VAGARIES OF CONSERVATIVES.

thinks the Times is between the devil asserting that there shall be no increase have even forgotten that the last Doin the duties and the Minister of Public Works advocating increased protection for Canadian industries. We can assure our contemporary that the Times is quite easy in its mind about the alleged differences of opinion of the Ministers. the strong man, "the master of the ad-The Fielding tariff has been in existence ministration," that it was he who, disfor a number of years. The country has gusted with the rottenness at the heart for the recent devastation upon any prospered under it as it never did before. of the "once great party," laid bare the class. We prefer to follow the procedure The tariff resulted from consultations there were differences of opinion about ponder over the following words of the It was merely a coincidence that the it. Were there ever a bakers' dozen of man they admire, delivered at a meetgentlemen gathered together who were ing lately held in Toronto: "A public arrived this year about the same time. all of one mind upon any subject brought man must deal with these great ques- At the same time, it is our duty to point before them? The tariff is before the tions in no narrow party spirit; he must out that in the interests of the people Conservative party, and it is the provinco of the wise men of that party to fore considering the petty interests of life of toil, is yearly endangered, some atattack it and show wherein they could party. The best thing to do was to try tempt should be made to enforce the proimprove it. Have they done so? Their to harmonize their views upon trade visions of the Bush Fires Act. criticism has all been couched in gen- questions and work together." eral terms. There has been no attempt to point out a weakness in its provisions, except that it has been lowered for the purpose of admitting the products of the manufactories of Great Britain, alleged to be operated by "pauper labor." The gentlemen who came West alleged that they were in favor of a "mutual preference." They would abolish the present preference and create one under which the products of Great Britain action? would enter the Canadian market without coming into competition with Canadian manufactured articles. It is not easy to see how this could be done; but they are mighty men and resourceful, our Tory friends, and it is hard to tell what they might do. It is obvious, however, that if Great Britain is to into this country under it. If the Conservative wise men can arrange a preferential scheme which will enable British merchants and manufacturers to sell great American dailies, and distributed their products in this country without competing with some of the established continent. In those days the art of spice industries in this country, they should ing the news according to the assume outline their plan without delay, for we taste of the reader had not been acquir it. If it be proposed to put forward a his fancy or his particular prejudice plan such as that outlined by the Can- Coloring came into vogue at a compar advocated a general increase of the tariff to the point of absolute exclusion, leaving the ratio between the preferential and the ordinary tariff undisturbed, we

think they would admit that the leaders importance of the United States, and are of their party who came here to complete ready to concede that it is the greatest of their party who came here to complete and most remarkable thing in the world their political education are many to from any point of view, but they feel sink deeper in the deep sea of opposition in their efforts to placate the devil under no particular obligation to conin their hostility to any increase of the in their hostility to any increase through tariff. In their pilgrimage through imperial postal authorities, have a large the players on to greater exertions. The tariff. In their physimage the circulation in Canada and an influence United States is a peculiar country, in countered a great wave of public opinion rising against even the present duties on mining machinery. The industry enough of that. is languishing, and the stagnation is alleged to be due to burdensome provincial and federal taxation. There may be differences of opinion as to the causes ed from unpolluted sources. Canada is which are operating to depress the chief rapidly growing in wealth, and her newsindustry of British Columbia; but there papers should soon be independent of is no doubt as to the fact that the their great American contemporaries for land. blame is ascribed by the men who have the supply of news which is of the most votes to burdensome taxation. Since importance to Canadian readers. An the Laurier government came into pow- Imperial news agency would do a great er the duties on agricultural implements deal towards creating a better and more have been reduced about 25 per cent., intelligent understanding of the position while mining machinery not manufactor of the different sections of the Empire tured in Canada has been placed on the among the people of the whole of it.

