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PARLIAMENT WILL

TARIFF COMMISSION

MEET IN FEBRUARY

BUSY TAKING EVIDENCE

cial Year Will Not Go Into Effect

This Year,

sion will carry on and complete its in-tigations with all possible speed, the

mmission left for Winnipeg to-

IN SOUTHWEST AFRICA

Total Losses, Inc'uding Wounded, Num-

ber More Than Eighteen Hundred

16,000 Men Engaged.

THE WHEAT CROP.

plus in Farmers' Hands.

rst three months of the crop year and

GERMAN CASUALTIES

and 1.394 privates.

MARKET

mas and New Year repidly approaching f in no other man at the windows of ery establishments of the past week the raisins, peels and udding ingredients , and already are le. The displays have attractive by the adoranges in large the best possible Times reporter's several more shipar fruit have been Orient, and these ovement over the ing ripe, sweet and as as the finest navelia. Speaking of the said that they are from the south and product of Japan in d. Staples continue ady price, but busiay be said to be imderable extent with holiday season. ures of the past few tion with the local arrival, for the first ked herring of Nabeing put up under ision and with the Scotch girls, brought by the Dominion govhe Canadian canned have been on short time, and are attracted some atten-

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SANK AFTER COLLISION.

known Steamer Off Dungeness-Seven of Crew Saved.

er, Eng., Dec. 2.—The Belgian steam- cars of the Chicago Terminal Transfer Co, Phillipeville, from Antwerp for the near Lemoyne, Ill., was captured yesterday Congo, reports sinking a steamer, name after a fight. The police found silverware. St. John, N. B., Nov. 29.—Fred. Norman after a fight. The police found silverware. Silks, laces, shoes, firearms and almost all rup, charged with mansiaughter in connectance of the death of Charges of Regan in a boxing match here, was released jess the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the connectance of the crew of the sinking vessel and prosecular to the connectance of the c ceeded for Southampton recovered is said to be \$10,000

NAVAL OPERATIONS

POWERS MAY SEIZE TWO MORE ISLANDS

iew Arrangement in Regard to Finan- Counter Proposals Submitted by Sultan are Unsatisfactory and Will be Rejected.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.-Parliament will not be Paris, Dec. 2.—It was learned by the amoned before February, and the tariff Associated Press in the highest govquiry will be prosecuted with all pos- ernment quarters to-day that the powble dispatch with a view of revision at ers after carefully examining the Sulcoming session. As the present finan- tan's latest coutner-propositions have year will not end until the 30th of decided to reject them and actively next, it will not be possible to have resume the naval demonstration in fall session next year, as there would be Turkish waters on Monday, with the business to go on with. Before fall business to go on with. Before fall Lemnos and Imbros. No consideration Lemnos and Imbros. No consideration has been given to stopping the passage of the Dardanelles owing to the interruption of international commerce which arrange it until March, 1907, the latest arrange it until March, 1907, the latest arrange it with following arrange arrange it and following arrange it with following arrange it are a requirement of the Sultange are which would follow.

ing session and the following one will After an examination of the Sultan's held under the old system.

Yext session only nine months' estimates to the conclusion that the propositions be taken, making the financial year were dilatory and entirely unsatisfac on the 31st March. The tariff com- tory.

Constantinople, Dec. 2.-The unanim being to have the revision taken up put through at the approaching seshate the approach The evidence will not be all taken Even the military men who were leadto be prepared, so that it is safe to ance of the demands of the powers are there will be no summoning of parlia showing signs of weakening.

Views of Diplomat. The Territorial Grain Growers' As-on have asked the commission to transmision.)—Speaking to the Assovisiting Saskatchewan until after the clated Press representative to-day tens on 18th. To this request the prominent diplomat said: "The people of America, "The people of America,

the Northwest will, therefore, be held people of Europe, do not realize the Calgary on December 8th, Edmonton seriousness of the present situation. Prince Albert 14th, and Regina 16th. The tension between the Sultan and Manitobs programme remains as ar- the powers is growing daily, and the ared for whom commission will begin by general feeling of uneasiness is inreason for anxiety as far as the safety of foreigners is concerned, especially in the capital.

