TWENTY-SIX MILLS THE RATE

PROBABLY IS WHAT COUNCIL WILL DECIDE

Finance Committee Trying to Further Prune the Estimates This Afternoon.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The tax rate for the current year will be struck at a special meeting of the city council, to be held to-night. This afternoon a meeting of the finance committee is being held to decide what rate shall be recommended to council.

There is every probability that a rate of twenty-six mills will be what they report. That there should not be any greater increase than is absolutely necessary is the feeling of practically every member of council, though one or two believe that as a certain amount of money must be spent the more business-like policy would be to put on a rate which would meet this rather than one which would leave a deficit.

Last year's rate on the assessment of 1909 produces a sum close on $59,000 short of the estimated expenditure for the year. The finance committee is going over the appropriations again this afternoon with the comptroller with the object of discovering if there are any of them that can be cut down.

One thing seems to be certain, from conversation with members of the committee, and that is that the extra $10,000 which was voted to the streets committee will be withdrawn, leaving the appropriation for maintenance of thoroughfares at the $64,000 originally voted. This will be vigorously opposed by the chairman of that committee, who points out that the full $74,000 is not a penny too much for the work that has to be done. In fact, a large proportion of the appropriation was expended before ever it was voted at all, spent early in the year.

With this sum struck out of the estimates and some $24,000 or $25,000 made up by an extra mill on the rate the deficit in prospect would be reduced to about $24,000. This sum, it is hoped, would be still further reduced before the end of the year by the unexpended surpluses on some of the civic services. At the same time it is recognized that this is rather an uncertain proposition, and that over-expenditure might off-set any saving in other directions.

A twenty-six mill rate is, however, the favorite betting.

...ORES PLEA OF "UNWRITTEN LAW"

Men Convicted of Murder—Officials Fear Attack by Mob.

Shreveport, La., July 9.—The acquittal of Ida Fulcos, an attractive 15-year-old Italian girl of the murder of Wimbreck Boney and the conviction without capital punishment of the girl's father and Italian lover yesterday afternoon, has aroused the residents of Bossier, where the crime was committed, and it is feared to-day that a mob may take the lives of the two men whom the law has spared.

Boney, a young farmer of Vancevfile, was slashed with a razor and shot to death at the home of the girl in the presence of Ida, her father John Fulcos and her lover, Sam Perrico. The girl on the witness stand, in her own trial, said she slashed Boney twice with a razor and shot him twice after he had refused to marry her. The jury disbelieved her story, however, and convicted the father and lover of the crime.

Judge Drew refusesd to entertain a request of the defence to instruct the jury to acquit under the "unwritten law" declaring no such law exists.

ROCKEFELLER'S BIRTHDAY.

Receive $1,440,000 as Share of Standard Oil Profits.

Cleveland, O., July 9.—Returning home from Jersey City, N. J., to-day John D. Rockefeller announced that he had received a trifling birthday present while absent. The gift was $1,440,000, representing his share of the profits of the Standard Oil Company at a meeting of the directors at Jersey City.

EDUCATIONISTS TO MEET AT SEATTLE

State Convention Will Open on Tuesday and Last for Five Days.

Seattle, Wash., July 9.—For five days beginning next Tuesday, the State Educational convention will meet at the good roads buildings on the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific grounds, and be addressed by some of the best known educators in the United States.

The week's programme and the leading speakers each day include:

Tuesday—Industrial day, J. H. Francis, principal of Polytechnic high school, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Wednesday—Rural school day, William J. Kerr, president, Oregon Agricultural college.

Thursday—Moral and religious education day, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, of San Francisco.

Friday—Teachers' day, A Ross Hill, president of the University of Missouri.

Saturday—Parents' day, Homer H. Feerley, president of Iowa State University, Cedar Falls, Iowa. All meetings will be held in the evening.

HUNTING FOR MURDERER.

Former Sweetheart of Elsie Sigel Takes Up Search.

New York, July 9.—Another theory in the Sigel murder case has been placed before the sleuths of the upper office for them to work on.