coming somewhat wobbly in their utter- be one of the first projects to engage the ances about the tariff. Neither Mr. Sif- attention of the several communities in ton por Mr. Tarte created the present terested, and hope the press of Canada tariff. Neither Mr. Sifton nor Mr. will lend itself to the scheme with en-Tarte can amend it for better or for thusiasm. worse. The tariff is a product of the government as a whole. If Mr. Borden and the men he designs to take into his think they can in their superior intellecthink they can in their superior intellecthink they can be something more symtual might produce something more symmetrical and less likely to hamper indus- causing the loss of millions of dollars' try, they should get together and turn worth of property and more than a score it out without delay. As it is, judging of lives, should all have commenced simby their utterances, they are vastly ultaneously? The coincidence in the outfarther apart in their opinions than break was so marked that in imagination in the mines. The explosion knocked Messrs, Tarte and Sifton. And the more one could almost perceive the signal for Messrs, Tarte and Sirton. And the distriction of the torch being given they talk the more confusion they cret the application of the torch being given off the air from the men imprisoned by ate in the minds of their hearers. At and the fire starting forward in its path the Victoria theatre it was vehemently of destruction and death. Naturally there the Victoria theatre it was vehemently declared the British preference should has been considerable speculation as to in the mine on Sunday last and the mine humbug and a sham. It was also said woods, the brush and the grass were dry that it had been instrumental in closing and in a high degree inflammable, but so staten:ents serve to prove the necessity for an understanding among the mem-

paying a great deal of attention to Mr. Tarte lately. Some of them have gone so far as to intimate that he is a Conservative at heart after all; they minion campaign was principally waged against him and his alleged pro-French proclivities, while others have boldly stretched forth the hand of brotherhood left smouldering in the midst of and invited him to join them, forgetting in their eagerness for the acquisition of of matchwood by months of dry weather iniquities which resulted in its undoing. of the nonplussed jury and ascribe the We invite those men of many minds to calamity to a "visitation of Providence." look to the interests of the nation be- whose property, the accumulation of a

DOCTORING THE NEWS.

A correspondent of the Times wants to know why it is that the newspapers of Canada do not join together and secure their news, especially that relating to Great Britain and her possessions, from an independent source. What stands in 1st, it is claimed. It is not to be exthe way of them taking the necessary

In the early days of the Dominion

when there were only a few daily papers,

and these published in less than half a dozen cities, the question was merely one of expense. They simply could not afford to maintain a newsgathering agency, and to obtain a report of the events of the day were compelled to purchase the have a real preference, goods must come dispatches of the Associated Press, a provision would have a tendency to rein the meshes of the nets. Its big eyes, which, as regards European news, were made up in the office of the New York Times from the special cables of the among the papers in all parts of thi believe it will take the people all the ed. The facts were given, the student time between now and the next general of public affairs being left to read into election to gather a full comprehension of them whatever meaning accorded with adian Manufacturers' Association, which atively recent date. We presume that on account of the great increase in the business of the Associated Press, a different system of handling its news has now been adopted. Whatever view we are disposed to think all honest, fair- may take as to the value of the news it dealing men in Great Britain and Canada supplies to Canadian papers, there is no business upon the seas when the other longest about seven inches. They also would have good reason to say such a questioning the fact that it is thoroughly nations come to their senses and decide had ears two feet long and a horn preference merely existed on paper and up-to-date in its methods, and that its that the only way to permanent success the forehead two feet two inches in was a gigantic humbug. Either let us ramifications on this continent are widely lies in following her example. give a real preference, under which the extended. But while the Associated British will be able to do business in Press is an admirable institution from this country, or wipe the scheme from the point of view of the class it is specithe books of state altogether. The ally designed to serve, it has long ceased manufacturers of the East may think a to meet the requirements of Canadian protection of from 20 to 25 per cent, is newspapers and readers. Apart altonot "adequate," but we fancy the con- gether from the objectionable tone which sumers of the West think it ought to editors are kept busy trying to eliminate and which no amount of vigilance can If the Conservative newspapers in the eradicate without entirely destroying the West would be frank in their utterances news, much that is received is of no and express their honest opinions, we value whatever. Canadians recognise the

hanks to the short-sighted policy of the the city have raised a big purse to spur upon Canadian rising public opinion habited by a peculiar people. Soon no which is the reverse of healthy, can do one "in the public eye" will do his duty

When the Pacific cable is completed, we see no reason why the news of the

Therefore we welcome the announcement In view of the above facts, we are not of Sir Edmund Barton that the estab surprised at the Conservative leaders be- lishment of an Imperial news service will

HUNTERS AND BUSH FIRES.

