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MPERIAL POLITICS.

Condition of Parties in House -Election Predictions.

on, March 12.-The continued of the present government past eventful week in parliates surprise amongst its most upporters. No less than 110 of the House of Commons put n out Mr. Balfour rather than ieir adherence to Mr. Chamout and out protectionist prin-s a result Mr. Balfour has forepersonal policy of retaliation es office only by the support of abers who openly uphold nd protective duties. This sec-Unionist party, though strong. decide the fate of the ministry ng enough to affect anything ividual unit. Complications. e Unionist party came during to an almost Gilbertian climax. des it is admitted that a disof parliament alone can solve ng complex and muddled co e parties in the House of Com-he cabinet itself, so recently re-, has been on the verge of a lit during the week. Austen Colonial Secretary Lyttleton hreatened to resign unless Mr. withdrew his support of the moh denounced Joseph Chambersed preferential duties based posed preferential duties based awation of food. Both without in, Mr. Balfour gave in to the lainites, and still further anthose free trade Unionists, the Devonshire, Lord Balfour of Chas. T. Ritchie, Lord Geo. and Sir John Gorst, formerly

ues and their supporters. ich the fiscal question has what was known as "the government of modern times," ar has been subjected to a perack. Lord Lansdowne and Mr. bitterly resent the criticism of nistration of the war office l in the recommendation of Mr. rmy reorganization commit-Balfour's explanations of his oward the Duke of Devenshire, orge Hamilton and Mr. Ritchie on with their resignations from et, and his alleged suppression Chamberlain's withdrawal from ment are held by such a careas the Spectator to be entirely

ebery's bitter satire and comof Mr. Balfour as a "pretty was a striking instance of the eling. In his passionate attack he sedate House of Lords on y, Lord Rosebery only voiced rness against Mr. Balfour which among the families of those of the cabinet who resigned eir relatives had for centuries the Tory leaders. Mr. Balon Spencer Churchill (Conserva-

ceasingly harries Mr. Balfour, ter to his constituents Mr. says that the amendment infro-Mr. Wharton condemning mberlain's policy, but sarp-Balfour's retaliation prois drawn up by decree of the The protectionist members, he elled the withdrawal of this nt. "Face to face with imur surrendered. The govern-th at 4 o'clock in the afterved to support a free trade and preference based on the of food, at 5.15 p. m. resolved ning of the kind, and at midealed to its followers to meet ect negative a proposal to conriffs. When Mr. Balfour had to combat protection, he had rill. Now he has the will, but

longer the power." in British elections express ally opposite forecasts regardobable result of the appeal to ry which is now somewhat awaited by the public. They however, that neither Mr ain nor Mr. Balfour, on their planks of protection and re are likely to be returned to-Vhether the Liberals or of the Liberals with the Unionaders could secure a sufficient to remain in power without ent of the Irish party, is renced opinion is when Mr. Balment, or it is ended for him be a series of see-saw politicar with the Irish party holding.

UNIVERSITY CLOSED.

of Threats of Disturbances Among Students at Vienna

March 10 .- The University here sed in consequence of threats of ces among the students. The idents were much incensed at strations of the Czechs against an comrades at Prague, Bothreatened retaliation.

Boyle, of Newfoundland, l unanimous passage of this rospect of completing an French shore is understood to

Cotton Root Compound.

WRECK OF THE SEALER PENELOPE

CAPTAIN'S ACCOUNT OF LOSS OF SCHOONER

Brave Work of Rescuing Party Frem Ship Pass of Killiectankie-One Man Drowned.

They be made bracker on a farth of the control of t

ers roar. Seas broke over the stern. The schooner hove sideways, and was shortly two feet of water in this department, and the Chinaman was sitting on a stool on a piece of float. On another occasion the 'jumbo' struck him, and he was car-

"The boat on the port side was carried away. A number of my crew were very anxious to go ashore, but I thought it best to stay by the schooner until daylight. To have attempted a landing in the darkness would, in my opinion, have meants certain death.

