INVERTAVISHESTATE

The Council Do Not See Their Way Clear to Acquire This Property.

Jonn Creedon Appointed to the Position of Caretaker of the Cemetery.

The regular meeting of the board of aldermen was held yesterday eyening at the city hall, all the members of the A communication was received from the secretary of the board of school made in their estimate for teachers salaries. The estimate as first brought down was \$38,490, and as amended at the last meeting of the board of school council is not in a position to entermin trustees, \$36,825, 1,665 lower than the first estimate. This letter was received and filed.

The matter of the second clause in the estimates of the board of school trustees was then taken up: That of \$17,000 for extraordinary expenditures for the purpose of making repairs to the high

Mayor Redfern expressed his disapproval of this part of the estimates. Owing to the present financial condition of the city, he recommended that the hoard of school trustees he asked not to submit the by-law in regard to that The Little Tug was Carried on the before the electors.

Ald. McCandless said he did not think it was much use to refer this matter back to the school trustees, for they would send it back and ask to have a by-law placed before the ratepayers. Ald. Vigelius said they could do that Ship Speke Towed to the Quter

if they wished, but the council should express their views on the matter. He made a motion that the board of school trustees be advised that the council was not in a position to grant that amount. and that they be requested not to place a by-law before the ratepayers. Ald. carried.

Ald. Vigelius said that he had been told that \$1,000, judiciously expended. would repair the school sufficiently to answer all purposes for several years to ting a coal cargo, and after passing failures clearly show that the founda-

Lee & Fraser wrote asking if the council could give them an idea whether there was any possibility of the city acquiring the land adjoining Ross Bay cemetery which they offered for sale for and by taking the inner passage some ary words of the language, he should ton, Ont., were escorted to Sir William cemetery purposes some time ago, as distance is saved. Capt. Marchand, not be granted a certificate of any kind. Wallace hall, where a banquet was

This letter was laid on the table until the estimates were considered. Army, wrote asking that the arrears for ment. She was fast and defied all ef- oblige, separate, etc., and who does not welcome and the Cadet Templars for rent for the use of the room in the city forts to move her. The tug Chieftain use the words there and their, to, too their escort, which he said he highly ap-

mand for the others rooms in the city market.

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it be referred to the market committee

Ald. Vigelius moved an amendment that the market superintendent he instructed to collect the arrears. The amendment, however, was lost, and Ald. Stewart's motion was put and carried.

The finance committee's report recommending the appropriation of \$4,535.-16 for the payment of accounts due was adopted, the appropriation made and the

accounts ordered to be paid. The street committee reported that there were five tenderers for the building of a city dump cart: William Grimm, \$100; Jno. Meston, \$95.50; Ledingham Bros., \$89; A. McGregor, \$115; F. M. Brayshaw, \$75. Mr. Brayshaw being the lowest, his tender was accept-He was also the lowest and suc cessful tenderer for the street sprinkler, his price for that being \$425. The other two tenderers were William Grimm, \$475; and John Meston, \$477.50.

The conditions for both these contracts are that they are to be of home manufacture save such parts as it is absolutely necessary to buy elsewhere, and both are to be delivered within six weeks. The report was adopted.

Mayor Redfern then recommended the following motion to the council: That a select committee be appointed to consult with the city barrister and city solicitor and draft and revise proposed amendments to the Municipal Clauses act, and to take any steps that they may deem advisable to secure such amendments to the said act as shall re ceive the approval of the council. This motion was moved by Ald. Vigelius, seconded by Ald. Hall, and

carried. The following committee was appointed: Ald. McCandless, Partridge and Harrison.

Ald. Kinsman's motion asking that the purchasing agent call for tenders for the hiring of horses for the purpose of draw-

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ing the street sprinklers was also car-

Ald. Partridge then moved that the Bicycle Regulations by-law, introduced by him three months ago, be read a secand time at the next meeting of the Minister of Education Presents Twen council. Carried.

The balleting for the position of caretaker of the cemetery, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Dow, was then proceeded with. There were 27 applicants for the position, and five ballots was chosen. At the end of the fourth ballot there were but two, Messrs. John Creedon and A. Wood left. fifth ballot resulted in favor of Creedon, he geting five votes and Wood four. Creedon was therefore appointed to the position of caretaker for the cemetery.

