REASONS FOR

HON. A. B. AYLESWORTH GIVES LUMINOUS ADDRESS

Points Out How Hundreds of Names Are Now Omitted From Voters' Lists.

Ottawa May 6.—The speech of the minister of Justice yesterday in moving ferent character, and unless they are to elections of 1904. In the condition which the second reading of the Dominion Elections Act amendment was an able presentation, and held the undivided attention of the House. It completely attention of the House in Source in Sour the second reading of the Dominion be worked by the same officials. In the now exists in Manitoba, with voters'

immediately upon the issue of a writ been in Manitoba an annual acting unor, if circumstances render it proper, der this provision of the provincial law. before a writ issues, men shall be apvision of the county judges, as a regisupon their responsibility as officers of upon their responsibility as officers of the law and subject to an appeal to the county indices of the law and subject to an appeal to the the law and subject to an appeal to the county judges of the province, whose duty it will be to take the lists of vot-plain exactly why. The times at which and within which the revising of the county in the county is a second of the province, whose duty it will be to take the lists of vot-plain exactly why. The times at which and within which the revising of the county is a second of the county in the county is a second of the cou ers and to distribute those voters according to the Dominion polls at which list, such as it is, shall take place are cording to the Dominion polis at which they are entitled to vote, and who, if they do that work conscientiously and honestly, will not be subject to subsendently, will not be subject to subsendently. The dates and places were fixed by the registration board consisting to the Dominion polis at which they are entitled to vote, and who, if they do that work conscientiously and honestly, will not be subject to subsentially are entitled to vote, and who, if they do that work conscientiously and the provincial statute to be fixed by the lieutenant-governor in council.

Formerly the dates and places were scription, the question is simply what the next room. He did not think any ought to be done in regard to them? honestly, will not be subject to subsequent attack in the courts by reason of the fact that there has been legislative authority for the work they have been called upon to do. Such legislation is, under the circumstances I have tried sult has been that the time allowed out their views, they had upon the stanecessity, and without such legislation it would be impossible that elections for ninion purposes could hereafter be

There are other provisions in this bill in regard to which I have a few words to say. Not only does clause 1-because I am limiting myself to that clause deal with the necessity for the distribution of names to the appropriate polling subdivisions, but it also provides for a measure of revision of the lists, and this feature of it seems particularly to have excited the indignation and the ire of many representatives of the opposite political party in the Manitoba legislature and the Manitoba government. In noticing the newspaper warfar in Winnipeg and elsewhere that has gone on in the last few months in respect to this provision of the bill, I could not help being reminded of that which I alluded briefly at the opening of my observations this afternoon. servative party in this country when it was in power from 1885 to 1896, that the Dominion parliament should control its the Dominion purposes should be pre-pared by officials named by the government of the day, that the provincial that no reference to them whatever should obtain in the preparation of the lists for Dominion purposes. Not only was that settled policy introduced and placed on the statute-book by the

That no system of fra

chise would

be satisfactory which did not preserve federal control over the voters' lists." That resolution was pressed to vote reading of our present Election Act and the division upon that resolution was an absolute party one. In these cir-Conservative party in this country is certainly—unless it has abandoned the faith of its predecessors-is certainly wedded and wedded indissolubly to the by the prominent members of the Con-servative party in this House advocat-say simply that men assert that it exing the retention by the Dominion autists, and I call attention in that control to a cotemporaneous article on preparation of voters' fists for Dominion the subject which appeared in the Manpurposes and arguing strenuously that it was utterly improper for this 1906. I refer to it for the reason that parliament to abdicate its functions or it is cotemporaneous with the happento entrust the preparation of these vot- ing of the events which the writer is ers' lists to any provincial body. Nay, depicting, He says that in the constitre, when the House was in commit-April of that year. (page 2991, Hansard) day as elsewhere, May 29th and 30th, I find the present hon, leader of the while revision takes place at Selkirk on osition placing himself upon record June 6th, exactly one week later than and insisting that it was unwise on the part of this House to denude itself | der the Manitoba statute, all protests of control over its own electoral machinery: that it was one of the privfleges most ancient and most important of this House that it should control its own elections and the preparation of its own voters' lists, and that it was there was given only one week within dents for the ensuing year was proa very unwise thing on the part of parliament to delegate that power to work of the registration clerk, and five any provincial legislature or to any days out of the seven in that week vice presidents, the Bishop of Coprovincial authority. The opposite view and by the solicitor general of that day (Mr. Fitzpatrick), who contended that the proper authority for the preparation of the voters' lists was in origin the municipal authority, and that the contained that element of sub-

