Provincial Legislature

Budget Debaters Rise to the Occasion-Oratory in Full.

Opposition Leader on Absence of Governmental Rallway Policy.

Government the Subject of Criticism and Applause - Demosthenic Flights,

Monday, April 3. HE House assembled at 2 o'clock with the customary exercises, af-ter which the following was the

Petitions Mr. Macgowan presented a petition from T. C. Livingston and others for leave to introduce a bill to incorporate the Royal Canadian Life Insurance Co.

order of business:

Bills Mr. Ross introduced a bill to amend the Woodman's Lien for Wages Act. The Attorney-General introduced a bill to amend the Special Surveys Act, 1899.

Select Committee Appointed Select Committee Appointed
Upon motion of Mr. Oliver, seconded by Mr. Brown, it was resolved that a select committee of five members of this House, consisting of Messrs. Macgowan, Gifford, Bowser. Brown and the mover, be appointed to inquire into all matters pertaining to the issuing of Crown grants Nos. 1915-155, 1917-155, 1788-147, 1916-155, and also all matters in reference to pending applications, with power to call for persons, papers and documents and to take evidence under oath, and to report the evidence and their findings to the House.

Budget Debate

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Mr. Macgowan continued the debate on the Supply Bill. He opened with a compliment to the Minister of Finance upon his able presentation of the financial statement. Liberal critics seemingly found nothing else to direct attention to in criticism of the government than a very ill defined assertion that all the goods things which had come to the province were due to the Liberal government at Ottawa. They failed, however, to distinguish in any appreciable way the particulars of British Columbia's in edebtedness to the federal administration. As for the present financial position of the province in relation to works, wise or otherwise, which had been carried on and consequent responsibilities entailed upon the government of Stritish Columbia's in debtedness to the federal administration. As for the present financial position of the province in relation to works, wise or otherwise, which had been carried on and consequent responsibilities entailed upon the government of British Columbia's in the case of Cariboo, there was reason for complaint, comparing its appropriation with that provided for districts in any time the case of Cariboo only to the case of these accounts was a simple matter of bookkeeping. They had take care of the obligations contracted by past governments. It was to the Conservative party, he claimed, that the development of the great West was attributable, and the markets which had been created, in consequence, for the lumber products of this province. He early commercial coating to the early commercial call from the development of the great West was attributable, and the markets which had been created, in consequence, for the lumber products of this province. Service of the control of the contro

it was not simply denuaciatory, the Liberal platform embraced an enunciation of certain principles connected with the granting of subsides and the building of railways. Therefore they might look for some sign of the fructification of these views in the Liberal representatives of the House. As a matter of fact, in the legislation which had emanated from that party, there was a noticeable absence of great ideas. There had been essays, made on such subjects as "wigs" and "bulls" and "tomeats." But their aspirations seem to stop at that. The way in which the government had deait with the school question he considered worthy of approbation. Discussing matters appertaining to the transportation question, he expressed the view that a certain share of responsibility rested upon the government in this connection in encouraging the development of the country. At the same time there were

question, he expressed the view that a certain share of responsibility rested upon the government in this connection in encouraging the development of the country. At the same time there were serious matters sometimes involved in effecting practical contracts, and the government might be justified in going slowly in the matter. Referring to the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme, he suggested that the feeling of prefudice created by the political associatious connected with that undertaking had perhaps prevented that serious consideration of the project from British Columbia's point of view to which it was entitled. The statement accredited to Mr. Hays was enunciated at a time when it could not be taken as an intended influence in the elections. The Dominion contract with that company was not a contract.

Hon. Mr. Gean observed that he had do not made such a statement.

