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### RUSSIA ON THE PERSIAN GULF.

rise of a new Shah in Persia  
extend very important political  
for others outside of that  
For a long time Russia  
England have glowered at each  
over the Indian frontier. The  
has stood in the way of the  
which sought a port on the  
Persian Gulf. Judging from the  
of British statesmen and  
marks of the London newspaper  
Russia is no longer so deter-  
mined in this attitude. It is even  
said that if Russia should de-  
cide to come down and establish  
on the Persian Gulf, England  
has no serious objection.

state of affairs is significant  
all things. First, it indicates  
Britain no longer has right-  
over a Russian invasion of  
The treaty with Japan,  
binds either country to assist  
in a war, makes a Russian  
into India impossible.  
Each an enterprise was a set  
of Russian diplomacy for de-  
one doubts nor has denied.  
Russia's motive was plain enough.  
checked Russia's plans for  
sea port, and Russia in re-  
solute preparation to  
the point where British ar-  
most vulnerable. But the  
with Japan will hold the  
of the north in leash for  
come.

again, the willingness to let  
reach the Persian Gulf shows  
England is probably trying to  
Car against the Kaiser.  
commercial aggression in  
has been keen, and it is  
keener. Indeed, in all  
western Europe and in south-  
Asia, German influence is  
From every point of view,  
Japan defeated Russia, Eng-  
had far more to fear from  
than from any other coun-  
as a national foe, the Kaiser  
led in London as a more im-  
personage than the Car.  
tently it is better to let Rus-  
her coveted warm water  
to see Germany without a  
rushing railroads and trade  
and energetic hand.  
things considered, there has  
time in many years when  
ends all around the world  
so remote as at present.  
more of a scramble now for  
can for territory, and trade  
on usually with the sword.

### NEHMS BUY WHITE PASS ROAD.

over, B.C., Feb. 8.—It is re-  
and the British company own-  
White Pass & Yukon rail-  
sold out to the Guggenheims.  
are believed to be content  
the establishment of a steam-  
between Skagway and Van-  
and Seattle.

### SAME OLD STORY.

ington, Ont., Feb. 8.—The fruit  
of Essex county, say that the  
some has wrought havoc  
peach trees and that the  
be light next season in con-  
Many growers have been  
to cut down their trees to  
ravages of the scale, one  
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## FREE LIBRARIES FOR TOWNS AND CITIES

Premier Rutherford Explains Terms for Establish-  
ment—Under Control of Board of Management—  
Government to aid Each Library to Extent of  
\$350 as Maximum Grant for Books, Magazines  
and Newspapers.

The big thing at last night's session  
of the legislature was the premier's  
bill for the establishment of public  
libraries.

In moving the second reading of  
the bill Premier Rutherford stated  
that no apology nor defence was re-  
quired for the government action in  
this respect. Free libraries did not  
exist in this province as in the other  
provinces of the Dominion. The prin-  
cipal objection raised would be the  
expense; nobody objected to the  
schools, and the public library was  
the school of the adult. The chief  
source of crime was ignorance; good  
literature enlightened and added to  
the sum of human happiness.

The bill provides for the establish-  
ment of libraries in towns and cities  
that comply with the regulations, and  
for a free reading room in connection  
with each.

On the presentation to a municipal  
council of a petition signed by one

tenth of the ratepayers the law  
requires that a bylaw be submitted  
providing for a public library, and  
that the rates of three-fifths of the  
qualified electors who actually vote  
upon the question should be consid-  
ered a majority.

Provision is made for administra-  
tion of the library by a board of which  
the mayor of the town or city shall  
be an ex officio member, although not  
more than two members of the coun-  
cil may be members of the board at  
once.

The board shall have power to ac-  
quire lands and buildings but are  
limited to the expenditure of \$1,000  
per year. "Any sums above this shall  
be met by a special assessment called  
the library rate."

The government will aid each lib-  
rary by giving a dollar for every  
dollar expended by the board for  
books, up to \$300 and \$50 towards  
newspapers and magazines.

The bill passed its second reading.

### PROROGATION IN APRIL.

Special to the Bulletin.

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—The government  
and opposition have agreed to pro-  
rogate parliament early in April.

### TORONTO'S ASSESSMENT.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—The final revision  
of Toronto's assessment by the county  
judge cuts off \$906,067 from the as-  
sessment commissioners figures and  
the assessment of Toronto for 1927  
stands at \$184,632,463.

## LUMBER

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## ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST

Will Give Every Assistance to Com-  
mittee so that the Investi-  
gation in this Province  
May be Thorough.

