and window frames all about the scene

rads of people surrounded the fire. The pieces, are not in it with Hood's. Easy to take stantly pressed back by the police as the area of the fire-swept spot increased. By dask the picture presented was extremedask the picture presented was extreme.

By brilliant. Four streets were blazing on both sides, and there was plenty to oth sides, and there was plenty to and easy to oper est the gambling spirit of the on- of Hood's Pills, Conkers in betting as to whether or not up to date in every respect.

The venerable tower of St. Giles' church safe, certain and sure. All druggista Sc. C. I, Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. burning fragments with which it was burning fragments with which it was the only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparille branch of the mint.

point showed out against the black sky and through the widespreading mass of dull leaden smoke, tinged with tongues Sir of yellow fire, and here and there where the fire had subsided somewhat the lamps, strippd by the heat of their burners and glass frames, glazed with big jets from the open pipes, like monster

There was no abatement of the flames before 3:30 p.m. Then the check came in Jewin street and in Wall street, where the collapse of a wall on the right hand of that thoroughfare was the means of saving the last building in the street.

flames blew his whistle loudly for assistance, but some minutes elapsed before the alarm was heard by any of his comrades. As soon as assistance reached him the officer was dispacthed to ummon the fire brigade. But here again there was an unaccountable delay of twenty minutes before the fire engine apenared. Then the fearful dimensions of the fire were apparent, and it was deflimsy dress materials of all descriptions cided to circulate a call throughout the

It is officially stated that 150 warethe conflagration gained headway with surprising rapidity and was soon far beyond the possibility of being checked by the few angines, which were early on the the few engines which were early on the ested, and fire insurance stocks were spot. For four hours and a half the practically unsalable on the stock ex-Sames had their own way, and it was only change after the fire was well under Nearly 500 telephone wires have been cut, interrupting communication

with many of the big provincial towns. The fire will cause an enormous advance in the price of ostrich feathers, At 11 o'clock to-night the fire is still which rose 50 per cent. in the evening.

debris. Thousands of people are trying Catarrh of Ten Years' Standing Cured

I suffered from catarrh for ten years an increase in the outbreak led Comman- and was treated by some of the best der Wells to make a requisition for more physicians in Canada, I was recomengines upon the outlying stations. The mended by Mr. C. Thompson, druggist, scene must occupy the fire brigade for Tilsonburg, to try Dr. Chase's Catarrh several days, especially in view of grave Cure, and can state positively it cured danger of the collapse of the shells of my catarrh and Catarrhal Sore Throat. Yours respectfully.

ANNA A. HOWEY. J. D. Phillins, J.P. Witness.

GERMANS AT KIAO CHAU.

London, Nov. 19 .- According to a specdows, the baptismal font and Milton's ial dispatch from Shanghai, Admiral Von Hochelaga, this city, committed suicide Diedrich, commander of the German during the night by shooting himself in cruiser Division, before landing marines the forehead in a room in the rear of an explosion in connection with a gas at Kiao Chau, on Monday morning, the bank. He left a note reading: engine on the premises of Walter Brown notified the British, French and Russian "Farewell, dear mother, brothers and & Co., mantle manufacturers, at No. 30 admirals of his intentions, and it is said all dear ones. Forgive me. May on that thoroughfare. The factory was that the Russian admiral expressed aphave mercy on my soul.' The cause of the rash act appears to have been a proval.

distressed over the matter, declaring which might not even have cost him the roof of the building and thence that Russia, Germany and France are his situation, and it was the fear preparing to attack Japan and will use disclosure that drove him to take his Kiao Chau as a naval base.

London, Nov. 19.—The Shanghai corthence leaped across the street to an enconvey stores and material to the Ger- Stormont county. man fleet at Kiao Chau Bay. The ccmen that they were face to face with a cupation is apparently to be more than temporary. The Chinese general in comsent out. Then, from all the fite sta-

PANIC AT A CIRCUS.

SPARRING EXHIBITIONS.

point of view, was very great may be New York, Nov. 19.—The application judged from the fact that the firemen of the Waldorf Athletic Club for a peremptory mandamus to compel Mayor comrades by the aid of fire escapes, Strong to grant it a license to conduct from buildings that had caught fire after sparring exhibitions was devied by Justhe firemen had mounted to the roofs to tice Andrews in the supreme court to-Eght the flames in adjoining structures. day. The court holds that the mayor has The rescue of operatives. The hurrying discretionary powers in the matter of is-

OLD CLOWN DEAD.

