bridges and trails, but only on condition that such additional taxation can be levied or tolls obtained as will provide the accessary moneys to pay interest upon the loan, repairs, and a moderate sinking fund. It is not intended to run the province into debt in such a way as to make the interest payable out of ordin- Contest Over Porto Rican Tariff Proary nevenue, and thus create an annual

for similar railways.

"The government intends to pledge the credit of the province for the purpose of furnishing money to build roads and bridges and trails, but only on condition termittensity.

FROM SICKBED TO SENATE. duces a Remarkable Scene.

Mr. Martin's

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ments had been made for the carrying on of the gevernment.

Mr. Helmcken urged that still more light was wanted. If the hon, member for Vancouver was in possession of information on the subject concerning which the house was so anxious to be informed, he urged that he take the house into his confidence. He should "shed the light of his countenance upon the darkness of the situation."

Mr. Kellie 'held that the absence of definite information from the Lieutenant-Governor constituted an insult to the house, and if no further information were forthcoming, suggested that

partments, transacting only routine business.

Mr. Martin, recognizing the general desire of the house to bear from him, rose to observe that the adjournment suggested by Mr. Semlin would be quite proper. He was not in a position to throw any light on the matter of the new government as yet, and therefore hoped that the house would adjourn for another day, when the house would did be fully informed as to what arrangements had been made for the carrying on of the government.

"It means," said Captain Irving, "that the said when the house first opened, that he had been called upon; and the members might have said when the house first opened, that he had been called upon; and the members might have been spared coming to the house when prorogation was postponed. All had been instructed that the session would be forught to an end at this sitting; the Sergeant-at-Arms had been brought to the house for no purpose whatever—and then the Sergeant-at-Arms had informed them that prorogation would not take place. He asked what all this meant—

"It means," said Captain Irving, "that the said upon; and the members might have been spared coming to the house when prorogation was postponed. All had been instructed that the session would be forught to an end at this sitting; the Sergeant-at-Arms had been so instructed that the session would be for another day. When the house would adjourn for another day, when the house would adjourn for another day.

S. Keller, was prosecuted by the National Surety Co. and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment on December 28 last.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S INTEREST. While British are Settling International Problems French Shore Rights. Might Be Included.

St. John's Nfld., Feb. 27.-The cold St. John's Nfd., Feb. 27.—The colonial patriotic fund committee forwarded \$15.000 to-day to the London imperial fund as the first instalment of Newfoundland's subscription. The news of the capture of Gen. Cronje was received with delight. Newfoundland, long suffering under the inconvenience of the French fishing rights, is especially glad that the Dutch problem is being solved in South Africa.

Costly Hero sm

Inniskillings Win Further Renown at Critical Moment in Buller's Advance.

Prodigles of Valor by His Col umn Amid Most Try-

London, March 1 .- A despatch to the Daily Mail from Pieters Station dated tinuous fighting, in which the attack up-

yesterday, describing the five days continuous fighting, in which the attack upon Railway Hill by the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers was one of the supreme moments, says:

"The Inniskillings joined the column with 24 officers; they have five left. That tells the tale.

"No map, no penned account, can give an idea of the difficulties of these hills and ridges, which succeed each other like waves in a heavy sea, one giving way only to another. Each can be enfiladed. Until one is taken, it is impossible, even with the keenest scouting, to know what fortunes lie beyond it. The military problem changes as the column advances, each kopie refusing to give up its secret until the advancing troops touch its crest.

"To add to the difficulties, the tropical rainy season set into day. For 12 hours the uniforms clung to the men like wet seaweed. Mud caught them under foot. Mists closed down and shut out the position of the enemy. This discomfort is borne by all alike.

"Gen, Buller and his staff are virtually living the privates' life. There has not been even a tent to cover the commanding General. They eat from their knees with their shoulders against the rocks, and they sleep where they can.

Field work is carried on under trans-

London, Feb. 28.—Richard Harding Davis sends the following despatch, dat-ed February 24 to the Daily Mail from Pieters, describing the desperate fight ed February 24 to the Dahy Main in Pieters, describing the desperate fight at Railway Hill:

"Last evening the Inniskilling Fusiliers, mixed with some of the Dublin Fusiliers and the Connaught Rangers, attempted to carry Railway Hill from Pieters. They were under a continuous fire through which they passed up the heavy broken ground to the first Boer trench.

heavy broken ground to the first Boer trench.

"Half way up the hill the Boers retreated to the crest, and then came back on either flank of the Irish troops, enfilading the captured trench with a savage cross as well as direct fire.

"All night and until 9 o'clock in the morning our men held the position under a ceaseless fire and at a terrible cost. At roll call only five officers and 100 men answered their names.