Is it not rather a curious circumstan government when he attains power that the forest fires which have devas-Columbia, in the cases of the two states be abolished entirely; that it was a the cause of the conflagrations. The that it had been instrumental in closing up a cotton factory in Montreal. Such they had been for more than a month. orders and went in. A party headed by Some say sparks from locomotives Mine Inspector Cooper attempted a resource responsible. But the engines cue this morning, but was driven back are responsible. But the engines bers of the party to prevent them from have been puffing forth their coals making themselves ridiculous. How all summer, and the destruction through making themselves ridiculous. How all summer, and the destruction through hope of extinguishing the flames until a preference that was not a preference and of no value to the British pared with that resulting from the late point of the explosion."

manufacturer by its competition close up general outbreak. Many of the fires originated far from railways, and it would be inated far from railways, and it would be any large part of the destruction. Some OF SEA-SERPENT of the more censorious are inclined to find an explanation for the phenomena in the opening of the shooting season. The woods have been full of sportsmen many of them of immature years and

judgment, and thoughtless about the

possible consequences from fires

material reduced to the inflammability

We are not disposed to lay the blame

shooting season and the bush fire season

Though the subject is not exactly a

kindred one, we may point out that com-

plaints have reached this paper that the

"dead letter." The open season for pheas-

ants is not supposed to come in until

October 1st. Yet in certain dis-

have been killed since September

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer says the

nations which heavily subsidise the build-

ing and operations of ships are gradually

driving the British off the seas. It is

other origin.

Times says:

Seattle has fallen behind in the race

A whisky trust has been organized in

will surely be an uprising if the move

ment extends across the water to Scot

EXPLOSION IN MINE.

"A disastrous gas and powder explo

on occurred in the Big Four mine of

orning. Jas. Lester, an engineer; John

plored miners are known to be in the

nine now, and there is no chance of

curred, and the gas and smoke is so

thick that the rescuing parties are being driven back. H. F. Frankenfield, the bank boss, and Geo. Gaspie, a Hungar-

crawling over the fallen coal and slate to

the lights of the rescuing party, and

ive been taken out alive, although they

"The explosion was caused by an ac-

imulation of gas catching on fire from

the lamp of a miner, who was going to

plasting powder that had been stored

down all the brattice for a mile back

towards the mine entrance, thus cutting

superintendent, A. J. Stewart, had cau-tioned the men not to attempt to work

again until the air had been tested by a

by the want of air. It is now learned

aind the wreckage.

work. This in turned fired six kegs

ian miner, successfully succeed

beyond the point where the explosion

ing recovered alive, as they are

the Algomo Coal & Coke Co., here this

Roockle, a Hungarian miner, and

and a scorching hot sun.

IN COLUMNS OF THIS MORNING'S COLONIST

Somebody Either in Japan or Victoria Has Been Seeing Visions-Entertaining But Incredible.

The sea-serpent has again made its appearance this time in the columns of the morning paper. To the Times belongs the credit of resurrecting the last one, which, it was said "stretched from mast to mast." The Colonist immediately mpugned the veracity of the Times's informant, and in the strongest terms as serted that this exceptional monster didn't exist, that it was a fishy creation of a sailor's mental machine.

To-day, however, the morning paper game act is in some respects virtually a published a sea-serpent story that dwarfs the wildest phantasms of Louis de Rougemount into cheap every day occurrences. Its informant is not an imtricts more pheasants than grouse aginative sailor, but an Oriental exwith which the story was reproduced it pected that the general public, which quite apparently went down holus-bolus. cares for none of these things, should be cares for none of these things, should be to have been caught in nets by Japanes taxed for the purpose of enforcing the fishermen of the Kochi prefecture. The provisions of the game law. A tax should account in this morning's paper innocen be put upon guns, and the resultant revly states that in the carcase of one of the enue applied in engaging efficient men enue applied in engaging efficient men sea-serpents was found the remains of a who could devote all their time to seeing human being, mute evidence that some unknown person had fallen a victim of that the provisions of these acts of very great importance are observed to a certhe seldom-seen serpents of the sea."

tain degree at least. The effect of such bellowed with rage as it vainly struggled strict the operations of the class which with the whites glaring, were enough to brings the very name of hunters into dis- frighten the bravest of men, and with the strangeness of the sight-for the seaerpent-according to the story told by its slavers-continued to bite at the ne with its fangs, roar continuously, and with a side movement of its great head, forehead, which was afterwards found to not long since the Sound paper, in ad- be two feet, two inches in length.

