**************** re a mother uld insist

Shorey's Clothing for my eir Clothing is all sewn thread, the material is all sponged and shrunk, and ship is guaranteed not to just as well have it, when st any more than inferior

always be sure of getting it g on seeing the guarantee h is in the pocket of each

for miles around is inundated. coads running into this city are prostrated. Tex., March 30 .- On acthe washouts no trains from or East have arrived here fallen in torreats all day and ms are swollen. The Santa Fe has several cars of steel rails on bridges in this city to preven m washing away. It is authorittated that 20,000 feet of track at Valley Mills, two bridges at one at Blum, one at Morgan. h of Alvado and quite a lot of ween here and Alvado and a mber of small bridges. The e is sending out every available pair damages. The tracks are to be all right north of here.



ved Ones Helpless and Some of nem Mad-The Second Captain's Story.

n, March 30.-The British steamiva, Capt. Weston, which left News on March 10, bound for while in latitude 31, longitude ed up a small boat containing survivors of the steamer Ville Nazaire, which foundered in the torm on March 7, off Cape Hat-They had been without food and r four days, and were in a state me exhaustion, bordering on

say that four boats were launch ontaining twenty-nine each, the venteen and the fourth six. The ked up by the Yanariva was one that took twenty-nine, but thirthese had succumbed to exposure rst. The last the survivors saw ther boats was on the day the undered, when they sighted two lashed together and empty. reumstances under which the resat was picked up by the Yanare most thrilling. The captain nird officer, who were on the aw a dark object on the water, miles away. The steamer was it and in less than an hour met at of the Ville de St. Nazaire was running rough, but the a's crew managed to haul the board. They found, to their nt, the occupants lying abless in the bottom, and two aving mad. The only sign of one small tin of biscuits. Three ed before the rescued men had recovered to take solid food rivors of the original twenty Second Captain Pierre Nuolai igineer Germay Geraud, Third Prosper Lorezetti, Nicholas lle, of Port au Prince, Hayti, re seamen from Martinique aptain Nuoali says that on the vessel sprang a leak. A ricane blew that night and following day. On the mornarch Sth the vessel had sunk the water that it was necese to the boats, although th s at its height. The Ville de had a complement of eight The first four launched were inst the side of the vessel and he other four got clear, but ed company. at." said the second captain nip a drop of water when getfrom the vessel. This was promptness with which we off. The weather continued very is, and the waves sometimes al mped us. We kept baling for with our caps, 'After a while ed a sail and kept the boat runfore the wind as well as w We were drenched, and our sufwere terrible. pite of every warning some soon to drink the salt water. Several went mad and jumped over Those who refrained from drinked the best. We kept a constant for a sail, but saw none until rning of March 12, when we steamer. She was too fai us to signal her. We watched ad anxiety as we saw her stee us. At that moment we have inches of free board on the Every minute I expected she to to the bottom. At last the a reached us and we were haul the deck."

THE PETITION ruary, A.D. 1897, satisfactory or equitable for the settlement of this long pending controversy, nor just to this WAS RECEIVED province, but approves of the terms set forth in the order in council of the government of the province of British Columbia, dated the 15th day of March, A.D. 1897, as affording the best means

House Resolnds Its Adverse Vote on the Wilkinson-Beeton Petition.

Graham's Game Bill Is Considered

by Committee and Slightly Amended:

Jr Adams' Alien Labor Bill Is Read a Thrd Time and Finally Passed.

Monday, March 29, 1897. Speaker took the chair at two prayers by Rev. Mr. Barber. by reason of anything that the Indians did, but because of the proximity of the city of Victoria. OUT OF ORDER.

Major Mutter disagreed with this Kellie presented a petition from view. The Indians were entitled to any value the land had. It would be just as Trail, but the Speaker ruled, order as asking for the expenconsistent to apply the same principle

to hamper the negotiations between the

Hon. Col. Baker held that the unani-

He went into the history of the Song-

made by the province to the Dominion

governments.

of public money. UESTION OF PRIVILEGE. Mr. Turner rose to a question of Mr. Turner rose to a questi QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE. lege, and after producing a copy of were not the owners of the land, but imes stated that it was very selwere simply lease holders.

the rose to a question of privilege The resolution then passed, Major personal matter. He felt called Mutter voting against it. verer, to refer to an article ap-Major Mutter presented the report of Saturday's Times with refthe printing committee. The report was refusal of the house to reperison.