Elsie Sigel was murdered by a Chinese after she had announced her intention to abandon her Chinese friends and marry a white man. That is the latest theory evolved.

The basis of the theory is the reported appearance of an old sweetheart of the girl, a white man, in the Chinatown resorts. It is said that the man intended to marry Miss Sigel, and now seeks trace of her murderers. The police refuse to divulge the name of the man, but admit that he is responsible for their latest theory.

DENOUNCED BY CHURCH.

London, July 9.—By a vote of 224 to 24 the church council, which was attended by the leading bishops, clergy and laymen of the Church of England, declared that marriage to a deceased wife's sister, recently legalized in this country, was contrary to the moral rule of the church, and to the principles of the scripture. Furthermore, the use of the prayer book in the service solemnizing such marriages was reprobated in strong terms.

PERMANENT CUSTOMS OFFICE.

Winnipeg, July 9.—The United States government has decided to open a permanent customs office here for the convenience of persons who object to the inconvenience of having baggage examined at the international boundary when south bound.

HERE TO VISIT JORDAN RIVER

ENGLISH DIRECTORS OF B. C. E. R. IN CITY

Will Report to Board on the Proposed Works and Estimates.

(From Friday's Daily.)

In connection with the early development of the B. C. Electric Company of the power latent in Jordan river, two English members of the board of directors are in the city, in company with R. H. Sperling, general manager of the company. They have come here to pay a visit to the scene of proposed operations and discuss matters with the local manager, A. T. Goward, and all morning were in consultation.

These works, which are being undertaken at Jordan river, after an exhaustive engineering examination of all the possible places where power could be developed, will entail an expenditure of over a million and a half, and will, when completed, be among the finest and most modern on the continent. It is the intention of the company, when the plant is in operation, to greatly increase its railway operations on the island, and it will also be in a position to give a much improved service to users of power and light.

Under the agreement which is before the city council now the comany binds itself to reduce the lighting and power rates charged to Victoria consumers to what the rates are to-day in Vancouver, and in the district around the city to the rates prevailing in the district around the Terminal City. The company will also, at any time that the city so requests, furnish power for street lights at the city station at a figure not more than fifty per cent. of what it costs the city to develop power at present.

The visiting directors are T. Blundell Brown and Mitchell Ellis, the former being on his first visit to Victoria. Mr. Ellis was out here about seven years ago. This morning a conference was held with the provincial executive in reference to acquiring the necessary water rights, and early next week the directors will go out to Jordan river. The plans are before the London board at present, and it is to acquire first-hand information for their colleagues that Messrs. Brown and Ellis have come out to visit the site of the proposed works.

RESENT ACTION OF SENATOR ALDRICH

Haste in Selecting Conferees on Tariff Bill Regarded as Insult.

Washington, D. C., July 9.—Considerable unfavorable comment was made to-day among members of the House over the action of the Senate, at the instigation of Senator Aldrich, in appointing conferees on the tariff bill before the measure was returned to the House.

The ordinary procedure is to send amended bills back to the House and await its action before appointing the conferees. Aldrich claimed his course was adopted to save time, but some members of the House are greatly incensed over what they term an "insult."

The Senate conferees were appointed last night after the passage of the tariff bill by the upper House. The first conference will probably be held to-morrow.

The Senate members of the conference committee are Aldrich, Burrows, Hale, Penrose and Cullom, Republicans, and Daniel, Money and Bailey, Democrats.

The Republican members of the House conferees selected are Payne, Dalzell, McCall, Boutell and Calderhead.

At 12.03 o'clock this afternoon the secretary of the Senate presented the tariff bill to the House of Representatives and requested a conference. A recess was then taken.

DEFENCES OF PRINCE RUPERT

OFFICERS WILL MAKE INSPECTION THERE

Captain Hughes and Lieutenant Haycock Leaving for the North.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Lieut. Haycock, of the Shearwater, and Capt. Hughes, of Work Point barracks, are leaving for Prince Rupert to-night on the Princess Royal. The object of the visit of these two officers is not publicly announced. There is little reason to doubt, however, that they have in view the inspection of the port from the standpoint of defence.