In the province of Manitoba and idea of the physical impossibility of Barton, Capt. J. G. Cox, equally in the province of British Columbia and in the unorganized portions administered as this provincial system Laird, Frank V. Hobbs, J. administered as this provincial system Jeffcott, G. W. Wollett, Ald of Ontario and Quebec we have under is said to have been administered in A. Pauline, H. L. Salmon, R. P. Clark, our present law a different system of Manitoba. I am not complaining of the Danvers Osborn and T. J. Cummiskey. the preparation of the voters' lists. We system. The system is spread upon have also a totally different system in the statute book. I think it might be secretary, Joseph Peirson. Alberta, Saskatchewan and the Yukon, tem is better than the system in the content of Victoria would profit from the meetbut the provinces of Manitoba and Britsister province of Ontario, as adminissister province of Ontario, as adminissist

ish Columbia, with the unorganized tered by the government of Ontario to portions of Ontario and Quebec remain day. But without questioning what the the only portions of the Dominion in which the voters' lists are not prepared fest that any system, no matter how system may be. I say that it is maniupon the footing of the assessment rolls and by the municipal authorities in their origin and initiation. Now, what has been the result? The system in plaint that the present system in Manthe province of Manitoba—and the system is not different in principle in British Columbia—is registration before an official of the provincial government coupled with revision before some offi- the provincial government. coupled with revision before some one cer, either judge or barrister appointed for that purpose. In the province of British Columbia there seems to have which was deliberately retained at that factory administration of the law than urged by the present hon, leader of the

ing of the work of the registration

clerk. The statute empowers the lieu-

tenant-governor in council to fix the

number of days upon which the revis-

ing officer, judge or barrister shall sit on his work, and when the day fixed by

the proclamation for the concluding of that hearing of appeals or revising

work no matter how much may remain

appeals may remain unheard. When

beforehand as that at which his juris-

diction ceases there is an end of his

right to continue further in his work,

all events, claiming the right to vote,

between the hours of ten and five with-

ists, there must be throughout the pro-vince men by the hundred who claim

the right to vote, and whose claim it

cation of by the constituted authorities

uencies of Kildonan and St. Andrews registration takes place on the same

the first day of registration. Now, un-

ust be in the hands of the revising

officer five days before the sittings of

his court of revision, and accordingly it follows, if the statement in that

newspaper is correct as to dates that

which to revise after the close of the

When you remember that the

for that purpose.

to be done and no matter how many

time, the retention of which was then has taken place in other parts of the Dominion. There is less complaint in own lists in circumstances such as are regard to British Columbia but com-plaint is not absent there, and com-which existed at that time in Manitoba, plaint is I venture to say inevitable as which continued to exist in that prov-long as you have an effort to sandwich ince for six years afterwards, but which together the two systems each of dif- were changed a few months before the justified the government's course in bringing down the legislation, and was ineffectually replied to by the opposition leader.

Mr. Aylesworth went fully into the unsatisfactory system of preparing the voters' lists in Manitoba, citing instance after instance in support of his criticism, many of his objections applying to British Columbia, The minister, in the lists used in November, 1904, were those established in the year 1903, were those established in the year 1903. The lists used in November, 1904, were those established in the year 1903, which are those established in the year 1903, which are those established in the year 1904, where those established in the year 1903, were those established in the year 1904, which he can either dead or deeparted from the province, we have lists that need revision. We have lists that ought to be submitted to the work of a revising officer, a county judge or a barrister according to the Manitoba of Thursday, December 5th, accused was at the Strand hotel some the fore 12 o'clock. The man Harting was the bartender. The prisoner conceived the prevision within which he can effectively do that, work the bartender. The prisoner conceived the province, we have lists that contain the names of hundreds of men who are either dead or deeparted from the province, we have lists that need revision. We have lists that onght to establishe din the year 1904. stance after instance in support of his criticism, many of his objections applying the British Columbia. The minister, proceeding, said:

