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BALFOUR'S MISTAKE

In Alteration of Glad- stonian Rule

London Capitalists Are Overload- ed With Securities—Literary Market Well Shaked.

London, April 11.—Premier Bal-
four made a great mistake when he
altered the salutary rule laid down
by Mr. Gladstone forbidding Minis-
ters to be directors. This is evi-
dent from the comments which are
appearing in the financial and liter-
ary reviews on what is known as
"The Telephonic Case." An inven-
tor secured a patent for a new
system of telegraphy, and Mr. Hayes
Fisher, M. P., the Financial Secretary
of the Treasury, and some other
capitalists agreed to find the
money to give the patent commercial
value on the condition that they
were to share the profits.

A syndicate was formed, and Fisher,
who was appointed one of the direc-
tors, subscribed for a thousand
shares, in consideration of which he
was allotted two thousand fully-paid
shares. The syndicate incurred ex-
penses and wound up, and Justice
Baker, who was the judge that de-
cided that there was a prima facie
case for prosecuting Whitaker Wright
disapproved of the conduct of the di-
rectors and expressed the opinion
that they should secede the bonus
share at par.

Mr. Fisher at once wrote out a
check for the nominal value of the
shares and placed his resignation in
Premier Balfour's hands. The Prime
Minister has been blamed in some
quarters for accepting the resigna-
tion, but the sense of the House of
Commons and country is decidedly
against Ministers, during the period
of official connection with the gov-
ernment, being directors of public
companies. Labourer says in
Truth, "Whilst they eat the official
bread they should eschew the direc-
torial fishes."

It is believed here that the Dutch
debt will be over in a fortnight or
less, but meanwhile the British coal
operators and shipowners are care-
fully watching the progress of events
in the struggle should happen to
be prolonged the effect upon the coal
and shipping trades of this country
would be distinctly felt. Both Amer-
ican and Rotterdam take large
quantities of British coal, and even a
temporary stoppage of shipments
would tend to weaken freights and
raise prices in the north country
markets, which do the bulk of the
British trade. On the other hand,
Holland is the port of shipment
for German coal and the interrup-
tion to German shipment would, if
continued for any length of time,
raise the export of British coal to
those markets which Germany is in
the habit of supplying.

The sacred concerts in London yes-
terday were almost uncountable.
Every big concert hall was occupied,
and even the suburban theatres and
music halls were to the front with
programs suitable to the occasion.
William B. Ridgley, Comptroller of
Currency in the United States Treas-
ury, is enjoying a short visit to Lon-
don. While he is here on private
business, he watches closely the
movements of United States finance
and talks hopefully about the future.
He admits that syndicate operations
have been carried too far, and that
the great operators and capitalists
are overburdened with securities and
hard carry the burden as best they
can.

On the other hand,
the general business of the
country was never better, that the
agricultural and manufacturing in-
dustries are prospering, that the crops
have not been disappointing, and the
general conditions are sound. His
optimistic views as to the contin-
uance of business activity and pros-
perity are based upon the fact that
there has been considerable liquida-
tion already, and that the capital-
ists have been warned against fur-
ther loans of stocks until the coun-
try has had full opportunity for dis-
posing what there is and catching
up with them.

The situation in Holland has taken
an extraordinary turn. At half-past
twelve yesterday morning the secretary of
the general strike committee went
to the office of one of the prin-
cipal newspapers in Amsterdam and
announced that the strike was at an
end. The leaders had decided that
the outlook was hopeless, the Staats-
recht had passed the obnoxious
censorship bill, public opinion was
against the strikers and the ex-
pectation was nearly empty. At once
the news was published, and the
city awoke to the cry that the
war was over; but, instead of
celebrating the decision of their lead-
ers, the strikers utterly repudiated
their action, and, calling a mass
meeting, delivered violent harangues.
The label of sound the mem-
bers of the committee tried to read
and explain their reasons,
but they could not gain a
word, and the mass meeting in-

CYANIDE PROCESS

Vats Now Being Erected on Lepine Creek

Work Soon to be Resumed on the Quartz Ledges of Twelvemile District.