Ald. Hall then moved that the communication received some time ago and board being present except Ald. Wilson, already published in these columns, from Hon. J. S. Helmcken re the Intertavish estate, be referred to the park trustees in regard to the amendment committee to report at the next meeting of the council.

Ald. McCandless moved an amendment that Mr. Helmcken be informed that the the matter at present.

The amendment was seconded Ald. Partridge and carried on the following division: Ayes—McCandless. Partridge, McGregor, Kinsman and Hall. Noes-Ald. Vigelius, Stewart and Harrison.

The council then adjourned

Rocks Off Cak Bay Yesterday.

Wharf to Have Cargo Discharged.

Hall seconded the motion and it was Oak Bay on Todd rock, where she foun- rather unflattering observations to offer: dered yesterday evening on striking that Trial Island, Capt. Marchand, who was in command, as the tide was running they had, a tenant who wished to hire however, kept too close in shore, and ing requires deciphering by the examthe well laden tables had been unburged the shore and the well laden tables had been unburged the shore and the same of their good things ad-Adjutant Clarke, of the Salvation to stern, but made no forward move- papers such words as until, truly Royal Templars of Victoria for their Ald. McCandless thought that the Sal- afternoon, but as her draught was too in their proper places, should not be vation Army ought to be allowed the use great she was unable to get alongside granted a certificate, no matter how high W. A. Gleason, grand councillor; W. J. of the room free, as there was no de- and had to return without doing any- his qualifications may be in other sub- Hogg, grand treasurer; J. R. Langdale. Ald. Stewart had nothing against the but as word was received that the VanSalvation Army, but as the other temants couver had foundered she did not go.

The evening got ready to go out to her, but as word was received that the Vanthou sessential to every teacher. We, therefore, recommend that the marks ston, grand secretary; J. C. Smith, Mayor Redfern thought that the use West says that he will have her afloat ination.

> that it was necessary to reload at least 500.000 feet of the lumber carried by that vessel. The heavy weather she experienced when off Cape Flattery nad the form of the course course of the permitted in any year the form of the course course. brought around to the outer wharf this culiar to the next higher certificate. afternoon by the tugs Constance and ."This change will doubtles be very but as yet the successful tenderer has

The steamer City of Topeka arrived at the outer wharf from Alaska at one jects. o'clock this afternoon. While on her Charlotte Sound. The storm only last- possess a good classical education." ed for the space of an hour, but it was

The crew of the British ship Lyderruns the "Mariners' Home," the board- thusiasm." ing house where the men had been stayis ready for sea.

Yukon during the coming summer. The the seats, and contributes largely which will be placed on the Alaska be well to try its effect, at least in fine route. The latter steamers will connect with the Dora and the Bertha. The "I have great pleasure in stating" Inlet direct on April 15th, April 29th

sealing cruise.

ty-fifth Annual Report of the schools.

were found to be necessary before one Number of Pupils and Teachers Material Increased During the Past Year.

> Hon. Col. Baker, the minister of education, yesterday presented the twentyfifth annual report of the public schools of the province. 'The report, which is a bulky one, was prepared by Dr. Pope, superintendent of education. He draws attention to the fact that in 1872, when the public school act creating the present school system was passed, there were only 25 schools, with 1,028 pupils, in the province, while at present there are 233 schools, with over 14,000 pupils

> on the registers. The expenditure for education proper from the inception of the school system up to the 30th of June last was \$2,146,-114.52, and for building school houses \$402,479.54, making a total outlay of \$2,548,594.06.

The total number of pupils enrolled during the year was 14,460, an increase of 978 over that of the previous year. The total number of teachers and monitors employed was 350, an increase of 31 over the previous year. The number of schools in operation was 4 high schools, 21 graded, 190 common, and 5 The Grand Lodge Holds Its First ward schools. The expenditure from the provincial

treasury for education proper was as Teachers' salaries, \$138,125.33; per capita grants to city districts, \$47.-872.84; incidental expenses of rural districts, \$8,672.50; education office, \$10,-