This bill, accordingly, proposes that the bartender. Since 1904 there has accordingly, proposes that the bartender on a previous occasion. The main Harting was system, with time given him which he can effectively do that work of revision, within which he can effectively purge the lists of dead men and of absentees, the presence of which up-the lists of the bartender on a previous occasion. temptation to impersonation. We I do not think I am doing any injustice have lists from which the names of for the revision in each year since then tute book the Dominion Franchise Act. has been, according to the view at any and when voters' lists for Dominion rate of the one political party, entirely voters were prepared throughout the inadequate for the purpose. The stawhole Dominion by officials appointed tute requires notices of appeal from the registration clerk to be given within a work of the provincial authorities was

certain number of days from the clos- altogether disregarded. Or should we, on the other hand, adhere to the policy laid down by this government in 1898 and adopt the provincial system no matter how ineffective, no matter in how many features it might be improved, and apply it to the preparation of the Dominion lists? We ave preferred to adhere to the policy work is passed there is no power on the part of the officer to continue his pot go to the length, to which the Conot go to the length, to which the Conervative party went before 1898, of adopting in whole the principle of preparing our own lists altogether from the hour comes which has been fixed the foundation. We prefer to adhere o the provincial lists, and accordingly n the bill I am submitting, the lists a established in the provinces, shall be and his work of necessity comes to an taken in the preparation of the lists end. Now, to say nothing more, that for Dominion purposes, and to them feature of the system has been highly unsatisfactory. It has been alleged, I sons qualified to vote which are not on do not know with what truth, that in them and from them shall be struck in Victoria were supposed to contain some instances there have remained the names of all those who are not the name of the names of the names of all those who are not the names of the names hundreds of men entitled to vote, or at qualified. The lists so prepared, subject to the revision of a county court with their appeals to get on the list judge, shall be allotted and distributed standing regularly for hearing by the revising officer, judge or barrister, un- the Dominion elections. pose of them, simply because his time has expired. It is alleged that such men are of one political party, that men are of one political party, that by our own legislation, in which muni placed on the statute-book by the Franchise Act of 1885 which remained their names are left off right and left by the registration clerks, that their only means of getting on the list and obtaining the right to exercise their franchise is by an appeal to the judge, and that the judge is given, it may be most as expressed in 1898. We not only ment, as expressed in 1898. We not only for a whole constituency, but one day adopt the provincial lists in their entirety as the basis upon which revision in which to do the work of days or weeks. As a necessary and inevitable we follow completely the provincia onsequence, if that state of things exlists, and the lists are made in accord ance with whatever laws the provinces choose to enact for their own purposes of this first clause of the bill. The other provisions of the bill can be discuss explained their general outline with

> fore, the second reading of this bill. NAVY LEAGUE OFFICERS.

Election Took Place at Meeting Held Last Night.

The Victoria-Esquimalt branch of night.

In absence of Capt, Clive Phillipps-Others present were J. K. Reb- of the chain. chair. beck, R. P. Clark, J. E. Jeffcott, A. S. Margison and Joseph Peirson. After reading of minutes, receiving eports and other routine business the election of president and vice presiceeded with, resulting as follows: President, Capt. Clive Phillipps-Wolley; would have to run for the purposes of Jumbia, Capt. E. Barkley, R. N., J. K. maintained by the prime minister an appeal. In other words, the revising Rebbeck, C. E., James Thompson, A. barrister or judge would have to be in B. Fraser, sr., C. E. Redfern, Cap possession of all appeals for those constituencies within one day after the Capt. C. E. Clarke, A. E. McPhillipps,

close of the work of the registration K. C., M. P. P., Col. R. Wolfenden, I er basis was the assessment roll registration clerk is appointed for a Hankey and Sydney A. Roberts, R. N which contained that element of sub-stantiality to which I have already re-stituency may be and frequently is 100 H. Langley, A. S. Margison, F. W. miles from side to side, you have some Vincent, Blakemore.

the new provinces of Saskatchewan and improved. I think the system in On-Alberta and in the Yukon territory, but legislation on our part is not requisite matter of judgment; that is a matter some hope that one of the most disto the Yukon territory as such legislation already exists. Under our Election Act a special provision is made for
They think, I presume, that their systion already exists. Under our between the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the convention would have a successful knocked at the convention would have a successful knocked at the door, but got no answer, the convention would have a successful knocked at the convention would have a suc

JOHN LEACH IS

PRISONER TESTIFIES ON HIS OWN BEHALF

Disclaims All Knowledge of Shooting With Which he is Charged.