"The powers could not have chose worse time than the present for their ultimatum. They might as well send an ultimatum to the Pope during Holy Week as to expect the Sultan to do anything in the festival of Ramazar or the festival of Baram. The Sultan and his ministers are this week en gaged daily from 3 o'd noon in listening to fanatical discourses by the Mullahs (or priests) who Berlin, Dec. 1.-The Militair Woch- dwell on the past greatness of the enblatt, the army organ, publishes this | Caliphs in a manner which undoubted norning the loss of German troops ly impresses their audience with the perating against the insurrectionists impossibility, certainly with the unde-

in German Southwest Africa. The to- sirability, of pielding to the powers. tal number of men in the field is given as 16,000. Of this number those who over, however, when matters will probvere killed or who died of wounds ably assume a more sane and normal ission- course, but there is no doubt in my d officers, and 953 privates. The total mind that the Sultan will need on this oss, including wounded, is given at 151 occasion much squeezing. He may be officers, 307 non-commissioned officers content enough to see certain islands in the uossession of the powers rather than see his hold on the last of his European possessions weakened. This REGARDING PRESENT feeling naturally is shared to a certain Fifty Million Bushels Marketed-Sur- extent by the higher army authorities who would be very much disinclined to see Turkish territory ceded, or any-Winnipeg, Dec. 1.-The close of No- thing equivalent to such cession with

ber has brought the results of the out striking a blow. "Should it be reduced to a question is also brought within sight the close between Turkey and Bulgaria, Rounavigation, so that grain figures are mania or Greece, or between Turkey ming more and more interesting. and all three, Turkey would most as farketing at interior elevators has now suredly be found spoiling for a fight eached the 50,000,000 bushel mark for She has between 300,000 and 400,000 men roads, and of this amount 32,061,250 in European Turkey, and she could shels have passed inspection at Win- easily and quickly concentrate 600,an side, and have gone out from the Turkey's great numerical superiority

ort of Duluth under Minnesota in-ection. The amount marketed is "Turkey clearly is eager to fight on arly double that up to the same date this matter with the bordering counyear, and inspections exceed those tries, and every day that passes withires are all based on an allowance present difficulty makes it increasingly

ughly 850,000, possibly more, so that exception of a few scattered missionleast 4,250,000 bushels will be requirary establishments, they hardly extend for bread, and basing a calculation beyond Salonica and Dedegaish. "At the great reception, November

the grindings of last year 3,750,000

"At the great reception, November verse the present order of things. How-shels additional will be ground into 28th, on the occasion of the festival of verse the present order of things. How-shels additional will be ground into and certainly 8,000,000 bushels Baram, the foreign diplomats were be required for seed, so that 66,- not permitted to occupy the usual stating it is impossible to know what sequence most of the diplomats, including Mr. Leishman, the American force, and to supplant it with a govminister, left the hall of audience.

"According to reliable reports there ernment supported by love, good will and Christian acts."

siders a renewal of the presidential mandate undesirable in a democratic country.

The President says that his return to the p The surplus in farmers' hands for have been nine hundred political muris probably between 15,000,000 and ders in Macedonia during the last 11 No Bounty Will Be Paid on Lead While It capacity.

> CAPTURED AFTER FIGHT. Supposed Leader of Gang of Robbers Is

Under Arrest. loot within the last two months has aggre- remains at that figure. gated \$25,000, mostly stolen from freight



TWICE-A-WEEK EDITION

VICTORIA B. C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER, 5, 1905.

THE ELEVENTH HOUR.

" WILLIAM THE THEFT

SHADE OF KING LOUIS THE SIXTEENTH (TO THE CZAR). "SIDE WITH YOUR PEOPLE, SIRE, WHILE THERE IS YET TIME. I WAS TOO LATE!"

Country.

Rome, Dec. 1 .- In spite of recent state

ments of an official character the actual

condition of affairs in Italian Somaliland

Perseveranza, of Milan, which is generally

as well and as directly informed of East

African news as is the government itself, severely criticised the apparent optimism

of the latest official reports. It can derive no consolation from the statement

that "the Mullah is respecting the piedges given to tribes under British pro-tection." He would, indeed, be mad, says

the Milanese journal, and jeopardize all that he has gained so easily by stirring up

fresh trouble with England. He has no need

DETERMINED TO RETIRE.

Re-Election.

EXTENSION OF TIME.

Will Be Asked by Several British Columbia

Railways at Next Session of

Parliament.

CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA

Thinks the Reports About Peasant Jprising Exaggerated-Will Not Make Pred ction.

Berlin, Dec. 2.-The Russian corre- to molest the tribes under British proteconlines, and possibly some 100,000 bush-onlines, and possibly some 100,000 bu "Count Tolstoi shows surprising op-

"Count Tolstoi shows surprising op-timism regarding the present condition as being customary; and the Perseveranza than \$100,000. e about the average.

The population of the west is now pughly \$50,000 possibly more so that peasant uprisings as exaggerated. He says it is only a small party of revolutionary agitators who want to reever, he declines to make predictions,

> Remains at Present Price. REACHES THE LIMIT.

Ottawa, Dec. 1 .- The department of trade and commerce has received a cable from London stating that the price of lead Phillipeville Reports Sinking an Un- Chicago, Dec. 1 .- Henry Hockzemo, said is £16 a ton, which means that no bounty to be the leader of a gang of robbers whose will be paid in Canada as long as the price railways will apply at the next session of by insurance.

