The Premier asked what the policy of now to see before the session the Liberal government was on the lumber question? Mr. Oliver asked the Premier what he understood it was. Premier McBride said it was to open

the doors of the Northwest to the United Mr. Oliver said the policy of the government at Ottawa was to inquire in the industrial needs and then legislate. It differed from this government in Brit-ish Columbia, which legislated first and

then inquired. (Applause.) The Conservative party at Ottawa had opened the doors of the Northwest. The system of advertising the timber lands

in the province was a farce. ntended that the statutes were such that the time for advertising these lands before being disposed of was not

Reading from the original letters, Mr Oliver contended that an outside investor who sought maps showing timber lands available was informed by officials that no such maps were available, but officials also offered to furnish copies of private maps in their possession, charging \$8 for them. When prospective investors were to be held up in this way they would not come to the province.

A call for names was answered by Mr. Oliver to the effect that he would not read the names, but any member could see them.

Going into the question of the exchange of lands for asylum purposes, Mr. Oliver contended that the lands got in exchange were not worth more than the cost of clearing for agricultural purposes. The lands in Coquitlam got by the government were valued at \$13,000 by the government valuator, or just double the valuation put upon them by the municipal valuator. The lands in Burnaby given in exchange were valued Western reserve he said this was placed in 1896. It was provided by the act that at \$10,000 by the government valuator. Since the land had been obtained by the syndicate about one-third of it had been sold for \$6,500, or about two-thirds of the value put upon the land. The lands disposed of by the government were descriped by the brokers who secured it as admirable for small holdings, though the government contended these lands were useless for cultivation.

Mr. Skinner, an official of the governmept, had before the exchange inspected the lands in Burnaby and described them as valuable. This official warned the government against disposing of the lands. If the Chief Commissioner intended to continue in the land exchange business the officials should be better trained so as not to run against him. The nt in acquiring the Coquitlam lands had lost about \$10,000. The government had overridden the laws of the province in transferring this land.

But the government had overridden Mr. Hawthornthwaite. He was not prothe laws in other particulars. He then vent into the transactions connected with the giving of crown grants to reserved lands near Kitimaat. The present gov- he did not vote for the proposed eighternment had taken up applications re-fused years before and issued crown lour day in smelters this session. He regarded the proposed law as inoppor-

Going into some of these he showed that the statute required that applications should be made for unreserved and unoccupied lands. One of these was advertised to be applied for in 1898 in the name of Matthison. In October, 1904, it of A. H. B. Macgowan. was issued to a resident of Victoria, who stated that he had lent his name to this that he lent his name in obtaining the were referred to by Mr. Oliver, who conest investigation into this matter.

Hon. R. F. Green, Hon. R. F. Green, in explanation of the Kitimaat affair, said that the governent of the day had nothing to hide. Practically all the information had albeen given. A day or two before the House opened he had received infor-

mation that there was apparently some thing wrong. He had stopped all prolaid before him. He had not had time | Works. a complete information.

ring to the question eing proffered by an official, Hon. Mr. Green said that it was inexpedient to send out an official map. He was aware that a map was kept by an official of the department in his own hours. Upon this he marked grants. He had in send-ing out copies from it charged, he suped, for the information. This was in no way an official map.

With respect to the transfer of lands for asylum purposes, Hon, Mr. Green said that he still maintained that the bargain was a good one, as the land acquired was more suitable for the pur pose. In the Lillooet election campaign the opposition members did not dare say the men employed on the goverroads were to be purchased by the few

The Chief Commissioner attacked the Liberal government at Ottawa for its attitude on the lumber question. The government had given no redress. W. C. Wells said, as one of the dele-

gates to Ottawa, he could say that the government gave the lumbermen every

Hon Mr Green said he feared it would! end' there.