John Leach was this morning ar raigned before a jury in the assize court on a charge of shooting William Harting, the bartender of the Strand hotel. The following jury was im panneled: Henry Currie (foreman), William E. Paterson, J. T. Adams, P. Johnson, Wm. Aird, John McCallum, Dan Crowther, Peter Robinson

ened the bartender on a previous occasion.

On the night in question the prisoner pointed who will act, subject to the re- to the proceeding which has been taken hundreds of men in Manitoba are ab- called to Harting from a little box off pecition sent by Russia into Persian be upon those lists, and the right to him out he essayed to fire a second

prevented from having their claims adjudicated by the insufficiency of the time allowed under the statute for the the gun down and a second shot went

Witness identified the coat which the bartender was wearing by the burnt mark, but he was not sure of the revolver.

In answer to His Lordship, witness said he thought from the expression on the prisoner's face that the man was crazy. He had a curious smile on his face at the time. He at first thought it must be a joke but very soon he changed his mind.

was then produced and the judge and jury shown just where the shooting

in December. He was shown a bruise on the breast as well as a slight burn so daringly executed as to leave the in the centre. Cross-examined by J. A. Aikman of the robbers,

witness said that a man might be perfectly sane after a two week's spree or he might be otherwise. All de-pended upon his susceptability, and of the amount of alcohol taken. Alcohol was a poison and all the liquors sold

In answer to G. A. Barnard the doc tor said a man might harbor a fixed delusion when mad with drink. E. C. Watkins, of the firm of Hooper & Watkins, swore that the plan cor

Thomas Palmer, sergeant detective of the local force, said he saw Albert Harting leaving for Seattle on the steamer Whatcom, at which time he served him with a subpoena to appear. Largest Gathering in History of He asked Harting why he was going to Alaska, and the reply was that he was going away for the summer to attend to his business up there. Since that time he received a letter from Harting saying that the summons was made out incorrectly, and returning it. Another letter was received last night from Fairbanks.

George Jay, police magistrate, testified to having signed the depositions. Although the evidence was taken in ember the depositions were not presented to the magistrate for signature until April. In cross-examination Mr. principle of discarding the provincial lists. Speech after speech was made in the debate of 1888 by the leaders and of evidence—whether or not that state of evidence—whether or not that evidence e the clerk in the police court. He had dred and fifty present. say simply that men assert that it ex- fullness of detail. I beg to move, there- that he might have time to extend his opening as follows: Noble Binns, S. M.

> and coat and other exhibits in case. He said the pistol was very Albert Harting were then read. It Copper King No. 34 of Crofton. showed that Leach fired at him in the eting at the secretary's office last him, again pointing the gun which was sentatives, after which the rolls of repstruck down by Cole. The first shot resentatives and committees were struck him on the watch chain and called. Volley, ex-Mayor Redfern took the the bullet was marked with the links Past Grand Chancellor Byrne, of Far

Witness told the other men to leave tainment committee, made a short and and not to say anything about it. He well chosen speech of welcome and then took the prisoner upstairs and put asked for a welcome to His Worship him to bed.

Lorenzo Liddell, teamster, now living at Day's hotel, but formerly at the strand, testified that he had a conversion of this purpose, the grand master-at-arms, B. W. Thompson, with P. G. C. Byrne left the hall and returned a few moments later with Mayor weeks before the shooting. On that of the grand chancellor. occasion the name of Harting in some Mayor Hall in a short address said warned Harting that the man was ago, and about six years later the forcarrying a gun and was dangerous.

when not drunk. man was drunk at the time.

get through yourself? Sergeant Carson-No, sir. (Amuse-

Skeena on the steamer Chieftan, and of taking a room at the Strand. A day referred to the fact which was received or two later he received close on \$70 with cheers, that British Columbia was pay. He went back to the Strand and the banner Grand Lodge in the Dogot pretty full, The proprietor and bartender took his money away from him

He ended his address by complimentand put it behind the bar. He spent most of the rest of the time around work. the Strand. He usually started on whiskey in the morning and after that and proclaimed a short recess for the did not remember much. He was the best of friends with Harting, having ing which the members all shook hands The Vessel is Expected to Be gone to the show with him and ate with the Mayor, who was made the most of his meals in his company. He recipient of a hearty vote of thanks remembered nothing of the shooting, for his address and his greetings on but always kept the gun in his grip behalf of the city. with his clothes. He did not remember having the gun on him. It had not been there was an animated discussion on fired for a year or two. An adjournment was then taken un-

il 2 o'clock. Just before noon the grand jury en-

RUSSIA RAZING

KURDISH VILLAGES

Punitive Operations Suspended at Urgent Request of Persian Commissioners.