They will likely report at length upon the natural facilities which exist for establishing works of defence, etc., at the new port. It is readily conceived that the Imperial as well as the Canadian authorities are desirous of having on record all the information possible as to the character of the harbor and the many other points that might be considered in connection with the sea and land protection. Prince Rupert is to become an important shipping point, and it is important that there should be exact information in the hands of the naval and military authorities.

MAY TAKE ACTION AGAINST CITY AUDITOR

Refuses to Approve Claims of Special Agents at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., July 9.—Repeated refusals to approve the claims of Special Agent William J. Burns and his employees may result in legal action being brought against the office of the city auditor. The demands were presented Wednesday for the third time and met with another refusal.

Assistant District Attorney Cook is up in arms and declared to-day that the action of the auditor was due to alleged hostility to graft prosecution.

"Two methods of procedure are open to us," Cook said to-day. "We can ask the Supreme court for a writ or mandate to compel the auditor to approve the demands, and we intend to do it, or, we have the alternative of suing the auditor's bondsmen for damages resulting from the delay. I don't know yet what we will do concerning the latter step, but we have it under consideration."

SUFFRAGETTES SEND PETITION TO KING

Home Secretary Receives Deputation and Makes Sympathetic Speech.

London, July 9.—Mrs. Despard and the contingent of suffragettes who have been investing the House of Commons for the past week, in the hope of catching Premier Asquith, have scored a point in their fight for the contention that they have a constitutional right to present a petition to a responsible minister of the crown. The suffragettes appealed directly to the King, who informed them that the home secretary was the constitutional channel of communication, and his Majesty apparently followed this up with a hint that Mr. Gladstone would be advised to receive the women's deputation. In the face of Premier Asquith's persistent refusal to meet a deputation of suffragettes it is hardly conceivable that his lieutenant would consent to the course he did without strong pressure.

The home secretary, the Right Hon. H. J. Gladstone, accorded a courteous audience last evening to eight of the women. Mrs. Despard was leader of the deputation. After reading their petition, the home secretary made a sympathetic speech, expressing regret at the present involved situation and the belief that the matter would be finally settled and in a way satisfactory to the women. Mr. Gladstone explained that he could do nothing to commit the government. He admitted that the petition was an argument for an audience, and promised to forward it to the King.

The lastest heroine of the suffragettes' case is Miss Wallace Dunlop, who was recently sentenced to a month's imprisonment in the Holloway jail for posting notices on the walls of the houses of parliament. Miss Dunlop organized a hunger strike in the prison, and the authorities discharged her yesterday afternoon, as she had refused food for 91 hours. Miss Dunlop had only been in prison five days.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED.

Revelstoke, July 2.—An unknown man was struck and killed by the engine of train No. 96 from the east yesterday. He was walking along the approach to the Columbia river bridge and it is thought he must have slipped and fallen against the engine. His skull was fractured and he died shortly after his arrival here. He has not yet been identified.

MAURETANIA'S NEW RECORD.

New York, July 9.—A new westbound record was established by the Cunard liner Mauretania, which arrived off Sandy Hook lightship at 9.16 o'clock last night. The boat clipped 17 minutes from her best performance heretofore, covering the long course in four days, 16 hours and 36 minutes.

DENIES RECEIVING MONEY.

Alderman Proulx Appears Before Judge Cannon at Montreal.

Montreal, July 9.—The civic inquiry yesterday was made interesting by the appearance in the witness box of two of the men "higher-up," who by common report and the evidence of witnesses are pointed out as being the recipients of a share of the graft. The first of these, Alderman Proulx, chairman of the police committee, went into the box and swore point-blank that the stories witnesses had told of his having received money were untrue. The only exception was in one case, when he had been paid for professional services rendered.

Former Chief Benoit, of the fire brigade, adopted an entirely different tack. He was quite frank. He admitted that Munday had paid him money, but it was only in payment for losses at poker. He had also received money from Beck, of the Canadian Rubber Company. In that case he had frequently recommended to outside parties the purchase of supplies from the rubber company, and Beck had been good enough to recognize the assistance. There had never been any stipulated commission.