The Alberta government will give  
every assistance to facilitate the in-  
vestigation to be instituted by the  
Dominion government on the 13th of  
March.

This information was given out last  
night by Premier Rutherford in an-  
swer to a question that has been  
standing on the order paper for a  
few days under the name of Mr. Pul-  
ter member for Lacombe.

The question reads: What action  
does the government propose to take,  
if any with relation to the proposed  
investigation of the Dominion govern-  
ment of the alleged lumber com-  
bine in this province?

In his statement the premier said:  
"It is the intention of the government  
to give every assistance to the com-  
missioners appointed by the Domini-  
on government so that there may be  
a thorough and effective inquiry so  
far as this province is concerned, into  
the alleged lumber combine."

### PERSONNEL OF COMMITTEE.

Names indicate That the Investi-  
gation Will be no Trifling Affair.

The committee to investigate the  
alleged lumber combine, was ap-  
pointed by the government at Ot-  
tawa on February 10th. The names  
on the committee are Messrs. Green-  
way (Lisgar), Sloan (Comox-Atlin),  
McIntyre (Strathcona), McIntyre  
(Berth), Knowles (Moose Jaw), Pow-  
ler (Kings, N.B.), Shaffner (Souris),  
Heron (Lethbridge), McCarthy (Cal-  
gary).

The committee is believed to be one  
of the strongest that could have been  
selected as it is composed of mem-  
bers from both sides of the house who  
are thoroughly familiar with the con-  
ditions in the West, and several of  
whom are familiar with the lumber  
industry.

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shopping expeditions should  
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## LYLE ADMITS SHOOTING ALEXANDER

Plumas Farmer Has no Hesitation  
About Describing How he Killed His  
Neighbor—Answers Questions With  
Unconcern—Looks Like Homicidal  
Mania.

Gladstone, Man., Feb. 20.—Coroner  
E. W. Rose held an inquest at Plumas  
yesterday afternoon on the shooting  
of James Alexander, who was shot  
and instantly killed by Wilson Lyle,  
a neighbor, early Monday morning.  
After hearing a statement from Lyle  
the jury returned the following ver-  
dict: "That James Alexander, of  
Tenby, came to his death by a gun-  
shot wound inflicted by Wilson Lyle  
on February 18, between the hour of  
7 a.m. and 9 a.m., at the house of  
Wilson Lyle."

Lyle, confessing to the killing of  
Alexander, said: "James Alexander  
came to my place about sunrise Mon-  
day and asked me to haul hay, after  
I had refused him before. I refused  
him this morning and had him to  
go away. He went away and as he  
got to the gate I shot him. I was  
ten yards away. He fell. I went in-  
side and put away the gun; then I  
came out and carried him inside and  
put him on the bed. His feet drag-  
ged along the ground. I had some  
newspapers and magazines. I had  
a few words with him. I told Miss  
Alexander about the shooting."

Coroner E. W. Rose and Constable  
Burr brought Lyle to Gladstone about  
2 o'clock this morning and before  
Magistrate Cory at 10 o'clock a pre-  
liminary hearing was given at which  
he was committed to stand for the  
murder of James Alexander at the  
coming assizes in Portage la Prairie.  
Constable Burr took the prisoner to  
Portage la Prairie on the C. P. R.  
yesterday afternoon. The prisoner  
sat in the little court room off Main  
street with all the calmness of a per-  
son awaiting the arrival of a train,  
and it would appear did not realize  
his position.

## FIREMEN GIVE ULTIMATUM

Strathcona has had a narrow  
escape from being deprived of the  
services of her efficient fire brigade. Last  
evening an ultimatum was read at  
the council meeting stating that the  
entire body would resign if their de-  
mands were not at once complied  
with by the council.

Some time ago they asked an in-  
crease in their salaries of from \$10  
to \$20 each per quarter and the ap-  
pointment of George M. Groat as per-  
manent chief. No action was taken  
at the time, but last night the board  
appointed Mr. Groat as caretaker of  
the fire hall and weigh scales in ad-  
dition to his present fire chief duties  
at a salary of \$75 a month. The in-  
crease asked for by the firemen was  
also granted, and a strike by the  
brigade prevented.

## BOARD OF TRADE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Edmon-  
ton Board of Trade takes place in  
the council chamber, city hall tomor-  
row (Thursday) afternoon, at three  
o'clock. No action was taken at  
business the meeting will be called  
to order sharp on time.

