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OTICE is hereby given that 60 days after the I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief mmissioner of lands and works for per-ission to purchase the following describ-lands in West Kootenay District: Com-encing at a post planted on the south nk of the Columbia river at Louis urrent's be concard worked "Lasenh" Ke of the Columbia river at Louis rgat's N.E. corner and marked "Joseph elle's N.W. corner," thence south 20 ins, thence east 80 chains, thence north hains more or less to said south bank folumbia river, thence westerly follow-bank of Columbia river 80 chains more bas to noint of commencement destain ank or Columbia river 80 chains more is to point of commencement, contains 30 acres. 40 this 14th day of December, 1505 For JOSEPH GENELLE His agent, K. L. Burnett.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that 60 days e, I intend to apply to the Hon. f Commissioner of Lands and r permission to purchase the fol-scribed lands: Starting at a post Peter Genelle's Northwest Cor-' planted on the east side of the river, between Upper and Lower tkes, about one mile north of T. 's pre-emption, thence east 40 bouth %0 chains, west 40 chains. thains following bank of river to nommencement. Covering land in 289.

No. 4269. ated at Nakusp, B.C., Jan, 15th, 1906.



Bill Regulating the Sale of Patent Medicines is Introduced

Six Thousand Residents of the Province Ask for Protective Measure and the Bill Will Pass

(Special to The Daily News) Press Gallery, Legislative Assembly, Victoria, Feb. 23.—The proceedings in the legislature this afternoon were of a purely routine nature. Some pro-gress was made with the new school gress was made with the new bills bill in committee, and several new bills were introduced, the chief of which are: An act to amend the Health Act. and another respecting the sale of patent medicines.

provide penalties for the exposing for sale of unsound candies or other estables and also adds to the enumeration of contagious and infectious diseases that must be reported, measles, whoop

ing cough and mumps. The principal clauses in the patent medicine bill read: "No person shall expose for sale or have ready for sale any patent medicine, proprietary medicine, nostrum or specific, intended for internal consumption by human be-ings that contains chloral, hydrate, ergot, morphine, opium, belladonna or any of their compounds or derivatives; co-caine or any of its salts, actanilide, sul-phuric, sulphurious, nitric and nitrous acids, unless the box, bottle, vessel, wrapper or cover in which said patent medicine, proprietary medicine, nostrum or specific is put up, is conspicuously or specific is put up, is conspicuously labelled with the word "poison" and with the name and percentage of the poisonous ingredients. "No person shall sell, expose for

sale, or have ready for sale, any patent medicine, proprietary medicine, nos-trum or specific containing more than ten per cent alcohol by weight, unless the owner, compounder, proprietor, or vendor of such patent medicine, proprietary medicine, nostrum, or specific, shall have obtained from the provincial board of health, permission to em-ploy more than ten per cent of alcohol in the composition of said patent medicine, proprietary medicine, nostrum or Attorney-general Wilson is leaving

for Ottawa tomorrow to attend the supreme court on private business. During the afternoon session of the legislature, Shatford (Similkameen) presented petitions signed by over six thousand persons in fifty-nine cities and towns of the province asking the legis-lature to enact laws regulating the sale of natent medicines

HELLO GIRLS ON STRIKE.

Asked to Renounce Unionism and Have Other Troubles. (Special to The Daily News)

Vancouver, Feb. 23.—Last night at 8:45 the telephone girls at the central office walked out on strike. So far the strike has not affected the general public, the company being able to secure other operators. ary cause of the trouble was

Mr. Kent's attempt to force the girl operators into signing papers renounc-ing unionism for good, and unfair disination between union and nonunion girls. The men of the electrical workers' un

ion have also quit work, according to union rules, in the New office as well as here. As both sides appear to be in a conciliatory frame of mind continued trouble is not looked

PHOENIX OPERA HOUSE. (Special to The Dally News)

Phoenix, Feb. 23 .- The executive of Phoenix Miners' Union No. 8, which built the fine new Miners' Union hall mere last fall, and finished it all but the lower floor, the opera house portion, decided to proceed at onc with the work of completing the opera house that it can be placed in use and come a revenue producer as soon as may be. This week a force of car ers was set at work on the interior and it is thought they will be through in about a month, so that the opera

ouse can be used. Thus far the union has spent about \$18,000 on the new building, it being the most complete structure of its kind the province that was put up by organization of this kind. When finally completed, the union will have an investment of about \$20,000, and an opera house that will compare favorably those in cities many times the size of Phoenix. The upper floors ar used as a dancing hall and as lodge and banqueting rooms, etc., and at pres-ent several organizations in the city have their headquarters in the building.