Mr. Macfounal proceeded to elaborate the suggestion that the government had accomplished nothing, remarking that the suggestion that the government had accomplished nothing, remarking that the poposition of the complaint that there had been too much plaint that the poposition had assisted in the property of the position of the comment in its windom had introduced from which the government in the proposition which the government is also that there was sufficient material and proposition which the proposition which the proposition which the proposition which the proposition will not committing himself to the form of the warp propositions which were now before, he position the took in reference thereon, he fairly asked, as they had been from the yearneement and the form of the warp propositions which were now before, he fairly asked, as they had been from the yearneement will be proposition with the proposition will not be proposition will be made to the proposition will be propositio the elections. The Dominion contract with this province. As a result of action which he thought might have been over hasty, he feared that British Columbia would not receive the advantage it might from that enterprise. Personally he believed that it was not an altogether irrational proposition that the province might have induced the early expenditure of some \$20,000.000 within its borders. He expressed some surprise that this important matter had been allowed to pass without some comment from the opposition party in the House. While the road was, according to contract, to be completed by 1911, there was a possibility that an extension of time might become necessary although personally he and the province on the completed by 1911, there was a possibility that an extension of time might become necessary although personally he and the complete of the contract of the complete of the complete of the contract of the complete of the contract of the complete of the complete of the complete of the contract of the complete of the contract of the complete of the complete of the contract of the contract of the complete of the contract of the contract of the contract of the complete of the contract of the c

cial provision made in the estimates, in the case of Cariboo, there was reason for complaint, comparing its appropriation with that provided for districts in any two way corresponding thereto. For instance Lillooet was to receive \$10,000 for public works, whereas Cariboo only got \$8,000. This was reversing the position which should obtain if the monies were fairly apportioned for Cariboo contributed \$50,000 to the revenue last year, whereas Lillooet only paid \$30,000 into the provincial treasury. He observed that Cariboo was not yet a dead district. A number of very important mining enterprises were going on there, and there was an immense field of unprospected territory. While individual miners and small parties were doing something in placer exploitation, there was room for a tremendous extension of operations in this regard. He suggested that the placer laws were susceptible to some timprovement looking to the encouragement of prospecting. The country was so large and the difficulties of practical exploration so great that it was desirable to make things as easy as possible for the pioneers who went out into the wilderness and discovered the gold. He had no fault to find with the government. In fact was rather interested in it. The government was weak and he always had sympathy for anything weak. Mr. Shatford: No. Mr. Macdonald suggested that the powir. Macdonald suggested that the position of members on this subject would be tested by the motion which he had to offer, namely that: "Whereas the Premier, at the last session of this Legislature, intimated that his government would submit to this House proposals of edicitic physicator or railway materials."

Russia Takes Grain of Comfort

Moroccans Visibly Impressed to Great Britain.

Europe on Eve of Great Developments in the International

Events.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 3.—
Emperor William's speech at
Tangier and prospective developments there have taken
up the attention of Russian newspapers
here. Her treaty relations with France
and the friendly attitude of Germany
during the war place Russia in an awkward position. Nevertheless, the diffiutilities of floating further loans in
France and the absence of assistance,
on which unofficial Russia at least had
vaguely counted, incline the scales somewhat in favor of the western neighbor,
whose benevolent neutrality and frontier

CANAL COMMISSION

New Grouping

Of The Powers

carrying on the immense legislative burden involved in the construction of the canal, and it remains for the president, and the failure of congress to act, to recognize the commission, both by change in personnel and by certain instructions as to its internal procedure and distribution of powers and authority to secure greater rapidity and efficiency in the work."

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The secretary then states in detail his plan for the division of the work into departments and his reasons therefor, all of which details are accepted and set forth in the president's order. The letter concludes as follows:

"The change of headquarters and power from Washington to the Isthmus will doubtless require a radical change in the office of the commission in Washington. I am quite sure that greater economy and more satisfactory methods of accounting can be secured than now exists. Machinery for the purchase of supplies and a force sufficient to maintain a duplicate set of acts and the necessary correspondents, must necessarily be maintained in Washington, but little else is needed. But these changes may safely be left to the commission and executive committee as newly constituted.