NORTHRUP DISCHARGED.

arliament for extensions of time. The Canadian Pacific will seek an extension of ime for building the railway from New Westminster to Vancouver; also the Colum-

terdey, the grand jury sading no bill the Kootenay & Arrowhead

SITUATION IN SOMALILAND. BIG BLAZE IN Optimism of Italian Government Is. Not Shared by Those Who Know the

appears to be far from reassuring. The BUSINESS BLOCK WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED

> Damages Estimated at More Than One Hundred Thousand Dollars-Several Firms Burned Out.

Winnipeg, Dec. 1.-The large busi-

\$60,000, insurance approximately \$50,-000 with the Allan, Lang, Killam Co.: President Loubet Says He Will Not Accept Adams & Morrison, boots and shoes, loss estimated at \$8,000, with \$6,000 in- 65% cents per ounce, the highest price siders a renewal of the presidential man- \$2,000.

The block was owned by the Misses The President says that his retirement will Brown, and was a very cheaply built absolutely conclude his public career in any structure of three stories, worth about \$20,000. It was covered by insurance. The stock of the big departmental store of the Nash, Carson, Naylor Co. water and smoke. The water poured was stored. The damage was estim- other kinds. Ottawa, Dec. 1. Several British Columbia ated at \$10,000, and was fully covered

LONDON BANKER DEAD.

FORMER KOREAN MINISTER'S SUICIDE

ENDED HIS LIFE BECAUSE PROTEST WAS IGNORED

Over His Country but Was Powerless to Prevent It.

seoul,, Korea, Nov. 30.—(Delayed in er was transferred to Russia.

Whan went early this morning to the house of an old retainer and cut his has greatly affected local sentiment. The streets are thronged with whispering, but orderly crowds. In accordance with an old Korean usotm when an officer is memoraliz- Have Signed Articles for Fight in Los ng the throne on a question touching

the fate of the nation the shops are The protesting officers are now ese police and gendarmes are main- the before the Pacific Athletic Club on De taining order.

ANOTHER RAILWAY WRECK. Engineer and Fireman Killed-Eigh-

teen Persons Injured. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 1.—Two men were killed and about a dozen others were injured in the wreck of the Philadelphia express on the Central railroad of New Jersey last night near Penn Haven Junction.

No Passengers Killed. New York, Dec. 1.-The following nt was given out at the office

the most serious are a man whose skull is fractured."

KUROKI'S RETURN. Commander of Japanese Right Army

Will Leave Dalny on Saturday. Tokio, Dec. 1.-General Baron Kuroki, who commanded the Japanese right army in Manchuria, will leave Port Dalny to-morrow for Japan. The balance in favor of Japan for for the week ending to-day were \$11,prisoners' expenses is estimated at \$25,000,000. It is believed that this sum 120,874; 1904, \$7,514,335; 1903, \$6,999,244; for the month, \$48,573,171; in 1904, \$36,will be devoted to the development of 641,451; in 1903, \$29,220,556.

the interests of Manchuria. QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S BIRTHDAL.

Her Majesty Is Receiving Congratulatious From All Parts.

completely destroyed by fire last night throughout the kingdom, including artiwith an accompanying loss of more lery salutes, the ringing of church beds taken from her in being lightered. and a great display of flags, etc. Conof Russia. He considers that it is not shares the misgivings that are felt by a The Rideout-Gilbert Company, for- gratulations from all parts ponred in at year, and inspections exceed those tries, and every day that passes with- dangerous, and thinks the industrial good many people who know Somalland merly of Rat Portage, dealers in house Sandringham, where the Queen entertain laborers in the few large cities play no and have little faith in the permanence of turnishings, were the greatest losers, ed all the children of the estate at tea, role as against the peasants who conthe Mullah's peaceful intentions, or in his as they carried one of the largest personally superintending the proceedings.

> PRICE OF SILVER. The loss is: Rideout-Gilbert Co., Quoted at 65% Cents Per Ounce, the

Highest Since 1896. San Francisco, Dec. 1 .- Silver is now

surance; Porter & Co., wholesale since 1896. Two months ago the market Paris, Dec. 1.—In the course of an inter- crockery merchants, north end store, quotation was fifty cents. Brokers in ac- Methodist congregation here will erect counting for the higher price say that, in a \$40,000 church with a seating capacity not required for seed, so that 60.000, which was counting for the higher price say that, in seats, but were assigned to others from will happen. It is necessary in any view published this morning. M. Loubet states categorically that he will not accept which they could see nothing. As a case to get rid of the existing government, which hitherto has rested upon a re-election to the Presidency, as he con- confectionery store, \$6,000, insured for there is also a speculative demand which must be taken into consideration.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

breadstuffs and provisions in Liverpool: answer to a charge of murder. Flour, 45,000 sacks; wheat, 1,570,000 cenadjoining the burned block suffered by tals; corn, 629,000 centals; bacon, 4,900 boxes; shoulders, 1,200 boxes; butter, 6,600 down between the walls and flooded cwt.; cheese, 6,800 boxes; lard, 1,700 tierces blacksmith shop, with almost the enthe basement, where the reserve stock of prime western steam and 610 tons of tire contents, of Prince Edward rail-

At the monthly meeting of the board of large number of men are thrown out directors of the Equitable Life Insurance of employment. Society it was decided that the advances to agents, which have been carried by vari-London, Dec. 2.-Sir Clinton Edward ous trust companies, should be taken over John B. Kernan, & Utica, N. Y.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S CHRISTMAS CARI

NO.68.

