British News By Cable

White Pass Railway Declare a Further Dividend of Five Per Cent.

Jessie McLachlan Enthusiastic In Her Praise of Canada and Canadians.

The "Outlook" Passes Severe Criticism on Alverstone's Magnanimity.

London, Oct. 30.—(Special.)—At the White Pass railway meeting, Chairman Maclae announced that a balance of £78,000 stood to the credit of profit and loss. The directors proposed to declare a further and final dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. Traffic had not fallen off but the earnings had by 60 per cent. This was due to the competition of American companies. Referring to the Alaska decision, he regretted it, but did not think the reciprocal arrangements of the American and British portions of the road would be disturbed. There was some talk of an all-Canadian road, but even were it built their road would always secure the largest share of the traffic. The report will be adopted.

Jessie McLachlan, the noted Scottish singer, is enthusiastic in her praise of the Canadians. She expressed the greatest delight over her experience during her Canadian visit, and thinks that there is very little improvement to be made in Canadian singing. She says the daughter of Dr. Clarence Murray, of McGill college, gives promise of a great future as a violinst

The Canadian government cables their agent that the locomotive machine works at Montreal are consenting to allow inspectors to act for colonial governments in purchasing engines from their works.

Tomorrow's Outlook on "Empire Breaking" will say: "Lord Alverstone is content to receive the plaudits of every spokesman in the States for his magnanimity, showing full well that as long as the accusation remains unrebutted he wins foreign applause at the expense of the first of the King's colonies. It is easy to be magnanimous with someone else's property, and Lord Alverstone's silence compels Canadians to believe that is exactly what he has been doing."

Mr. Beckett, M. P., addressing a large meeting at Scarborough, said that if Mr. Chamberlain meant £2,500,000 was to make up the difference in union or separation of the Empire, they were taking a disproportionate view of things which bound or separated the Empire. They were not going to render the colonies loyal by a paltry bribe of £2,500,000. The English consumer would pay six to put one in the pockets of the colonies.

STRIKE CALLED OFF.

Montreal, Oct. 30.—The strike of the harness makers of H. Lamontagne & Co. was called off today, but the terms of the settlement were not made public. The firm locked out sixty men because they objected to the formation of a union. It is stated that the settlement provides that the men may belong to a union, but that non-union men must not be discriminated against by union men, and that union business shall be transacted on the premises.

BOILERMAKERS' STRIKE.

Susequehanna, Oct. 30.—The strike of the Erie railroad union boilermakers and their helpers in all of the shops of the system between New York and Chicago is now complete. The men left the round houses of the various shops to do "hurry" repair work were called out by the union today. Several hundred men are involved. The officials of the company refuse to take back the recently discharged men and give them enforced shorter hours.

Await Formation Of Commission

No Steps Yet Taken to Prepare For Transcontinental Survey.

Sout African Colonies Will Be Offered the Third Preference Tariff.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Oct. 29.—So far as can be learned no steps have yet been taken under the implied promise in the speech from the throne at the closing of parliament that surveys for the transcontinental railway would be begun forthwith. It is not likely anything will be done until the construction commission has been appointed. In the meantime the Grand Trunk will have put up the five million guarantee provided under the contract. The time for making this deposit with the government expires about November 24th.

In the Supreme Court argument in the case of O'Brien vs. McIntosh was finished and judgment reserved. The appeal case of Turner vs. Gowner is in progress. This is the last of the British Columbia appeals.

It is understood that J. B. Jackson, K. C., of Ingersoll, Ont., will be appointed as Canadian commercial agent in Leeds, Eng.

It was decided at yesterday's cabinet meeting to offer the South African colonies the tariff preference of 33 1-3 per cent now granted to the mother country, in return for the preference contained in the customs union tariff of South Africa.

THE ARMENIAN VENDETTA.

Suspicion That One of the Suspects Was Identified With Split in Society.

London, Oct. 30.—At the headquarters of the Armenian revolutionists at Peckham, a suburb of this city, it is believed that Vahtan Krikorian is probable identical with the Armenian of that name who with two others named Sharman and Arsonian, seceded three months ago and set up a rival society at Clapham, another suburb of London, where the Alfarists assembled. These three men are said to have disappeared in August and it was thought they had gone to Cyprus. Krikorian, who was formerly an Armenian Protestant preacher, is reported to have been hostile to Sagoumi since the split in the society in 1890.

EFFECTS OF STRIKES.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Fourteen hundred brickmakers have been laid off in Cook county, and when given their pay were told there would be no more work until late next spring. Four hundred will be discharged in December, and the industry in this district will be closed down. Prevalence of strikes and increased cost of building in Chicago practically has stopped all construction work.

SQUELCHING MAD MULLAH.

King Menelik to Join Hands With Italy and Great Britain in Good Work.