Judge Cannon was quite sharp with the witness at times, and finally intimated that when he came to write his report there would be some recommendations in it that certain parties be prosecuted for perjury.

OARSMEN RACE AT SEATTLE TO-DAY

JUNIORS ATTRACT GREAT ATTENTION

Senior Events Will Take Place To-morrow—Close Contests Expected.

Seattle, Wash., July 9.—At 2:30 this afternoon the junior events of the two days' regatta, under the auspices of the North Pacific Association of Amateur Oarsmen, will be pulled off on Lake Washington. This forenoon the lake was as smooth as glass.

The junior event includes races in the singles, doubles and fours, and four cities, Nelson, Vancouver, Victoria and Portland, have crews entered in these events.

The junior races are attracting as much attention as the senior events, and the less experienced men will pull just as close and exciting races as the veterans.

It is difficult to foretell who will win the different events on the programme this afternoon, as all the men are in fine shape for the hard test of endurance and strength.

Vancouver looks unexpectedly strong in the senior events for to-morrow. C. Laing is the star of the single scullers, and many expect him to win the championship. F. Godfrey, the junior single sculler, has a sore arm, but except for this all the Vancouver men are in fine shape.

The senior four-oared event to-morrow will probably prove the most exciting of the day. Men prominent in rowing, who have gained laurels in the doubles and singles, will pull in the long, frail four-oared shells. Nelson has two such seasoned oarsmen as F. Knott, who will stroke, and A. Pool, at bow, in the boat, while Vancouver will be represented by R. Sinclair and Simpson, who were seen in action here last year. Portland comes here with a well-balanced crew and the James Bay four, of Victoria, are heavily backed.

The Portland men, Arthur Allen and R. A. Moore, look like winners in the doubles. Moore rowed with the champion Vancouver four last year, which lifted the Buchanan trophy from Portland where it had remained two years, and he will be counted upon to give a good account of himself against his former clubmates.

The single sculling event is in doubt, although the Portland entry, Arthur Allen, is looked upon as a probable winner.

EXPERIMENTS WITH OIL BURNING MOTORS

If Successful Steam Engines Will Be Taken Off Branch Lines.

Seattle, Wash., July 9.—Two motors, burning fuel oil, will be installed on the Skagit branch of the Great Northern railroad on Sunday, operating trains between Anacortes and Rockport. If the experiment proves successful, as is expected, steam engines will be permanently abandoned on this branch.

"These motors," said C. W. Meldrum, city passenger agent for the Great Northern, "include all modern appliances such as steam heat for coaches and air brakes."

JURY VALUES TOES AT $5,000 EACH

Butte, Mont., July 9.—Five thousand dollars for each lost toe on his left foot, or $25,000 in all, was the verdict of a jury yesterday afternoon in the $30,000 damage suit of Frank H. Knuckey, a miner, against the Butte Electric Railway Company.

The verdict is the largest ever rendered in a personal injury suit in Silver Bow county.

Knuckey alleged the motorman failed to stop as directed when he attempted to alight, throwing him under the car and causing the loss of his toes.

DROWNS WHILE BATHING.

Melita, Man., July 9.—Roy Badgley, aged 9, was drowned in the Souris river yesterday while bathing.

MUCH-MARRIED MAN IN TOILS

DESERTS WIVES AFTER SECURING MONEY

Twenty-four Women Involved in Case Being Investigated by Police.

San Francisco, Cal., July 9.—Twenty-four women are involved to-day in the strange case of Christian C. Johnson, alleged bigamist, whom the police believe is John Madson, with wives in most of the large cities throughout the country.

Ten widows have been found who say they have been married at different times in the past four years to the man held in jail here awaiting trial on a charge of bigamy. Seven other women think that he is the man who swindled them through promises of marriage, and the police are seeking the identity of seven more who have been connected with the case in various ways.

Johnson, of Madson, is a puzzle to the police. He is 62 years of age, and a professed woman hater. He talks almost irrationally at times. In almost every instance he is supposed to have secured considerable sums of money from women who became infatuated with him.