"Col. Thackeray and Major Sanders of the Inniskillings, Col. Sitwell of the Dublin Fusiliers, Capt. Maitland of the Second Gordons and Col. Thorold of the Welsh Fusiliers, were killed. One hundred and fifty-two of the rank and file were killed or wounded.

dred and fifty-two of the rank and file were killed or wounded.

"Gen. Lyttleton's brigade relieved them at 10 o'clock this morning, when the Boer artillery pounded the troops holding the centre kopje without pause, but with little effect."

The Queen has telegraphed Buller as follows: "I have heard with the deepest concern of the heavy losses sustained by my brave Irish soldiers, and I desire to express my sympathy and admiration of the brave fighting qualities they have exhibited throughout these trying operations."

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FIVE CENTS AN HOUR.

San Juan, Puerto Rico., Feb. 27.-The San Juan, Puerto Rico., 1- The first important strike among Puerto Rican laborers began yesterday, when 500 men, who had been constructing a military road from Ponce to Adjuntas, marched into the latter town, waving flags, and carrying banners with the inscription: "We workmen demand five cents an hour."

MURDERED HIS MISTRESS.

New York, Feb. 27.—The Westchester-county grand jury at White Plains to-day handed down an indictment for murder in the first degree against Al-fred Morrison, of Mount Venon, who shot and killed the woman generally known as his wife.

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ine hundred.
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under the heading of General Notes, on August 20, 1856, wrote:—

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Mr. Martin as Liberal L

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Sir Wibbert Would Sin Politics But Mr. W Declares Otherv

dorsed Mr. Martin's leader exceptions were E. P. Davis was appointed to interview and ascertain if he would a leadership of the Liberal paprovincial election being brand go to the country on part Martin readily assented proposition. To night the reported the result of their with Mr. Martin to the executive of the Liberal A which held another meeting purpose, and it was decided at meeting to endorse Mr. Marthalf of the Liberal Association couver.

The meeting passed a noved by Charles Woodward by W. J. McMillan, as follow by W. J. McMillan, as follows we, the members of the exe the Liberal Association of V and other Liberals, hereby en policy of the Hon. Joseph Ma mier of the province of Britisbia, as enunciated by him at ting, and we pledge ourselves him our support."

A metion to adjourn for a debate on the question of straight party lines in the apcontest was lost by an over majority.

It was moved by Alex seconded by A. M. Tyson, solved: "That this meeting solved: "That this meeting records its emphatic protest ag unseemly behaviour of the representatives in the provinciature towards His Honor the ant-Gowernor on the occasion prorogation of the house of and expresses its sympathy whoner and the belief that he the trying circumstances in a and strictly constitutional ma for the best interests of the This was carried manning Premier Martin had expressed unsanances which led up to gation and the incidents

A Liberal convention for the province will be called at one place in Vancouver, for the phaving Mr. Martin endorsed convention. It is understood this is to be bound hand and documentary agreements regarded the country of the Liberal party a succeed in carrying the country. positively that the coming election will be fought out party lines, and as far as the is concerned this party is units stand. The action of the executive last night makes party lines, and as far as the is concerned this party is units stand. The action of the executive last night makes party lines and lines by Sir Charles Hibbert the Young Conservative Club I dress by Sir Charles Hibbert the Young Conservative Club I dress by Sir Charles Hibbert advised that "the go into the provincial fight make common cause with the parties in the one great air from power Messrs. McInnes tin. The gauntlet had bee down by Mr. McInnes, the is was dared to be offered to thad been resented, and it made absolutely impossible for continue to occupy the position at the present time disgrace posed Mr. Wilson, for instance was sitting on the platform, upon to form a cabinet. Did pose that this would relieve tion, for what stability could in the best-of governments when we that this man was of Mr. Wilson was able to LieutenantaGovernor that he thirds of the house at his might dismiss him. There we in trying to deal with a man in the habit of doing this sort He had turned Mr. Turner ou he had not a majority of the he had turned Mr. Turner ou he had not a majority of the light supreme head to their difficult supreme head to their difficult cule and contenut, were head.

ity. * * All party schen into insignificance in the light supreme head to their difficulticule and contempt were heape and rightly so—by the other of the Dominion, and it won long as we were so craven as in the position we were now members elected might take tion not to serve under the Lieutenant-Governor, and to dman or party who took off him, and that would result prothe dismissal of the Lieutena nor." speaking later at the same Mr. Charles Wilson, Q. C., sabeen the darling wish of his see the Conservative party in British Columbia. To that for that alone, he had made n sonal sacrifices, and it therefut to him, from a man in whose e he had the greatest faith, as surprise to learn that he consthe proper thing to sink partences. Take the position as it put. They would have Conse Liberals, followers of Mr. Cs ton, Mr. Turner and Mr. Mathere would not be anything candidates in the field. It strong conviction that the strain