tion from Mr. H. C. Beeton The "Lunacy Bill" was read a third He characterized the article time on motion of Hon. Col. Baker. ie, and said it was evidently WATER BILL. .

vith a view to injuring him It throws a doubt on the 'The house went into committee with gentlemen away from this Dr. Walk-m in the chair to further conhis straightforward treat-sider the water clauses bill. The com-The premier explained mittee made progress until the end of them. The preimer capital the bill was reached, and then the held that companies were not given ex-Friday the petition was almost the bill was reached, and then the clauses which had been laid over were clusive rights in municipalities. Sec. 46 ore he entered the house and ore he considered. Mr. Eberts moved to amend gave companies such rights. The Atwhat it was about. He considered. Mr. Eberts moved to amend the name of Wikinson. He section 47 so that the municipalities could torney-General is looking after the in-the NWikinson. He section 47 so that the municipalities could torney-General is looking after the in-the NWikinson. conversation with Mr. Wil- buy out private companies only on the the told him (Mr. Wilkin-then told him (Mr. Wilkinat care must be taken in than five years, a thirty per cent. bonus ably with all the require- upon such value: If in operation more ling with private bills. Mr. than five years and less than ten years, was then told that there was a twenty-five per cent, bonus: if in operime for advertising and for ation more than ten years and less than He had not the fifteen years, a twenty per cent. bouus: that Mr. Beeton's name If in operation more than fifteen and less bettition at the time he ob- than twenty years, a fifteen per cent. petitions. and if he had known that bonus: If in operation twenty years or would have been precisely more, a ten per cent. bonus. (2.) If the house should have the total sum paid in dividends by the comcarry out the rules. Several pany to the shareholders, upon the amand complained to him of the cunt for the time being paid up upon the private bills being continually shares held by them, averages less than He could quite see that there I fifteen per cent. per annum from the time fixed and kept for, date of the commencement of operation rivate bills. Mr. Turner ask- of the said works to the date of their ole house to join him in re- transfer to the municipality, a further the suggestion that for private sum sufficient to enable the company to d tried to burke this special make up such dividends to the sharefelt the insinuation intensely. holders to the average of fifteen per cent. ection with Mr. Beeton had per annum." Mr. Sword moved to amend Mr. Eb-

ong and cordial one and he deepthat a Victoria newspaper erts' amendment by striking out part 2 ublish such a lie. He did not and inserting the following in lieu therereporter, as he did not sup- of: "Provided that at the expiry of ten and anything to do with the years from the date of the formation What he believed was that of the company, the company may claim, dividual who had been cruelly in lieu of payment of the actual value of ted of late, and who had been their works and bonus of twenty-five to a position he evidently de- pre cent. additional, as above provided, have repayment of the amount actually ex-

in council, dated the 23rd day of Feb- ated. The bonuses and percentages the time when the Lieutenant-Governor inserted were against the very principle of the water rights, which was to pro-tion Act. In introducing these author tect the water rights for the people. Dr. Walkem instanced the case of a water I have carefully compiled from recogworks being built for \$10,000 and oper- nized constitutional authorities the pasated for ten years. A city wishing to purchase such works would, under Mr. the right of the house of commons of Eberts' amendment, have to pay \$3,000 | recognition by the Crown, through their bonus, \$15,000 for dividends, making a total of \$28,000 for works that cost only sembling and proroguing of parliament for providing a prompt and final settle-ment of this important question." Such an amendment was an- and the royal assent to bills. It will be \$10.000. Mr. Helmcken in speaking to the resotagonistic to the welfare of the provlution stated that the Dominion govern-ment were asking too much. He had no desire, however, to do anything seen that the privileges of the commons ince. are secured by custom and practice

THE VICTORIA TIMES, FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1897

Hon. Mr. Pooley was glad that Dr. Walkem had recovered his voice. He thought it was carrying matters too far if capitalists were not given a fair opportunity to make something out of the money invested. The bonus of 15 per mous expression of the house would in-fluence the Dominicn government in comcent, was not too much. If the muniing to a more satisfactory arrangement. cipalities wish to buy valuable water. works, they should be compelled to pay reserve negotiations. The offer for them. Mr. Macpherson said that municipaligovernment was a very fair one and ties would not only have to buy valu-able water works, but every ram-

could casily have been accepted. It would be manifestly unfair to the citishackle water works that companies zens of Victoria and the people of Britlike to build. ish Columbia if the value of that re-Hon. Mr. Pooley-The municipalities serve went to the Indians, as the indon't need to buy such water works. Mr. Macpherson-They must buy to creased value of the reserve was not get water, as the bill gives exclusive rights to companies.