Rome, Oct. 30.—News from Somaliland shows that the Mad Mullah has few prospects for victory. Italy, cooperating with Great Britain, has ordered a gunboat and cruiser to reinforce its Red Sea squadron, and an attempt will be made to annihilate his forces. At the same time Emperor Menelik, of Abyssinia, has been urged to expedite the attack of his troops on the Mullah's forces, thus catching him between two fires.

BUSINESS REORGANIZED.

Galt Brothers Divide Mercantile Interests Into Three Parts.

Montreal, Oct. 30.—Galt Bros. Company has been reorganized. The business has been divided into three sections. The Montreal business and that at Vancouver will be retained under the old firm name as Galt Bros. Company, with Leslie H. Gault as president; the Winnipeg business will be known as the Gaults and operated as a syndicate, with R. W. McDougall as president, and H. M. Belcher as general manager, while the factory property has been organized into a company under the name of the Crescent Factory Company with J. Roeder as president.

LORD ROSEBERY DECLINES.

London, Oct. 30.—Lord Rosebery, who has been nominated for the chancellorship of Oxford University, to be chosen in place of the late Marquis of Salisbury, has declined the offer.

QUEEN OLGA RECOVERING.

Athens, Oct. 30.—It is officially reported that Queen Olga is recovering from an operation for tumor, which was performed at St. Petersburg. The matter has been a secret in order not to alarm her children.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker Killed In Wreck

Was a Passenger in Santa Fe Train Wrecked Last Tuesday.

On Her Way to Chicago Receives Injuries Which Result in Death.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 29.—Mrs. Emma Booth-Tucker, consul in America of the Salvation Army, wife of Commander Booth-Tucker, and second daughter of Wm. Booth, founder of the Army, and Col. T. C. Holland, in charge of the Salvation Army colony at Amity, Colorado, died at Marcelline, Mo., after midnight, from injuries received in a wreck of the eastbound California train on the Santa Fe railway at Dean Lake, Mo., 85 miles east of Kansas City, at 9.30 last night. Both lived several hours. Fifteen others were injured more or less seriously.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker was on her way home from a visit to the colony at Amity. She left Kansas City last evening, and was to have met Commander Booth-Tucker, her husband, at Chicago today. Although the wreck occurred at 9.30 it was not known until after midnight that Mrs. Booth-Tucker was among the injured. The first news that the noted Army worker had been hurt was received in this city at 2 o'clock this morning, when it was stated that she had been fatally injured and died at 1 o'clock last night. This report of her death, however, proved premature, and it later developed that she did not succumb to her injuries until 2.50 this morning, just as the train bringing the injured to Marcelline arrived.

The train ran into an open switch, striking a steel water tank, and all save the mail, express and day coaches were wrecked. Consul Booth-Tucker and Col. Holland were in one of the Pullmans.

Fort Madison, Oct. 29.—Miss H. Dammas, Mrs. Booth-Tucker's secretary, tells the following of the wreck and death of Mrs. Booth-Tucker: "Tuesday night we left Amity for Chicago, being accompanied by Colonel Holland. We secured berths in the tourist car, but last evening concluded to change to a standard Pullman sleeping car. We had made our arrangements to this end when the accident occurred. I had gone back into the Pullman, leaving Mrs. Booth-Tucker and Colonel Holland in conversation in the tourist sleeper. I had left them but a few moments when the crash came. It was a terrible shock to me when I found Mrs. Booth-Tucker and learned that she was fatally injured.

"When taken from the wreck she was taken into the waiting room of the station at Dean Lake, where she was placed upon a mattress and surgical aid given by Dr. Chas. Hunter, of Pittsburg, Kansas, who was a passenger on the train. The aid was of no avail, however, her skull being fractured, and she died two hours after the accident happened. She was unconscious all the time. She moaned pitifully for a short time."

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 29.—General Ballington Booth will leave tomorrow morning for New York to attend the funeral of his sister.

Topeka, Oct. 29.—James Hurley, general superintendent of the western grand division of the Santa Fe, said today in connection with the wreck at Dean Lake: "The brake rod to the sleeper dropped down and caught on the switch; this likely derailed this car, another sleeper, the dining car and Pullman following."

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 29.—Mrs. Booth-Tucker's body reached Chicago tonight on a Santa Fe train. Several hundred members of the Army escorted the body to an undertaking establishment. Tomorrow the body will be removed to one of the Army's branches, where it will lie in state until tomorrow night, when it will be removed to New York. Later, it is stated, the remains may be sent to London for burial.

DEFUNCT ATLAS LOAN CO.

Judgments Given Against Fourteen Shareholders to Pay Up.

Toronto, Oct. 29.—The question of the contributors to the deficit of the Atlas Loan Company, St. Thomas, came up before the Master at Osgoode Hall this morning, when judgments were given against fourteen shareholders of the defunct company to cover amounts aggregating $23,200.

McCORKILL RE-ELECTED.