vocating a policy of heavy subsidies to Eventually the creature was dispatched with rifle bullets. Shortly afterwards American ships, held that the British mercantile marine was built up and another servent, the materfamilias of the family if there was one, came dashing maintained in its present position by toward the boats like a torpedo boa generous government assistance. The destroyer, with head raised and arched Post-Intelligencer is wrong in its facts bedy a la cobra de capello, fire in its and incorrect in its assumptions. Great eye and on vengeance bent. This Britain is holding her own upon the sea | monstrosity was also slain after a terrific bombardment. But the story does not in spite of the competition of government pampered rivals. She builds ships to of the male to be 48 feet, and the earn money, and will be found doing female 39 feet. Each had 44 fangs, the

That is about all, but it is enough The possible fate of the Doukhobors The first serpent is stated to have bellowed. This is not surprising, when it sits heavy upon the mind of the editor is considered that it had the remains of of the Colonist. Those peculiar people a human being in its stomach. It was have put in a winter or two in the plainly a case of acute indigestion, her Nothing was said about the Northwest and have survived the ordeal. sheets of flame that must have been It is said they are so merciful to their emitted from the creatures eyes and beasts that they yoke their own flesh and blood in harness to do the work of their without any fire! The story also said farms. Quakers though they we in their the whites of the eyes were glaring. That was awful, and apparently a weakness. A generation will arise with symptom of some ocular trouble. reature also had a "side movement," as little inclination to perform labor doubtless a replica of the famous Fitz-simmons "side step," while it frequently which can be done by animals or machines as the majority of Canadians of

resorted to an upper cut with its horn. The second creature arched its body. It doubtless had what the small boy would describe as the "rubber neck," If over 75 citizens. The list will be closed tion in their efforts to placate the describe as the "rubber neck." If of "adequate protection." They found of "adequate protection." They found tinually vaunt it and puff it up. The for the baseball championship of the it said anything, its remarks were not reof "adequate protection." They are not rethe farmers of the prairies unanimous newspapers and the magazines which, Northwestern states, and the people of ported in the Oriental papers or Victoria there will be in the neighborhood of a they were either unfit for publication or ing will be thoroughly representative. inaudible, owing to the deafening fusilade caused by its appearance. Who ever being to afford Sir Edmund Barton the heard of a female sea-serpent with nothing to say, especially under the aforesaid rcumstances?

unless a prize be "hung up" for his One thing more. The story does not describe the monsters' color, their weight soil. There will be music, decorations, or nationality. It doesn't state whether and everything that can make the func-Ireland. That is about the limit. The hey were Russian Japanese Chinese or oppressor has now done his worst. There whether the male had a bass, baritone soprano, mezzo soprano or contralto narration, and may possibly convey the impression that the Japanese fisherman under the influence of "sake" had stuffed Roanoke, Va., Sept. 15 .- A. special om Norfolk, W. Va., the Roanoke the Japanese capers, which in turn stuf-fed the Victoria Colonist.

> SAILING OF COLONIA Ship Will Be Under Way For Bamfield Creek This Afternoon,

to get away for Bamfield Creek this afternoon after taking on board sufficient coal and other supplies to last her while laying the cable a point about 175 miles this side of Fanning island, where she leaves the completion of the work to the Anglia.

J. Wilson, the superintendent of the C. P. R. telegraph line, and E. J. Conway, of the same service, are passen-gers. They go no farther than the coast, nowever, and will there oversee the work of laying the land connection. The Colonia after finishing her work and sailing for Honolulu will receive there the superintendent of the company, which is to lay the San Francisco-Manila cable, with whom she will proceed to the Philippines. time next year, it having not yet been which it is to lie has already been sur

When the Australian line has been perfected messages will be sent over it every half hour throughout the day for a month before it is finally turned or the Imperial government by the Paci fic Maintenance & Construction Con

The Colonia will commence the laying of the cable from Bamfield Creek to merrow.

H. A. Thuxton and Mrs. Thuxton, of Minneapolis, are registered at the Driard.

PE-RU-NA WOWAN'S BEST FRIEND

So Says Mrs. Rose, of New York City, And Tens of Thousands of Other Women.