"The schooner in the meanwhile listed out from shore owing to the precipitous character of the rocks, and this made our hances on the wreck worse and of landng all the more difficult. "At 4 o'clock a sea struck a starboard

boat hung high out of the water and carried away all but two ends. When daylight came we could see people ashore. D. A. Robinson's logging camp was near by and the employees came along to render what assistance they could. One brave fellow undertook to swim out for our line, which we attempted to float ashore. The schooner was some distance out from dry land, and there was but one narrow waterway that was at all passable through the breakers. After three attempts, this man ceeded in reaching the line, which was made fast to the fore-rigging and or

nore tied to a tree. "About the same time a boat from the was carried up on the crest of a wave, and it was swept clear of the ship in a small stick. from his room, and pulled the trigger with harness on. He had the harness removed and taken to one of the cabins,

moment. Calder's next move was to drop an anchor outside the breakers with moment. Calder's next move was to drop an anchor outside the breakers with a long line attached. He then took another line to the schooner, and it was made fast to the mainboom. But the boat could not approach the schooner, and to get the men of the sealer off was the next difficulty. Calder, however, appeared to well understand his business. With the line to guide the boat he crept back when any big combers came along, and when the sea became a little quiet would creep up as near as possible o the schooner and take off a man." The mate, Kennedy, was the first to leave the schooner. He climbed out on the main-boom and was quickly taken off into the

second mate. He crawled out on the mainboom in the same manner, but did not let go at the right time. He persisted in chinging to the rigging and was struck by an or six seas in quick succession. Three feet Thrown in among breakers on a dark he was eventually carried down. Caulder took off his coat and wanted to swim to his

of us overboard. I then sent all of the the principal feature of the a vertising crew forward. All went, except the Chinaman, and I had to go down in the crew forward. All went, except the Chinaman, and I had to go down in the cabin and get him out. He came out on deck, shivering and with his hands up the sleeves of his coat. He seemed stupid, and would do nothing to save his life. Later, I had to go down into the forecastle to get him. There was ther two feet of water in this department, and the Chinaman was sitting on a stool of the city as a summer resort during the ensuing year. It will take the place of the popular publication Picturesque Victoria, which was so much admired last season. The cuts used in An Outpost of Empire are those of Picturesque Victoria, but several very important additions have been made, making it a very witness, who advised him not to do it. Cook then threw the wheel to the road and left it in possession of the vitness. He started for town with the remark that he was going to consult his solicitor."

Victoria, but several very important additions have been made, making it a very ly fastened. He left his bailiff in charge with the remark that he was going to consult his solicitor."

to-day." The picture is a remarkable evidence of the mild climate and the productive character of the soil of this section of the world.

Several additional cuts representing the beauties of Victoria appear in the little volume. Some garden scenes, H. M. S. Flora in dry dock, and the two new steamers Princess Victoria and Princess Beatrice appear among them. Another full page cut is that prepared from Herbert Cuthbert's photograph howing an evening scene off the Dallas road. This makes a beautiful picture. The booklet is being printed by Colonist Printing Company. The half tone engravings have been prepared by the B. C. Photo-Engraving Company. The work reflects credit upon the local

firms having the execution of it.

ship Pass of Killicrankie, which was at ted suicide at 3 o'clock this morning by He said he owed this man mo anchor some distance off in the bay, bore | shooting himself through the heart. Olsen's | the latter had taken the wagon and horse down on the schooner. Second Officer movements early last evening are not as part payment.

Calder had charge of this boat, and he known. At 1 o'clock this morning he went Witness satisfied himself that there had five men with him. The wind had to his boarding house, where he made such had been some transaction of this kind moderated, but there was still a very a noise that woke up the landlady. Then between them, and therefore released the heavy swell. The boat had been launchhe went out. A shot was heard in a vacant wagon and horse from seizure.

Cook said the harness belonged to him that Calder knew his business. A man in store at 3 o'clock. Olsen had leaned on the each end loosened the tackle as the boat muzzle of his shotgun, which he had taken stable where the horse was standing with

OPENS THIS MORNING

boat. David Walker followed. He was the Circumstances Leading Up to Charge Preferred Against Accused-Hearing Continued.

(From Friday's Daily.)

schooner hove sideways, and was shortly schooner hove sideways, and was shortly wheel into the middle of the road. Without a new booklet for the coming season It is now being printed, and will be ready broke adrift and almost knocked three for distribution has prepared a new booklet for the coming season It is now being printed, and will be ready broke adrift and almost knocked three for distribution has prepared a new booklet for the coming season It is now being printed, and will be ready broke adrift and almost knocked three for distribution has prepared a new booklet for the coming season It is now being printed, and will be ready broke adrift and almost knocked three for distribution has prepared a new booklet for the coming season It is now being printed. The middle of the road. With new booklet for the coming season It is now being printed, and will be ready broke adrift and almost knocked three witness, who advised him not to do it.