St. Petersburg. May 13 .- At the urgent request of the Persian commis sioners from Teheran the punitive extime to investigate and promise to deliver the guilty parties to justice and indemnify the widows and children of the men who lost their lives.

Seattle, May 13.-That the two rob-Great Northern express messenger, incontents of the company's strong box yesterday morning from a Great Northern train are in hiding in North Seattle is the belief of the Country of the Countr Seattle is the belief of the Seattle police. Last night detectives were instructed to search thoroughly in the Pike street and North Seattle district, A plan of the floor of the Strand hotel and orders were given to bring every suspicious person found to police headquarters.

The looting of the express car, the Dr. Robertson told of Constable Car-son bringing a man to his office early press messenger and their subsequent escape was so cunningly planned and company's officers aghast at the nerve whom a reward of \$2,500 has been offer-

GRAND LODGE

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS MEETING IN CITY

Organization in the Province.

(From Wednesday's Daily) The Grand Lodge of the Grand donain of British Columbia, Knights of Pythias, opened their nineteenth annual convention this morning in the A. O. U. W. hall with Bro. Ham grand chancellor, in the chair. The convention is the largest of the order ever held in British Columbia, there being in the neighborhood of one hun-All the officers were present at the

A.; C. F. Nelson, S. R.; George John-Chief Langley identified the pistol ston. S. R.; H. J. Anstie, P. S. R.; W. the Irvine, P. G. C.; A. H. Ferguson, P. G. C and P. G. C.'s Hughes and Byrne. rusty when it came into his possession. All the lodges were represented with depositions of the evidence of the exception of Ymir No. 32 and the The cercaionies commenced with the the Navy League held the first meet-ing of committee since the annual ran away and the prisoner followed twenty-six past chancellors and repre-

West No. 1, as chairman of the enterthe Mayor of Victoria, who desired to Witness had met the prisoner in extend official greetings to the members Dawson previously. He said he thought of the Grand Lodge. A short recess the man was crazy. was taken for this purpose, the grand was taken for this purpose, the grand sation with the prisoner about two Hall, whom they escorted to the station Hallett.

way came up, and then Leach said he that the local Far West Lodge No. 1 would fix Harting. Witness afterwards had been established twenty-five years H. G. Lockhart mation of the Grand Lodge had taken answer to Mr. Aikman witness place. On behalf of the city he exsaid prisoner was having a good time.

He was always friendly with Harting and referred to the fact that when at Nelson last year the Grand Lodge had George Bowman, laborer, said he re- been given the key to the city, saying nembered the day of the shooting. He that Victoria has gone further than saw the prisoner about 1 or 2 o'clock that as he had already opened the of that day. He complained at that city's doors to them. The mayor spoke time that Harting had not treated him on the pleasures of service of man to right. He stated that he was pretty man, saying that more pleasure and well all in. Witness did not think the satisfaction were had from giving that from receiving. He referred to Sergeant Carson told of arresting the moral benefit received from serving one with regard to these new provinces or to the Yukon territory as such legisla
Manitoba legislature are no doubt difnavy might shortly be expected to in his room in the Strand hotel. He was the outcome of service. He hoped risoner, who was asleep at 1 o'clock another and the great good to all that

ings of the order. He trusted the mem bers collectively and individually would experience a profitable and enjoyable John Leach, the prisoner, told of time during their stay here and exhaving come to Victoria from the pressed his regret that the visitors were

P. G. Hammar fittingly responded

When the meeting again resumed the question of the competition for the Amplified third rank work which will from Vancouver the steamship Transi be competed for this evening, the five is to be taken to Vancouver instead of teams entered being Far West No. 1, being brought here to be fitted for her tered and announced that they had found a true bill in Rex vs. Dondero.