The man is said to have eluded capture for more than three years, and if he is the bigamist the authorities believe him to be he is not unknown to the police records here. Seven months ago detectives were put on the trail of John Madson at the direction of St. Louis authorities. Their efforts were unavailing as the description was incomplete, and finally the matter was forgotten.

In April Mrs. Henrietta Leopold, of this city, reported the disappearance of Christian C. Johnson, whom she had married a few days before. He was traced to Stockton, where it was learned that he had married Mrs. Jessie Tretheway on May 15th, 1909. It was also discovered that he had gone to Santa Rose, and that he was coming to San Francisco last Wednesday. Officers were waiting for him at the station and placed him under arrest. He was accompanied at the time by a woman whose identity the police failed to discover, and whose name the prisoner swears he does not know.

Subsequent investigations revealed the fact that a man named Johnson married Mrs. Sylvia Pollard de Bonnett, of this city, at San Rafael, Cal., in August, 1906. To-day the woman identified a picture of the man in jail here as the Johnson who married her.

Letters addressed to John Madson were found in Johnson's possession, and the authorities believe their chain of evidence against him is complete. Under the names of John Madson, Christian C. Johnson, John C. Anderson and C. O. Moeller, the prisoner is accused of having married the widows:

Mrs. Elizabeth N. E. Jackson, Iola, Kans., to whom he represented himself as a California cattleman. Married her in the fall of 1908, secured $1,400 and disappeared. She swore to a warrant for his arrest.

Mrs. Minnie Allen, 1418-a, Madison street, St. Louis, Mo., loaned him $450 before marriage which occurred before a justice of the peace, November 5th, 1907. May have been a fake ceremony. Madson borrowed diamond ring and disappeared.

Mrs. Alice Richardson, St. Louis, Mo., marired in fall of 1908. Obtained $200 and several valuable articles of jewelry. Identity of Mrs. Richardson discovered by Mrs. Allen during her hunt for Johnson.

Mrs. Catherine Bonner, St. Louis, Mo., proprietor of the Newport hotel, but now living in Sacramento. Courted her for some time and secured $1,000 of her money before marriage.

Mrs. Maggie E. Bloom, Hannibal, Mo., wealthy widow; married Madson in 1908. Sold her home to get money for him. He posed as a California stock man. Her identity discovered by Missouri authorities looking up Madson's record.

Mrs. A. Farran, Rocheport, Mo. Madson married her in June, 1907, under the name of C. O. Moeller. Represented himself as a wealthy placer miner. Got $1,400 in cash, $600 in drafts and a $250 diamond ring and deserted her a week after the ceremony.

Mrs. Sylvia Pollard de Bonnett, Stanton street, San Francisco, married in August, 1906, in San Rafael, under the name of Johnson. She sold her house to procure money for him. Deserted her about three weeks after marriage.

Mrs. Henrietta Leopold, 2144 Sutter street, San Francisco, married April 13th, 1909, under the name of Johnson. Secured $620 of her money and deserted her within two hours on night of marriage.

Mrs. Jessie Tretheway, 212 East Vine street, Stockton, married on May 15th, 1909, under the name of John C. Anderson. She discovered a letter written by him to another woman and threw him out of her house after he had attempted to borrow money.

Mrs. Mary Wiggins Drown, Springfield, Mass., married to Johnson December 5th, 1904. He took her to New York, secured $500 of her money and disappeared. She returned to Springfield, secured a divorce and later died of a broken heart.

Among the seven other women whose names are known and who are believed to have been duped by the prisoner, are supposed to be some who also became his wives. It is known that he addressed some of them in his letters as "My dear wife." These marriages have not been established. The police are engaged to-day in looking up each case. Photograhs, letters and statements of prisoner combine to convince the police that seven more women, including one at Hamilton, Ont., are numbered among the victims.

The police record of the suspect is supposed to include many other cities throughout the United States and Canada. Among the places where he is thought to be sought by the police are Cincinnati, Ohio; Louisville, Ky.; Kalamazoo, Mich.; Hot Springs, Ark.; Kansas City, Mo.; Los Angeles, Ca.; Orlean, N. Y., and Toronto, Ont.