Montreal, Oct. 29.—Hon. J. C. McCorkill was elected to the legislative assembly today by a majority of 334. The election was rendered necessary by his appointment as provincial treasurer.

SERIES OF ACCIDENTS.

Eight Men Injured in Dominion Steel Company's Plant at Sydney.

Sydney, N. S., Oct. 29.—Eight were injured as a result of a remarkable series of accidents which occurred at the Dominion Iron and Steel works yesterday. Three were injured at one time by being struck by an electric charge in an open hearth furnace. Another man was hurt at the same place by a weight falling on him, while another man fell into a pit at the rear of the furnaces and broke his back. A carpenter fell from the roof of the ladle shop, a distance of fifty feet, and sustained severe internal injuries, while two others were injured at the blast furnaces and blooming mill, respectively.

British News By Cable

Berlin Paper Claims German Trade Growth a Result of Better Methods.

Australian Commonwealth Believes Chamberlain's Project A Good One.

Editor of Toronto Globe Gives The Manufacturers Some Needed Advice.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—(Special.)—The Vossische Zeitung, of Berlin, says the reason why German trade is able to successfully compete in the English markets is because it knows better how to adapt itself to foreign tastes. It suits Mr. Chamberlain's purpose to describe the vigorous and rapid growth of the German trade as a direct consequence of an organized system of premiums and state subsidies and to pass over the really decisive factor.

Australia anticipates that if Mr. Chamberlain is successful in his campaign he will submit definite proposals to the colonies regarding particular classses of goods exported from Great Britain on which a preference is desired. The Commonwealth government believes that Mr. Chamberlain's policy is a good one for Australia, and believes it will attract the needed white population, which will increase the production of the country a thousand fold.

There is a very interesting article in the Commercial Intelligence by Mr. Griffiths, secretary to Lord Strathcona, in which he points out the great many advantages that Canada holds out to emigrants. Mr. Clougher, of the Toronto Globe, also has an interesting article in the same journal, in which he points out that if English manufacturers wish the Canadian trade they must pay more attention to the tastes and peculiarities of their customers.

The agents for the colonies have been invited by the French senators and deputies to accompany the commercial committee of the House of Commons on their visit to Paris, November 25th. One hundred and fifty members of parliament have accepted.

J. W. Bengough, the Canadian caricaturist, concluded a series of pictures last night at Fulham. A large audience vigorously applauded all references to the Canadians in the South African war. Mr. Bengough, when interviewed, expressed a doubt whether Mr. Chamberlain would carry his policy owing to his shifty ways in failing to answer questions.

Mr. Chamberlain today, before leaving Liverpool, declared he was more confident than ever of success and did not think he had accomplished as much as was found he had. He was bound to win.

The new colonial secretary's first important duty will likely be a settlement of the South African labor question. The commission will report in a few days. If Chinese labor is recommended, Mr. Lyttleton will have to face a delicate problem. In the meantime the mine owners are doing all possible to shut out European labor.

PACKING HOUSE STRIKE.

Thousands Idle in Chicago and Many Thousands More Ready to Join.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Packing house canners walked out today, joining the striking sausage makers and increasing the number of idle men at the stock yards to 2,400. There are sixteen other branches of organized labor in the packing houses yet to make demands, and more than 28,000 employees are said to stand ready to support the strikers.

FLURRY IS OVER.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 29.—A round of the Trust Company offices made today after 10 o'clock, the hour of opening, showed that matters had assumed their normal aspect. Officials of the different institutions expressed the utmost confidence that the flurry of the past two days is over.

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS.

N. Y. Central Notified of New Method of Inspection at Boundary.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Oct. 29.—The New York Central railroad officials at Malone have received notification from the Canadian custom officials at Ottawa that it is their intention in the near future to stop all passenger trains entering Canada at the frontier for examination by customs officials. No reason is given for a change from the present regulations, which provide for inspection while the trains are running at usual speed.

GERMAN ARMY ORDERS.

Drunken Private May Now Attack Officer With Impunity.

Berlin, Oct. 30.—The case of Naval Ensign Hussner, who was recently imprisoned for killing an artilleryman who failed to salute him properly, has resulted in the issuance of an imperial decree against the abuse of private soldiers. According to this decree an attack on a superior officer by a drunken private will not, in the future, be considered an insult, and only when the person of the officer is in danger shall he be permitted to use a weapon. The superior officer who is attacked, shall, to avoid a controversy with a private, have the drunkard removed by his comrades. These regulations are to be read to the army and navy every four months.

COUNT APPONYI RESIGNS.

Budapest, Oct. 30.—Count Apponyi has tendered his resignation as president of the lower house of the Hungarian Diet.

WILL ATTEND FUNERAL.

Gen. Ballington Booth and Wife Go to New York.

Pittsburg, Oct. 30.—General Ballington Booth, who is here in attendance on the grand field council rally of the Volunteers of America, first heard of the death of his sister, Mrs. Booth-Tucker, through the Associated Press reports.