Hon. Mr. Pooley-No, no; that is not the Lieutenant-Governor, when his arrival at the house to open or prorogue right. parliament, or to assent to bills, has Mr. Macpherson-Well, it was not

been announced, is conducted to the right for the government to bring the bill in in that shape. Mr. Pooley only throne by the sergeant-at-arms bearing look at the question from the stand- the mace, and the Speaker, who has point of a capitalist. He should also previously called the house to order by consider the rights of the people of the taking the chair, vacates the chair as province the Lieutenant-Governor approaches the

Hon, Mr. Pooley indignantly resented the imputation that he did not look at both sides. Exclusive rights were sent signified. The Lieutenant-Govergiven only in unincorporated localities. nor, preceded by the mace, then retires. Hon, Mr. Eberts replied to Dr. Walk- The mace is returned to the cushion in em, who, he said, did not understand the bill. The exclusive rights were inserted in the bill to protect future mun- transaction of business. (See Journals icipalities; as they would only have to of B. C. Parliament since Confederabuy out one water company, instead of tion.)

three or four, which would likely be in. It may not be inappropriate here corporated if there were no exclusive quote from a late copy of the London Times in support of the practice of the rights. Mr. Forster stated that Mr. Pooley British Columbia house:

"The gentleman usher of the Black berests of the companies, but not those to a bill passed by both houses. of the municipalities. Speaker, attended by several hon, mem Mr. Kennedy was well aware that bers, proceeded to the house of lords, Hon. Mr. Pooley was quite capable of and on his return announced that the looking at both sides of any question, but very often he did not. Companies government (elections) bill." (London should not expect to be paid a large premium on works which had been bad 17th, 1897.) Times Parliamentary Report, February ly managed. The people have some

Tuesday, March 30th, 1897. rights as well as the capitalists. Mr. Sword's amendment was then The Speaker took the chair at two put, but some members declared that clock; prayers by Rev. W. D. Barber. they did not understand the question. A PROTEST. The chairman declared it carried.

Hon. Mr. Eberts protested. Several Mr. Hume presented a petition from the corporation of the city of Kaslo pro-The amendment was then read by the testing against certain clauses in the chairman and put, and was declared Water Clauses bill. The petition was Mr. Sword also moved an amendment received.

to the effect that in estimating the Hon. Mr. Martin presented a return value of water works, the arbitrators of all corrrespondence connected with shall take as the basis of their valua-tion the amount which would be rethe lease of the Plesant Valley reserve. quired to construct such works at the PETITION RECEIVED.

which, having been carefully observed

for many years, have become the "un-

written law" of the land. The practice

of the Oanadian parliament is essential-

ly the same as that of the British par-

liament, and no bill is ever assented to

except 'n the presence of the commons

and the speaker; nor are the Governor-

General's desires made known at the

opening of a new parliament until after the choice of a Speaker has been an

rounced and the choice approved. (See

The custom and practice of this par-

liament vary from that of the British

and Canadian parliaments only in so

far as they are affected by the existence

of but one chamber here. As there is

no upper chamber in British Columbia

Eourinot.)

date of the arbitration, and the condi-Mr. Booth moved and Mr. Huff section in which the works are, and shall not allow anything for the value of the onded "that the vote of the house on the This amendment carried. 26th day of March, instant, with refer-The section as amended was then ence to the reception of the petition of Henry Coppinger Beeton et al, be re-The other clauses which were laid over were then considered, the preamble considered, and that the standing orders was passed and the committee rose and be suspended so as to permit the inreported progress. It was announced | troduction of the said petition."



destroyed in an orchard or garden at be printed. Mr. Booth objected to the any time between the 1st day of June motion. The return should be referred and the 1st day of September. resolution. The people of Nanaimo were also speke in support of these birds. greatly interested in the correspondence,

should be printed. Hon. Mr. Eberts had no objection to having the correspondence printed. The resolution ordering the printing of the return was passed on a division. CONSOLIDATION ACT.

Hon. Mr. Eberts moved the second to have such a bill.