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The boat on the port side was carried A number of my crew were very us to go ashee. A number of my crew were very us to go ashee. tion is a miniature tree bearing several large apples with the title "A year old warned Cook against removing any of son. The latter said, however, he was fied Mr. Bone that everything belonging to Cook was under seizure, and that he could not deal with him in any way until the execution was satisfied. Cook then came out of the house, and witness again warned him. He went away and said he was going to consult his soli-citor. He left with Mr. Bone a notice addressed to witness. Cook returned in half an hour's time. Witness tried to reason with him, told him he had better allow him (the sheriff) to enter, and that refused, saying that he was acting on the advice of his solicitor. Witness fold him that he desired to look over the balance of the premises. He found a wagon and a horse in the stable with a set of harness on it. These were seized Vancouver, March 14.—A. H. Olsen, aged by witness, and Cook stated that the wagon and horse had belonged to him, but that he had sold them to a party liv-

or storage purposes. Witness asked Cook if he had anything else around, and was escorfed to the back part of the cahin, where the accused pointed out a coal scales and a good-sized copper boiler, which he said belonged to him. Witness had the

scales and boiler removed to a passage way in the front of the cabin. He placed them with the harness. Cook was there at the time. Witness told him they were not to be interfered with. The

The Witness: "It's a fact." The baliff was still in possession.

Cross-examined by J. P. Walls: When witness seized the bicycle the accused was ontside. Four or five feet separated witness from Cook, who was outside. The gate was open. After witness seized the wheel Cook pulled it and him (witness) to the street Witness has a considerable treasurer, who is really the mainspring of the association. Keeping the accounts is the easiest part of her work; the time that she spends in interviews with provincial and civic authorities in making arrangements of every kind—in receiving (witness) to the street. Witness had hold of the top part of the bicycle and Cook held the handle bar. Witness delephones, make us feel we owe a special debt of gratitude to Miss Law-Cook was leaving with it by the crook of his stick. Once when the accused nearly drew it away witness had to hold the drew it away witness had to hold the wheel with his stick. He swore that he grasped the top bar before he caught the wheel with the crook of his stick. The seizure took place in the yard, Witness returned the bike to its place inside the

fence, subsequently removing it to his office. It was there yet, "that is if it hasn't been removed," added the witlate Henry Brackman was also acknowl-The untimely death of two prominent "It hasn't been removed with your ermission?" queried Mr. Walls."
"Certainly not," replied the witness.
"When did you last see it," asked workers, Mrs. Aikman, one of the vicepresidents, and Mrs. A. J. C. Galletly, was deeply regretted by the presid

"This morning," returned the witness.
The cross-examination of Mr. Richrds was continued for some time, after which an adjournment was taken until this afternoon. The hearing in the police court, which has now started, apparently does not affect the strategical situation at the scene of the siege, as the sen-

tinels continue to pace vigilantly up and

Star line steamer Victorian, from Liver-pool for New York, is reported by wireless telegraphy as having been in com-munication with Nantucket lightship at with Nantucket lightship at 9.30 this morning. Both steamers will probably

intended to clear away and stand out to sea. I slipped the starboard cable, but couldn't get a pin out of the shackle soon enough. Everything had been prepared with a view of swinging out. A buty was fastened to make sail. The forestaysall was set, and the crew started to make sail. The forestaysall was set, and the crew started to set the size and the crew started to set for sail when the make found understand whatever for the was found understand to the starboard cable, but couldn't get a pin out of the shackle soon enough. Everything had been prepared with a view of swinging out. A buty was fastened to the accused back. Cook retained to make sail. The forestaysall was set, and the crew started to set the society's rooms. The returned, and was placed under responded to the Christmas appeal. The subject of the starboard cable, but couldn't get a pin out of the shackle starbage and said his solicitor had so advised him. Witness appeal the officer, pointing to Cook. The accused saw him do so, and started to run down Douglas street towards Humboldt. Witness again signaled to the constable, of the society's rooms. The responded to the Christmas appeal. The bublic schools also generously assisted. Who again signaled to the constable, of the name of the whole of the succeed back. Cook returned, and was placed under responded to the Christmas appeal. The bublic schools also generously assisted. Who again signaled to the constable, which was gain signaled to the constable, of the society's rooms. The responded to the Christmas appeal. The bublic schools also generously assisted. Who again signaled to the constable, the bublic schools also generously assisted. Who again signaled to the constable, which we will be accused back. Cook returned, and was placed under responded to the Christmas appeal. The bublic schools to the Christmas appeal. The responded to the Christmas appeal. The bublic schools also generously assisted. Who the collect the christmas appeal. The problem to the constable, which called the accused back. About one hundred and twenty friends responded to the Christmas appeal. The public schools also generously assisted, tempted to take the bicycle away from witness. He pulled witness with the wheel into the middle of the road. Witness told him that if he will be moss told him that i means end there. Many and varied are West. which although they cannot be described STEAMER MISSING. Hope, of Richardson, Lopez Island.