The lead bounty had done consider ble, but it was not what was asked for. What was wanted was a permanent assistance which would lead to the manufacture of lead in the country.

aiready authorized, a railway from Olivers, on the line of the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company, to the south bank of the Fraser, near Minister should exist for something more than to balance accounts. An official could be got to do this. It was urged therefore connect with the B. S. Souththat composite governments could not ern and the Vancouver, New Westmincarry out any great works, and party ster & Yukon. The act will also augovernment was demanded. In view of the failure of this administration to do mencement and completion of the comanything to develop the resources of the province Mr. Carter-Cotton must regard party government as a great farce. It was given as an excuse for the government that it began power with a deplet-ed treasury. But he would refer the the example set by another government—the Laurier government at The proposed road, instead of sweeping Ottawa-which assumed power with a depleted treasury, and in four years put the finances on a proper havis and had done much to develop the courtry.

contention, Mr. Brown said that while New Westminster & Yukon and B. C. some injustice seemed to have been Southern, at the bridge or thereabouts, worked upon the British Columbia lum- With the operation of the Island and hermen, yet it must be borne in mind departments of the Victoria Terminal railway, the projected section will greatly reduce the time consumed in to the disadvantage of the trade. This travel between this city and New Westcombine had been broken, and he hoped

something done at Ottawa to relieve the British Columbia lumbermen. The present government came into

power through the efforts of the Liberals. The Premier contended this was abso-Mr. Brown said the votes and proceed ng showed that his contention was correct. The Prior government was de-

feated as the result of the Columbia &

Hon. Mr. Green said the Prior govern-

ment was dismissed in consequence of

the Chimney Creek contract.

Mr. Brown said the Chimney Creek

formed the final ground for the dismissal

of Col. Prior. Had it not been for the Columbia & Western exposure Col, Prior

revealed by Mr. Oliver and other Lib-

"That is incorrect," returned the

Continuing, Mr. Brown said the Prem-

ment on party lines.
Going into the platform adopted by

the Conservative convention, Mr. Brown contended that the government had gone

back on nearly every plank of that plat-

form and taken no action. The only

plank attempted to be carried out was

The government had not attempted to develop the latent resources of the prov-

ince. The government had also failed to

do its duty with regard to the administra-

tion of affairs. Large reserves had from

time to time been placed by governments

for the purpose of aiding in railway building. In referring to the Columbia &

was not surveyed inside of seven years.

The government had done nothing to re-

move that reserve, which expired legally

were forced to pay the new fee of \$100.

said that he heartily favored this. He

voted in favor of it whenever it was proved that this would not work to the

eight-hour day in coal mines proposed by

The debate was adjourned on motion

Mr. Oliver, on Monday next: That a

155, 1843-155, 1919-155, 1951-163, 1844-

Questions

that a pulp or paper mill shall be erected

4. Has any such mill been erected?

5. If not, is it the intention of the gov-

Friday the Times published a dis-

patch from Ottawa announcing that Jas.

J. Hill, president of the Great Northern

railway, had stated that he intended to

push the extension of the V., V. & E.

possible, and that the whole would be

Saturday the Times received a dis-

patch from Ottawa stating that the V., V. & E. would apply at the present ses-

sion of the Dominion parliament for an

act declaring that the work was for the

general advantage of Canada, and au-

perate, in extension of the undertaking

These two dispatches indicate that the

scheme provides for a much shorter route

ine of the Victoria Terminal railway.

around by Cloverdale and the New West-

minster Southern, will proceed straight

railway not very far from Guichon, di-

rect to a junction with the Vancouver

outhern, at the bridge or thereabouts.

nouth of the Fraser than the

thorizing the company to construct and

complete within three years.

pany's undertaking.

minster and Vancouver.

many months each year?

6. If not, why not?

nment to cancel said lease?

TO SHORTEN DISTANCE

on same?

Notices of Motion.

On the question of shorter hours he

done the public in this way.

ier had decided upon forming a govern-

scandal was only an accident

Vestern exposures.

remier.

ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTE.