LABOR CANDIDATE WINS. Montreal, Feb. 23.—In the federal e-election in Maisonneuve today, e-election in caused by the death of Hon Raymond Prefontaine, the late minister of marine and fisheries, Paul Verville, labor, Was elected, defeating L. O. Grothe, lib-

eral, by about 1,200 majority. The conservatives did not nominate a candidate but joined hands with the laborite. Grothe, who is a cigar manufacturer had trouble with some of his employ ees a little while ago and due advan tage was taken of the situation by his combined opponents. At the last gen-eral elections the late minister was elected over his tory opponent by majority of 2,062.

FOR STARVING JAPAN. Canada to Send \$25,000 Worth of Flour

for Famine Sufferers. (Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Canada will forward

\$25,000 worth of flour to the Japanese famine sufferers. Most of the flour will be ground from Manitoba wheat, but a portion will be made up of Alberta wheat, ground in British Columbia. The flour will be shipped in 20,000 packages of 49 pounds each. Each package will contain di-rections for use and yeast. The first consignment is to be forwarded from Vancouver on March 5th.

HOCH PAYS THE PENALTY

MURDERER OF MANY WIVES WAS HANGED YESTERDAY

SERVAN FIEND MARRIED 12 WOMEN PROBABLY KILLED ALL

<text><text><text><text> Chicago, Feb. 23 .- Johann Hoch, the wife

site beine beine proposed marriage to ner on the day of his arrival in her house. He was arrested and later brought to Chicago. Hoch, after being placed in jail here, admitted that he had been married thir-teen times, but always denied that ne had caused the death of any of his wives. He was placed on trial April 39 and on May 20 the jury returned a verdict ind-ing him guilty of munder and liking his punishment at death. On June 3 sen-tence was passed on him and the date fixed for execution being set for June 22. Governor Dineen grantech him a reprieve until July 22. Within one hour of the time set for his execution Hoch was giv-en a second respite until August 25. Be-fore this date arrived, however, the su-presedeas to permit of the consideration of his case by the court. December 15 the court handed down a decision affirm-ing the verdict in the lower court and ix-ing the date of execution for February 23. The last effort made by Hoch to secure a new trial ended January 22, when gov-ernor Dineen and the board of pardons refused to interfere in his behalf. As the time set for the exaction ap-proached Hoch abated nothing of his good naturer As one of the guards passed has cell Hoch called him to the door and said. "It's getting close to the time, isn't it? Weil, im' ready. You people won't have any trouble with me. When the maute once, I'll go like an innocent inne. I never committed the crime and I'm not afraid to go." Despite his good stead it was evident that Hoch was under a severe strain. He appeared nervois but his strong will stood him in good stead and he held himself under marvelious

control. Assistant sheriff Peters consulted with judge Landis by telephone. Judge Lan-dis said: "I have refused to do anything in the Hoch matter. You need not delay the execution on my account."

BOUNDARY BOOM

BOUNDARY BOOM Buildings to Be Erected at Grand Forks This Spring (Special to The Daily News) Grand Forks, Feb. 23.-As a result of realiway construction in this section it is apparent that a building boom will strike the Gateway city this coming spring. Al-sed y several large blocks are under con-sideration, which will be built on bus-ness corners, and, in addition to this, con-tracts for over twenty dwelling houses of modern design have already been let, so that from present indications the present year will be an exceptionally prosperous of for drand Forks. The decision of the Kettle Valley fail-the center of the city means much for Grand Forks, as a present both the Grant Northern and C. P. R. have their depots nearly a mile distant. There is now no doubt but that the Kettle Valley line de-pot will in a short time become a union depot. In addition to the advantage of

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having a centrally located station, fully five minutes will be saved in distributing the various mails at the postoffice, which will be appreciatd by the general public. WORK ON THE PATHFINDER (Special to The Daily News) Grand Forks, Feb. 23 .- The pres ut man gement of the Pathfinder mine is tak-Grand Fores, Feb. as the point is tak-ing time by the forelock in the way of developing that property. At present some twenty men are employed under foreman John Rogers. A compressor-plant and other mining machinery are be-ing placed in position on the property, and it has been learned that 50 miners will be employed before midsummer. The Pathfinder was bonded some three weeks age by the Granby compeny for \$110,000.