UNIQUE SCHEME TO ASSIST THE UNEMPLOYED

Could Not Stand Japanese Protectrate Her Majesty Will Issue Book Containing Contributions by Persons Prominent in Art and Literature.

London, Dec. 1.-Queen Alexandra Transmission.)—Min Yong Whan, a per- has not given up her intention in besonal aide to the Emperor and cousin half of the unemployed and has sancof the late queen, committed suicide tioned a unique plan to raise more this morning. He was a special envoy funds. They will be in the shape of from Korea to Queen Victoria's jubilee the issue of a Christmas book which and the coronation of Emperor Nichol- will be entitled "The Queen's Xmas as of Russia. He was also formerly Korean minister to the United States, stories, sketches, drawings and music succeeding Chin Pom Ye, when the lat- by persons prominent in the world of Within the last few days Min Yong Algernon Charles Swinburne, Alfred Whan headed a body of 200 officers, Austin, the poet laureate, Thomas who gathered first at the palace and later at the Supreme court to protest against the Japanese protectorate. The Lawrence Alma-Tadema, Edward A. Emperor ordered them to leave both places and disperse. Realizing the ward John Poynter and Sir Edward hopelessness of his course, Min Yong Edgar are among those who will contribute.

The production of the book will be own throat. He was popular with practically gratis. It will sell for half foreigners and natives, and his sucicide a crown and the proceeds will be devoted to the Queen's unemployed fund.

HANLON AND HERMAN.

Angeles on December 15th.

(Associated Press.)

Los Angeles, Dec. 2.-Eddie Hanlon and quatting in the courtyard in the Kid Herman met last night and signed reau of decorations and the Japan- articles posting \$500 forfeits for their batcember 15th. They will weigh in at 138

> TORONTO PLUMBERS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Are Charged With Conspiracy-Destructive Fire at Charlottetown-Many Men Out of Work.

of the Central Railroad of New Jersey of the Masters Plumbers' Association and Plumbers' Union, charged with "No passengers were killed in the allroad wreck near Penn Haven by Magistrate Denison this morning." Junction last night. Only two persons It was shown that the association had were killed, the engineer and fireman. been levying percentages on all jobs There were eighteen injured, of whom passing through the offices of Toronto architects, whether in the city or not. thigh is broken, and a boy whose Further evidence showed that the ramifications of the supply combine extended as far as British Columbia.

> Favor Life Saving Station. Toronto, Nov. 30.-The board of control to-day decided to memoralize the Dominion government for a life saving station at this port.

Bank Clearings. Winnipeg, Nov. 30.—Bank clearings

Vessel Safe. Port Arthur, Ont., Novg. 30.-The Rosemont, which was blown ashore or Mutton island in Thunder Bay, was released by the tug Whalen after being lightered, and steamed into port. mass of ice covered her sides and deck spondent of the ragement has interviewed Count Tolstoi at the latter's home, and telegraphs as follows:

London, Dec. 1.—Queen Alexandra was 61 the covered her sides and deck years old to-day and her birthday was the graph as follows:

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London, Dec. 1.—Queen Alexandra was 61 the covered her sides and deck years old to-day and her birthday was the graph as follows: Grave fears are expressed for the safety of the Monkshaven, a vessel be longing to the "Soo" fleet. She is now about 36 hours overdue and marine men express anxiety regarding her. The Monkshaven was at Passage on Monday, when the storm was blowing a destructive gale. Other ships which sighted her have arrived in port. It is generally conceded that she has been

Moose Jaw, Sask., Nov. 30.-The

Died From Wound. Quebec, Nov. 30.-Gunner Richard

Kydd, alias Hall, who was shot on Sunday morning last, died at the hos-pital last night. Gunner Berry, who Diverpool, Dec. 1.-Followig are stocks of did the shooting, will now have to

Destroyed by Fire. Halifax, Nov. 30 .- The car shop, way at Charlottetown, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$60,000.

DEMOLISHING FORTS

St. John, N. B., Nov. 29.—Fred. Normbland St. John, N. B., Nov. 29.—Fred this afterneon director of director of the frontier fortification tually progressing.