259.65; total, \$204,930.32. The total cost for education and school buildings was \$234,335.04. In connection with the teachers' ex-The tug Vancouver is now lying off aminations Dr. Pope has the following "It is very noticeable at these examinations, that candidates for the higher

well laid. very high, kept close to the shore. The does not write at least a plain legible Cooper. The visitors, amongst whom tide at this point is a very heavy one, hand, and is unable to spell the ordin- was Mr. W. W. Buchanan, of Hamilsuddenly there was a shock, the engines iners should be marked naught, and the dened of some of their good things, adthrobbed and the tug shook from stem applicant who misspells in any of his dressed those present. He thanked the went out to her assistance during the and two, principal and principle, etc., preciated. thing for her. The Constance later in the evening got ready to go out to her, but as word were ready to go out to her, ting are among the primary qualifications of the primary qualificat

been required at each examination to White Cross department, and D. J. B. Captains Clarke, Gaudin and Cox, aftake the papers set on all the subjects Lane. ter surveying the cargo of the British ship Speke yesterday afternoon, found lower certificates. By an amendment lower certificates. the effect of unsettling her cargo, causing during which the certificates held are the vessel to list somewhat. She was valid, to write only on the subjects pe-

Chieftain, where the work of reloading acceptable to the teachers generally. her will be done. Tenders were called Hereafter the holder of a second class, for by Robert Ward & Co. this morning grade A certificate, when writing for for the work of reshipping her cargo, first class, grade B certificate, will only be required to take the papers set on not been chosen. Work will be begun three mathematical subjects, with each of which he has already proved himsef to be partially familiar, and also the papers given on three additional sub-

"Holders of first class, grade B certi- presented his report of the receipts and explained to you, are held by insurance way northwards she experienced very ficates, can obtain the highest certificate expenditure during the year, showing a companies and others, who will hardly heavy weather, the most severe being issued by proving that they have a fair substantial increase in the balance on be influenced by any terms which the that encountered in crossing Queen knowledge of practical mathematics and hand. The books were audited by the government may offer. As advised you In his report Inspector Wilson says were satisfactorily kept. The superin- of the 1877 loan was converted during

Heavy seas broke over the decks time gradual improvement in the quality of the work done by that department, last, and only £400 of the 1887 loan dur after time, water broke in at the cabin the work done in our schools. That which had during the year just past ing the same period, and we think we windows and the floors were all flooded many teachers have looked more careful- accomplished much good work. The re- are right in saying that no bonds have to the depth of nearly two feet. No ly towards right methods and applied ports of the various councils were then been presented since. We have the one was hurt, however, and no great themselves with increased energy to themselves with increased energy to the vessel. She their duties, there is no room to doubt M. P. P., of New Westminster, who ants, But it is equally true that all are not was in attendance, addressed those presappreciation of the importance of the satisfactory reports that had been read. this letter under date of March 1, 1896, orn were again brought before Police work in which they are engaged. The The session then adjourned until two said: Magistrate Macrae this morning on the teacher is everywhere looked upon as o'clock this afternoon.

from the books to show that he had observe that much attention is devoted made a settlement with each man prior to the keeping of good order in the be a temperance prayer meeting. sailors were convicted and sentenced to who has had experience in the school be imprisoned for one week, and to be room will recognize the amount of work put on board the Lyderhorn when she and patience, combined with tact, which Aeson." have been required to produce that unity of action which constitutes order. Gen-The Pacific Coast Steamship Company erally the classes, whether large or are making extensive preparations for small, are 'lined-up' before entering the the rush to the gold fields of Alaska and room. This prevents disorder in taking regular steamers from San Francisco prevent loss of time in resuming work. ill make close connection at Victoria There are still a few schools in which with the Mexico, 'Topeka and Alki this plan is not yet adopted, but it would

"I have great pleasure in stating that Dora will leave Sitka for Portage Bay the order, neatness, and healthiness of on March 22 and April 6, and the the school-house, both inside and out-steamer Bertha leaves Juneau for Cook side, are receiving more attention from trustees and teachers. Children are May 12th, May 25th, and semi-monthly best instructed by example—the neatness thereafter during the season. May 12th, May 25th, and semi-monthly thereafter during the season.