The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

Gentlemen: "Peruna is a blessing to suffering women. I suffered with female trouble since I began menstruation, and every month I suffered two and telling you all my complaints from the three days of untold agony, and had to arrange my work and duties so as to beginning to the present, made happy be in bed every month for two days at least.

"My brother was cured of Bright's Disease from the use of Peruna and so your kind and fatherly letters of advice determined to try it for my trouble.

"Imagine my great joy when I found that it relieved me quite a bit the first Scott. nonth and I was entirely without pain during that period after having used If you do not derive prompt and satis-Peruna only four months.

"This is about two years ago and all during that time I have suffered no pain. can now come and go as I like and consider Peruna woman's best friend and wish that every suffering woman might know that she can find relief vice gratis. brough the use of this medicine."

THE GRAND BANQUET.

Committee Meeting With Great Success

-Important Speech Expected From

Distinguished Guest.

citizens of Victoria to Sir Edmund Bar-

ton, Premier of Australia, on Friday

night, promises to be one of the most

successful affairs of the kind ever held

in the city. The committee have met

with a most satisfactory response from

to-morrow at noon. It is expected that

The toast list will be brief, the object

greater part of the time for his speech,

which it is expected will be an import

ant one, in view of the fact that it will

be his last public utterance on Canadian

soil. There will be music, decorations,

GOLD SHIPMENTS.

Large Consignments From Australia

and South Africa Will Reach

New York Shortly.

New York, Sept. 16 .- J. and W. Selig-

man & Co. announce that they will re-

éeive \$1,250,000 gold from Australia.

The gold is due at San Francisco on

Fully £1,000,000 of the gold obtained

by the National City Bank from South

African sources will leave London to-

norrow for this port on the steamship

any explanation of the mechanism by

which this gold was diverted from its

original destination, except to say that

the transaction is a profitable one, and

without "special" features. Intimations

from an authoritative quarter indicate

that the South African consignment will

THE ODD FELLOWS.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 16.-R. E.

Wright, of Allentown, to-day was elected

deputy grand sire by the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in session

here. He was chosen after a spirited

contest, defeating W. S. Nye, of Min.

neapolis; E. S. Conway, of Chicago, and Massena Bullard, of Helena, Mont.

Other features of the day were the

opening of the drill contests of the Pat-

riarch Militant, the work of exemplifica

reunion of the past grand representative

St. Johns. Nfld., Sept. 16.-The steam

er Virginia Lake reached here from Lab-

rador to-day. She reports the loss of ten

fishing schooners, with the cargoes of fish and their outfits, during the last fort-

night. The crews of the lost schooners

of the Grand Order.

Virginia Lake.

amount to more than £2,500,000.

Majestic. The balance will follow short-ly. Officials of the bank decline to make

tion a success.

October 6th.

The banquet to be tendered by the

Truly yours

MRS. JENNIE POSP.

Mrs. Jennie Rose, 362 W. Twenty-Second Street, New York City, writes:

placement of the uterus. I wrote you and much encouraged every time by and instruction. I am now a strong

be pleased to give you his valuable ad-Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus,

MIXED DOUBLES FINALS.

LACROSSE.

It is they had prospected by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet provided by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,000 feet below the surface. Knowing the feet and they now knew that the provided by the feet and they now knew that the provided by the feet and they now knew that the provided by the feet and they now knew that the provided by the surface. Knowing the feet and they now knew t

THE TURP.

HUNT CLUB CONDITIONS. The following conditions have been decided upon by the Victoria Hunt Club for their races in the meet at the Agricultural exhibition next month:
Flat race, distance 1½ miles, horses to be the bona fide property of members of the Victoria Hunt Club, any riders allowed. Weights, 2-year-olds, 98 ms.; 3-year-olds, 131 ms.; 4, 5, 6 and aged, 140 ms. Cup to be won outright bot los. 3, 9, 5 and aged, 140 los. Cup to won outright.
Extries to be made to Beaumont Boggs, secretary Victoria Fair, P. O. box 126, and entries close at noon, 8th October.
The Hunt Club have decided to hold a symkhana at Colwood on October 18th, and to begin the paper chase season at the beginning of November.

