

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked "M. E. M. Rogerson's land" and planted about five miles up Little Slokan River, on the west side, running 30 chains south; thence 30 chains west; thence 30 chains north; thence 30 chains east, to place of commencement.

M. E. M. ROGERSON,
C. B. CUTTEN, Agent.
March 27, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following land, on Kootenay lake shore, in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked "P. G. Procter's S.W. corner," planted at the S.E. corner of lot 1683, thence north 30 chains; thence 30 chains west; thence 30 chains south; following meanderings of lake, 20 chains; thence west to point of commencement.

Dated this 11th day of April, 1907.
T. G. PROCTER,
J. W. SMITH, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in Kootenay district, B.C.: Commencing at a post marked "J. Cameron's S.E. corner post," said post being on the west side of Upper Arrow lake, opposite Nakup, and at the N.E. corner of lot 730, running thence west 16 chains; thence north 60 chains; thence east 7 chains; thence following the lake shore in a southerly direction 40 chains, more or less, to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Dated this 11th day of March, 1907.
J. CAMERON.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the west side of Kootenay river, and covering all of A. L. Stewart's abandoned pre-emption No. 739, and about one-eighth of a mile north of Angus Curry's pre-emption: Commencing at a post marked "Sidney J. Cummings' southeast corner post," thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 20 chains, to place of commencement, containing 240 acres more or less.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1907.
SIDNEY J. CUMMINGS.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked "R. H. Ross," placed half a mile north of Summit creek, adjoining Angus Curry's north and south line on the west side, running 40 chains north; thence 40 chains west; thence 40 chains south; thence 40 chains east to place of commencement.

Located the 6th day of April, 1907.
R. H. ROSS,
ANGUS CURRY, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the chief commissioner of lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked by name "Gerald Rees N.E. corner post," at the northwest corner of the purchase claim "sked" April 20th, 1905, by D. A. Boyd and F. J. Sammons, thence 20 chains west along the C.P.R. right of way; thence 20 chains south; thence 20 chains east; thence 20 chains north, to place of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.

Nelson, B. C., April 1, 1907.
G. S. REES

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria to purchase 180 acres of land on the east side of the Arrow lake, on Bates creek, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked "W. W. A. S.W. corner," and planted at the southeast corner of lot 6908, thence 40 chains north; thence 40 chains east; thence 40 chains south; thence 40 chains west, to place of commencement, containing 180 acres more or less.

Dated, March 27, 1907.
W. WALTON.
FRANK ORANGE, Locator.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the chief commissioner of lands and works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted on the west side of Lardo river, opposite S. V. corner of lot 327, marked A. E. Fowler's N. E. corner, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 30 chains, thence east 30 chains along west side of Lardo river to point of commencement.

Dated this 6th day of March, 1907.
A. E. FOWLER.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS
The Eye, Ell and Eye Fraction Mineral Claims; situate in the Slokan Division of West Kootenay District—Located on Robinson creek.

FAKE NOTICE that I, J. Murray McGregor, Free Miner's Certificate No. B185, intend, sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

And further take notice, that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 1907.
J. M. MCGREGOR.

NOTICE is hereby given that three months after date application will be made to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by the "Kootenay Ice, Fruit, Fuel and Poultry Company, Limited," to change the name of the Company to the "Kootenay Ice and Fuel Company, Limited."

Dated this 10th day of April, A.D., 1907.
ARCHIE MAINWARING-JOHNSON,
Solicitor for the Company, Nelson, B.C.

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HEADS OFF
A PANICRoosevelt's Timely Appeal
at Opening of James-
town Exposition.

Yast Crowds Gather to Hear Him Speak
Presses Toward Grand Stand, Threat-
ening Lives of Those in Front.

Norfolk, Va., April 26.—President Roosevelt, the diplomats, naval and military representatives of 37 of the nations of the world, and the governors of a score of states, participated today in the opening exercises of the Jamestown ter-centennial exposition. While the exposition, which is to be open until November 30 next, is still far from complete, the unfinished condition of buildings and grounds was not allowed to interfere in any way with today's celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the first English settlement in America. From the firing of a sun-rise salute of three hundred guns by United States artillerymen, throughout, the picturesque review of the international fleet of war vessels anchored in Hampton roads and the ceremonies of dedication, at which the president spoke, until late tonight, when the chief executive repaired on board the naval yacht Sylph to spend the night in lower bay, the day was crowded with notable incidents. Not the least impressive of these was the president's quick assumption of command of the situation in front of the crowded grand stand from which he spoke, when a panic seized the throng of spectators. Thousands of eager persons in the rear of the gathering were forcing their way forward, endangering the lives and limbs of those who had more favored position by the grand rounds.