A resolution was passed today by the Volunteers of America expressing deep regret at the death of Mrs. Booth-Tucker and extending sympathy to the members of the organization of which she was a leader, and especially to the members of the Booth family.

Gen. Ballington Booth will leave tomorrow morning for New York, and he and his wife will attend the funeral of his sister.

WIDOW CLAIMS DAMAGES.

Sues Three Newspapers for Incorrect Version of Husband's Death.

Montreal, Oct. 30—Actions were today entered against the Toronto Mail and Empire, Toronto Telegram and Manitoba Free Press Company in the name of Mrs. Ernest J. Muir. Her husband was killed by the discharge of a shotgun in his own house and it is alleged that these papers stated that the act was premeditated and was caused by domestic worry. The amount sued for is $5,000 in each case. The courts have since held in a life insurance case that the death was accidental.

WINNIPEG CLEARINGS.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—Winnipeg clearing house returns for the week ending October 29th, 1903, $6,398,360. Corresponding week, 1902, $4,536,998; same week, 1901, $3,508,658.

BROKERS REINSTATED.

New York, Oct. 29.—C. F. Bryan, of the brokerage firm of Sharp & Bryan, which suspended in August, was reinstated as a member of the stock exchange today and the firm resumed business in the New York Stock Exchange, Cotton Exchange, Produce Exchange and Coffee Exchange.

CZAR AND EMPEROR.

Forthcoming Meeting of Potentates Hailed With Acclaim.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 29.—The forthcoming meeting of the Czar and Emperor William is hailed with satisfaction by the Russian press in connection with the developments in the Far East.

GOVERNOR'S LIFE ATTEMPTED.

Attack on Prince Galitzin, of Caucasus, Result of Religious Trouble.

London, Oct. 29.—The Vienna correspondent of the Standard suggests that the recent attack upon the life of Prince Galitzin, governor-general of the Caucasus, was in revenge for his having advised the government to take control of the Armenian church property.

NO MORE CHALLENGERS.

Designer Watson Says it is Useless to Try Under Present Rules.

London, Oct. 29.—Geo. Watson has declined the offer of a committee of prominent Clyde yachtsmen to design a cup challenger, on the ground that it is hopeless for British or other over-sea challengers to continue to contest for the trophy under the measurement rule by which challengers have been rated.

Russians Again Enter Mukden

Capital Of Manchuria Once More In Hands of Czar's Troops.

Excuse Made That Chinese Did Not Protect Foreign Interests.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 29.—An official despatch from Mukden, Manchuria, says: "A detachment of Russian troops entered the town yesterday and occupied the guard houses. This action was in consequence of the weakness displayed by the Chinese authorities, who do not fulfill their promises, and owing to the general conditions prevailing here."

Rumors emanating from Japanese sources relative to the erection of Russian forts on the Yalu river, Korea, are declared to be exaggerated. It is explained that only a rampart has been built for the protection of the Russian settlements against the Chunchus.

The report of the entry of Japanese troops into Korea are also unconfirmed, and the anti-Russian demonstration in Japan are now stated to be less frequent.

Paris, Oct. 29.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador to the United States, who is now in Paris, was not surprised to hear that the Russian troops had re-entered Mukden, in view of the conditions there. He said that the experience of the Russian authorities was that so soon as they surrender a district to the Chinese, the latter are unable to preserve order and foreign industries are menaced. The ambassador added that the return of the Russian troops did not affect the status of Mukden as an open port, in accordance with the treaty between the United States and China.

OREGON LAND FRAUDS.

More Indictments Reported to Washington by U. S. Commissioner.

Washington, Oct. 29.—Secretary Hitchcock today received a telegram from Portland, Ore., announcing the indictment of three more persons in connection with the public land frauds in that state. The telegram gave the names of persons indicted as Emma Wilson, Guff Huff and Norman Williams. The woman is charged with conspiracy in connection with the proceedings against Miss Warx, the commissioner of the United States district court for Oregon, who is already under indictment and Williams is charged with forgery in connection with the Nesbitt case. The proceedings against Huff is forgery, but his is an independent case.

JOHN DOWIE IN HIS OWN DEFENCE

Belabors Rev. Dr. Parkhurst And Points to His Own Great Successes.

New York, Oct. 29.—John Alexander Dowie today, at a meeting in Madison Square Gardens told his host to return to Zion City and save their money against the expenses of another crusade because the good work of spreading the restoration message was going to be carried far and wide.

Concerning the Rev. Chas. Parkhurst, Dowie said today: "There is that miserable Parkhurst. He toils over his sermons and the hearers toil while listening to them. I have made up my mind that Parkhurst is not worth powder and shot. He never in his life addressed as many people as I address in one week. I never heard that Dr. Parkhurst had to get the police to keep people out of his church, as they have to do at my meetings. What do I care what they say about me. They preach to a million every week. I have had a pretty good time in New York, but there is a better time coming."