A young gentleman well known in
the city had occasion last week to
visit the quartz deposits in the
Twelvemile district, traveling thither
and return via Lepine creek. He was
absent just a week and spent most of
his time investigating as best he
could the conditions about which the
deposits so highly thought of are
located. Much of his journey it was
necessary to make on snowshoes as
a sufficient crust not having as yet
formed on the surface to bear up the
weight of a man.

The principal locations in that vic-
inity are the claims owned by the
Twelvemile Quartz Mining Company,
which was incorporated at Ottawa
last fall, George Butler and C. A.
Celene being among the prime movers
in the organization. Early in the
winter the company sent out quite a
force of men together with two tons
of supplies intending to prosecute de-
velopments all winter. Two commod-
ious cabins were erected and the
work was prospering nicely when
gradually the snow became deeper
and deeper and finally on account of
so much work of a preliminary char-
acter having to be done outside it be-
came imperative that operations des-
ist for the winter. The snow became
so deep it was impossible to move a
step without snowshoes. Since the
work has ceased everything has been
at a standstill waiting until such
time as the plans laid out last fall
could again be taken up. It is the
intention of the company to begin
development work this spring just as
soon as the snow will allow them to
do so. Quite a quantity of ore will
be shipped outside during the season
in order to make the most thorough
mill tests possible.

The Dr. Wells group of claims on
Lepine creek is to be the first in the
territory to make actual working
tests of their ore. Experts have given
it as their opinion that the ore
from their ledges can be handled ad-
mirably by the cyanide process and
such is to be experimented with on
quite a considerable scale this sum-
mer. Work has already been begun in
the construction of several huge tanks
in which the ore after being reduced
by stamps and rolls to an impalpable

powder will be leached, treated with
a solution of potassium cyanide which
extracts the gold in solution and is
afterward precipitated. In order to
facilitate the bringing of the ore from
the top of the mountain to where the
vats are to be located a tramway
some 1500 to 2000 feet will be in-
stalled. The results of the experi-
ments to be conducted this summer
will largely govern the extent of the
future investments to be made by the
company. If the cyanide process will
handle the ore as perfectly and as
economically as it is expected it will,
in the manner by which all the
operations will be conducted. The in-
stallation of a cyanide mill is cheap
in comparison with many of the other
processes and once it is determined
to be the proper method of treatment
but little time will be required to
erect a plant of sufficient size to
meet all requirements.

WHICH.
The Violet, Pansy and Mignonette
Indulged in a friendly little bet
As to which should stand at the
Lily's side,
As maid of honor at Easter-tide.
The Lily looked down on the lively
scene,
With the gracious smile of a queen,
And smiled across with her calm
repose.
In the blushing face of the conscious
Rose.
The Rose was out of the race, you
see,
Because of her claim to royalty.

"In point of color, I am the choice,
The Violet said, in her sweetest
voice.
"And in delicate perfume you'll con-
cede,
I naturally take the lead."
"Pooh, pooh," said the Pansy "Look
at me,
If wealth of color you would see.
"Such modesty!" sneered the Mig-
nonette,
"I wonder who gave you that epis-
thet!
I may be old-fashioned and lacking in
sheen,
But I'm sweet, and I'll stand by the
side of the queen."

The Lily slowly bent her dainty
white head.
"You all do me honor," she gratefully
said,
"And rectify the claim of each one is
so just,
'T would be hard to settle—I settle I
must.
But I think for the Church I am des-
tined to be,
So the final decision does not rest
with me."
When Easter morn came, as the Lily
foretold,
With a gleam of her sisters she enter-
ed the fold,
And there by her side, in a cluster
were set
The Violet, Pansy and Mignonette.
—Georgia Clay.

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TO BE TRIED IN TANANA

Frank X. Gowans, High Flyer and Thief

Has Been Confined In Coldfoot Jail for Past Fourteen Months.

