

CANADIAN NEWS.

A Big Railway Strike Contemplated Which will Materially Cripple the World's Fair.

Improved Steamship Communication Between Montreal and England—Political Probabilities.

Preparing for Politics in Quebec—Boodle Troubles in the Halifax Legislature.

Conservative Gains in Eilat.

To Anticipate a Strike.

St. Patrick's Day in Quebec.

First Parliament of Upper Canada.

Governor General's Visit.

Fire at Peterboro'.

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Glasgow B. E. Strike Contemplated.

Come West to Play Ball.

Increased Atlantic Service.

A Laurier Liberal Club.

Quebec Political Changes.

Goldwin Smith's Denial.

C. P. R. Traffic Receipts.

Bring on Your Friends.

No Change in the Strike.

Winnipeg, March 18.—There was no change in the position of the strike at mid-night. Several attempts by the strikers to intimidate the men who are working are reported. Hann McIlkenn was given a dose

of rotten eggs at Morris, and several other minor acts were committed. Trains are running, but a good deal behind time.

Election Confirmed.
MONTREAL, March 19.—The report of the election of the three members of the House of Commons, Conservative in the seat by majority of three.

Salts Out of Danger.
MONTREAL, March 19.—Sir Alexander T. Galt is reported to be much improved, and is now considered to be out of danger.

Arrest of a Defendant.
STRAFFORD, March 19.—Alexander Anderson, ex-bookkeeper of the McDonald Manufacturing Co. here, who recently left, taking with him \$5,000 of his employer's money, has been arrested at Niagara Falls, and is now in jail here.

Metcalfe Has the Grippe.
KINGSTON, March 19.—James H. Metcalfe, M.P., is seriously ill here. He has been sick over a week with grippe.

Marriage of a Journalist.
MONTREAL, March 19.—The marriage has just taken place in New York of Hugh Graham, proprietor of the Star, to Miss Hamilton, of this city.

Death of a Member Elect.
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THE C. P. R. E. STRIKE.

Amicable Adjustment Postponed for the Present—Difficulties that Occurred at Different Stages.

The Salaries Question Discussed—President Van Horne's Message—A Satisfactory Outcome Expected.

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VANCOUVER, March 19.—The Coleridge reporter has secured the following information from the C.P.R. officials to-night: "It is much regretted that the prospects of an amicable adjustment between the Trainmen and Company have been postponed for the present, if not indefinitely. On Wednesday last there was a conference between the General Superintendent and the trainmen, which resulted in a proposition to the effect that, relying upon the assurance of the General Superintendent that the wages on the Pacific division should be equal to those on the Western division, the trainmen were willing to wait the settlement of the question of rates with the Western division trainmen, and to continue faithful to the company without regard to any combination against it, provided the men who had been discharged were reinstated. A subsequent conference took place on Thursday and Friday, which resulted in some modification of the original terms and in the conditions of settlement being drafted and agreed to by the General Superintendent, and everything appeared to be satisfactory on both sides. On Friday evening, however, the trainmen of further demands for increase of pay from all the roads and, in the event of failure, to cause a general strike previous to the World's Fair, next year.

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Active Preparations at the U. S. Navy Yard—They Expect Work to do.

Washington, March 19.—Sir George Baden Powell, at present in Montreal, believes that the *Modus Vivendi* will be renewed for the coming season.

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At the State Department, this afternoon, it was impossible to learn anything about the statement attributed to Baden Powell in reference to the *modus vivendi*, in a dispatch from Montreal to-day. Enquiries failed to develop anything new in the situation, and nothing is known of the purpose of Lord Salisbury in the matter.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

A Peculiar Bid from Alberni—Interesting to Ladies—Concert at French Creek.

Mining Prospects in the Interior—One Thousand Men Expected at Slocan.

NANAIMO.
NANAIMO, March 19.—The Vancouver Football team came over, to-day, and played a game at Nanaimo. The former won by two tries to nothing.

The Empire, which was disabled last week, and had returned to San Francisco, has been repaired and will sail from San Francisco for Nanaimo on Tuesday.

Mr. Alexander Mayer, one of the pioneer merchants of this city, is about to leave for the Columbia River, to establish a new settlement. He has held the position of Treasurer of Ashler Lodge, A.F. & A.M., for nearly 30 years. The Masons of this city will present him with a handsome gold watch on the eve of his departure.

Sa. Wetmore sailed this afternoon for San Diego. Sailed via Costa Rica, San Francisco.

ALBERNI.
The weather conditions fine, with the exception of a wet Sunday.