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"I beg to submit herewith the resignations of all the present canal commission to take effect at your pleasure.

"I respectfully recommend tife appointment of a new commission and a designation of the chairman of the commission, the governor of the canal zone and the chief engineer, and the issuing of an executive order embodying the recommendations herein.

"Respectfully yours,

"WILLIAM H. TAFT,

"Secretary of War.

"To the president."

REPORTED PROGRESS.

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Tokio, April 3.—The following report has been received from the headquarters of the Japanese army at the front:

"Our force in the direction of Singkin (about 80 miles east of Mukden) reports that, according to information received from the natives, a force of Russians and mounted bandits under Col. Madolitoff, which has assembled at Hallung, has returned to the North. According to other natives, Kirin seems to be the place for the enemy's assembling. Our force at Weihulnpomen (35 miles northeast of Kaivuan (25 miles from Tie Pass) reports that there has been no change in the enemy's positions in the vicinity of Menhuachich. There are some Russian infantry and cavalry about 32 miles northeast of Kaivuan (25 miles from Tie Pass). Our force at Shangtu (40 miles above Tie Pass) reports that the cavalry outposts retreated 25 miles north of Changtu, after burning the railroad station at Source at town. Our force at Fakomen (30 miles north of Tie Pass) reports that cavalry outposts of the enemy have been observed 30 miles northeast of that place, and that mixed forces of the enemy occupy Fenghau (56 miles north of Fakomen), Pamienchang (about 15 miles west of Fenghun), and their vicinity.

TROUBLE ABATING

Port Au Prince, Hayti, April 3.-The United States cruiser Brooklyn has arrived here. Many Syrian stores have been opened, under the protection of the government authorities

"THE POLICEMAN'S LOT."

them being shot and the other stab OFF FOR THE SOUTH.

Washington, D. C., April 3.-With

cheers and good wishes resounding at the Pennsylvania depot, the President, at 9:05 today on a special train, started on a trip through the south.

ESCORT POOR SAFEGUARD.

Tiflis, April 3.—As the station master at Kutais was driving to the local treasury, accompanied by an armed escort, he was attacked by four armed men, who overpowered the escort and robbed the station master of \$3,000.

NORTHERN SECURITIES CASE.

Washington, D. C., April 3.—In the Supreme court of the United States to-day the Chief Justice handed down the opinion of the court in the case of Harriman vs. the Northern Securities Company. The decision was as announced several weeks ago. The motion for the immediate issuance of the mandate was denied, the date for issuance being fixed for April 15. suance being fixed for April 15.

THE BONE OF CONTENTION.

Much Suffering Among Chinese in an Near Mukden.

General Oku's Headquarters in the Field, April 3, via Fusan.—There is much suffering among the Chinese in the vicinity of Mukden. Scores of villages were destroyed in the recent fighting and 100,000 persons are homeless and destitute. The Chinese government is now feeding and housing the contract of t 60,000 refugees at Mukden, and als furnishing seed grain.

CONCESSIONS TO FINLAND.

St. Petersburg, April 3.—An imperial manifesto was published in the Finland Gazette today directing that, in compliance with the request of the Finnish Diet the military service law for Fin. Diet, the military service law for Fin-land, issued July, 1901, be temporarily repealed pending legislative settlement of the question. The Gazette also announces that, by imperial decree of March 29, the temporary decisions regarding the dismissal of Finnish judges

Washington, D. C., April 3.—Mr.
Takahira, the Japanese minister, was at the war department and had a long talk with Secretary Taft, who is the head of the department in the absence of the President. Mr. Takahira talked of the possibilities of peace and of the general situation in the Far East, but he had no proposals to make, and, as far as he made it known, the subject of his visit appears to have been to get in touch with the secretary in his new capacity. Mr. Takahira learned from Mr. Taft that there was no change of in this government's attitude.