The sealing schooners Dora Siewerd, Captain, Siewerd, and Zilla May. Captain Balcom, left this morning for the Water Coast where they will ship their West Coast, where they will ship their clean in their own habits and work. The Indians and proceed on the season's cleanliness and thorough ventilation of the school-room is of the utmost impor

tance in preserving the health of the occupants, and the means taken to secure hese will be noticed, remembered, and acted upon by the pupils in after-life, whereas any rules of hygiene would be certainly forgotten."

CORONER'S INQUEST

To Enquire Into the Cause of the Death of J. McArthur.

The coroner's inquest to enquire into the cause of the death of James Ma-Arthur, found dead on the street on Saturday evening, occupied more time than was expected. Dr. R. L. Fraser, city health officer, who was called when the body was found, and who yesterday held a postmortem examination, gave evidence as to the condition of the body The first of these shows the amount of when found and the result of the postmortem examination. There were bruises on the head and arm and a clot of blood on the brain, the latter probably caused by the breaking of a small blood vessel, and the bruises by falling. It appears that McArthur had been at the Clarence Hotel. Shortly after leaving there he was picked up, having evidently had a previous attack to the

one that caused his death. An adjournment was taken for lunch, after which further evidence was given as to the finding of the body. The funeral will take place o'clock to-morrow from the family residence. John street.

Sitting of the S eventh Annual Session.

Show that Various the Order is Progressing Satisfactorily.

The visiting delegates to the annual session of the Grand Lodge of the Royal Templars of Temperance arrived yesterrock. She left here with a scow yesterday morning for the purpose of getor more of the English subjects. Such
They were met at the boat by a large tion of their education has not been and a guard of honor formed by the Cadet Templars of Temperance, under "If an applicant for a teacher's license | the command of their instructor, Capt. The papers of the candidate whose writ- tendered them. Mr. Buchanan, after

The various delegates are as follows. Mr. T. P. West and his crew of wreck- pers set on writing and on spelling, but land and James Lord, of New Westminers, went out to Oak Bay to her. Mr. upon all papers handed in at the exam- ster, and R. McDonald, grand trustee. Mayor Redfern thought that the use of the room should be given them one in the morning. The damage done to her is not very serious.

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The first session of the grand lodge opened this morning at 9:30 o'clock in the Sir William Wallace hall. The session was opened with the usual exercises of the order, after which Mr. W. W. Buchanan was formally welcomed by the grand councillor. Mr. Buchan an replied, thanking the grand lodge and expressing his pleasure at being present. Messrs. Glyn. Mills, Currie & Co. to is The grand councillor then presented his report, which reviewed the work of We would suggest that to the 1877 bondthe various branches during the past holders should be reduced from 40 per year. The report showed a marked progress in the work accomplished dur- 1887 bondholders from 25 per cent. to ing the year.

students, nor have they always a just ent, complimenting the delegates on the

charge of refusing to obey the orders of the chief factor in a school system, and To-morrow evening a public meeting Capt. Weston, who is in command of improvement can only be hoped for in will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterthat ship. Thomas Newman, who his growing knowledge, skill, and en- ian church, commencing at 8 o'clock, knowledge the receipt of your letter of to which the public are cordially invit- the 14th ultimo, in which you suggest Inspector Burns, besides referring to ed, when sister societies will give fra- that the benus offered to bondholders of ing and against whom the complaints of the subjects taught in the schools, says ternal greeting and speeches will be dethe crew are being made, gave evidence that "it has been very gratifying to livered by General Manager Buchanan 40 per cent. to 25 per cent. on the formand others. The first half hour will er loan, and from 25 per cent. to 20 per

when Mr. Buchanan will give his cele- sage I now confirm. brated lecture "An Evening With I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

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Some Interesting Reports Brought Down by Standing Committee on Finance.

Expenditure Over \$300,000 Greater Than Revenue for the Past Six Months.

The public accounts committee yester day submitted four returns to the house. debentures of the loans of 1877 and 1887 redeemed by conversion into three per cent. inscribed stock during the six months ending 31st December, 1896. There was £5000 of the 6 per cent. debentures loan of 1877 converted at 125 and £3000 of the 41/2 per cent. debentures loan of 1887 converted at 120.

The second statement shows the rev enue and expenditure for the six months ending December 31, 1896. The receipts. which include \$121,344.73 from the Dominion government, \$44,465.63 from land sales, \$27,743.04 for timber leases, \$42,699 for free miners' certificates, \$68,324.13 for the mining acts, general, totalled up to \$509,439.14. On the other hand the expenditures amounted to \$823,503.87, making a deficit for the six months of \$314.064.73.