Accidents Occur

to the country, and the Chimney Creek matter might not have been heard of. The Columbia & Western scandal was revealed by Mr. Oliver and other was revealed by Mr. Oliver was revealed by Mr. Oliver and other was revealed by Mr. Oliver LANDS DEPARTMENT

CONDITIONS DEMAND

the effort to get better terms at Ottawa. | Contention is Made That Statutes Are Violated-Chief Commissioner Apparently in Dark.

(From Saturday's Daily.) An investigation is admitted to be necessary into the conduct of the lands land reserved was to be forfeited if it department. Charges were made by John Oliver in the legislature yesterday afternoon in which he pointed out that n 1903, until 1904. An injustice was the statutes of the legislature were of no consequence to that branch of the public Alluding to the change made last year | business:

in increasing the coal prospecting license from \$50 to \$100, Mr. Brown held that In applying for crown grants the an injustice had been done to many who made applications for licenses in South- very explicit. Any one wishing to apply east Kootenay. These men who made for unreserved, unoccupied and unreapplication for licenses under the old act served crown lands, must give two months' notice in the B. C. Gazette. He must also stake the land, and within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice he must deposit 10 per cent. of the purchase money with the disadvantage of workmen and against the interests of the province. Mr. Brown sioner, make formal application to pur-chase the land and have it surveyed. said that he had voted last year for the The chief commissioner having decided upon the application the crown grant is issued, or if the decision is against the posing to vote to curtail the hours of that application the claim of the applicant day this session. Knowing the conditions

of the smelting industry in the province In the case of the Kitimaat lands applications were made from 1896 to 1898 for lands. In 1899 a reserve was put on The former applications aptune. He favored the principle of the pear to have all been refused sioner. That, Mr. Oliver The Liberal party endeavored to repcontends, settled the question with referresent fairly and fully the various interests and classes in British Columbia. ence to those applications, and the claim ceased.

have been revived, and from 1898 to the present time a number have been issued. Another feature in this connecelect committee of five members of this dion is that the original applicants are louse, consisting of Messrs. Macgowan, not in all cases the new applicants, but not in all cases the new applicants, but Gifford, Ross, Brown and the mover, be transfers were made and the crown ppointed to inquire into all matters per- grants issued in many instances to partaining to the issuing of crown grants ties entirely distinct from those who Nos. 1915-155, 1917-155, 1788-147, 1916-made formal application in 1898. Information has been obtained as to how ing applications, with power to call for persons, papers and documents and to take evidence under oath, and to report the evidence under oath, and to report the evidence under oath, and to report this city. This grant was given October the evidence and their findings to the 12th, 1904. A search of the records shows that a man named Mathison first advertised in 1898 that he would apply for the 127 acres granted.

J. Murphy, on Monday next, will ask the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Mr. Hall's statement, read by Mr. Oliver in the House, is to the effect that yet to go into this. It was possible that some official had exceeded his instructhe Quatsino-Power & Pulp Company,

Yistoria?

1. Has a pulp lease been granted to one cent's remuneration. He was asked to allow this, and did so, being assured 2. If so, what is the date of said lease, was issued to him, and he immediately that everything was all right. The grant the acreage covered by same, the rental These transactions, according to Mr. 3. Is one of the terms of said lease

Oliver, are irregular under the act, and he demands the fullest investigation. There is another aspect of the case

on the leased premises and operated so also. Rumors have been in circulation for some months that things were not aducted regularly in the lands office. It was even rumored that unknown to the chief commissioner crown grants were being prepared. The attention of ministers, it is said, was called to this, and they in turn gave the chief commis-sioner some information as to how busi-TO NEW WESTMINSTER ness was done in his own department. Yesterday Hon. Mr. Green admitted

that his attention had been called to reorted irregularities, and he had stopped all transactions, and called for all coroondence. Borne down with the weight of business during the session he had not looked into the matter, but admitted that some official might have exline to the Pacific Coast as rapidly as ceeded his instructions.