New York, Nov. 19 .- Thomas Edwin The heat was so intense that several fire- leading circus clown, is dead at his men were obliged to direct their opera-home in Paterson, N.J. He was 96 years the firemen the fire crept on very steadi- his father's circus, said to be the first to

VASSAR STUDENTS ILL.

New York Nov. 19 .- A special to the roofs, from the street below and from Times from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., says: Sixty students at Vassar College are did not seem to have any effect. The reported seriously ill, all having been water rushed out of the windows and taken sick two days ago from eating im-

Suddenly there was an explosion of Cleveland, Ohio, known as the Cleve-A new suburban electric road near surance companies. field guns, followed by a momentary land and Lorain Electric Railroad, has After that the wild rushing here a schedule of time that calls for a Milton's funeral and deaths from the and there was resumed with increased speed of thirty-five miles an hour, and plague in 1665. energy. Men risked their lives in ef-recently, during some trial trips, one s to save day books, ledgers, jewelry, car averaged fifty-two miles, and even toally risked his life to fetch his hat covered one portion of the road at a and coat, two hundred feet of stone fifty-five mile rate. These figures are work and glass falling at his heels as he particularly interesting as an illustration of the requirements met by the Several firemen were almost buried in bounding modern trolley line, and also showing condemnation of the Turner govern-burning ruins as front after front of how street railways are gradually ment. At a meeting of the Trades and merging into a line of business that Labor Council last night President the burning ruins as front after front of how street railways are gradually the flaming warehouses fell in, hurling merging into a line of business that

CANADIAN NEWS.

to Run in Centre Toronto.

Toronto, Nov. 19 .- Sir Oliver Mowat was to-day sworn in as Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. The ceremony of installing him took place at 3 o'clock this afternoon when Mr. McGee, clerk of the privy council, was present, as is usual upon such occasions. Retiring Governor Sir George Kirkpatrick, witnessed the ceremony, also Premier Hardy, Chief Justice Burton and other paratively broad thoroughfare, also prominent men. Hon. David Mills was sworn in as minister of justice immediately afterwards. Sir Oliver will not occupy Government House till New Year's.

O. A Howland will be nominated on the 23rd inst as the Conservative for Centre Toronto. Halifax, Nov. 19. -Major General Gascoigne, commander of the Canadian militia, has been in Halifax to confer with General Montgomery Moore about military matters. In addition to the interchange of Canadian regulars and imperial troops, it is understood that a proposal to garrison Vancouver with imperial troops has been taken under advisement. In the event of the tablishment of a garrison on Pacific coast, it is probable Leinster regiment, now stationed Halifax, will be transferred to West. Arrangements will be made for exchange of companies of Canadian

Col. Humphreys and officers of the 66th Fusiliers have resigned on account of General Gascoigne's public statement that two-thirds of the men were army reserve men. Col. Humphreys sent in his resignation in the afternoon and twelve other officers followed in

the evening.

Montreal, Nov. 19.—Lieutenant-Colonel Strathy and Major Ibbotson, of the Royal Scots, to-day met General Gascoigne to discuss the trouble in the regiment. The general subsequently stated that he had reprimanded Col. Strathy for lack of tact and want of consideration for the junior officers, and he had reprimanded Major Ibbotson for over sensitiveness. There had been no military offence. In the natural course of events Col. Strathy would retire in March next. Major Ibbotson would succeed, but if any further bickering arose in the meanwhile. be dismissed from the service. Winnipeg, Nov. 19.-Thomas Davery trivial one. He had committed The Chinese did not appear to be much some slight irregularity, a

Cornwall, Nov. 17 .- J. G. Adams, of respondent of the Times says: Two wales, has been nominated for the steamers have been chartered here to legislative assembly by the Patrons of Montreal, Nov. 19.-W. A. Grenier, imprisoned for libelling Mr. Tarte, was

released vesterday. COUNTING THE COST.

Summing I'm the Loss by the Lond Fire-Great Mass of Ruins

fight was one of the greatest difficulty gress at a village near Kovono, Poland. the smouldering ruins marking the scene discovered some months ago by them of the narrowness of the old the lion tamer was killed by a lion and of the great fire. It is impossible to accrooked streets, which are a feature of a tigress. A fearful panic ensued curately estimate the amount of damage and which they have, in partnership of the immense indirect loss to trade will probably be about \$10,0000,00. Consols and India 3 per cents have fallen heavily on the belief that the losses will necessitate heavy sales by insurance companies, and most insurance companies' shares have dropped 10 to 30 points. The Evening Standard, in its financial article, says it is believed the bulk can insurance companies.