After spending over one year in the
jail at Coldfoot on the Koyukuk
Frank X. Gowans will be taken to
Tanana where he will be tried on the
charge of burglary at the opening of
navigation.
The foregoing news is brought to
Dawson by Captain C. F. Griffith,
who arrived from the Koyukuk via
Tanana yesterday.
Gowans is well known in Dawson
where he had a rather meteoric
career, being a blood of the sort
possessing champagne appetites with
mean incomes. He narrowly escaped
trouble here on one occasion as the
result of a shady transaction. He left
here for the Koyukuk and Coldfoot
about the first of December, 1901.
The first news from Coldfoot after
his arrival was to the effect that he
was the "big thing" here, his advice
and counsel being sought by every-
body from the highest official down
to the porter in the Mangy Dog sa-
loon. The consignments of Coldfoot
news was to the effect that Gowans
was in jail for robbing a king of
\$78 in gold dust. Sam Williamson
sweepings have filled me so full of
now of Dawson was Gowans' jail
for several months and to him be-
wants. —Brooklyn Eagle.

longs the credit for preventing Gow-
ans and another prisoner escaping.
They had taken up a board from the
floor of the jail and worked at night
for some weeks burrowing under a
mud sill. Williamson got next but
said nothing and the night the two
culprits sought to flee the wily jailer
was standing by the exit with a big
gun as they crawled beneath the
mud sill and emerged into the open
air.

As Gowans has already been in jail
considerably over a year it is not
believed he will be given any addi-
tional time when tried at Tanana al-
though there is no doubt but that he
will be convicted. When arrested
nearly half the amount of gold dust
stolen was found on him. Another
prisoner besides Gowans will be
taken to Tanana from Coldfoot for
trial. They will be in charge of De-
puty U. S. Marshal Johnson.

Captain Griffith says that there is
no longer any doubt but that V. V.
Lowry and John Burns were lost in
their second effort to reach Coldfoot
by way of the Dahl River route from
Fort Yukon. A large number of Daw-
son people have known Lowry for ten
years or more. He is known to have
carried life insurance to the amount
of \$2000 in the Woodmen of the
World. The policy was made payable
to his mother who resides in Ohio.
Lowry also owned several claims in
the Koyukuk.

"Well, my dear," said the econom-
ical young husband, joyously, "I have
cut off another item of expense. We
can lay by 30 cents more each day."
"You dear, good boy. How have
you done it?"
"Why, instead of going to lunch I
just walk up and down the thronged
street for half an hour."
"Well?"
"Well, by that time the street
sweepings have filled me so full of
dust that a glass of water is all I
want." —Brooklyn Eagle.

PROSPECTS ARE GOOD

For Best Celebration in Yukon History

Victoria Day Committees Are All Busy—All Events to Take Place on One Day.

The executive committee of the Vic-
toria day celebration held a meeting
at the D.A.A.A. rooms last night
when in a general way the program
for the day, as arranged by the sports
committee and published in the Nug-
get of yesterday was adopted.
It was agreed that the sports will
continue but one day, Monday, May
25th. The list of sports is a long
one, embracing many features which
will be witnessed in Dawson for the
first time.

Names were added to the finance
committee as follows: George Mur-
phy, Leroy Meyer, J. H. Davison, T.
A. McGowan, H. H. Honnen, Turner
Townsend, Percy Hope, Walter Ham-
ilton, H. C. Macaulay, T. D. Pat-
tullo, George Butler, C. C. McGregor
and W. Baird. The committee will
lose no time in arranging for prize
money and other contributions which
will be given as premiums.

It is the aim of all to give a cele-
bration that will excel anything of a
like nature ever attempted in the
Yukon.

A Tuscan bishop recently took a
walk in the country and met a peas-
ant girl tending some pigs. His re-
verence stroked the child's unkempt
hair, and was much astonished when
she told him she only earned four
soldi a day.
"Do you know?" he said, "I ago also
a shepherd but I earn much more
than you."
"Ah, yes," answered the little peas-
ant, "but no doubt you tend many
more pigs than I." —Modern Society.

Why the Ring was Returned.—She—
I suppose if a pretty girl came along
you wouldn't care anything about me
any more?
He—Nonsense, Kate. What do I
care for good looks? You suit me all
right.—Boston Transcript.

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