President Roosevelt had just been introduced by Harry S. George Tucker, the head of the Jamestown exposition company, when a sudden commotion in the crowd reached its height and the civil guards in front of the grand stand seemed to be swept from their posts. With the agility of a school boy, the president jumped upon the table which had been placed in the speaker's balcony and waving his arms cried out to the men of Virginia to live up to their traditions of gallantry and cease the pushing and crowding which was threatening the lives of the spectators. They rode up and down along the front of the crowd and gradually opened it up and relieved the strain which at one time threatened to sweep thousands against the president's stand and the boxes occupied by the members of the diplomatic corps.

A detachment of artillerymen was also called into service and the throng who came to see and hear the president settled down to an orderly assemblage. Apparently oblivious to the position he occupied on top of a somewhat shaky table not more than two feet wide and not more than twice that in length, president Roosevelt delivered his speech from this important and unsteady platform. It did not interfere in the slightest degree with the characteristic vigor of his delivery. Some of his statements, noticeably when he touched on the representatives of the many nations of the world, others were being directed to the soldiers and sailors who took such a conspicuous part on the day's program and yet others were directed to the general public life. There were constant outbursts of applause and cheering. This approval was most marked when reference was made by the president to the gallantry of the men who fought in the civil war.

A fairer day has never been seen than that which attended the opening of probably the most remarkable exposition ever held in the south. The heat at times during the afternoon was somewhat oppressive but it was tempered by a strong breeze. The military encampment about the exposition grounds began the day's ceremonies with the firing of the three century salute. Soon after from across the waters of Hampton roads came the boom of the warship's guns signalling the beginning of the review by the president of the most formidable fleet of international battleships and cruisers the world has witnessed in modern times. On board the battleship cruiser Mayflower, the president, with a few specially invited guests, was greeted first by a roar of 21 guns from each of the vessels, foreign and American. Then as the steamed along the line of the visiting men-of-war, he was saluted individually and in turn by

every battleship and cruiser at anchor in the roads. The marine picture viewed from shore by thousands and from the decks of excursion and pleasure craft by almost as many more, was at once imposing and impressive. When his yacht had anchored in among the naval vessels the president received on board the flagship the commanding officers of the foreign fleets and the flag officers of the home squadron. For each of the visitors the president had a cordial word of greeting expressing his pleasure in meeting them in these waters. The hospitality of the nation was extended by the president who in turn received from his brilliantly uniformed visitors expressions of the esteem in which he personally and the American people as a whole, are held by the sovereigns whose representatives it was their pleasure to be.

The officers vied with one another in the heartiness of these amenities. The president landed at the exposition grounds shortly after 11 a.m. The immense government piers undergoing construction are still many weeks from completion and it was with some difficulty that a way was cleared for even the light launches in which he and the naval officers of the various squadrons made the journey to shore. The president was saluted again as he stepped upon the temporary structure which is eventually to be known as Discovery Landing.

President Tucker, of the exposition, personally welcomed Mr. Roosevelt, and the cheers of the crowds along the water front accompanied the simple words of Mr. Tucker: "Mr. President, old Virginia greets you with a hearty welcome. The president returned the salutation, and with Mrs. Roosevelt was driven to the grand stand on the parade, between two lines of soldiers from the 23rd United States Infantry.

EXECUTIVE IN SESSION

E. K. BEESTON PRESENTS AUDIT OF
20,000 CLUB ACCOUNTS

ESTIMATES FOR COMING YEAR ARE
DISCUSSED

At a meeting of the executive of the 20,000 club last night at the board of trade rooms there were present T. G. Procter, in the chair, F. M. Chadbourne, secretary, E. F. Beaton, vice-president, and chief deasy, R. Webb, W. H. Jones, A. W. Dyer and D. C. McMorris. The business transacted was the presentation of the audit by Mr. Beaton, the report of the committee on collections, the discussion of the new 20,000 club building and the decision to elect a secretary at the next meeting of the executive, which was fixed for 6:30 on Wednesday evening, May 1.