Dowie announced that after a conference with officials he had decided to postpone the opening of the Carnegie hal meetings from Tuesday to Wednesday night next because of the elections.

AN INHUMAN WRETCH.

Committed for Trial on Charge of Giving Wife Powdered Glass.

Chatham, Oct. 29.—Wesley Simpson, a Morpeth farmer, was committed for trial on the charge of attempting to kill his wife by giving her powdered glass. Mrs. Simpson alleged that her husband was too fond of other women and wanted to get rid of her.

LOCK OUT PROBABLE.

Trinidad, Col., Oct. 29.—Authority from President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, for the calling of a strike of coal miners in district No. 15 was brought by "Mother" Jones, who returned from Indianapolis last night, and it is understood next Monday is the date fixed for the lock-out. This could not be confirmed, but President William Howells, of district No. 15, admitted there will be a strike, but said the call had not been yet completed. It is understood that over 40,000 men will be involved.

Mainland Happenings

Terminal City Tax Gatherers Pile Up Unsually Large Amount.

Unfair Treatment of Lumber Industry Instanced by Present Situation.

The Conservative Club Has an Enthusiastic Anniversary at Vancouver.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Oct. 30.—The current taxes to September 30th are ahead of all previous years in the history of Vancouver. They aggregate $288,748.56. The nearest approach to these figures having been the taxes of 1902, which aggregated $253,992.73. When taxes are paid thus promptly and in larger sums than ever before, it would certainly seem to indicate the prosperity and progress of Vancouver.

Mr. J. Rollings, who slept on the Mint saloon steps Wednesday night, complains to the police that he was relieved by a passerby of $200 and a watch and chain.

Forty-one dollars was taken from a refrigerator of Leonard's restaurant, Granville street, by some one unknown on Wednesday night, according to the report in the police book.

In the police court yesterday Keno, a Japanese who stole a ride from Kamloops to Vancouver, and who said that he paid the brakeman, had the crew of the train paraded before him, and said that he could not recognize any of them. Keno was asked by the magistrate how much money he had. He said one dollar and thirty cents. The magistrate, however, insisted that he be fined the fare from Kamloops, amounting to $10.05, and costs, or serve thirty days in jail.

The bank clearings for the week just closed amount to over $1,500,000 for the Mainland.

Three young Mormons are in the city holding forth on the street corners.

E. W. Keenleyside, who has just arrived from the Okanagan district, says that there are many fruit farms being taken up in the valley, and the population is growing so fast that there will soon be some thriving towns in the district.

The building permits issued for October amount to $100,000, and for the year, it is said, will easily reach $1,500,000.

The rock with which the streets are paved will likely be got elsewhere than from the city's leased quarry. It is thought by the board of works not to be the best rock obtainable.

Vancouver's new skating rink will be ready in a month, according to the promoter, Mr. Cohn.

There is some trouble over a post office money order in Vancouver. It is understood that there is a question about the signature. The well-known handwriting expert, Theodore Kytka, has been engaged on the case. As it is a government affair the post office officials refuse to talk, even express ignorance of the matter.

A newspaper correspondent in Westminster states that Mr. Gifford informed him that he was going down to Victoria at once to be sworn in as provincial secretary.

The anniversary of the opening of the Conservative club was held tonight There was speech making by the solid five and much enthusiasm displayed.

Norman McDonald, an incorrigible bad boy who came here from Winnipeg and told the police that he was an orphan, has been befriended by several kindly disposed citizens, only to be deceived by the young rascal shirking the light duties given him to do for leaving his home of adoption. The last family to adopt him was Mr. and Mrs. Corbett. From them he stole $19.

A meeting of the secretaries of the various gun clubs in the city was held here yesterday for the purpose of discussing the question of asking the government to put a tax on guns. No definite action was taken.

The Salvation Army Rescue home has removed to Pender street. The home has assisted seventeen girls and sixteen children since the 1st of January. Nine of these unfortunate girls were from Vancouver.

The city will not oppose the scheme of the Vancouver Engineering Works in extending the wharfage system to accommodate heavy draft vessels.

At the Methodist church, Chilliwack yesterday Dr. N. Allen, of Vancouver, and Miss Ethel May Ashwell, of Chilliwack, were married the ceremony being performed by the Rev. T. W. Hall.

Miss Grace Marrion, daughter of Health Inspector Marrion, and Mr. William Mongo Thorburn were united in marriage yesterday. The Rev. A. W. McLeod, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist church officiating.

Dr. Ernest Hall and family have permanently located in Vancouver.

Mr. Owen Fulk, superintendent of the F. J. Wood Company, will move his family from the Sound and take up his residence on the Squamish.

The Rev. Father Fay left yesterday for Winnipeg. He will stay over at several points in the mountains en route

The drop letter boxes in the central portion of the city are being enlarged

The seventeenth anniversary of Granville Lodge, No. 3, K. of P., was celebrated by an "at home" held in the lodge room tonight.