The

The second reading then carried. CARIBOO RAILWAY BILL.

proval of the legislative assembly. .

"The said railway shall be commenced

within two years, and completed within

Mr. Semlin, Mr. Stoddart and others

six years from the passing of this act."

protested against giving the company

FINALLY PASSED.

principal amendments follow:

Hon. Mr. Eberts also made a strong plea for the robins, and Mr. Williams Mr. Graham retorted that if the robins had been as destructive of briefs as they were of strawberries, Mr. Eberts and Mr. Williams would change their opin-

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feated.

reading of the bill entitled "an act for although several unsuccessful attempts consolidating in one act certain provis-ions usually inserted in acts with respect to the constitution of companies dians or resident farmers in unorganizincorporated for carrying on undertak-ings of a public nature." Mr. Eberts to deer killed for their own or their famsaid the act was similar to the one in force in England, and as the act was re-not for the purpose of sale or traffic; ferred to several times, it was necessary nor shall this act apply to free miners

The house went into committee with Mr. Graham in the chair to consider the pointed by him, while collecting speci-Cariboo railway amendment bill. The ments of natural history for the provin-

ions. (Loud laughter.) Mr. Adams' amendment was then de-The following clause was also passed,

actually engaged in mining or prospect ing, who may kill game for food, nor to the curator of the provincial museum. or his assistant, assistants, or agent ap-

small debts court. Mr. Macgregor moved that the returns to the printing committee. Dr. Walkem strongly supported the

and the answers from the judge of the the words "provided that the birds known in this province as robins may be

u are troubled with falling hair eczema of the scalp, or inclin ayness, use the best preparatio correct and cure-Hall's Hain

he morning of February 20 sick with rheumatism, and my til May 21, when I got a nberlain's Pain Balm. The first ion of it relieved me almost enrom the pain and the second Ba me complete relief. In a sh was able to be up and A. T. Moreaux, Luverne, sale by all druggists. Langley rson Bros., wholesale agents, V nd Vancouver.



and Best for "able and Dairy dulteration. Never cakes.

sore and had tri t one whom he thought an op- pended in construction and preliminary endeavoring to stir up strife expenses, and such sum as, after taking and tried friends. Mr. Tur- into account all revenues received and hear the Speaker say that all reasonable expenditure on account of ers could have been at their working expenses and maintenance, will

weeks ago, and he was con- amount to ten per cent. per annum of hat the statement in the Times such amounts." at the statement in the times of Mr. Forster characterized such an Mr. Forster in the chair, to consider had known he would have pursued the say that it was an important amendment as a most outrageous thing. should pass the house. He It was outrageous to ask that the only dent that neither he nor any way municipalities could get out of the eaker would ever try to bull- clutches of private companies is by payhouse into passing any bill. ing exorbitant bonuses. If the Attordeclaration that the house ney-General wanted his name execrated completed its business a fort- for all time to come he would push his

every member must know amendment. as absolute nonsense. The Hon. Mr. Ebcrts said he was only called up the example of anxious to insert such an amendment That legislature had passed as would give fair compensation to those bills. This house had to con- investing their money in precarious in-40 private bills alone. There vestments like waterworks. Whether nuarison between the two his name would be execreated or not British Columbia being a was a matter which did not concern the required more legislation principle under discussion.

Mr. Forster instanced the case of Nel-He regretted that the been dragged into the conto pay exactly what the Attorney-Gen- 1895.

eral and other members tried to force said that he had made Manitoba. What he did Nelson to pay for unsatisfactory and inif they had followed the efficient waterworks. Mr. Kennedy said these bonuses would Quebec and had night encourage speculators to lay hold of wauld be no complaint ng petitions, because they ter systems with the object of squeezing finished the business two municipalities when formed.