No. 25, and Mt. Pleasant No. 11. The ton. Capt. McKenzie stated yesterday ton. Capt. McKenzie stated yesterday ton. Capt. McKenzie stated yesterday ton. No. 25, and Mt. Pleasant No. 11. The ton. Capt. McKenzie stated yesterday orizes for this competition are \$100 for in an interview at Vancouver that the

The meeting placed the arrangements and that she would sail direct to Nome in the hands of a committee consisting from Vancouver.
of Brother Watson, No. 1; Bro. Kettle, In this case the No. 17; Bro. Joy, No. 25, Bro. Townley, No. 11, and Bro. Watson, No. 4.

The minutes of the last convention held at Nelson, B. C., were adopted and dation, unless the C. P. R. coitemplatthe report of the committee on credentals was likewise dealt with. The report of Grand Chancellor Hammar dealing with the work done during the the Transit on June 5th. It is, however year, was referred to a committee on believed that the Transit will call her distribution, as were also the reports, and pick up all the passengers brough of the other executive officers. The question of the insurance depart-

nent of the order was the next business before the convention, Organizer Bro. Hawkins and Assistant Organizer Bro. Mecklan for the territory of British Columbia and Oregon and Washington being in the city in the interests thereof. It was decided to grant them an opportunity to address the members pany. The Inland Navigation Commmediately after the noon recess and this address was in progress at the time f going, to press. In connection with this matter a new rating has gone into force to which the B. C. lodges at Nelson last year placed themselves on record as opposed to it. The new ratng is now being explained to the B. C. lodges. The meeting adopted the report on distribution as presented by that committee. The report of the compers who beat Joseph E. Perrin, the mittee on orphans' and widows' fund was likewise adopted and appears in insensibility and escaped with the full report. It shows that the funds

and order showed a rapid growth and a prosperous condition of things in the province. The report was considered rates, and will ship eight thousand by sections.

A committee consisting of Noble Binns, S. M. A.; P. G. C. Byrnes; C. F. Nelson, S. R., and A. H. Ferguson, P. G. C., was appointed to extend greetings of the Grand Lodge to the Pythian sisters now in grand session in the city. The report of the committee recomnending that a day be set aside for the raising of funds for the Widows and Orphans fund by means of entertain-

ments was adopted. The gathering extended congratula-tions to Bro. Morphy of Victoria Lodge, on his successful suit on behalf of the Grand Lodge against the Great North- for the freight she will take out will

ern railway.

This afternoon in addition to the busness already stated the convention will deal with the discussion on the quesion of the Pythian shield. The names of the officers and repre entatives present are as follows:

P.G.C.-Wm. Irvine, Nelson G.C.-J. Hammar, Grand Forks, G.V.C.-H. A. Brown, Revelstoke G.P.-R. A. Townley, Vancouver. G.M.A.-J. Thompson, Cumberland. G.K.R.S.-E. Pferdner, Victoria. G.M.E.-T. Walker, Victoria. G.T.G.-C. Rawlinson, Nanaimo. G.O.G.-J. Fleishman, Fernie,

Hughes, W. P. Smith. Ladysmith No. 2. Ladysmith-N. A Morrison, R. Morgan.
Vancouver No. 3, Vancouver—G. Thomas, jr., L. V. Evans. Nanaimo No. 4. Nanaimo-Jas. Waton, Thos. Woodcock. Royal No. 6. New Westminster-M.

V. Minthorne. Rathbone, No. 7. Vancouver-A. J. Mt. Pleasant No. 11, Vancouver-W. Murphy, J. D. Sim.

Maple No. 15, Duncans-J. N. Evans. known Victorian, Art. Belfrey. There ite No. 16, New Westm John Mahoney.

Victoria No. 17, Victoria-W. A. Ket- into the country. tle. P. Dempster. Coldstream No. 18, Vernon-R. W. Neil. er. R. McKay.

Winn, W. We Brokenshire. New Denver No. 22, New Denver Thos. Aveson Trail No. 23, Trail-J. R. Randall, D. about twenty extra horses to be use C. Shields.