A masquerade ball, under the auspices of the National Union of Carpenters and Bricklayers was held in O'Brien hall tonight.

There are about 500,000,000 shingles needed in the Northwest Territories While all the shingle mills in Vancouver and vicinity, running ten hours a day, could turn out 900,000,000 and still shingles are allowed to come into Canada free. There are five hundred million feet of lumber required in Manitoba and the Northwest and the mills in British Columbia could supply the entire demand and have a surplus over of 200,000, running full time, and still there is no duty on American lumber, in spite of the long-continued effort to have this duty put on. The trouble is that British Columbia is sacrificed for Manitoba their influence in the House outweighing that of the Pacific province. They say that Manitoba and the Northwest do not want a duty on American lumber, and all efforts of the British Columbia members, if they make any serious effort, are put at naught. The American markets are shut out to the mills here This would be very well if they had their own market, but the Canadian government by their refusal to grant the urgent request of the mill members to place a duty on shingles, are practically giving over this market to the Americans. The conditions are so manifestly unfair that they cannot last long and it is very likely that influential bodies, such as the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and the Boards of Trade of the Eastern provinces will bring pressure upon the government to keep the Yankees out of the Northwest and Manitoba lumber markets.

TRANS-ATLANTIC RACE.

London, Oct. 30.—All the newspapers this morning give prominence to despatches from New York containing the Associated Press account of the exchange of messages between Emperor William and Sir Thomas Lipton on the matter of offering a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race.

PETROLEUM ADVANCES.

Montreal, Oct. 30.—Distributers of petroleum have advanced the price to retailers one and a half cents per gallon and have intimated the prospect of another advance within the next few days. According to one wholesaler the increase is due to the fact that the wells are petering out while the demand is increasing. There is a suspicion among merchants that the advance is due to the existence of a price agreement among distributers.

MONSTROUS CONFESSION.

Ridgetown, Oct. 30.—Weslyn Simpson, the Morpeth farmer, committed for trial on a charge of attempting to kill his wife by giving her powdered glass, has confessed to a Blenheim lawyer under sworn declaration, date of October 15th. He says he has on different occasions made attempts upon the life of his wife by giving and attempting to give her ground glass. That the first attempts were made at the instigation and instance of one Stella Hayes, as a result of improper intimacy between them. He is, however, desirous to reform his past life and is willing to live as a true husband to his wife.

WHISTLER AND HIS ART.

Acrimonious Discussion on Merits of Dead Artist's Work.

London, Oct. 29.—An acrimonious correspondence is proceeding in the columns of the Morning Post as to whether the art of the late James McNeill Whistler, the American painter, is appreciated in his own country. Marion H. Spielmann, editor of the Magazine of Art, contends that Whistler received no official recognition in the American art world. Joseph Pennell, the artist, maintains that Whistler received the highest awards at exhibitions in America, as well as other evidence of genuine appreciation from his fellow-countrymen.

The Conference At Verseilles

Russian Foreign Minister And M. Delcasse Retire For Quiet Discussion.

The Czar's Letter to M. Loubet Eulogizes Recent Anglo-French Treaty.

Paris, Oct. 29.—The Russian foreign minister, Count Lamsdorff, and M. Delcasse, the minister of foreign affairs of France, went to Versailles today. The Foreign Office selected Versailles as affording a quiet retreat for the continuance of the conference.

Although the general impression continues that Count Lamsdorff's visit relates to affairs in the East and Far East, the Associated Press has reason to know that the autograph letter of the Czar which Count Lamsdorff presented to President Loubet, officially discloses that one of the chief causes of the visit is the purpose to express the gratification of the Czar at the recent course of France in extending the cause of international peace.

The Czar expresses satisfaction at the fact that France has strengthened international ties by the Anglo-French and Franco-Italian ententes.

The letter expresses gratification at Count Lamsdorff's visit to President Loubet at such an auspicious time, and expresses the hope that it will result in an extension of the international good-will.

These are the substantial features of the letter, and they will serve to put an end to the number of pessimistic reports current lately. One of them from certain German quarters, which indicated that the "weakening of the bonds between Russia and France would result in strengthening the bonds between Russia and Germay." But the Czar's letter takes occasion to refer to the continuance of the strong bonds uniting Russia and France.

Count Lamsdorff and Minister Delcasse returned from Versailles late this afternoon and attended the grand dinner at the Elysee Palace in honor of the Russian statesmen.

TO OPPOSE FIELDING.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 29.—Shelburne and Queen's Conservatives have nominated J. J. Ritchie, barrister, to oppose Hon. W. S. Fielding at the next general election for the House of Commons.

ENFORCING MARTIAL LAW.

San Domingo, Santo Domingo, Oct 29.—Owing to the rebellion in the northern part of the republic the governmen is enforcing martial law. Active measures are being taken to suppress the revolution.