Admits Two Marriages.

San Francisco, Cal., July 9.—(Later.)—Developments in the police court to-day lead the authorities to believe that C. C. Johnson, who is under arrest here, is really Ed. Cartier, and that he has no less than fifty wives in various parts of the country. Cartier is said to have been a resident of Seattle at one time, and his brother's wife made statements while living in San Francisco recently which led to the belief that her brother-in-law was a bigamist. The detectives have been unable to confirm their theory as to the prisoner's identity, as he denies that he is either Cartier or Madson.

Johnson freely admitted to the detectives to-day that he had married two women, one here and one at Stockton, but denied that his "indiscretions," as he termed his marriages, extended any further than that.

Will Swear Out Complaint.

Stockton, Cal., July 9.—Mrs. Josie Tretheway-Anderson, the Stockton wife of C. C. Johnson, now in prison in San Francisco, left for San Jose to-day noon to swear to a complaint charging him with bigamy. Johnson will be prosecuted in San Jose as it was there that he married Mrs. Tretheway.

INVITED TO FAIR.

United States Senator Piles Proposes That Seattle Invitation Be Accepted.

Washington, D. C., July 9.—Acceptance of an invitation received by the Senate to visit the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle was proposed in a resolution introduced to-day by Senator Piles, of Washington.

The resolution recommends that a committee be appointed to represent the Senate and an appropriation made to cover the expense. The resolution was referred to a committee for consideration.

MAKES STRONGER BONDS OF EMPIRE

PRINCE OF WALES ON RIFLE COMPETITIONS

Speaks at Jubilee Banquet of National Rifle Association.

London, July 9.—The Prince of Wales, presiding at the National Rifle Association jubilee banquet, said that the competition and standard of excellence set up by the association had appealed to the best instincts of our country and the King's overseas dominions, and men have assembled from near and far to compete in friendly sporting rivalry. "In this way we may claim that the association has become a strong link of the chain which I fervently trust will ever unite us with our brothers across the seas."

Minister of War Haldane and Lord Strathcona responded to the toast of the visitors. Shooting opens at Bisley on Monday.

RAIN ADDS MILLIONS OF BUSHELS TO CROPS

Yield in Northwest States Expected to Reach 55,000,000 Bushels.

Portland, Ore., July 9.—According to the latest figures obtainable, the 1909 wheat yield for Oregon, Washington and Idaho will be 55,000,000 bushels. This is an increase of 15,000,000 bushels over last year's yield and a falling off of 5,000,000 bushels since 1907.

This year's estimate is based on reports from 250 wheat stations in the Pacific northwest, and while there may be a few corrections to be made later on they will effect the size of the yield but little. The most prominent wheat men in this part of the country estimate that recent rain added between 1,000,000 and 3,000,000 bushels to the crop, as the downpour was badly needed.

The dry weather did such damage in the river counties that it could not be repaired by the heavy rains of July 5th and 6th. The loss is quite heavy in that territory.

The figures that have been gathered thus far indicate that Idaho has the best crop of wheat, Washington is next and Oregon trails along in third place. The Oregon counties that have heretofore yielded great crops seem to be falling behind their standard this year. For instance, Umatilla, the banner wheat county of the state, makes an unusually bad showing.

The latest estimates are that Oregon will yield not more than 14,000,000 bushels.

SENDS BULLET THROUGH HEART

Seattle, Wash., July 9.—Charles Wenzel, about 40 years old, formerly a waiter, but reputed to be prosperous, committed suicide yesterday afternoon at the home of A. J. Coss, by shooting himself through the heart. Wenzel had no relatives in this city so far as known. The cause of the suicide is a mystery.

TACOMA EXTENDS BOUNDARIES.