After the president's address, the  
presentation of the secretary's report  
outlining the work that has been  
done during the year, and the election  
of officers, there will be presented for  
consideration a number of reports  
from special committees which are  
expected to be of considerable inter-  
est. The reports cover several impor-  
tant subjects, such as fire insurance  
rates, the coal situation, the proposed  
city market building, the encourage-  
ment of the use of flour from local  
wheat, and one or two other subjects  
of lesser importance.

There will also be presented for  
consideration, several communica-  
tions on other matters of considerable  
interest. The proposed introduction  
of a C. O. D. parcel post will come  
up for discussion, and, altogether,  
the meeting promises to be of much more  
than ordinary interest and impor-  
tance.

## KAMSACK COLLECTS ITS TAXES

Canadian Northern Settles Suit of  
Omeemee School District Out of  
Court by Paying Full Amount, with  
Costs and Interest—Second Time  
Company Forced to Cash Up.

Special to the Bulletin.

Yorkton, Feb. 19.—The case of the  
Omeemee school district, Kamsack,  
against the Canadian Northern Rail-  
way for non-payment of taxes since  
1903, on railway property, assessed in  
the village of Kamsack, was settled  
today out of court during the sittings  
of the Supreme court at Saltcoats for  
\$240, being the full amount of the  
claim with interest and costs. This  
is the second case the C. N. R. has  
lost against the same district. The  
company was forced to pay taxes for  
1906 after the seizure of a locomotive.

## SIX HUNDRED MILES TO TOWN

Grand Prairie Farmer Arrives Yester-  
day with his Wife and Family After  
Six Weeks' Trip—Left Home Ranch  
on New Year's Day—All Well and  
Going Back.

After a detour of nearly six hun-  
dred miles over a trail blocked with  
snow, across rivers and lakes and  
through wooded sections through  
which they pushed their lonely way  
Alexander Monkmann, with his wife  
and family, reached Edmonton yester-  
day afternoon from the Grand  
Prairie country, west of the Peace  
River.

They left their ranch on New Year's  
day with two teams and for the first  
five days were only able to make six  
teen miles. As they proceeded the  
trail was much better. The snow was  
not so deep and the weather became  
milder. Game was plentiful on the  
journey and feed for the horses  
could be obtained at intervals. De-  
spite the hard trip the entire party  
are in good health and Mr. Monkmann  
leaves in several days on the return  
journey. His wife and family will  
remain in the city for a few months.

### CANADIAN FOR LIGHT HORSE.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—Capt. W. C. Vaux  
Chadwick, of the 36th Foot regiment,  
will accept the command of the To-  
ronto Light Horse with the rank of  
major.

## EQUITY SOCIETY WILL BUILD MILL

John Moran Leaves To-Morrow for High  
River to Start Operations on Grist  
Mill Plant and Elevator—Stock  
Nearly all Sold—Heavy Demand  
from Farmers in the South Country.

Mr. John Moran, of Fort Saskatche-  
wan, president of the Canadian Soci-  
ety of Equity, Limited, stated to the  
Bulletin today that nearly all the  
stock of the company was sold. A  
strong demand was coming from the  
south country. Mr. Moran leaves  
Wednesday morning for High River,  
where the company have decided to  
erect a grist mill and elevator.

### Woman Suffragists.

London, Feb. 19.—A dozen women  
suffragists were released from prison  
this morning, and subsequently were  
entertained at lunch by their col-  
leagues. Congratulatory messages  
were received from women's organiz-  
ations in the States and elsewhere.  
The text of Sir Charles Dilke's bill  
to enfranchise women and remove  
women's disabilities was issued this  
morning. It provides for enfranchis-  
ing every registered man and woman  
of full age residing in the area where  
an election, either parliamentary or  
local, is being held, and that nobody  
will be disqualified by sex or mar-  
riage from being elected to either the  
house of parliament or any of the  
local bodies, or from exercising any  
public functions whatever.

## GOVERNMENT PROBES LUMBER COMBINE

Committee Notifies Dealers, Consumers and Manu-  
facturers to Appear at Ottawa to Give Evidence  
--Secretary of Mountain Mills and Coast Shingle  
Trust Asked to Show Books--O'Brien of Strath-  
cona Among the Retailers Summoned.

Ottawa, Feb. 19, 3.30 p.m.—The  
Dominion government is in deadly  
earnest about the lumber combine  
and the prompt and sweeping action  
outlined here today indicates that if a  
combine actually exists, as charged,  
and if the cost of lumber to the  
settler has been unduly raised on  
account of an illegal combination,  
the combiners will be dealt with.