HUGE BUFFALO ORDER.

Pekin, Oct. 29.—The Chinese Foreign Office is alarmed at the project of the Philippine government to purchase 30,000 water buffaloes in South China, to replace those which have died of the pest. United States Minister Conger has asked the authorities to remit the export duty on the buffaloes because the project is charitable, but Lien Fang, secretary of the Foreign Office, replied that he doubted whether there were 30,000 buffaloes in China, and said he feared the Chinese farmers would sell all they had if they were offered a good price, with the result that there would be a famine owing to the lack of animals to cultivate the land, as is the case in the Philippines.

HONOR "MITCHELL DAY."

Scranton, Oct. 29.—"Mitchell Day" was celebrated by the miners' unions throughout this section today. The feature here was a parade of 50,000 miners from the Lackawanna and Wyoming regions. John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, for whom the day was named, was the principal guest. In a speech at a mass meeting following the street parade, Mr. Mitchell took occasion to deny that he has political aspirations, and said his only ambition was to further the trades unionism. Mr. Mitchell was given a banquet in the evening.

OBITUARIES.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Oct. 29.—James Duncan Bryanton, 24 years old, of Springfield, suicided yesterday by taking strychnine. Mrs. John Morris, 85 years old, of Milleove, was found drowned in two feet of water in a large well tub.

Amherst, N.S. Oct. 29.—Percy Hyatt, eleven years old, while balancing himself on an endless chain used in conveying coal to boilers at Springhill collieries yesterday, had his foot caught and was drawn through a small hole in the boiler house and his body was literally torn to pieces. Ex-Mayor Dunlap died at Truro yesterday, aged 70 years.

BOXBURGH MARRIAGE.

London, Oct. 30.—The Duchess of Roxburgh, mother of the Duke of Roxburgh, and her daughter, Lady Isabel Innes Ker, sail for New York from Liverpool tomorrow on the Cunard line steamer Campania to attend the wedding of the Duke to Miss May Goelet. The Campania will take the Hon. Clifford Sifton, Canadian minister of the interior, and other Canadians of the Alaska boundary commission.

Yacht Race Across Ocean

Sir Thomas Lipton Withdraws Offer in Favor of Emperor William.

An Annual Event to Encourage Usefulness in Designing of Yachts.

Cup to be Presented Through New York Yacht Club Next Year.

London, Oct. 29.—Sir Thomas Lipton has definitely withdrawn his offer to present a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race in 1904, and has made way for Emperor William, who will present a cup through the New York Yacht club.

This result was attained by an interchange of telegrams, one from Sir Thomas Lipton to Emperor William October 27th, saying that the former had learned that the German Emperor desires to offer a cup, but that question had arisen because Sir Thomas had made a similar offer.

Sir Thomas continues: "In the best interests of the sport of which your majesty has always been an enthusiastic exponent, I am only too willing to ask the consent of the Atlantic Yacht Club to withdraw my offer for 1904, and most respectfully and heartily tender your majesty such support as lies within my power to make a trans-Atlantic race for your cup in 1904 a throughly representative international event, which under your imperial auspices it could scarcely fail to be."

Sir Thomas closes by expressing the opinion that the Atlantic and New York Yacht clubs would gladly carry out the arrangements for the race, and that with the Emperor's approval Sir Thomas will cable his withdrawal.

Emperor William replied October 28th to Sir Thomas, saying: "Your resolve to withdraw your offer for my sake has deeply touched me, and I hasten to thank you for your generous intention and accept your proposal. I was prompted to offer a cup in the hopes of encouraging ocean racing, with the view to stimulate designers and builders into producing a class capable of keeping the open sea easily and combining seaworthiness with safety and comfort without sacrificing everything to speed, i. e., to develop a sound type of cruiser."

Sir Thomas in an interview today said: "The reason that I telegraphed to Emperor William, was that on my arriving at Queenstown I received a message from the commodore of the Atlantic Yacht club, stating that Emperor William had made an offer. Knowing the Emperor took such a great interest in an ocean race and seemed to have set his heart on giving a cup for 1904, I could scarcely do less than retire and give him the chance he evidently so keenly desired, a course of action which, I am sure all of my friends in America understand. I hope to be able to enter a boat myself, but that is not quite decided.

Commodore Tod of the Atlantic Yacht club said today: "The Emperor of Germany has, through Lord Lonsdale, intimated to Sir Thomas and the yacht clubs, his desire to present the cup for next year's ocean race, and Sir Thomas has, at his majesty's request, arranged with the Atlantic Yacht club to withdraw his splendid offer of a permanent trophy. The way is now clear for his majesty's offer and as soon as his ambassador has arranged matters with the Atlantic Yacht club and the New York Yacht club for their joint acceptance of his majesty's cup and joint management of the race the details will be announced. The essential fact is that there will be an ocean race next year."