SAANICH HORSES' SUCCESS. A three-year-old mare from Mallowmot farm, North Saanich, Malaspina, has been distinguishing herself in California. At Sacramento last Thursday she won the six furlong race in 1.14, which is exceptionally good time. In the mile, Mechanus, from the same stable, won by two lengths in 1.40%.

IRON FOR STATES.

20,000 tons of hematite for Pittsburg. In quarantine for five days. were saved and brought here by the time to meet American orders.

factory results from the use of Peruna. write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a

woman weighing 148 pounds."-Alice

Mrs. Ellen Thompson, Battle Town,

"When I wrote you for advice I was

ery bad off. When I received your

letter I commenced using Peruna and it

did just what you said it would. I have

had a cough for about fifteen years and

your medicine has done me more good

than anything I have ever used. I am

so thankful to you for your advice to

Mrs. James Eighmey, Grape, Mich.,

"I have been troubled with pain be-

fore and during my monthlies ever since

I was seventeen. I was also troubled

with other female weakness. I took

your treatment, and am now well, and

thank you for your kind advice."-Mrs.

Mrs. John Meyers, Erhart, O., writes

'I have been a sufferer from chronic

eatarrh for years and have thereby lost

the sense of smell entirely. I had four

of the best physicians in this vicinity

without receiving any benefit whatever.

I find Peruna to be the best medicine

in the world as it has done me more

good than my physician could have

done for me. My friends say I look

ten years younger. I tell them that

Peruna did it. I can't thank you

enough for your free advice." --- Mrs.

Mrs. Ida Baker, Portsmouth, O.,

"I am glad to say that I am well. I

have taken Peruna and feel better than

I have for ten years: have gained twelve

pounds and am still gaining. When I

wrote to you for advice I had given up

that it has saved my life."-Mrs. Ida

Alice Scott, of Franklin, Ky., in a let-

"For seven long years I had been a

constant sufferer from catarrh of the

ter to Dr. Hartman, says:

all hope of being well again, and I fee

"Now I am once more a well woman.

me."-Mrs. Ellen Thompson.

James Eighmey.

John Meyers.

Ky., writes:

MINES OF PHOENIX.

teresting Statement by W. Yolens Williams, Superintendent of the Granby Properties. Upon the occasion of the visit of the English editors to Phoenix camp, they were entertained at luncheon by George S. Waterlow, of the Snowshoe mine. A num-MIXED DOUBLES FINALS.

Although somewhat belated, the final round in the mixed doubles of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club, which took place yesterday afternoon, attracted considerable interest. The competitors were Capt. Black, A. S. C., and Mrs. Hardy and A. T. Goward and Miss Alice Bell. The game was a hard one, ultimately resulting in a victory for A. T. Goward and Miss Alice Bell with a score of 5-7, 6-2, 6-3.

THE NEW CHALLENGER.
London, Sept. 16.—Confirmation is forthcoming of the report that the hull of Shamrock II. will be of mild steel instead of manganese bronze, as in the case of the previous challengers. The new yacht's design does not differ materially from those of the previous Shamrocks, although there is no divergence from old lines forward. The new boat will not be so costly as Shamrock II.

PLAY NEW WESTMINSTER ONLY.
A dispatch to the Vancouver News Adver.

Although somewhat belated, the final that of William Yolen Williams, superinctendent of the Granby mines, in this camp.

Mr. Williams said that he left his native land of Wales 32 years since, and he has worked in all the pincle paining districts of the United States, but nowhere had he seen such enormous ore bodies as in Phoenix. When he took charge of these mines four years ago, all the development work consisted of a shaft 100 feet deep and a small drift of about 25 feet. To-day they had three miles of underground development. At present they were turning out only about 750 tons of ore per day, on account of the shortage of coke at the smelters, but this would soon be remedied, and they would turn out from 1,500 to 1,600 tons per day. The huge ore bodies of this district were practically inexhaustible. Some of the stopes in the Old Ironsides mine would compare favorably with those in any mine on the American continent. They had stopes 400 feet wide.

They were already mining 700 feet vertically from the surface, and in addition to this they had prospected by means of a diamond drill to a further depth of 1,600 feet, and they now knew that sent, and one of the most interesting was

Last Week's Shipments Amounted to 7,663
Tons.