The last flames disappeared by 11 o'clock this morning, but as this message is forwarded water is still being poured on the red hot masses of rulns, all that is necessary to demonstrate The burned district is surrounded by enormous crowds of people and the railer valuables, added to the confusion. Cook, who, when in his prime was a roads are running excursion trains from the country

About 300 firms are engaged in seeking for new offices. An official report says the cause of the fire is unknown. A large number of warehouses, five to Paul's Alley and Red Cross Street. The insurance agents take an opti-000. It is a fact that dozens of burn- Great Britain and Italy. ed out firms were not insured, in some cases because the locality had been considered dangerous by the in- WOULD YOU LIKE

All the historic treasures of Cripple gate church were removed, including records of Oliver Cromwell's marriage.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER

Turner's Policy Condemned-The First | 12 STEARNS BICYCLES AND Vancouver, Nov. 20 (Special)-More Bartley spoke strongly against the giving away of lands as bonuses. The matter will be fully discussed at the next meeting. It is known hownext meeting. It is known how-ever, that a majority of the members of the council condemn the previncial vernment's action. The council faors the government ownership of railways.

The first train for three days is expected this afternoon. The chief trouble was caused at American Bar, miles above Hope, where the bridge was carried away as a result

of the heavy rains, Sir Ralph Thompson, late perm nent under secretary of war, with Chief Clerk Rigg, of the royal mint, London, leave by the Warrimoo to-morlia, to assist in the establishment of a

Farrallon in Distress.

about 40 passengers on board, put in here last evening in distress, she hav-ing broken one of her steampipes. The Rv. A. E. Green, G. C. Templar of British Columbia, started yesterday on a month's tour to the interior of the ovince, lecturing in the interests of

Mr. Verney Stewart, son of Chief Constable Stewart, has been appointed inside guard at the Nanaimo provincial jail. Mr. Stewart is to be congratulated on his appointment.-Free Press.

A man's wife should always be the same, especially to her husband, but if she is, weak and nervous, and uses Carter's Iron Pills, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their busbands say so too!

Smith and Buzzard Sell Their Vancouver Island Mine Port Townsend to-day received a

The demonstration came in the rewhen in the possession of honest felboilermaker of this city, owned for some months past.

Molander still retains a three-quarter interest in the claim, and will probably retain a controlling share, although he has already received several very flattering offers for his holdings.

Smith and Buzzard came over morning, accompanied by Molander. radiant at the success which has been their portion. They will remain here for a while, but do not intend to abandon the island, being firmly convinced land in mineral wealth.

TURKISH EXPEDITION.

Cairo, Nov. 19.—Parsons Pasha starts for Suakim on Tuesday next, from six stories high, have been burned and which place he will embark a battalion that the Liberal platform goes more partly fallen, the whole covering an of infantry and detachments of artilarea of 200 by 150 yards, bounded by lery, engineers and camel corps, to-Nicholls Square, Edmonds Place, gether with about 1,500 men, for Mas-Jewin Crescent, Australian avenue, sowa, from which place the force will go to Kassala, in order to take over mistic view of the losses, their esti- the place from the Italians, according mates ranging from £300,000 to £800,- to an agreement arrived at between

> A Bicycle --Gold Watch?

27 GOLD WATCHES ARE



NANAIMO NOTES.

Oliver Mowat Sworn In-Howland Docks at Departure Bay-The Steamer

Mr. James Dunsmuir passed through to Wellington by the noon train to While at the depot a Free Press representative learned that it is the intention of the E. & N. Railway Company to proceed at an early date with Bay, at the East Wellington site for the shipment of the product of the Alexandria and extension mines. The men employed in these mines will live in this city, and work trains will be run for their accommodation. At first it was the intention of the company to start a town at Oyster Harbor, they believe that one large city will be more conducive to the success of the railway than a number of smaller Referring to the improvement in the coal trade, Mr. Dunsmuir states that through the coming winter the product of the coast mines will be

strong demand Mr. Richard Potts, who was seriously injured last Saturday while at his work n No. 5 shaft, died this morning at the Nanaimo Hospital. The deceased was 36 years of age, a native Netherton. Northumberland. England, and single. His mother is living and resides at present in Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Hanna Smith, relict of the late

John Smith, watchmaker, died this morning at 7:30 o'clock. The deceased was 68 years of age, and a native of Liverpool, England, where her relatives now reside. The deceased had been ill some time, but about a month ago it took a serious turn, the end coming this morning. American steamer Farallor

bound from Seattle for Skagway, with

the Good Templars, and to organize lodges where practicable.