Sandon No. 24, Sandon - H. W Thompson. Nelson No. 25. Nelson-Dr. W. O. of the trip to bring out the furs while Rose, J. J. Walker. Gold Range No. 26. Revelstoke-J. B. few months. Among them are son ott, G. H. Brock. Okanagan No. 27, Kelowna-J. T. fox, beaver, bear, wolverine, and lynx

Greenwood No. 29. Greenwood-A D Grand Forks No. 30, Grand Forks-Fernie No. 31, Fernie-F. J. Watson,

Crescent No. 33, Cranbrook-J. A. Ar-Copper King No. 34, Crofton-L. W. Nichells (not represented). Enderby No. 35, Enderby-C. E. trickiand

Midway No. 36, Midway-D. S. Tam-St. Tugene No. 37, Moyie-E. A. Hill. Arrowhead No. 38, Arrowhead-Geo. tle and Harry Dowman, two you

Wild Rose No. 39, Creston-G. A. North Vancouver No. 40, North Van-couver—H, E, Reid.

MILE THE RESEARCH STREET OF THE RESE Hosmer No. 41, Hosmer-L. E. Mac- tached to their carriage found

MOVEMENTS OF THE TRANSIT

FROM VANCOUVER

Kept in Coasting Trade.

According to a report emanating the first and \$50 for the second team. Transit would not be made ready here

In this case the story to the effect

that the C. P. 'R. was hand in hand

with Schubach & Hamilton in the

Nome rate war would be without founed supplying a service from Seattle t Vancouver to bring passengers from the Sound port in time over for her by the Princess Victoria Local officials of the C. P. R. will not admit that their company has anything to do with the Nome rate war. However, they discredit the statement Joshua Green, president of the Inland Navigation Company, to the effect that he and that concern have nothing to do with the Alaska Steamship Con pany, they say, together with the In ternational Steamship Company, and the other Sound companies, have allied interests with the Alaska Steamship

names has perfectly bewildered the This expression on the part of th C. P. R. men lends color to the report that the C. P. R. is assisting the Schubach & Hamilton firm to buck the Alaska company on its most profitable run, that to Nome.

companies, although they claim the "juggling" of these Sound companies'

Seattle dispatches state that the North American Transportation Tradng Company is out to fight the still. This company declares the com bine is trying to hold it up on freigh tons of general merchandise from Van couver to St. Michael and Nome on the Transit, and just to give the combin a run for its money will slaughter the passenger rates, giving first-class transportation for half the combine rates, and cutting the steerage acco modation down to a song, probably to

The Vancouver Province says: "It is expected that approximately six hur dred passengers will leave Vancouver on the Transit when she sails about June 1st. The fitting out of the steamer mean the expenditure of about \$10,000

to Vancouver. "When the Transit completes th Nome voyage she will be maintained in service, taking the run between Se attle, Vancouver and Prince Rupert, and making three trips per month. is even possible that her run may the extended to take in Skagway."

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CASSIAR DISTRICT Representatives.
Far West No. 1, Victoria-J. M. J. Hyland and A. Belfry Have

Arrived From Telegraph

Creek There is a great deal of interest alvays taken in the far north. Telegraph

creek is one of the latest places to heard from, J. Hyland arriving down vesterday morning on the Princes Mr. Hyland is well known down here

Benevolence No. 14, Cumberland-R. and associated with him on the Still ine at Telegraph creek is another wellthey conduct their general outfitting usiness for hunters and miners going Already, Mr. Hyland says, practical

ly all of his accommodation has bee taken up for the hunting season, man Primrose No. 20, Kamloops—E. Fish-of those going in being either those r, R. McKay. Rossland No. 21, Rossland—E. S. H. friends of those who were there order to accommodate the increase number who wish to go into that cou try Mr. Hyland is taking in with his or packing.

Hyland and Belfrey deal very largel furs. That was part of the purpo ave been purchased during the pas fine mink, martin, cross, silver, and rec The country is very rich in these cre Phoenix No. 28. Phoenix-E. E. Jack- tures which provide the furs for t ashionable world. The pack was brought down the river in a canoe water is very low, and will not fi- for navigation for a week or to

This past winter has been especia Ymir No. 32, Ymir-Jas. Stewart (not low 23. It was the best in years. Of the mining Mr. Hyland would no talk much. He thinks there is se very rich quarts in the country but n thing can be done with it until transportation problem has bee solved.

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