TRADE RECORDS BROKEN

PAST SEVEN MONTHS BEST IN HIS TORY OF CANADA HEAVY INCREASE IS NOTED IN DO

MINION EXPORT

New York, Feb. 22.—Bradstreet's tomor-row will say:. There is a fair trade doing in the Do-minion. Bad roads and mild weather There is a fair trade doing in the Do-minion. Bad roads and mild weather have caused an accumulation of goods in retailers' hands and reorder business has heretofore been light. Collections are still backward. Spring business is satisfactory in most parts but Montreal reports that travellers in from their trips have not done quite as much in spring goods as they expected. At Toronto spring ship-ments to the northwest are heavy and a heavy millinery trade is opening up. Building will be very active. Canadian foreign trade for the past seven months breaks all records; imports being better than last year by il per cent. while exports are 20 per cent heavier. The total trade of all kinds for the sever months exceeds the entire fiscal year of 1880. Failures for the week ending Thurs-day number 2, against 37 in this week a year ago. The following are the weekly bank clear-ings, as compiled by Bradstreets for the week ending February 2, showing per-centage of increase and decrease, as seme-pared with the corresponding week last tear. pared with the correspo year



Perlous Adventure of a Farmer of Owen Sound, Ontario Owen Sound, Ont, Feb, 2s.-James Mor-rison a young farmer living near Annan, was murderously shot on Wednesday in the second state of the second to own with a load of stack, for which he received fills, and left for home about p m. Three miles down the road Mor-rison noticed a young man hanging on pide. The man climbed in but remined at the rear. When within a shoft dis-tion of his home Morrison was shot twice from behind, a second bullet blinding im. A third shot missed him. Morrison the stranger he was shot and asked before the stranger he was shot and be back of his nore-trusting to its instinct to bring him home. The shots evidently came from the stranger in the fig, who was bent on rob-try. The police are scouring the coup-try for the would be marderer. Morri-son is expected to recover, but he has lost one eye and may loss the other. The police here have arrested Aibert who shot John Morrison, the farmer of and the stranger he stanger here stranger be and the stranger be back the stranger before any stranger be was the stanger who shot John Morrison, the farmer of and the stranger here have arrested Aibert and here from England three years ago the police say circumstances point strong-to was bene form stranger being sully. Perilous Adventure of a Farmer of Ower

THE SITUATION SERIOUS

FRANCE WANTS PEACE BUT BUILDS MORE BATTLESHIPS

STILL HOPEFUL OF SETTLEMENT AT ALGECIRAS

Paris, Feb. 23.-Premier Rouvier

Paris, Feb. 22.—Premier Rouvier made an earnest appeal to the champer of depu-ties today not to force a debate at this moment, as it might embarrass the in-added, when the conference at Algeiras the state of the country. Later, the premier added, when the conference at Algeiras to the country. Later, the premier added, or was suspended, he would fully discuss the question. M. Rouvier's conference caused surprise and the ora-tors yielded. M. Jaures, the socialist leader, declared that France demanded to know the reai stituation, of which the people are ignor-ant. The conference had attained nothins, conflict. M. Jaures concluded with say ing that it would be piteous were the two frames and the entire support of the country. France, he said, was deeply desirous of peace but peace on the condition tate her instand dignity be safeguarded. The more the cabinet today. Almister of the before the cabinet today. Almister intention to ass parliament to build the witters intentions to its of the satures inte-mine Thourse is french battleships yet constructed.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Abmassador White today cabled the state department from Algedras that the Moroccan conference had adjourned unit Saturday after dis-cussing the question of an international bank. A very strong splrit of concilia-tion seemed to prevail. The understanding here is that there is no immediate prospect of hostile issue between France and Germany on this sub-ject. no immediate prospect of normany on this sub-between France and Germany on this sub-ject. The first feeling of depression over Ger-many's rejection of the French proposals is gradually wearing off and a slightly more hopeful feeling is observed among the delegates. This is due iargely to the amicable spirit shown between the French and German delegates during the formal debates on the Moroccan bank question. The discussion will be continued tomorrow when an effort will be made to draft a final bank project reconciling the two views. Strong influences operate to in-duce the Germans to recognize the syn-dicate of French bankers who furnished the first Joan to Morocco and who seek thereby to obtain a preferred position in the state bank, and numerous compromises on the details of the bank are being dis-cussed. The deadlock on the question of policing Morocco is unchanged, but the feeling also extends to that question.