The tonnage for the Rossland camp for the week ending Saturday night was scarcely up to the mark predicted for the period, only 7,633 tons being sent to the various smelters, says the Rossland Miner. On two days, or almost so, no ore was holsted at the Le Roi and the shipments at the War Eagle are scarcely as large as was the case during the preceding week. Both contingencies are only temporary, however, and the present week should see large increases in the output of both mines specified sufficient to bring the aggregate well over the 8,000-ton mark.

Operations have gone ahead quietly during the week, and no special features are reported in connection with the work under way in the big Red Mountain mines. Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending September 13th follows: Le Roi, 3,180 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 1,650 tons; Centre Star, 1,612 tons; War Eagle, 961 tons; Glant, 200 tons; Velvet, 60 tons; total, 7,663 tons.

Manila, Sept. 16.-Six additional cases of cholera, including one death from that London, Sept. 16.—The coal strike in United States transport Sherman, at the United States is continuing to favorably affect the English iron market, one sufferers are privates. General Chaffee firm this week booked a single order for has ordered the Sherman to continue in view of the shortage of American pig in Manila, and bad in the provinces. The iron a large number of Midland and totals to date reported from the islands Northern furnaces are running on full are 59,759 cases, and 41,804 deaths. These are unofficial statements

LONG DISCUSS

VIEWS OF MEMBE

Closing Session at Nelse to E. B. Kirby's P Next Meetin

The closing session Mining Institute at No afternoon was almost to the discussion of Edn paper on "The Influence on Mining," or rather of it that dealt with the al of taxes borne by the There was a good Chairman Hedley called order. The first matter the prospective meeting can institute of mining British Columbia next stated that the minister trying to arrange for s be held in Victoria in and that there had l pondence in the matter.
the meeting was that no
done to clash with array under way, but that branch of the Canadian would gladly co-opera partment of mines

a success. The appointment of a mittee to complete the the provincial branch was the next order following gentlemen we in this capacity, with chairman: Messrs. For Nelson; Macdonald and Keffer. Greenwood; Garde, Slocan; Cronin, Fernie; Hobson, Caril Victoria, and Brewer, committee have power number, and will fix first regular meeting which will probably be during the next ses

These preliminaries bei the chairman invited dis

Kirby's paper.
H. E. Croasdaile said statements contained in very grave nature. He the accuracy of Mr. Kirl he thought the exact do they were derived shoul bald statement that the of the province had to be have the effect of restr from coming into the cou-be shown in detail just mate is arrived at. And made by Mr. Kirby was tax absolutely bars the tre grade ores. Upon the es Kirby the mining industr ince had to bear over \$4.

annual taxation, and the duction of \$15,000,000. E. B. Kirby, in responsedaile, prefaced his remark the meeting that he wo dared to publish over his such appalling figures had cised the utmost care in cand had he not by pains gation satisfied himself of accuracy. The figures ar the provincial governments ave in determining the reshifted by the other indus mining industry. These approximately estimated, an additional 10 per ce think any over estim the memorial of the Min-sociation, issued last year, tics are handled in detail 22 7-10 per cent, of the of the mines of the prov consumed in taxation.

have stood, although the hammered at and criticismies of the mine owner. have not been impugned, because they are true, an

prove the truth of them. only too glad to go into matter, and I have some me and the rest in Ros H. E. Crosdaile-I must Mr. Kirby has ignored my is he able to show that province pays taxes amo 400,000, that therefore t dustry pays in taxation 20
the total product?
E. B. Kirby—As to that,

duction of the province source is \$27,000,000. O 400,000 is paid back in to self \$27,000,000, and of t ment took \$5,400,000, which have to pay for the privi pay running expenses a This taxation is derived dustries represented in thi ing, fisheries, lumber, others, what proportion a mining? Of the total cent. is paid directly by when it comes to the sur mining, the cost of whice ment by its taxes has creased, it can easily be proportion is as I say. A what is there that we use taxed to its full capacity the whole at 30 per cent., if you will. Some of you it as less and some may more, but I think you wil that is not likely to be fa S. S. Fowler-What M. would like to know is how 000 of taxation is derived to that I suppose the ret

so much from duties on ma and the provincial retur much is paid on mining re All these are paid in cash Kirby mentioned his sume Mr. Croasdaile wish explicit report showing he een paid in duties on m E. Croasdaile-I thou Kirby had probably gone in oroughly to apportion the