Mr. Beaton's audit was based upon the accounts of the treasurer, which he found correct. The audit was adopted without a dissenting vote. The question of the new folder was then taken up and it was reported that the cost for 10,000 copies would be \$750 and of 20,000 copies \$1150. It was decided that these should be sold at \$1 per dozen in quantities of less than 100, and at cost price of \$1.20 for larger quantities. The price of the folder was then taken up and it was decided that the folder should be sold at the contract price. This, the secretary stated, was 3-1-2 cents each and from 6000 to 8000 had already been subscribed for. To this amount there had been promised \$300, which included the folders sold in advance as stated, about \$300. Of this amount \$225 had been collected and spent on current expenses. To try for the year the question of price of less than \$100 would have to be raised. In this regard it was tacitly admitted that a future money appropriated for any one purpose should not be used for another.

Going into the question of wages and means, Mr. Beaton estimated the running expenses at about \$1000 for the year and advertising at about as much more. This was thought inadequate with a secretary at a salary of \$100 a month, plus office rent and expenses and that thus the total expenditure would probably run over \$2500, without counting the cost of the new building, which the meeting authorized the committee appointed to proceed with, adding to its number mayor Gillett.

It was estimated that the revenue would be as follows: membership fees, on last year's basis, \$350; sale of buttons, \$400; special subscriptions from 153 business men at an average of \$5 each, \$765, and the remainder—from \$800 to \$1200, variously estimated—to be derived from the generosity of the secretary and committee. It was, however, shown that last year's sale of buttons was only \$50 and special business men's subscription \$388, together \$60 less than now estimated. To these could be added the sales from about 200 copies of the folder, mostly at cost price. The president and Reg. Webb for the collecting committee then reported, the first statement that he had received some encouragement from some of the leading business men and the latter saying that he thought there would be a disposition to give after the arrival of the folder. The meeting then adjourned to leave everything else until after the appointment of a secretary, to be done by themselves at Wednesday week to which date the executive then adjourned.

MORE SNOW FOR MONTREAL

Montreal, April 26.—The weather man continues to hand out a queer line of goods to this community. Montrealers came down to their breakfast today to find another belating snowstorm in progress. The beautiful commotion to come down about 7 o'clock and continued up to near noon, by that time the ground had quite a nice white blanket. In the down-town streets the snow mired as it fell and in a good many places made slush enough to create a hurry call for rubbers.

HEINZE PLANS
BIG MERGERGigantic Mining, Milling
and Smelting Combina-
tion Underway.

Ore of Biggest Undertakings Ever At-
tempted in Mining World, Save the
Guggenheim Venture.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 26.—The mighty mining, milling, smelting combination that is being gradually rounded into form by Augustus Heinze, James Breen, his close business associate, the Silver King crowd, and other interests, is taking on more definite shape every day. It would not be many weeks, and it is possible that it will not be many days till some announcement of a formal character comes from the east. There is no longer a shadow of doubt that the Heinze crowd is going to control the management of Park City, Judas of the Amalgamated Silver King Mines company have been formulated here, and president David Keith and general manager Thomas Kearns have gone east to join with the Heinze-Breen group in the promulgation of the new company.

Other significant news comes in an indirect way from Boston through one of the publications there. It is to the effect that J. E. Bamberger is going to come west about the middle of the coming month and that, upon his return east he will be ready to say what has been done with respect to the consolidation or merger of the Daly-West, Ontario, Daly and other propositions. Reference is made to the fact that the properties named hold a strong position on one side of the mineral zone while the Silver King combine covers the other side. It then states that the relations between the two may be established. From what can be learned of what is really doing, this vague statement is not without foundation in fact. In reality, it need surprise no one to hear that the Heinze-Breen group has the situation so well in hand that it can bottle up the whole camp, so to speak, without difficulty.

Nothing has yet developed to show what part the Daly-Judge and the Heinze-Breen groups will take in the amalgamation of properties flanking this company's possessions and those of the Daly-West, Daly and Ontario on the south are to play in the game, if any; but there is a well grounded suspicion that the Daly-Judge group will be the one to be taken if it can be secured on what may be considered a right basis. Whether Mr. Bamberger will be in a position to talk when he comes home is doubtful. If he is, he will be well prepared before he reaches here. But the probabilities are that it will require a longer time than that to put all of the machinery in motion.