In connection with the investigation this, it is admitted, should be thoroughly looked into. It might even be well to make investigations to discover what Hon. Mr. Green knows about his department, and to what extent he can be called the chief commissioner.

WHO OWNED THE PEARL?

Fine Point Which Has Been Decided in Supreme Court.

Hamburg, April 1.-The Supreme ourt here to-day rendered a decision in he case of the pearl, valued at over \$750, found in her mouth by a woman who, accompanied by a male escort. was eating oysters in a restaurant. The woman claimed the pearl and her escort supported her claim, but the pro-V., V. & E. means business. The prietor of the restaurant sued to recover the pearl on the ground that between South New Westminster and the shells, like chicken bones, were by tradition left by the customers, and were a source of profit to the proprietor. the court decided that the pearl did not belong to the woman who found it, nor to the proprietor of the restaurant, but from Olivers, a point on the Terminal to the man who had paid for the oysters. In rendering its decision, the ourt pointed out that if the owner ship of the pearl were to repose in the restaurant proprietor instead of the person who paid for the oysters, then its ownership might as well be carried back to the oyster dealer who supplied the restaurant proprietor with the oysters, and thence to the fisherman who takes the pearl oyster from its bed.

SHARP DIALOGUE IN COURT SATURDAY

Counsel Neglected to Rise When He Ad dressed Bench and Was Reproved -Mr. Bodwell's Address.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

E. V. Bodwell, K. C., counsel for the plaintiff, Mrs. Hopper, in the big will case, is now having his innings, having begun his argument yesterday afternoon. He has been devoting his attention to requirements of the California law re-FULL INVESTIGATION lative to the execution of a will, dealing at some length with the evidence of Mr. Dwwer, the expert on the law of that before the San "Francisco commission, and the question of the testator's mental Mr. Bodwell: "If we could photocapacity. He launched upon this course graph the demeanor of the defendant at resumed his address. So far these argu- it would accentuate every inconsistency ments have been interesting to the public only as far as they could be intelligently Mr. Bodwell then turned his attention sey, District No. 2318; Bro. followed, and until this morning little of to the mental capacity of Alex. Duns-Hood, Bellevue, District No. 431. an enlivening character has occurred. muir, after which an adjournment was taken until Monday. rather sharp but brief dialogue between His Lordship Mr. Justice Martin

and Sir Charles Tupper.

Mr. Bodwell was speaking and Mr ed. Mr. Justice Martin reprovingly remarked that he found difficulty in folowing the matter when two people were and treatment at the three district smelspeaking. Sir Charles replied that it "I din't thing you were, as you remain-

that he was witnessing a will it was necessary for the testator to have said or done something that unequivocally and clearly expressed that the document was

Counsel then referred to the inconsist encies in Mr. Dunsmuir's evidence at the trial, and averred that the best that could be said of the defendant was that perhaps he was right. But this was not sufficient. Their Lordships must be judicially satisfied that every reasonable suggestion of fraud had been destroyed, that the document in dispute was the free will of a competent man. The defendant had assumed the attitude of a man who wanted the court to believe his story because it was he who told it. If in view of the evidence the court believed the defendant it would be out of charity, that is, a belief that in spite of himself he was telling the truth. This had never

been done in a will case. The Chief Justice remarked that the court was not bound to penalize a blunderer because his testimony may have been mixed by the skill of counsel. the trial judge was satisfied with his veracity what could this court do? Mr. Bodwell contended that the trial judge did not give the plaintiff and in-

tervenor a chance to present their case. The Chief Justice observed that this state, who was called by the defendant at the trial. The question of demeanor

yesterday aftermoon, and this morning the trial and reproduce it in this court Bro. Harry Gates, Coleman, District No. Mr. Bodwell then turned his attention

BOUNDARY MINES.