IN CONTROL Of Quebec, April 3.—Senator P. A. Choquette has obtained control of the brench Liberal organ of this city, Le Soleil. He purchased the shares held by Mrs. Pacaud, widow of the late editor and proprietor, and this morning purchased the interests of Hon. C. Fitzpatrick for \$17,000.

VICTORIAN AT MONTREAL.

St. John, N. B., April 3.—The Allan line turbine steamer Victorian reached here early this morning. The trip from Haiifax is regarded as most satisfactory by the owners. With fair weather conditions Capt. McNicoll of the Victorial is satisfied that it will be possible to maintain a speed of 18 knots.

GOSSIP OF PARIS.

French Capital to Entertain Royalty Monument to Jules Verne.

With Eugene Shipping Foreign Home Production is insufficient.

Nelson, April 3.—The Hall Mining & Smelting Co. will close down its operating lead stack tomorrow for want of ore. Only two have been used since Feb. 25. At the Trail smelter the single operating lead stack, out of three available ones, will close down almost immediately for want of silver lead ore.

Alfonso at the end of the month is leading to elaborate preparations for his ing to elaborate preparations for his ing to elaborate preparations for his entertainment. Representatives of President Loubet,

several cabinet ministers and many members of the diplomatic corps attended the gala opening of a Wild West show Saturday afternoon in the Champ de Mars. The cowboys and roughriders were enthusiastically received.

The inhabitants of Amiens have opened a subscription to erect a monument to the memory of Jules Verne.

Already a large amount has been subscribed.

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SEEKING GREENER FIELDS. A. B. McNeill Reported Assured of Pilot Board Secretaryship.

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The other gentleman, Mr. Winsby, is prominent in militia circles, and it is said that he will in future devote his talents to the military profession. The transfer of the garrisons on this coast will leave room for a number of promotions, among them being several from the local militime the several from the local militime transfer of the public avocations. Hence the several militar circles and it is said to the militar circles and it is said to the militar circles, and it is probable that thirty or more of the buried men are dead. Thus far four bodies have been found. The explosion, it is said, was due to the fact that the Leiter mines are not worked on Sunday, thus allowing gas to accumulate in the lower workings.

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trustees intend increasing the number of male teachers on the staff, yet there are fewer now than ever before, the natural inference being that the inducemnts to efficient men to remain on the staff are not sufficient.

WHAT? WELL!

Toronto Telegram. What would Quebec have thought if a Protestant premier had entrusted the drafting of a clause affecting French-Canadian rights to a sub-committee composed of the late D'Alton McCarthy, the late N. Clarke Wallace and Dr. Sproule, M. P.?

NO CONSULTATION.

Haultain wasn't consulted; the Northwest members weren't consulted; Sifton wasn't consulted; Sifton wasn't consulted; Fielding wasn't consulted. It seems to be a narrowing down to a question of who was consulted in the preparation of those autonomy bills.

London, April 3.—A news agency despatch from St. Petersburg says that the report published on Saturday that a new internal loan of \$100,000,000 and a new internal loan of \$100,000,000 conditions.

Dominion **News Notes**

Warsaw, April 3.—Attacks on policemen are becoming more frequent. Two officers were wounded tonight, one of Factories.

> Exiles From Siberia to Find a Home on Canada's Great Prairies.

> Autonomy Debate Continued in The House of Commons Yesterday.

men, who overpowered the escort and robbed the station master of \$3,000.

CASTRO WELL CONTENT.

Caracas, Venezuela, April 3.—(3 p. m.)—President Castro today said that he is well satisfied with the turn of American-Venezuelan affairs, and feels sure that there will be no difficulty between the two nations. The American government and people, he added, are beginning to understand the true situation.

WINNIPEG, April 3.—Peter Veregin, leader of the Doukhobors, returned today from Moutreal, where he laid before the Russian consul general the claims of the Doukhobors for land left in the Caucasus when they emigrated to Canada. They left large orders for goods in Montreal factories. Veregin states that another larger party will leave for Canada this spring, having completed ten years' banishment in Siberia for refusal to do military service for the government.