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THE WEEKLY NEWS

Wu Ting Fang Indignant as to Treatment of the Chinese

Reassuring Telegrams From the Orient as Regards Likelihood of Possible Out-, break Against Foreigners

London, Feb. 23 .- The corresponden London, Feb. 23.—The correspondent of the Tribune at Pekin says: "The court is nervous over the possibility of trouble. The president of the Chinese foreign board appreciates the possibili-ty of an anti-dynastic rising. The German legation tonight doubled its guards on account of posting of antiforeign placards at Tientsin.

Pekin, Feb. 23.-Wu Ting Fang, form Pekin, Feb. 23.—Wu Ting Fang, form-erly Chinese minister to the United States, when interviewed for the first time today on the existing situation, spoke in support of the boycott. Wu Ting Fang is now living quietly in Pe-kin, using his time in codifying the laws of China, one of the numerous re-forms under way. Speaking of present conditions Wu Ting Fang said: "China is at a crisis and is passing

conditions Wu Ting Fang said: "China is at a crisis and is passing through a transition stage. Her states-men and people feel that China needs reforms but there are great differences of opinion regarding the means. There are several classes of reformers. There are those who speak foreign languages and have been abroad and who have had experience. They favor sensible reforms, but not too radical, so as to make China first able to stand upon her own feet. The number of these her own feet. The number of these sensible reformers are few. I am one of them. The ruling classes also know of them. The ruling classes also know that something should be done, but they are at their wits end to know what to do. The third class is composed of young students who are too rash. They need training and experience. Financial reforms should be carried out in the first place, but without foreign advice and capital it would be impossible to do so under present conditions. "I was working out a scheme which had to be abandoned because it was

had to be abandoned because it was necessary to call upon foreign advice. One thing upon which the majority of Chinese are agreed is that China been deprived of many rights by con-cessions and territorial grants and by cessions and territorial grants and by the way her people have been treated by foreigners in Asia and foreign countries. Many Chinese who have gone abroad to Asia, Australia and the Philippines write home complaining of arbitrary discriminations made against the Chinese which dars not be attempted arbitrary discriminations made against the Chinese which dare not be attempt-ed against other foreigners. Therefore everyone is angry and hence the boy-cott of American goods illustrating the feeling against the injust exclusion laws. It has spread over all China and is solely in retaliation against unjust discrimination and is not anti-foreign is solely in retaliation against unjust discrimination and is not anti-foreign. The Chinese people and officials are on goodterms with all foreigners, and have no hostile feeling toward them. The Chinese merchants have the best feel-ing towards foreign merchants. The majority of the people in the interior are indifferent to all foreigners trav-elling in the interior, who write that they are well treated with no signs of bestility against them. These rumors hostility against them. These rumors of anti-foreign feeling are not well founded. Sensible men advise boy-cotters and agitators to be sensible, not to boycott goods and not to treat persons unkindly, but to continue their friendship as before. Unfortunately disturbances in several unfortunately tility against them. The disturbances in several places are now arising from the boycott but there is no sign of an outbreak against foreign

Washington, Feb. 23 .- The Unite Washington, Feb. 23.—The United States secretary of state has received a cablegram from Mr. Rockhill, minister to China, that he sees no cause for ap-prehension concerning the situation there. The published reports of un-easiness are believed to be without cause. Missionary troubles are not cause. Missionary troubles are not more frequent than usual it is said, and are due, as was the Shanghai riot, to local causes.