Phoenix, April 1.-This week's output

ters was as follows: Granby mines, to month it should be." d seated," commented Mr. Justice Mar- real & Boston smelter, 1,551 tons; Mountain Rose, to Montreal & Boston smelter, day be paid at the rate of time and a Sir Charles (rising): "I was answering | 198 tons; Emma, to Nelson smelter, 132 half. Mr. Justice Martin: "I don't think you tons; Elkhorn, to Trail smelter, 20 tons; member by a referendum vote of the dis-

ANNUAL DISTRICT

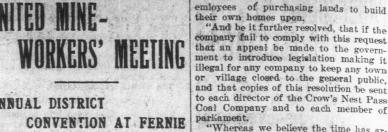
Number of Resolutions Adopted Regarding Stores and Towns in the Crow's Nest Pass.

trict No. 18, United Mine Workers of America, was held in the miners' hall at Fernie, B.C., on March 15th, 16th and 17th, President Frank H. Sherman in the

District No. 2314: Bro. John S. Lauren The following resolution was read and

"Whereas this convention, representing District 18, favors the idea or advisabilthe provincial parliament for the Fernie be left to the locals what day in the

have any right to say that. It is a prac- Last Chance, to Montreal & Boston trict, and that the said election take place



The second annual convention of Dis-

chair. The district officers present were: assembled, would fail in our duty if we Bro. Frank H. Sherman, president; Bro. did not refer and express our appreciawas a hearing on appeal with a great R. Patterson, vice-president; Bro. John deal less evidence before the court than N. Howbrook, secretary-treasurer. Delegates: Bro. Thomas Addison, Fernie, son, Michel, District No. 2334; Bro. Robert Evans, Frank, District No. 1263: 2633; Bro. W. H. Jenkins, Lille, District No. 1233; Bro. James Seyerns, Morrissey, District No. 2318; Bro. Andrew who has the workingman's cause at heart

adopted: ity of bringing out a labor candidate for Justice Irying asked a question which was answered by Sir Charles, while seat- of last week a little, which was a new Alberta, and that this convention instruct record at that time. the district officers to take steps to in-The tonnage sent from eleven mines augurate a monthly holiday and that it

was his (Sir Charles's) fault, but he was a substant of the United Mine Workers of America answering a question of Mr. Justice Lode, to B. C. Copper smelter, 4,256 abolish all Sunday work as near as post to join the militia in any coal camp un-It was also further resolved "That we of the United Mine Workers of America tons; Brooklyn, to Montreal & Boston sible, and that the Sunday Observance smelter. 2,702 tons; Rawhide, to Mont-Act be in force in Alberta, and in case of sible, and that the Sunday Observance necessity that all men employed on Sun-



VICTORIA UNITED ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL TEAM. The above is a picture of the Victoria United team taken just previous to one of the hardest matches of the Island League with the Garrison at Oak Bay. The eleven gave the soldiers a close run for both the Victoria and Island League champion-thips, losing in each case by only a couple of points. Their record this season is exceedingly creditable. They have won 15 rames, lost 4, and drawn 3. This team intends visiting Seattle on Saturday next in order to-play an exhibition match with the

ricans.

Reading from left to right the players are: Bottom row—L. York, B. Tye, C. Berkeley, J. Johnson: middle row—C. A. mpson, W. York, H. A. Goward (captain), W. Lorimer, J. Lawson; top row—S. Lorimer, J. Lorimer, B. Schwengers, T. G.

ice required even in the police court." | smelter, 27 tons; Sky Lark, to Granby on the 28th day of March, and returns Sir Charles: "I have often done it in the Supreme court of Canada, and in the Privy Council, and may have got into 22,132 tons; total for the year to date, the habit there.'