THE DEAL HAS BEEN MADE.

ractical demonstration of the fact that there is no excuse for any one being idle and complaining of hard times, when a fortune is in store for anyone who has the energy to get out and se cure it, says the Port Townsend Call. turn to-day from Victoria of Harry Smith and Harry Buzzard, two known citizens of this place, who had in their possession what is to-day looked upon as a small fortune, particularly lows who have always provided for themselves by honest toil, ofttimes but poorly rewarded. Smith and Buzzard brought back this amount as the proceeds of a sale which was consummated in Victoria yesterday, and through London, Nov. 20.-A number of fire which they disposed of a quarter or engines this morning are still playing on "working" interest in the Tyhee mine, with Eric Molander, the well known

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THE LIBERAL PLATFORM. (Vancouver News-Advertiser.) We publish in another column the platform formulated by the Liberatconvention held recently at New Westminster, and which, it will be remembered, was left to a committee, then se

lected, to revise and prepare for publication. A careful perusal of this platform enables us to give it our hearty approval and to commend it to the support of every elector in the province who desires to secure good, capable and honest administration of provincial af- its success at the next elections is asfairs, whether he style himself a Con- snred servative or a Liberal in regard to Do

minion political issues. To all intents and purposes; completely as regards matters of principle and policy, this platform, promulgated by the over it. It is trivial throughout, a sort Liberal convention, is in harmony and of Cheap-John, catch-penny affair. accord with that put forward in July no place does it rise above the level that the Tyee is not the only paying last by Mr. Semlin, M.P.P., the leader demagogic mediocrity. Its tone is phu claim on it. They think a little time is of the opposition in the provincial legisinture, and his supporters in the house. the abundant richness of Vancouver Is- For the convenience of our readers we also republish the latter, so that they ean see for themselves as to the entire agreement of the two documents on all salient and vital features. Practically the only difference between

the two documents arises from the fact elaborately into matters than the other and treats as planks in it what Mr. Semlin regarded more as details and methods of administration. This variation is naturally the result of the different methods of treatment of the sub-ject which the differnce in the composition of the respective framers might be expected to cause. The opposition platform was framed by the members of that party in the house, who dealt with the details of the subject from the par- saw Poole coming: liamentary and technical positions under which they fall in the discussion of them in the legislature. A convention composed of delegates from all parts of two. I'll tell him my coat, which British Columbia just as naturally con- have just had from him, doesn't lit." sidered the questions as they would be brought before the gathering by the representatives of the different sections of the province, each anxious to accentuate the importance of some matter which had come especially under his notice. In short, the end aimed at was approached by different reads, but both have eached the desired goal.

We can say of the Liberal convention's platform what we said of that put forward by Mr. Semlin, that it prethe electors a programme, the adoption of which will ensure to British Colum-bia good administration of its affairs, and the fullest opportunities to the peo-ple to develop the great resources of the ple to develop the great resources of the province without imposing on them undue burdent or giving advantages to the few as against the many. Both platforms are pronounced in the demand for a proper system of representation. That is the first, and, in some respects, the most important of the declarations in either platform, because on a reform in the system of parliamentary representation depends the possibility of the electors, having the opportunity of fairly and equitably selecting those into whose hands they desire to entrust the administration of public affairs. The achievement of that object implies two things: the placing in office of a government

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backed by a majority of the with all the strength and influence which

that the administration of provincial a fairs will then be in accordance wit popular demands, as the latter are freeexpressed in the different constitue cies through the electors at the polls. The publication of the Liberal plat form corroborates the view that we have always taken, that the opposition, both its Conservative and Liberal el ments, is united in its policy in regard to provincial affairs. That being so

such a fact insures, and the certainty

(The Colonist.) The whole platform is not worth the fuss and mystery that has been made isaical throughout. It is a curious med ley of platitudes and puerile abuse.

You may eat cheap food and not be seriously hurt by it: but you cannot take cheap medicines without positive injury If you use any substitute for Ayer Sarsaparilla, you do so at the peril your health perhaps of your life. Insis on having Ayer's, and no other.

READY WITH HIS CHALK.