The "Estimates" show the grants to Alberni district to be as follows: \$5,000 for roads in the settlement, and \$3,000 more for the stage road to Nanaimo: \$3,500 for the Columbia River, and \$1,000 for the people that a railway grant may soon be made to open up the district and give it better overland communication with the East Coast. A grant of \$2,000 has been put on the Estimates for the constructing and furnishing a Government building, which is very much needed. For Education, the grant is only \$1,180, owing, no doubt, to the small average attendance at the schools. The \$500 in aid of a resident physician at Alberni, is especially worthy of note, as up to the present time no doctor seemed willing to offer his services without such aid in addition to the amount promised by the people. All these grants are thankfully received, and greater things are expected in the future.

As one of our leading citizens has lately succeeded in getting a help-met in Victoria, some of the fifty-five unmarried men are anxious for a "help-met" or "unmarried help-met" with any city or province which has such treasures to spare. Our worthy stage driver offers a free pass to all unmarried ladies who may come west, and the Victoria women who yet to report his first marriage in Alberni.

Preparations are being made for a concert to be held in the school house on the evening of the 22nd. Contributions will be received in aid of the organ fund. A good entertainment is expected, as Mr. Hewitt is giving the singers through practice.

FRENCH CREEK.
A Band of Hope, which has lately been organized in the Englishman's River and French Creek district, held its first social in the school-house on Thursday evening, 10th inst. Over thirty members and friends were present. The splendid repast prepared by the ladies. The tables were presided over by Misses Lewis and Pillar. After having done justice to the good things, a very enjoyable evening was spent, the program consisting of songs, recitations, and instrumental music. The instrumental part was very well rendered, the first being a solo on the accordion by Mr. A. Hirst, and later on by Miss A. and Miss M. W. R. Pillar. The vocal part of the programme was well appreciated, two glees being sung by Misses Lewis, Pillar, Miss Hirst, and Miss A. Hirst. Songs were sung by Miss Killet, Mr. Plummer and Mr. H. Pillar, Jr. Recitations were given by Miss Pillar, Miss Hirst and Miss A. Hirst. A dialogue was presented by Miss Lewis and Miss A. Hirst, also a reading by Mr. J. Craig. A vote of thanks was passed to the ladies, and the evening closed with the National Anthem.

NELSON.
The Miner contends that the appropriation for roads, trails, and bridges in West Kootenay district should be a lump one, instead of separate sums for specified purposes.

Cameron & Black were awarded the contract for clearing 50 acres of the Pilot Bay swamp. They are advertising for men, and will pay good ones \$3 a day.

About 30 men left Nelson on Thursday morning for the Slocan country, going by way of Slocan river. Four boats were taken along and supplied enough to last two months. Within a month 1,000 men will be in that section, but prospecting cannot be carried on to advantage much earlier than the middle of May.

A. L. Davenport writes to parties in Nelson that he will be by April 1st, and on his arrival active operations will be commenced at the new mine and mine and what are nearly finished.

The lake country has now branches of two of the solidest banking institutions in Canada. R. T. Daily arrived at Nelson on Monday, to open the Bank of British Columbia's branch, and temporary offices have been secured in J. Fred. Hume & Co's store, on Vernon street. Mr. Daly, who will be the manager of the Nelson branch, has formerly been in the bank at Victoria, and he will use his best endeavors to do a share of the business of this section.

PILOT BAY.
Cameron & Black have been awarded the contract for clearing the townsite, and the smelter company are having 1,500 cords of wood cut; the office, boarding house and what are nearly finished.

The Galena Co's store will be ready before goods can be got in.

The steamer Galena was to have started last Monday, the 13th, to endeavor to break the ice so as to reach Bonner's Ferry. It is a successful news will be promptly wired to Victoria.

Last reports from the snow on Todd Mountain was not so deep; there was none at Nelson at the same date.

A number of prospectors are en route for Slocan Lake via the Slocan river.

The Columbia & Kootenay railway is now open for traffic; the road bed has been greatly improved.

VANCOUVER.
VANCOUVER, March 19.—The first of a new series of refrigerators that the C. P. R. have built come through from the East, yesterday. The number of the car is 37,042. It is 24 feet in length and is made to carry 40,000 pounds. At each end of the car are ice boxes. The sides, bottom and ceiling are packed with non-conducting material, so that heat is not likely to affect the goods. This class of car is used for transporting meat long distances. The car was loaded with beef for the George Matthews packing house from their branch at Peterborough, Ont.

D. E. Brown, District Traffic Manager of the C. P. R., reports that great interest is being taken on the American side in the through service between Vancouver and Portland. He predicts that during the summer an immense amount of travel will take place between American cities on the Sound and Vancouver. The C. P. R. Company have a new equipment on the way for their service. Mr. Brown found great interest being taken by capitalists in the cities along the Sound, in the development of the Kootenay district, and anticipates a great influx of capital and people in that district during the coming summer.