THE GROWTH OF TRADE Inland revenue collections for March at Winnipeg show an increase of \$11,000 over the year 1904, the total this year being \$80,488.

MANIA AND DEATH Joseph Nesbitt, a resident of Macleod, Alta., for many years, committed suicide Sunday night by hanging. He suffered from a mania concerning the welfare of

GROWING IN GRACE. The contract for the new Methodist Broadway tabernacle, to cost \$100,000, has been let to Grace & Co. It will be the finest church edifice west of Toronto.

FOR FIRE PROTECTION ONLY. A high pressure water system, to cost \$350,000, for fire protection only, was authorized by the Winnipeg city council

AUTONOMY DEBATE. Ottawa, April 3.—(Special)—The debate on the autonomy bill today was confined to three speakers, Roche (Marquette), McKenzie (Cape Breton), and Perley (Argenteuil). The discussion will last a fortnight longer.

QUEBEC BYE-ELECTION. Montreal, April 3.—Nominations took place today for the by-elections necessitated by the new government. In St. James' division of Montreal, Premier Gouin is opposed by A. St. Martin (Labor). The other ministers—Turgeon, Tessier and Roy—were elected by acclamation.

garding the dismissal of Finnish judges are repealed.

GETTING IN TOUCH.

Japanese Minister Has Friendly Chat With Secretary Taft.

Toronto, April 3.—Hon. James Sutherland returned to his home at Woodstock Saturday after four months' absence at Hot Springs, Va., and other health resorts. It is unlikely that he will go to Ottawa for some little time. HON. MR. SUTHERLAND HOME.

aintain a speed of 18 knots.

ANSWERED LAST ROLL CALL.

Kingston, April 3.—Patrick McGee, a Crimean veteran, was found dead in his bed this morning. Foul play is suspected and an inquest will be held. The deceased was seventy-seven years old.

THE DEADLY COAL STOVE.

Kingston, Ont., April 3.—Capt. Chratrand. professor of French in the Royal Military College, died this morning. In 1877 he joined the French army, serving eighteen years. He was the only French-Capacity was the only Fre

AN ACCIDENT

Explosion in an Illinois M ne **Brings Sudden Death to** Many.

that he will in future devote his talents to the military profession. The transfer of the garrisons on this coast will leave room for a number of promotions, among them being several from the local militia.

Though it is a matter for congratulation that these gentlemen are not leaving the city, they will be a decided loss to the profession. This further defection, following closely as it does on the resignation of Mr. J. C. Barnacle from the staff, will leave the schools almost wholly in the hands of lady teachers, whether for the betterment of the schools or otherwise it is for the public to judge. There have been many announcements from time to time that the board of trustees intend increasing the number.

A committee of union were severely injured at the mouth of the severel

bottom of the shaft, and this is as far as the rescuers have been able to penetrate the shaft.

A committee of union miners from Duquesne and other mining towns have collected at Zeigler and offered their aid.

The bodies of the dead are so blackened that they are unrecognizable. Bolia Campbell is the injured man brought out of the shaft, and it is said that he cannot live.

There was much confusion among the miners when the accident became known, because there has been a strike and many conflicts had occurred between strikers and non-union men. An all-day

strikers and non-union men. An all-day investigation tends to show that the accident was due to the accidental explosion of accumulated gas.

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Oliver, J. A. Macdona
Munro, Paterson, Hall,
Government: Davidson
low, McBride, Wilson,
Bowser, Fraser, Ross,
Green, Fulton, Garden,
Young, Gifford, Macgo
Grant—21.

The House according committee of supply, Mi chair, and the estimates In reply to a question concerning the vote of fish hatchery at Seton la Minister said the intim from Hon. Mr. Prefout last fall, that negotiat opened looking to the ta

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