Mr. Justice Martin: "They probably make allowances in certain cases." Sir Charles: "L suppose they do."

ad practice." This little breeze over Mr. Bodwell continued his argument. He referred to the circumstances surrounding the execution of the will, and said there was noth ing to show that either Mr. Lowe or Mr. Taylor, the witnesses, knew that the the new turbine steamer of the Allan line, document they attested was a will. He which arrived here this morning, logged a lluded to the inconsistencies in the evifore the commission, and pointed out that while Mr. Lowe in his last examination gines generally worked well, but there was swore he heard Alex. Dunsmuir ask frouble from the boilers priming, James to give him "that will," Mr. Taylar, the other witness, stated that the testator asked his brother for "that

Mr. Bodwell further emphasized the fact that even if Lowe heard Alex. Dunsmuir ask James for a will, the essential In order for Lowe to know absolutely

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22,132 tons; total for the year to date, day of March, 1905. 238,240 tons.

The smelters treated ore as this week: Granby smelter, 12,476 tons; B. C. Copper smelter, 2,738 tons; Mont-Mr. Justice Martin: "Well, it's a very real & Boston smelter, 4,423 tons. Total for the week, 19,637 tons; total for the year, 236,239 tons.

THE NEW TURBINE LINER.

Hallfax N S April 1 -The Victorian total of 2,519 miles between Moville and nce of Mr. Lowp at the trial and be Halifax. The daily runs were 295, 288, 233, caused steam to be reduced and speed slackened several times. The absence of vibration was very noticeable. The steam er behaved well in the sea and travelle particularly fast in a heavy sea. Capt McNicholl expressed entire satisfaction with the turbine system, and said he was confident the Victorian will easily average 17 knots after a couple of voyages.

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for same be handed to the district secirer not later than the 30th

"Furthermore, let it be resolved that: "Whereas, the Dominion government did grant 250,000 acres of public lands, said lands being considered the richest coal lands in Canada, to a company which is now called the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited

"And whereas the policy of that company is and always has been to keep certain of its towns closed to the general

"And whereas this policy has resulted one firm having a complete monopoly of the store business at those towns to the detriment of other tradesmen in this pairing at Quebec in those days, he

"And whereas this same policy has resulted in the workmen of the district having to pay excessive prices for their

goods and the necessities of life; "And whereas the workmen do not consider this to be justice or fair play, and also do not consider these meth nsistent with the British idea of liberty and honest dealing;

"And whereas at the present time at Michel, Carbonado and Coal Creek hundreds of workmen and their families are residing where there is only one store allowed to carry on business;
"Be it therefore resolved, that this con-

vention, representing the workmen em-ployed by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Limited, unanin demn the action of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, in keeping these towns closed to the detriment of workmen, and that we call upon the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, to A thousand dollar Guarantee goes with every bottle of Hem-Roid sold.

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Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, to immediately place upon the market plots of land at a reasonable figure or price situate in the said towns of Carbonado, Michel and Coal Creek for the purpose of allowing any tradesmen to carry on a store or other business, and also for the purpose of allowing their workmen or Mining Exchange.

Month of March: Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, San Francisco newspapers; Mrs. J. J. Andrews (Erie street), reading matter; Mrs. Stoddart, ciothing; N. Shakesphere, reading matter; Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, San Francisco newspapers; Mrs. J. J. Andrews (Erie street), reading matter; Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, San Francisco newspapers; Mrs. J. J. Quagliotti, San Francisco newspapers; Mrs. Stoddart, ciothing; N. Shakesphere, reading matter; Mrs. Stoddart, ciothing; N. Shakesphere, reading matter; Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, San Francisco newspapers; Mrs. J. J

heir own homes upon.
"And be it further resolved, that if the company fail to comply with this request that an appeal be made to the government to introduce legislation making it illegal for any company to keep any town

village closed to the general public, and that copies of this resolution be sent to each director of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company and to each member of

parliament.
"Whereas we believe the time has arrived when the miners of this, district ought to be paid every two weeks: "Be it therefore resolved that this conrention take steps to have this done!