A Tailor's Quick Reply to a Dissatisfied

Customer. When Poole, the famous tailor, was an old man he was at Brighton on a vacation, and one afternoon went out walk upon the pier, says Tit-Bits. A young man was also upon the pier with a couple of ladies, to whom he said as he

"Now, you wouldn't take that good-

looking man for a tailor, but he is. Jus As he spoke Pole approached and P litely acknowledged the salutation of his customer, who walking up to him, said "Here, Poole, now do take a look at me Does this coat fit?" Poole took in the situation. "It ce tainly does not fit," said he, and pulling out a piece of Freuch chalk he proceede

liberally to mark and cross the coat over, and then observed with the utmo urbanity, "Now, if you will kindly send that coat to my shop the alteration shall be attended to." THE DREYFUS AFFAIR. London, Nov. 19.—A dispatch from friends of Dreyfus assert that Count

who has made a full confess CASTORIA

Walsin Esterhazy was assisted in

treason by an Alsatian Sergeant Major,

For Infants and Children.

Provincial Pre

(Fort Steele Prospector.) The Prospector extends hearty congratulations to Hon. Templeman on his elevation to

ate of Canada. (New Westminster Columbi "The Sumas municipal coun demns the provincial government not building railways as publi This means that a few gentler many we are not told, ente opinion contrary to the prevail This quiet, civilly expressed, intensely arrogant way of upon" an expression of public is quite characteristic of the m tic organ. It is also very co It saves a lot of bother. are inclined to accept the did saved the trouble of following gument and sifting facts; and those who are not willing to would they be convinced in a were the argument ever so e Of a truth, the Colonist is wi generation. We are impelle ever, even at the risk of app be impertinent, to ask the when it has been in the confi "mankind" with respect to its on the subject? Is it aware few European governments, scarcely be excluded from ' own their own railroads? Is that no less than fifty-four of ernments of the earth own the railroads and operate them? gentlemen" of Sumas appear, looks into the facts, to be good company, after all. The suspicion will even intrude it they know more of the history per of our own time than the No doubt, when facts happen to wrong way for the interest of poly, the Colonist would be wil the Frenchman of the story, the facts; but that will not them of their force.

(Kamloops Sentinel.) If it be to alienate vast tract nable lands to enrich a Heir Dunsmuir: if it be to appropria

crmous sum for unnecessa to tighten the bonds of monopo. province; the Turner governme promptly and effectively. Bu there is a chance to do somet the whole people, something enrich no particular individua expense of the many, then the 'agglomeration" are at their to know which way to turn. passing by, trade is being dire other channels, the choicest lan northern districts are being cor speculators and friends of the ment, vet we have no intimati single practical move on the par administration to seize the opp now offering to ensure the sp velopment of the richest and portion of the province. Fearfucurring the hostility of the Dur Rithets and Irvings, the gove ignore the just claims of Central Columbia and will content with bonusing some monopoly c route, through American territo

The Victoria Colonist is doing most to misinform the public and pare the way for the perpetration government of some entirely in able scheme, the only sure res which will be to enable a favo to unload at boom prices a lot o less real estate and to drive the trade into the hands of Seat San Francisco. The Colonist cha Seattle Post-Intelligencer wit about the customs duties charg American outfits going into the That charge may be well found the Colonist has very little rethe truth when it designat Stickeen route as the all-Canadia The Colonist knows that it is of the sort and never will be. onist knows that there is an adian route and, if it has given t ter the least intelligent consid knows that the Kamloops to route is in every respect practical can be made of better service province and the Dominion than er that has as yet been mention fortunately the Sentinel has ad this route in public interests and those of charter mongers or t boomers. Had we been work Heinze, Dusmuir, Rithet or some crowd the Colonist would have up our efforts with all the froth quence at its command.

We are informed that the exp of a comparatively small sum construction of wing dams wou the North Thompson river navig the mouth of the Clearwater for seven months in the year. If du spring and summer months steam take passengers and freight up river the distance of 90 miles Clearwater, whence there is a go into the Forks of the Quesnell loops will then have another a route into the Yukon country. that this work, which would cos erably less than \$5,000, must l cuted in the winter. Hence it i ative that the Dominion gov uld be requisitioned at once vestigate the situation and, if are as stated above, provide work being commenced not la January of next year. This must be dealt with at once.

There are numerous complain manner in which the best lands who these parties are and what lations are with the Klondike companies of which Premier a director. We pointed out la the extreme probability of Prem ner using the official informatio command to post the agents of ing and trading companies as to bits of land to snap up before The Gazette is crowded with tions for lands now-a-days, n which are located in the vicinity ed of routes from the Stickeen Lake. These routes are to be