The third report was a statement of expenditure on account of the provincial board of health for the six months ending December 31, 1896. The total is \$1916, which includes Clive Phillips-Wolley's salary as sanitary inspector for three months at \$125 a month, and his travelling expenses, amounting to \$65, and \$300 paid to Dr. Watt as secretary for the three months.

Statement No. 4 shows payments made on account of guarantees for the six months ending December 31, 1896. On account of the Shuswap & Okanagan railway there was paid \$24,939; Nakusp & Slocan railway, \$13,002.46; Victoria & Sidney railway, \$3015; Pitt Meadows dyking commissioners' bonds, \$2400, making a total of \$43,356.46. Appended to this statement were the

following communications: The Treasury, Victoria, B. C., January 28, 1896. Messrs. Woolston & Beeton, 6 a, Austin Friars, London, England:

Gentlemen:-With reference to the natter of the conversion of the British Columbia 6 per cent. and 41/2 per cent. oans (acts 1877 and 1887) into the Britsh Columbia 3 per cent. inscribed stock, wish to state that in my opinion it is advisable that a reduction of the premiums offered for the conversion these loans should be made. At the present time the premiums so offered are 40 per cent. and 25 per cent. respect-

In view of the increased value of the per cent. stock and also of the comparatively short time intervening before the maturity of the loans, you will, I think, see that the above premiums are now too great to justify the government n continuing these offers. I would therefore, suggest that these premiums be materially reduced, and would ask you to be good enough to state your views on the matter at your earliest convenience. I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant, (Sd.)

Minister of Finance In reply Messrs. Woolston & Beeton said under date, London, February 14,

1896 -To Hon. J. H. Turner, Victoria, B. C.: Sir:-We have the honor to acknow ledge your letter of the 28th instant, and in reply we beg to say that we entirely concur in the necessity for reducing the terms of conversion offered to the 1877 and 1887 bondholders, and on receipt of a cablegram from you we will ask sue a new advertisement accordingly cent. to 25 per cent., and that to the 20 per cent. We frankly confess that The grand secretary read the seventh the matter had escaped our notice, but annual report of the grand lodge, which the point is one of theoretical rather showed the order to be in a good finan- than practical interest, inasmuch as the cial condition. The grand treasurer outstanding bonds, as we have already grand audifor, who reported that they in our statement of account, only £1100 most interesting during that time. that "there are many evidences of a tendent of the White Cross reported on the half year ending 31st of December

> WOOLSTON & BEETON. (Sd.) The Minister of Finance, in replying to Messrs. Woolston & Beeton, 6 a, Austin

Friars, London, E. C .: Gentlemen:-I have the honor to acto the time they went on board the Lyderhorn at Chemainus. The eleven without apparent effort, but every one

to the time they went on board the Lyschools. As a genral rule this is done
the Metropolitan Methodist church, letter 14th agreed to." This cable mes-

your obedient servant, (Sd.) J. H. TURNER. Minister of Finance

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RETURN FROM THE CAPITAL Mr. Begg Speaks of His Mission on Rad way Matters.

Alex. Begg, C.C., after an absent of a few weeks, returned from Ottav by last evening's steamer from Ne Westminster. He reports that he h interviews with several members of the federal executive relative to British Co umbia affairs-notably to open the pr posed new route to the Yukon by we of Stickeen river and Teslin lake. this and the subject of immigration are colonization to British Columbia, tl Hon. Mr. Sifton, minister of the inteior, takes a lively interest, and from a interview Mr. Begg had with him may be inferred that assistance won be given by the Dominion government make that central and independent rou to the Yukon country a permanent his way, at first by the construction trail, and as soon after that as pract cable to have the proposed railway structed, so as to accommodate the tr and passenger travel of that rapidly veloping rich mineral region. Mr. Sift is fully alive to the necessity of increase mmigration and colonization for Britis Colucbia, and seems to approve of settlement of the seaboard with fish colonies. Mr. Begg was materially a ed in his efforts to advance the interes of British Columbia by the assistan given him by Hon. Senator McInne and also by W. W. B. McInnes, mer ber for Vancouver Island district, were at that time in Ottawa, and pr sent during the interview with the ho

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The Governor's Palace With All the Archives Burned-Incendiaries at Work.