NORTHWEST LEGISLATURE.

Regina, N. W. T., Oct. 29.—The Northwest legislature was opened this afternoon.

Walking Boss On His Trial

Delegate Parks of New York Testifies In His Own Behalf.

Admits Receiving Money But Claims it Was in Business Way.

New York, Oct. 29.—The trial of Samuel J. Parks, walking delegate of the Housesmiths and Bridgemen's Union, No. 2, on the charge of extorting $500 from a New York corporation, will probably be concluded tomorrow. The appearance of Parks on the stand in his own behalf was the feature of today's proceedings. Parks was an excellent witness. While he admitted that a great deal of the testimony given by the witnesses for the prosecution was true, he testified that many of the accusations against him were misrepresentation of facts. Two or three times Assistant District Attorney Rand seemingly had him cornered, but Mr. Osborn and the other watchful lawyers for the defence, were wide-awake, and their persistent objections to leading questions were invariably sustained by the court. Parks made no secret of his having received the $500 from the complaining witnesses, but he insisted that this money was paid in a legitimate business transaction with the Tiffany Studios, the corporation on the company of which Parks' indictment was secured.

Parks acknowledged that he had told representatives of complainant firm that non-union labor could be used on small jobs, but on work where many mechanics were employed it would not be safe to use such help. Parks, while in poor health, seemed to be full of energy throughout today's ordeal. Several times the prosecuting lawyer attempted to get on record the fact that Parks had a bank account of a magnitude beyond the possibility of an ordinary mechanic, but each attempt was cut short by efforts of the defence.

QUARANTINE ALLEGHENY.

Pittsburg, Oct. 29.—A telegram was received by the Allegheny city officials from Dr. Walter R. Batt, quarantine officer of the Pennsylvania Board of Health, announcing that at a conference in Washington, D. C., between Dr. Batt and Dr. Benjamin Lee, secretary of the State Board of Health, it was decided to quarantine Allegheny. The quarantine will be established today. City Solicitor S. C. Porter, of Allegheny City, stated this morning that if Dr. Batt or any other state official tries to quarantine the city he will immediately order their arrest. He read a sworn satement by Dr. Standrett, director of the public safety of Allegheny, who states there are but sixteen cases of smallpox in Allegheny, which is located directly across the river from Pittsburg and has a population of 160,000. He says the quarantine is the result of the city of Allegheny declining to order a fumigator manufactured by a concern in which a state board of health official is interested.

Chamberlain Fiscal Car

He Delivers Two Ad Liverpool And An Addres

Mr. Wyndham Says Would Make Cana ary of Empi

Liverpool, Oct. 28.—J berlain continued his fis here today by delivering along the line of his form Mr. Chamberlain was the lord mayor of Liverpool and was afterwards prese address by the Workingme tive Association.

In the course of his s luncheon, Mr. Chamb "Throughout the length a the United States of Am an expression of feeling against my fiscal policy, desire that the United Sta prepared to meet this polic by concessions which woul difficulty with which we tend. If they fail to mee be forced to retaliate by p upon their goods."

London, Oct. 28.—The ch for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham Dover tonight, said that land was prepared to lose she could not afford to see inated by American capital reform as proposed by Mr. said Mr. Wyndham, Canad come the granary of Great strongly urged the linking directly with the mother c he said, must be done w accomplished by Mr. C method or by some other.

REDUCING EXPE

Susquehana, Pa., Oct. 28 expenses the Erie Railro discharged ten per cent of force in its various shops o

ZANGWILL ENGA

London, Oct. 28.—The en announced of Israel Zangw thor, and Edith, daughter E. Ayrton.

THE OLDEST INHAB

Historical Personage Dead 105 Years.

Three Rivers, Oct. 28.— has just lost its oldest inh exis Raymond, aged 105 ye

THE SAGOUNI MUR

London, Oct. 29.—According stantial account published ye foreigners were seen making ward the Thames soon after t Sagouni. As a foreign eloqu immediately afterwards it is the murderer escaped therein

ASK FOR RELI

Montana Miners Seek Legis in Breaking Deadl

Helena, Oct. 28.—Commit senting the Butte Miner's the Great Falls Mill and Sm million presented to Governo day resolutions asking him t tra session of the legislatu relief from the situation re the Amalgamated shut dow

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Denver Citizens Seek to M Responsible for Acti

Denver, Oct. 28.—A suit the District Court today ha purpose the establishment o ple that labor unions are and that slanders committed ber makes the organization for damages. The suit is the Citizens' Alliance, and se are defendants.

Sickness Mad Him So

Sad Case of Popular Man While Suffe Severely.

Forsakes His Former Adopt the Lat Tenets.

Oneof the best known n naimo City lay very ill in the heat of the recent el paign, when Conservative, Socialist strove for suprem sick man was suffering fro in its most acute form, a consequence troubled with s compunctious twinge to the the gases.