Tremendous as such a combination would be, its rounding out is only a small portion of the scheme that is believed to be maturing and which is expected to fully develop during the present season, if not during the next three months. Many mining districts are to be drawn upon for the support of the monster parent company that will likely be formed on similar lines to the Amalgamated Copper company, to control the whole thing. Bingham will be a contributor, so will Tinto, Stockton and, possibly, Alta and other Utah camps, while Nevada will be hit up for a few properties, while other contributions will come from Idaho and Montana. But if the proposition goes through, as it seems to have been planned, it may be even bigger than these outlines suggest.

What is to follow the gathering together of so many mining properties? Many things. Great milling plants will be erected to dress and finish ores that will go to the mammoth smelting and refining works that will be erected, owned and controlled by the combination that is now being formed. The smelting and refining will be done within a short distance of this city, possibly not in this valley, but close by—close to where all the railways now operating in this state and close to where any others that may come later will have to run. These works will be the peer, if they do not completely outshine any that are now in operation, and the production is that they will be made to lead all plants in this western country or the whole United States for that matter.

Millions of money are going to be required to swing this mammoth enterprise, and the men behind it know to a nicety just what is going to be accomplished. Auxiliary smelting and refining plants may have to be established to save freight on crude ores and concentrates, but the main business, it is believed, will be done within easy striking distance of this city. There is no doubt that Mr. Heinze and his associates have been working on this scheme for more than a year; it is just as certain they are working night and day on it now, and it is fair to presume that the day is not far off when it will be impossible for them to longer prevent the full disclosure of their plans. No such gigantic undertaking was ever

before attempted in the mining world, unless the attempt of the Guggenheims to control the lead and copper output of the world might be considered greater.

LE ROI LONDON CABLEGRAM
March shipments amount to 12,210 tons, containing 220 oz. gold, 5200 oz. silver and 23,000 lbs. copper. Estimated profit on this ore after deducting cost of mining, smelting, realization and depreciation \$30.00. Expenditure on development work during the month, \$14,500. Office note: Coal and coke supplies are now available and two furnaces are being operated at the Northport smelter. An option has been taken by this company on the Epizee and certain other mineral claims adjoining the Le Roi mine.

ACCIDENTALLY DROWNED
Vienna, April 26.—Prof. Albert Ritter von Moesthig, 48 years of age, the famous surgeon and introducer of iodoforn while walking on the bank of the Danube river today fell into the river and was drowned. It was at first thought he committed suicide, but enquiries tend to prove that his death was accidental. The professor was subject to sudden fainting fits, due to calcification of the arteries and it is supposed that an attack of this sort caused him to fall into the river. His body has not been recovered.

CHOICE OF DR. FALCONER

FOR PRESIDENT OF TORONTO
UNIVERSITY.

IS PRINCIPAL OF PINE HILL COL-
LEGE, HALIFAX, N. S.

Toronto, April 26.—Dr. Falconer, principal of Pine Hill college, who has been chosen by the board of governors as president of Toronto university, was cabled today at Naples, where he is this week, on his way to Greece. It is expected that he will at once return to Halifax in order to meet the board of trustees of Pine Hill college, of which he is principal, after which he will formally announce his decision in the matter of the Toronto appointment. It is believed that he will accept the appointment at an early date. The board of governors and its sub-committee on the presidency gave long and careful consideration to the question of the selection of a president. Upwards of eighty names, including Canadian, American and British scholars and educationalists were recommended by the board. The name of Dr. Michael Hadley, of Manchester, England, was prominently in the minds of the governors but it was ascertained that he would not be available for at least three years. After early deliberation, the presidency was considered to be of the utmost importance.

C. P. R. BRANCHING-OUT

TO TAKE OVER OWEN SOUND AND
MEAFORD RAILWAY.

THEREBY GAINING ACCESS TO
POINTS CONTROLLED BY G. T.