To Messrs. Hawthornthwaite, Houston Williams, Davidson, McNiven, Hen lerson, Jones, Clifford, Fraser, Mc-Gowan, Shatford and Gifford, members the provincial parliament, Victoria,

nen:-At the 2nd annual con vention of District No. 18. United Mine Workers of America, held in the Miners' hall. Fernie, B.C., March 15th, 16th and 17th, 1905, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"Resolved, that this convention, now tion of the noble stand taken h gentlemen in supporting the bill in favor of an eight-hour working day for smel-termen, as we are satisfied that when this bill was drafted and presented that you gentlemen gave it your careful consideration and supported its merits alone.
"We are of opinion and feel that it is the duty and incumbent on every voter

to take a firm stand hereafter in the se ection of a candidate to represent the cause of labor. "Resolved that we deprecate the action of the opponents of the measure, and particularly that of Mr. William R. Ross,

the present representative of the Fernie "Resolved that the foregoing be published in the Fernie Ledge, Nelson Tribune, Daily News and every other avail-

able paper in British Columbia." And it was further resolved: "That we do not think it advisable for any member der the present circumstances."

INSPECTING, WORKS.

Party of Capitalists Looking at the Britannia Mine and Also the Crofton Smelter.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The Britannia mine on Howe Sound gives promise of great things this coming summer. The syndicate which now controls the mine under the management of G. H. Robinson has expended a vast amount of capital on the property and the development work is in excellent shape. Before the summer is out the mine will be shipping 1,000 tons a day, it is expected. A party of those interested arrived in Victoria Saturday evenng. It consisted of G. B. Schley, K. Schley, C. H. Schley, and Nelson Robinson, of New York; Dennis Sullivan, Den ver, and H. C. Bellinger, who is interested in the mine as well as in the Crofton smelter. J. Breen, who is also heavily interested in the Crofton smelter, arrived in the city a few days previous to the visit of the other gentlemen. The party was met by Hon. Edgar Dewdney, nother member of the Britannia syn dicate, and enjoyed a drive about the

Leaving here Sunday morning they proceeded to Crofton, where the smelter was inspected, and to-day the party is at the Britannia mine.

While here none of the members of the party would give definite information concerning the direct object of their trip or their intentions with respect to the Crofton smelter. Mr. Bellinger said he ould say nothing whatever about it. It is well known that the Britannia ompany look to the Crofton smelter to treat the ores produced. It is not at all

unlikely therefore that very shortly omething may be done which will result reopening of the works at Crofton. The Britannia ore is low grade, but exists in large bodies. All the necessary machinery for handling a large quantity is being put in place at the mines. The ore may be conveniently shipped across the straits to the smelter by barges, and the Crofton works would be kept at its fullest capacity.

CAPT. ATKINS DEAD.

Fine Old Veteran of the Sea Expires in

The London Daily Telegraph, of March 15th, contains the following account of the death of Capt. J. B. Atkins, ancle of Wm. Atkins, of H. M. customs, of this city: "The death is announced in his

ightieth year of Capt. James Bucknell Atkins, the senior but one elder brother of the Trinity house. He was the first skipper of the African Steamship Company and commanded the Forerunner, a small steam vessel of under 300 tons, which ran to the west coast of Africa. Capt. Atkins afterwards commanded the first direct Canadian mail steamer Ottawa. This ship lost two blades of her propeller by an accident at Quebec, and to save his owners the great expense which would have been incurred by rerought her home with the single remain-

ing blade. "Subsequently, when taking troops to the China war in the Imperador, he made what long stood as the 'record' passage Using from Portsmouth to Singapore. Using his steam simply as an auxiliary, he did not stop at the Cape for coal, and arrived at Singapore about a fortnight before he was expected. Afterwards he was requested to lay his log before the admiralty. Messrs. Laird, the builders, gave him a present of plate, and the owners voted him a cheque, though the cheque was withdrawn when he had the misfortune to collide with a sailing vessel on the return voyage.

"After laying the first Red Sea cable he was elected to Trinity house in 1870."

-The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the Home for the nonth of March: Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti,

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