Tacoma, Wash., July 9.—By annexing a slice of suburban territory adjoining the city limits on the south and including the town of Bismark, Tacoma has increased its population by at least 2,000 people. Bismark has been clamoring to come into the city for several years. The Tacoma Eastern Railway car shops are located at the place.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Ottawa, July 9.—The railway commission sits at Fort William on July 15th, and at Sudbury on July 19th. At Fort William it will take up the location of the G. T. P. through Fort William and the tracks of the Fort William terminal railway and bridge company.

WATER RIGHTS IN RAILWAY BELT

JURISDICTION OF DOMINION UPHELD

British Columbia Appeal is Dismissed by Privy Council.

London, July 9.—The Privy Council to-day gave judgment in the Canadian appeal case of Burrard Power Company and the Attorney-General of British Columbia vs. The King, dismissing the appeal without costs.

The result of the decision referred to is to sustain the finding of Mr. Justice Cassels, in the Exchequer Court of Canada, that the Dominion government has jurisdiction over the waters within the railway belt in this province. On April 7, 1906 the Burrard Power Co. was granted the right under the Water Clauses Act to divert 25,000 inches of water from Lillooet lakes and river and their tributaries. The Dominion government applied to the Exchequer court, which alone can hear actions in which the crown is a party, for a declaration that this grant was invalid, being an infringement of Dominion jurisdiction. The company brought the province into the suit, in the effort to protect itself, and the issue lay between Dominion and province. A reference was made to Mr. Justice Martin on the facts, and Mr. Justice Cassels' judgment, based on his finding, was given out last May. This upheld the contentions of the Dominion in every point.

Attorney-General Bowser entered an appeal to the Privy Council, with the result mentioned. He is understood here to have taken part in the argument before the Privy Council himself.

FUGITIVE SURRENDERS.

Man Who Gave Himself Up in California Will Be Sent to Idaho.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 9.—After wrestling with his conscience for more than a year, W. E. Crockett surrendered to right impulses and to-day is in the city prison, while the police are preparing to notify the Pocatello, Idaho, authorities of the man's arrest.

According to Detective Flammer, to whom Crockett surrendered himself last night, Crockett declared that he was a fugitive from justice. He declared that he had sold a piano belonging to a firm for whom he was working for $265, and with this sum went to Salt Lake City. There he worked for Garstensen and Hanson, and embezzlements are alleged to have occurred there.

FORMER FRENCH WAR MINISTER DEAD

General Gallifet Passes Away in Paris From Apoplexy.

Paris, July 9.—General the Marquis de Gallifet, former minister of war, died last night. He was stricken with apoplexy on Saturday for the third time within the last few months.

Gaston Alexandre Auguste, Marquis de Gallifet, was born in Paris January 23rd, 1831. He became minister of war when the Waldeck-Rousseau ministry was formed June 22nd, 1899. He resigned the following May. The Marquis began his military career by killing the fencing master of his corps in a duel.

CRUSHED BY ELEVATOR.

Spokane, Wash., July 9.—Caught in the elevator of the Carlyle hotel last night, Mrs. Margaret M. Morrison, of Cottonwood, Idaho, received injuries believed to be fatal. The elevator started upward as she was stepping into it and she was pinioned between its floor and the ceiling above.

SENT TO PRISON.

Cobalt, July 9.—John Shepard, colored, who was found guilty of looting during the fire on Friday last, was yesterday sentenced to three months at hard labor.

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE OF ODDFELLOWS

Meeting at Seattle Will Be First West of the Mississippi River.

Spokane, Wash., July 9.—Oddfellows are arranging a special excursion to the Sovereign Grand Lodge and Encampment at Seattle on September 20th. This is the first time in the history of Oddfellowship that the Sovereign Grand Lodge has been held west of the Mississippi river.

A committee, consisting of Dr. H. L. Smith, John F. Archer, J. L. Bonsell and J. L. Simpson, has been appointed to arrange for the special excursion, and it is expected that 300 will go from Spokane.

It is expected that the special will leave here about September 18th, and that fully a week will be consumed on the trip.

WILL LEAVE CITY.

Winnipeg, July 9.—Following the conviction and fine of the local agent of Tolman, the money lender, that firm is pulling up its stakes in Winnipeg and will conduct a mail order business here from New York.