Toronto, April 26.—It is probable that the Canadian Pacific will take over the charter of the Owen Sound and Meaford railway, which had planned to build from Owen Sound to Meaford this summer. The line was recently subsidized to the extent of \$55,000 by the dominion government. A conference was held a few days ago between several prominent C. P. R. officials and James MacGuigan, the agent of the Owen Sound and Meaford company, and it is believed that an understanding was arrived at as to the condition of the road. The C. P. R. plan is to build from Owen Sound to Meaford and Collingwood, and to a junction of the proposed Victoria harbor line near Port Hope. The C. P. R. would thus secure two new routes on the Georgian Bay and the lake would be brought into the field for considerable business which the Grand Trunk now handles exclusively.

SUICIDE OF E. G. RUSSELL

FORMER CHIEF EXECUTIVE AGENT
FOR THE G. T. P.

SHOT HIMSELF ON WHARF AT
PRINCE RUPERT.

(Special to The Daily News)
Vancouver, April 26.—E. G. Russell, of Victoria, until three weeks ago executive agent for the Grand Trunk Pacific on the coast, committed suicide at Prince Rupert yesterday. Russell had resigned his former office to give all his time to a private concern interested in the development of Prince Rupert and had gone north on the Princess Mary to attend to business. As the steamer was pulling out for more northern points the passengers were horrified to see him shoot himself on the wharf. The steamer put back but the man was dead when it reached the wharf. He was 32 years old and had a wife and four children at his home in Metaghah.

ENGLISH RIFLE TEAM COMING

Ottawa, April 26.—It is definitely settled that the English rifle team will visit Canada this summer. They will contest for the Palma trophy and then go by the Canadian route to Australia. It is hoped that friendly matches will be arranged in Manitoba and British Columbia.

FATAL MINE EXPLOSION

Seattle, April 26.—In an explosion today in the Morgan Slope mine, the Black Diamond, four men were killed and five were fatally injured. Fourteen others were severely injured.

RECIPROCITY
WITH CANADAMassachusetts' Welfare De-
pends Upon Increased
Trade With Canada.

Particularly Desires That Coal Should Be
Reciprocally Free Between Canada
and the United States.

Pittsburg, April 26.—Three hundred or more railroad presidents, vice-presidents, freight agents, traffic managers and other officials, besides manufacturers and all classes of shippers of freight were guests of the Traffic club of Pittsburg tonight at the Hotel Schenley. The speakers at the banquet included Charles W. Hamlin, corporation counsel of Boston.

CANADIAN TRADE REVIEW

GENERAL COMPLAINT OF SLOW
DELIVERIES.

INCREASED AREA IN WHEAT IN
MANITOBA.

New York, April 26.—Bradstreet's Canadian trade review says: In Canada warmer weather has helped trade, and good reports as to fall business come from travellers on the road. General complaint of slow deliveries of manufactures come from all the leading markets.

Montreal reports, retail trade helped by warmer weather, fall business in dry goods turning out well, and some improvement in collections. Large shipments of butter have been made to New York. Toronto complains of slow deliveries of goods; building is active, and Ontario collections are better. An increased area in wheat is expected in Manitoba and the northwest, despite fears that cold weather may delay seeding. Collections are still slow in Winnipeg.

Failures for the week number 23 as against 18 last year.

The following are the weekly bank clearings as compiled by Bradstreet's for the week ending April 25, showing percentages of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week of last year.

Montreal \$25,035,000 1.9
Toronto \$2,538,000 2.2
Winnipeg 1,077,000 22.0
Ottawa 8,090,000 31.0
Vancouver 3,443,000 46.8
Halifax 1,653,000 1.1
Quebec 1,701,000 22.9
Hamilton 1,971,000 14.6
St. John, N.B. 1,243,000 16.6
London 1,389,000 32.4
Victoria 1,124,000 60.3
Calgary 1,399,000
Edmonton 1,122,000
Many cities have been trying the new salt and caustic acid method with rather some succeeding and some failing. One experimenter who succeeded, says he emptied a scuttle three parts full of fresh-lime burned ashes, weighing 21 pounds net, a bushel of salt, and a bushel of caustic soda, full of common salt, alkali with water while mixing and then added seven pounds of Fernie slack coal, mixing again, the aggregate about filling the big scuttle. This was put by the shovel into a heater already burning and was found to last 24 hours, the only attention needed being to see that the draught was good, shaking out the bottom of the heater to clear the draught once or twice during the day and taking care never to poke the fire from the top. The ashes burned slowly and well, giving out a good heat.