The committee to investigate the  
alleged lumber combine in the West  
met for the first time today and de-  
cided to call witnesses representing  
not only the mountain and coast  
manufacturers, but also retailers and  
consumers from all parts of the  
West.

Summary invitations have been  
sent out to manufacturers, retailers  
and consumers to appear before the  
committee in Ottawa on March 18th.  
The witnesses have been summoned  
from all four of the western prov-

inces. They will be required to give  
evidence under oath, covering any  
phase of the lumber question.

The secretary of the Mountain Mills  
Association was among the first sum-  
moned. The secretary of the British  
Columbia Shingle and Lumber As-  
sociation, which is the body usually  
known as the trust and which re-  
presents the coast lumber interests,  
has also been summoned. They will  
be required to show all books, papers  
and documents in connection with  
their business and give evidence un-  
der oath of any matter concerning  
the business.

O'Brien, of Strathcona, has been  
summoned among the retailers. He  
will be required to give all informa-  
tion available about the lumber trade  
and conditions in Northern Alberta.

Other Alberta dealers may be sum-  
moned at any time, at the request of  
the committee or any member of the  
Dominion House.

The committee is determined to  
make the investigation as complete  
and thorough as possible.

## WITHIN A SECOND OF SUDDEN DEATH

London, Ont., Feb. 20.—The Inter-  
national Limited on the G. T. R.  
collided with a freight tonight at a  
switch about a quarter of a mile east  
of London station. The limited left  
Toronto twenty minutes late and was  
about that much late at the time of  
the collision. The freight going east  
and limited going west were on dif-  
ferent tracks. The freight was try-  
ing to get on to the main line when  
the engine of the flyer ran into it. If  
the flyer had been two seconds later  
one of the coaches would have receiv-  
ed a fearful impact of collision. As  
a result of the collision Road Fore-  
man Geo. Renfon, of London, is dead  
and Engineer Hardman and Fireman  
Barker severely injured. So close did  
the freight engine stand upon the  
switch leading to the westbound main  
line that the express locomotive  
broke off its front beam within a foot  
of the centre, and carried away  
half the pilot. The heavy express  
engine side-swiped the 150-ton mo-  
guli's front works and the latter jump-  
ed clear into the air and whirled  
completely around, landing with its  
nose turned towards its train. The  
accident was due to an unaccount-  
able turning of the switch ahead of

the freight, which allowed it to cut  
over towards the limited tracks. This  
is said to have been done by Brake-  
man McDonald, who is alleged to  
have disappeared. The cries of two  
men under the ruins immediately at-  
tracted attention. George Renfon, on  
the limited, was one of the men who  
were pinned under the wreck. The  
upper part of his body was free. He  
was sitting almost upright and moan-  
ing with pain. It was absolutely im-  
possible to do anything at the mo-  
ment to extricate him. After linger-  
ing in agony for fifteen minutes he  
died. The fireman of the limited was  
visible under the tender. He was  
prone on the ground, held fast by his  
legs and the lower parts of his body.  
His arms were more or less free. He  
was moaning in agony. It was fully  
half an hour before the auxiliary car  
from London came up to render as-  
sistance. Passengers of the limited  
had a marvelous escape; a fraction  
of a second more and there would  
have been a head-on collision. The  
freight would have been on the west-  
bound main line and would have met  
the express fairly. As it was the  
passengers felt nothing more than a  
sudden lurch as the air brakes gripped  
the wheels.

## NATIONAL TRUST BUYS CITY DEBENTURES

The city council last night accept-  
ed the tender of the National Trust  
for the entire issue of city debentures  
at a rate which practically figures out  
that the city gets its money at 4.5-8  
per cent.

The full amount of the debentures  
for which tenders were called was  
\$515,457.57. The rate of interest was  
uniformly 4.1-2 per cent., but the de-  
bentures included several issues, of  
varying duration, from 10 to 40 years.  
They were all of automatic retirement  
kind; that is to say, payments were  
so arranged that at the end of the  
time the debentures would have been  
paid off.

The National Trust offer, which was

the highest, was \$757,923, being \$27,  
564.57 less than par on the issue of  
\$815,457.57.

The commissioners recommended  
that the city accept the National  
Trust offer, but that they supplement  
the issue with sufficient extra debentures  
to cover the deficit.

According to the system of retire-  
ment and payment, it is the work of  
an actuary to figure out what the  
actual interest is according to this  
arrangement. The commissioners as-  
sured the council, however, that it  
was within a decimal of 4.5-8 per  
cent.

The tender of the National Trust  
was accepted without debate.