Port Townsend, March 14.-Mystery rrounds the fate of the little steamer Hope, which left here shortly after noon a message was received from Fort Casey, near Point Pantridge at the north end of the island. It was later seen to drift off and disappear. The tug Sea Lion was sent out from here, but returned at 7 o'clock without finding any trace of the The Hope was a small steamer hail-

ALLEGED MURDER.

Ottawa, March 14.-W. S. Hamilton

the police court to-day and was remand-

IMPORTANT CONCESSION.

Ottawa, March 14 .-- An order-in-cou

refused to pay for a meal.

ing from Richardson, on Lopez Island. She carried five men; her master and owner, Louis Schroeder, and his father, both of Richardson; Engineer Peterson, of Lopez Island; Fireman Geo. Sahl, of Bellinghom, and a cook, name not known, Advices from Bellingham to-day show that the steamer has not yet arrived there, although Capt. Schroeder expected to reach that port on Saturday night.

The annual report was then read by the secretary. Its adoption was move by the Bishop of Columbia, who compli-mented the society on the year's showing,

for the year ending 29th rebruary, 1904:

Mrs. Gill Mrs. Saunders munication with Nantucket lightship at Mrs. Saunders 20.20 this morning. The Red Star line Mrs. McNaughton 450 the Kootenay mining industry.

New York, is reported by wiseless telegraph as having been in communication Mrs. Fell 260 George Riley, M. P., obtained to-day from the customs department a refund

MEETING SATURDAY

o'clock, he found that the harness had been removed. Witness asked Cook what he had done with it. He said he had taken it, and was going to use it. Witness told him he had no right to do so, that the harness was under seizure, and that he had been warred not to bunch it. He (witness) ited Cook to return it, but he refused to do so. Witness then went to the stable and found the barness again on the horse. Witness had it removed and returned to the place it was taken from. He again warned Cook that the city hall on Satur-day afternoon. There was a good at-

The president also referred to her visit, while in England, to Mrs. Baker, who was the society's first president, and the prime mover in the work.

The legacy of \$200 bequeated by the

who paid a high tribute to the valuable services rendered by them in the inter-

and gave them every encouragement.

The treasurer's report was then presented as follows: Statement of receipts and expenditures

Cash on hand, 1st March, 1903\$ 25 4 50 the Kootenay mining industry.
4 05 A Refund. 1 co from the customs department a refund of \$225 duty paid by pilots on a steam

COMING TO WEST

The Hon. Mr. Justice Drake...... 10 00

LANDED AT ST. JOHN

"PSYCHO" FLESH AND BLOOD.

"Psycho" is a human being. He so half-past eight, when he arose from the for long periods during the week, bowed to the crowd that thronged the street in front of Eletcher Bros', store and in other ways vital force as anybody. Hundreds of peo and it would have required a battalion with

fixed bayonets to move them along. Some were actuated by more than the They had hazarded money and they were anxious to have the question decided as soon as possible. As a matter of fact a "Psycho" stood up and smiled so amiably to the crowd. One man separated himself from fifty dollars in less than ten minutes. He had been simply expiring to have his wager taken up, while the man to whom he was speaking did not want to bet. UItimately, as the other insisted that "Psycho" was wax, he covered the money and a few minutes afterwards won it.
"Psycho" is very much alive as those who carried him from the window to the "box" are aware. He is no lightweight either, and as his muscles were kept ab-solutely rigid he gave those handling him a great deal of exercise. After revealing his identity on Saturday night he enterestaurant keeper, charged with the tained the crowd for some time with a nurder of John Fitzgerald, appeared in number of selections.

"Psycho" came to Victoria from Baker ed. The inquest was adjourned until City, Oregon, where he gave his strange Wednesday. Hamilton is accused of exhibition in one of the music stores. The cities visited by him are necessarily quite a distance apart. From here he goes to Salt Lake City, Utah. His engagement in the different places is due wholly to the enterprise of the store proprietors in whose window he is on exhibition. Generally he cil has been passed placing petroleum oil is vigilantly guarded, although occasionally some curious individual eludes the guard and gets too close for his comfort. On one companies for use in the concentration of of these occasions a bystander jabbed a pin attached to a stick into his leg. "Psycho's" iron self-control could not stand such a sudden shock and he jumped up with a yell He is certainly subjected to a tremendous strain. Some of the comments which fall on his ears are enough to make a statue laugh, but not a ripple passes over his countenance. During the past week he has walked about on the streets quite freely,

50 doz. Regatta Shirts, reduced to 65c and 75c. See windows. Fancy Vests, Smoking Jackets and Overcoats, half price for cash.

Boys' Knickers, 25c pair. School Suits, \$1.90; worth \$3.80. Priestley's Cravenette Raincoats - - - Half price for cash

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ATLANTIC LINERS REPORTED.

New York, March 14.-The White