James Johnson, the president of the B. C. Fruit Growers' association, returned last night from Vancouver, where, in company with T. Morley, who was appointed delegate from the local fruit growers' association, he had gone to attend the convention of all fruit growers of the province, which has been in session this week. On his return Mr. Johnson reported a very harmonious meeting and a general agreement with the plans that were outlined for the future policy of the newly formed association. These were that the fruit growers of B. C. should unite in the marketing, and the distribution of their fruit. While the delegates generally agreed to the idea of a general exchange, yet it was found necessary that they should report back to their local bodies on this and upon other points and a ratification agreement will be held on May 23 at Revelstoke.

COPPER SITUATION
Boston, April 26.—The copper situation during the past week has shown a decided change for the better, both in London and America.

MICHEL MEN
NOT IN LINEUnwilling to Resume to
Work Before Finding of
Conciliation Board.

Sherman, However, Anticipates That C. P. R.
Camps Will Vote to Resume Work
and Majority Will Rule.

Fernie, April 26.—(9.30 p.m.)—Another scene in the proposed agreement that the miners go back to work on Monday was received this evening, when word arrived that after a long discussion the referendum vote was taken at Michel as to whether the men of the Michel union return to work, which resulted in a vote of 101 for strike and 66 for working; it was also learned that the vote taken at Gladstone local union (Fernie) last night was not unanimous, as given out. The Michel vote is very much indicating that the men did not attend the meeting to listen to the proposition.

The operators here say if Michel voted against the proposition, Coleman would do likewise. President Sherman left for Coleman tonight, where he will be joined by industrial vice-president Lewis who addressed the men at Michel this afternoon.

Mackenzie King, deputy minister of labor, was down at the trial to see Sherman, who stated that the district vote would govern the resumption of work or not, and that, in his opinion, there would be no difficulty in getting the men back to work on Monday or Tuesday at the latest, as though Michel and Coleman may go against it, it is practically certain the others will vote for.

The miners still congregate at the street corners, but remain quiet. They show no great interest in the trial, the mines again. At Coal Creek mines, five miles out, the men are hanging round the mines and streets seemingly contented. Several mine operators and representatives left for their homes tonight. The men's leaders, L. P. Johnston and J. L. Parker, miners and operators respectively, are already here. The board is expected to work night and day to expedite matters.

Traces of the last week's struggle are strongly evident on all concerned, especially the leaders of each party, president Sherman of the mine workers' organizations, and president Lindsey, of the Western Operators' association.

The operators have been meeting all day discussing preparations for the investigation, which Mr. Lindsey says they have wanted all along. "Asked as to the chances of a settlement without investigation, he replied there were none. The operators also met the boards of stand delegates at noon and explained the stand they took and their reasons. The board of stand delegates leave for home tomorrow.

Hon. W. H. Cushing left on a trip of inspection of the mines in the afternoon and then went on to Calgary.

(Special to The Daily News)
Fernie, April 26.—Vice-president Lewis, president Sherman and other officials of the Miners' union will take a referendum vote of the local unions at Chumore, Bankhead, Michel, Coleman and the other mines, as to whether the men will go back to work or not.

Mackenzie King, deputy minister of labor, this morning emphatically denied the statement that the government was bringing mounted police, military arms and ammunition into this and other mining districts. This report originated in Regina, Sask., where the mounted police headquarters are.

NEW BRUNSWICK POLITICS

St. John, N. B., April 26.—Hon. Mr. Pugsley's place as leader of the New Brunswick government will be taken by Hon. Clifford W. Remson, of Westmoreland, who was sworn in only a few days ago as provincial secretary. There is much speculation as to who will be the next attorney general. There will likely be a provincial general election this summer. A. Barnhill, St. John, is the man wanted for attorney general, but he may not agree to enter politics.

MIDALE FIRE SWEPT

Large Department Store, Postoffice and Northern Bank Destroyed
Midale, Sask., April 26.—Fire, the cause unknown, though probably due to gasoline lamp, destroyed the large department store of Seaton and Macdonald. The loss over insurance is close to \$100,000. Postmaster Rollins lost his books, while much mail was destroyed. The Northern bank was also destroyed.

SEEDING UNDERWAY

Balcarres, Sask., April 26.—Seeding is in full swing here. William Harrop has 100 acres of wheat in, and several others in this vicinity have close to 100 acres under crop.