Mr. Sword said that there could not He made no reference to or to the government, but be possibly any injustice to companies, as they could read the act and know under what conditions they built water-

Turner-The Quebec legislaout the same number of bills | works. Mr. Booth suggested a provision to the

AUDITOR'S REPORT. effect that municipalities could not be compelled to purchase waterworks un-Walkem moved "that an order of buse be granted for a return of a tive. less the works were efficient and effecof the report of the auditor of the Hon. Mr. Eberts replied that un ess of the land registry office, Victhe works were suitable municipalities The motion carried

did not need to buy them. OLICE INVESTIGATION. Mr. Macpherson pointed out that as MacGregor moved "that a re the bill gave exclusive privileges to comaddress be presented to His panies newly organized municipalities Lieut.-Governor praying him were at the mercy of the companies. The fore the house copies of a resobonuses suggested by the Attorney-Gen-

sed by the corporation of the ernal were simply extortionate. anaimo with reference to the Hon. Mr. Eberts then introduced anof the dismissal of J. H. Simpother amendment and thereby complicated matters to such an extent that the police and stipendiary magisthe evidence taken at the pomembers did not know what they were on the charges laid by the considering. After spending half an A. McRae against Chief of hour trying to unravel the tangle, the ssan and Constable Thompcommittee rose and reported progress. · certified copy of a resolu-The Speaker then called six o'clock,

d by the Nanaimo police comand the house arose until 8:15. at a meeting held February of the complaint of Mesars. EVENING SESSION. thers and of Walter Roos, of

There were but few members in their with reference to the question ctice of the Small Debts Act, seats when the Speaker took the chair at 8:15 o'clock.

inswers from the judge of the WATER CLAUSES BILL. s court." The motion carried. The house, with Dr. Walkem in the ONGHEES RESERVE. chair, again went into committee to II-lmcken moved his Songhees consider the water clauses bill. The amendments of Mr. Sword and Hon. solution. It has already been

The gist of the resolution is Mr. Eberts were first considered. n the following section: "Be Dr. Walkem, who gave the chair to Mr. Kellie, took the floor and protested resolved, that a respectful companies bonness. If such an amend-that this house does not con-terms set out in the said order terms set out in the said order to squeeze cities likely to be incorpor- by Hon. Mr. Higgins with reference to the practice of the Small Debts Act,

Mr. Booth stated that the work con-PRIVATE BILLS.

report of the committee on the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway and Navigation Co.'s bill was carried, and the third reading was fixed for to-morrow

members did not vote.

franchise.

adopted.

carried by a vote of 14 to 13.

the Vancouver-Nanaimo Transfer bill. After considering all the sections, the committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

The house adjourned at 10:35. NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Hume-to move that on reconsideration of the report of an act to incorporate the Lardeau Railway Company, to amend section 5 by inserting af- it was desirable to incorporate the comter the word "by-laws" in the sixth line nany or not. the following words: "The directors to be elected shall be three in number, o whom two shall form a quorum for the transaction of business."

Mr. Kellie-To introduce a bill to son. Other cities would be compeled amend the Tramway Incorporation Act,

Mr. Kellie-To introduce a bill amend the Wide Tire Act, 1893. Mr. Booth-To re-committee the Vic toria, Vancouver & Eastern bill for the purpose of inserting some minor amendments.

Mr. Kennedy-To introduce a bill to amend the Poison Act. NOTICE OF QUESTIONS.

ter.

Mr. Kidd-To ask the chief commissioner of lands and works:

1. Is it true that the government have session. made, or promised to make, some modito establish. fications in the terms and conditions of the leases of the Burnaby small holders? 2. If so, what modifications have been of the Sneaker. The Sneaker said he made or promised to be made? Petitions that were late were received Mr. Kennedy-To ask the minister of

education: 1. Is there a school called "Campbell's Creek School" (or some such name) between Kamloops and Duck's?

2. Has there been any trouble in getting teachers to take charge of this school? 3. Has such school shown an actual

The Speaker replied that he had said attendance of ten, as required by the all he wished to say in the matter. act? The petition was then read and receiv-4. If not, why has said school not been ed on a vote of 13 to 12.

closed? Mr. Hume-To ask the minister of

mines

committee by a vote of 14 to 11. Hon. 1. Did the government instruct the Mr. Turner left his seat before the gold commissioners of East Yale or votes were taken. West Kootenay not to grant any water

rights in the above districts? Hon. Mr. Eberts presented a return of 2. If so, what date were their notices

3. Has the government or any of its agents made any water grants in the above districts?

4. If so, whom to, and the amount in inches, and the date of such grant or grants?

grants? THE SPEAKER'S PRIVILEGES.