The Wilmington, the first ship of the new line between Portland and Vancouver, will arrive on Monday with a full cargo of four and general merchandise for the Empire of India.

Col. Pierce, American Consul, in closing his address at the St. Patrick's dinner, paid the following tribute to the Irish people: "When the Rose of Sharon withers, when the star of Bethlehem pales, then and only will the shamrock die in the hearts of those who wear the green."

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CHICAGO BOODLERS.

Arrest of a Number of Aldermen and Others on Serious Accusations.

Consternation Among the Jury—Expected Developments of Appalling Corruption.

CHICAGO, March 18.—At length the Citizens' association, at the instance of the State Attorney, and on the strength of the evidence submitted by him, have decided to at once begin an investigation of the boodling methods of the Council. Subpoenas will be issued for certain aldermen, notably Aldermen Kunze, Dahlman, Dorman, Roth, Cramer, Colleton, and O'Brien, who they will appear before the official inspectors. Indictments and arrests will follow in quick succession. There is plenty of evidence against the Council, and the most prominent aldermen, and it has been furnished largely by their own colleagues. The proceedings of the Council for the last year or two have been engaging the close attention of several well known citizens. They have been gathering evidence against the aldermen, and have now turned over to the State attorney. This, with the testimony of some members of the Council, who hope to appease offended justice and retain their liberty, makes a strong and convincing indictment against the aldermen of the Council. The evidence is simply to secure conviction. Some of those who have been regarded as the bravest boodlers are now falling over each other in their hurry to reveal the State attorney's office. There was consternation among them to-day when they learned that their official acts were to become a subject of investigation by the Grand Jury. Several were paralyzed with fright when they found they were being shadowed by detectives. There is, therefore, no possibility of their escaping justice by flight to Canada, or a few hours' absence from the city. The aldermen's indictments will be returned by the Grand Jury, and these aldermen who have boldly and almost publicly sold franchises to corporations, will be forced to appear before the evidence against them is of the most sensational character. Witnesses before the Grand Jury will testify regarding the sums of money paid for various franchises in the last year, the amount of the money received for his vote, and when, and where, and by whom the money was paid, the envelopes which contained the cash will be exhibited, and it will be shown that the money was handed in certain saloons and meeting places. It will also appear in evidence that the toilet room of the council chamber was used as a place for the passing of money from the boss boodlers to the greedy councilmen. It is known that aldermen have "stealed." Public criticism has been too strong for these wretched ones, and they determined to save their liberty by turning State's evidence rather than take any more chances. To-night is the most important day in the history of Chicago's most prominent citizens. The aldermen who are indicted, and who have already taken flight, will be engaged on a mission to get together all the possible aldermen, and to get them to testify in their own defense. The aldermen who are indicted, and who have already taken flight, will be engaged on a mission to get together all the possible aldermen, and to get them to testify in their own defense.

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NEW WESTMINSTER, March 19.—A private meeting of the Fishery Commission was held, to-day, all the members were present. Particulars have not been made public, but Secretary Winters says the Commission went over the evidence, and were discussing their report to the Government. Mr. Wilmot leaves for Ottawa on Monday or Tuesday.

Another school union is being formed, and it will have for center South Western. A stir has taken place in that locality, owing to the good coal prospects.

The Great Northern Express company will enter into competition with the C.P.R. in carrying fresh salmon to the Eastern markets.

A young man, son of a prominent citizen, arranged to marry his sweetheart on the quiet and secret, but was prevented yesterday to make arrangements, intending to follow to-day and marry her. The father got wind of the affair and managed to corral the young man, who is now in the city, and the ceremony. The young lady was in Vancouver to-day awaiting the young Loch-ness.

Westminster Lodge No. 2, L. O. O. F., celebrates its twenty-first anniversary, on Tuesday next.

The fourth and last wanted in connection with the St. James' case, has been arrested. The case will be heard on Wednesday, if the Chairman is sufficiently recovered to appear in Court.

THE LATEST DUEL.
MARQUIS DE MORES Determined to Kill ISAAC, Who, though Wounded, Was Game.

PARIS, March 17.—The duel between the Marquis de Mores and M. Isaac, already referred to, seems to have been deliberately brought about by the former to gain popularity with the socialists by drawing a challenge from the man charged with having taken down the statue of Fourmies. The Marquis wrote a letter arraigning Isaac for the Fourmies affair, whereupon Isaac sent a man to challenge him. "Monsieur le Marquis," began the messenger. "Do not call me a scoundrel," exclaimed the now-fledged politician