Thousand Greek Troops Have Landed at Chersoneus, in Crete.

Piraus to be Blockaded - Austria Ge ting Ready-Excitement in London.

Canen, Island of Crete, Peb. 25.-Ta overnment's palace, with all the are es, was burned yesterday. As fi proke out elsewhere in the town at same time it is thought incendiaries has The situation is most grave. Arm:

nd excited Mussulmans are paradin he streets full of indignation at th ews from Selinos, where the Mussu mans are besieged. Benghaz Aran preaten to burn the whole of Cane while the palace was burning a strong x containing £70,000 fell into ins and broke open, whereupon then s a wild rush by Turkish soldiers an sulmans to secure the treasur ign marines were obliged to fi cartridges to restrain them, an time a serious conflict between th and Europeans were threatene irals are about to issue a proclam to all towns and villages, explaini eason for the presence of the fo

fleets in Cretan waters and ing tranquility.
e population is so divided in invete natred that schemes for reforms The best plan, it is argued, ermit Greek troops to occupy try and escort the besieged Muss away, for the Mussulmans can in in Crete. The suggestions of uls that a foreign force be land clinos to cover the retreat of the b ered Mussulmans has not been the available number of marin insufficient. In view of the larg of insurgents the admirals have tch of warships to Selinos. by insurgents continue at vari Insurgents have descended he plains behind the Convent sophighi and set fire to Mussuli ses. According to official figures 10

rks were killed, wounded or report ing in the recent fighting and 10 prisoners. onstantinople, Feb. 25.—The Turk's rement has received a dispatch say that 6,000 Greek troops, three gur a quantity of ammunition have bee led at Chersoneus, Province of Can

Crete. logne, Feb. 25.—The Cologne Ga e publishes a dispatch from Berl ing that all the powers have agreed the event of Greece not yield mptly, that the proposal to blocka Piraeus be adopted. ondon, Feb. 25.—The Paris corres

dent of the Chronicle hears that Ausrve. The officers have been order prepare their war equipment. The eror spends several hours daily wi military advisers. on. Geo. F. Goschen, first lord of the

niralty, has announced that ers have arrived at an agreema erning Crete. ne Chronicle in big type prints a dis

article calling on the nation to ta steps in the Cretan situation the Chronicle: "Organize, agit: denounce the dishonor to Britain by association with the Sultan at ercion of Greece." Chronicle further announces th

oreign admirals have already ed Colonel Vassos to quit th of Crete, and threaten to bor him if he attacks any position of d by the Turks. Colonel Vasso plied that he must execute his o Mr. Henry Norman, the corres ent of the Chronicle, adds th ment: "Col. Vassos will not lea sland; Greece will not accept : under the Turkish flag." midnight dispatch to the Standard Constantinople says: "It is ed that the cabinet has decided are for an eventual march

ens should Greece decline to comp the Porte's demand and evacuat A note to this effect will be ser rete in the near future. The m preparations have been completed is also stated the minister of war pledged himself to have thirteen ready a week from now. as correspondent of the Standa that he has ascertained from a r source that Greece will reject th sals of the powers.

dispatch to the Times from Athen "Two of the most influential or counsel moderation and deferen European powers. Other papers an immediate declaration of was an advance into Macedonia, 'the uences of which,' they say, 'would Europe more than Greece." bitter feeling prevails against d because it was supposed she v supported the Greek policy, but reatest animosity is displayed Emperor William. . Popular s so strong that only the com bolition of the Sulian's jurisdic-Crete will calm the excitement. stated that Col. Vassos, comof the Greek forces on the island e, is marching to the interior, and eorge has sent the following mes-Greek army: 'The King in esent circumstances relies for aid nation, his officers and his army,

on no foreign power." hington, D. C., Feb. 25.—The sen-Il itself transmit to King George. ece a certified copy of its resoexpressing symoathy with the govin Greece in their determina aid the Cretans in their revolu ere is no authority or law ze the state department to come the resolution of only one house ess to a foreign power, and rstood that Secretary Olney has for this reason to forward the