The speaker yesterday presented, to the house a number of constitutional authorities dealing with the rights of

templated was in the public interest and the delay in presenting the petition should not prevent the house from giving the company the legislation they desired. Hon. Mr. Turner again stated that he

The house went into committee, with had no idea what the bill was. If he same course. ' He did not wish to oppose the resolution. It was for the house to say whether they would deviate from the rule and consider the

petition ving commission. The initial point of Mr. Sword said the house should rethe road should be definitely stated. ceive the petition and refer it to the The committee reported progress and private bills committee, and that comasked leave to sit again. mittee could report to the house whether

voted that way as a matter of justice.

matter of justice, he implied that all

who voted the other way were commit-

The bill incorporating the company

NANAIMO RETURNS.

be treated in the same way.

ting an injustice.

Mr. Adams' Alien Labor bill was read a third time and finally passed. Dr. Walkem maintained that in matters of this kind the house should GAME BILL. make the rules as elastic as possible so The house went into committee with that any reasonable request could be Mr. Macpherson in the chair to congranted. If the legislation is deferred sider Mr. Graham's game bill. until another session of the house an im-In compliance with the wishes of portant public work may be endangered. many local sportsmen Mr. Graham amimportant private bills should not be exended the bill so that ducks could be cluded on a mere point of order. The shot until the 1st of March. railway to be built by the company Mr. Adams wanted robins to be furould be in the interests of the province.



for two other Yukon railway proposi-Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incl dent to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea. Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing tions and this one should in all fairness Mr. Williams said that when the Speaker said he voted that way as a

remarkable success has been snown it curing SICK Headache, yet Carren's Livres Prints are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, why also correct all disorders of the stomach. stimulate the liver and regulate the Even if they only cured

was then referred to the private bills sche they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without these. But after all sick head

CHE is the our great boast. Our pille cure it others do not.

Police Crossan and Constable Thompd very easy to take. One or two lose. They are strictly verets t gripe or purge, but by their ge or two son; of the certified copy of a resolution passed by the Nanaimo police commis sioners at a meeting held February Sth, ere, or selt by R CARTER MEDICINE CO., New York.

Small Fill. Small Doss, Small Price.

cial museum

Mr. Graham also moved an amend-"The point of departure from the ment to the effect that one sportsman Canadian Pacific Railway and the route can kill only three mountain sheep in to be taken by the railway authorized by one season instead of five in the old act. this act, shall be approximately defined Mr. Graham also introduced an amendwithin two years of the passing of this ment prohibiting the sale of heads of act, and shall be subject to the apmountain sheep for five years.

The committee rose and reported the bill complete with amendments.

PRIVATE BILLS. As Mr. Adams' bill passed, Mr. Macherson a dropped his motion to insert anti-Chinese clauses in private bills. The

third reading of the Cassiar Railway bill was then passed. The Stickeen & Teslin Railway bill, the East Kootenay Company's Railway bill and the Vancouver-Nanaimo Railway transfer bill were reported complete with mendments by the committees of the house. The second reading of the Victoria. Vancouver & Westminster Railway bill and Delta, Westminster & Eastern Railway amendment bill was carried on motion of Mr. Helmcken.

Mr. Booth introduced some minor amendments to the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway & Navigation Company's bill. Sec. 31, which provides that no Chinese or Japanese shall be employed, was struck out, in view of the passage of Mr. Adams' Alien Labor bill. Another amendment was added to the effect that the second section shall include the equipment, maintenance and operation of steamers or ferries from the coast terminus of section one to any one or more points on Van-

ouver Island. The house adjourned at 5:35. PLEASANT VALLEY.

The return brought down by the chief commissioner of lands and works with reference to the Pleasant Valley reserve included a letter from Mr. Bowron, gold commissioner, recommending that the land be leased for a term of years and that tenders be asked for. An application was made by Andrew Kelly to Mr. Bowron, and Mr. Gore replied, saying there was no objection to letting this land by tender. Mr. S. A. Rogers also tendered, offering \$40 per year for the reserve, and the return closed with a letter from William Kelly offering \$20.

A NEW SECTION.

The West Kootenay Power and Light Dompany's bill came up for final passage, but as Mr. Helmcken had given notice to add a new section to the bill, the further consideration was deferred. Mr. Helmcken's new section is as fol-"Lots 205, 205a, 205b, 206, and ows: 206a, West Kootenay district, are hereby declared to be exempt from the operation of this act." These lots make up a townsite owned by Victoria capitalists.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Dr. Walkem-For a return of all corespondence, between the government and any person or persons in relation to the acquisition of land in connection with the London and Blue Jay mineral claims in Slocan as a crown grant. Mr. Kellie to move on Friday-That