Mr. Rockhill says the Chinese gov ernment appreciates the importance of preventing hostility towards foreigners that it has recently been cautione that it has recently been cautoned by Japan in this respect and that it has declared its determination to ensure their safety under all circumstances. The dispatch adds that while the boycott may continue with local friction nothing more serious is anticipated by

those on the ground. A pronounced general feeling of de-termination is noted on the part of the Chinese to secure complete econom exploitations of their empire.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 23.-General William Shafter, who commanded the United States army in Cuba during the Spanish campaign, passed through here yesterday. Discussing the Chinese sit-uation and the possibility of intervention by the United States he said: "If there was an uprising in Chin

on China; enough to meet all possible Do you believe that China has a grievance against the United States, the gen-eral was asked: "Grievance, of course she has," he replied, "for years the Chinese have been subjected to every possible indignity by our officials. It has been scandalous. Theodore Roose-velt recognizes this and has issued instructions which ought to bring about some improvement." AFTER THE RAILROADS

UNITED STATES CONGRESS TAKES

A STRONG STAND. DENOUNCES EXISTING METHODS AS BRIGANDAGE.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Preceded by a debate which indicated no hesitancy but rather a relish in taking action against alleged railroad combinations the house agreed without opposition today to the Tillman-Gillespie resolution directing the inter-state commerce commission to make an immediate inquiry and report memories alloged restrating of trade on regarding alleged restraints of trade on the part of certain railroads in the hand-The resolution was not in the form in which it passed the senate and will go which it passed the senate and will go back to that body for its second action. The debate occupied an hour and con-sisted of a succession of speeches in denunciation of alleged practices and endorsement of the proposed investi-gation. Mr. Gillespie (Texas) said if

gation. Mr. Ginespie (Texas) said in half he heard was true the commercial brigandage of today put entirely in the shade the hold-up men of the frontier days. Mr. Townsend (Michigan) discussed the conditions which in his opi ion made it a necessity. The only note of apprehension was from Mr. Mann (linnois) who called attention to the law which exempts from attention to the law which exempts from prosecution persons who may testify in the inquiry. In this manney the guilty officials, he said, if any such were found, might be able to escape punishment. It was explained that the punishment. It was explained existing laws on this point and the belief was expressed that in making inquiry the committee would exercise discretion in getting its information from sources which would not exempt possible guilty

parties. UNITED MINE WORKERS. Miners' Demands Endorsed and Sent

Operators. New York, Feb. 23 .- The full so New York, Feb. 23.—Ine infinition committee of the United Mine Workers of America, including 36 members, among them president John Mitchell, met in this city tonight to consider the demands the anthracite miners are to demands the anthracite miners are to make to the committee of operators ap-pointed at the recent conference. The miners' committee of seven has been busy on these plans for the past week and presented them to president Mitchell for approval today. It was in-tended that president Mitchell should at once notify the operators that a meeting with them was desired. His action therefore, in first calling a meet-ing of the scale committee to consider ing of the scale committee to conside the propositions, has given rise tonigh to reports that the miners demands are the propositions, has given the consistence to reports that the miners demands are such as to make the situation a grave one. No statement was given out either as to the meeting of the scale committee, or as to when the miners committee, or as to when the inner with would seek a further conference with the operators. The meeting of the scale committee lasted until nearly midnight. It was stated that the full committee it was stated that the full committee endorsed the demands of the miners committee of seven, and it was declared that the anthracite workers will stand

perators' committee tonight. NOW THE FARMERS.

Novel Strike to Commence in the States Next Month. Indianapolis, Feb. 23.—A strike of 200,000 farmers composing the American Society of Equity, an organization with

headquarters in Indianapolis, has bee called for March 1, it is announce today. Every one who responds to this call will agree to withhold from mar-keting any agricultural product, except-ing at minas that are up to the level ing at prices that are up to the leve ing at prices that are up to the level that has been decreed as equitable by the officers of this organization. The word is passing along through all the wheat growing states, and the response that is returned is said to be consider that is returned is said to be causin insiderable concern on the part of th market men and speculators. The So market men and speculators. The city of Equity says that the producer, ought to get at least \$1 a bushel for wheat, no matter what may be the size of the crop. The call for the strike

forth a minimum selling price on all forms of products. KAIEN ISLAND LANDS.

Albany, Feb. 22.- The state commission of gas and electricity today fixed at 30 cents the maximum price of illuminating gas in the boroughs of New York city, served by the Consolidated Gas company and the New Amsterdam and Mutual G. T. P. Negotiating Direct With Indian Owners. Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The department of Indian affairs has learned that the Grand Trunk Pacific is negotiating for fourteen thousand acres of Indian lands GET A DEFENCE FUND this country could not get sufficient forces in the field to make a showing. There are many troops in the Philipp-ines but they would not be available for a clash with the Chinese. The dan-

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of the scale the miners by the demands and suggestions. It was decided to send a copy of the

conclusions to Mr. Baer, the head of the

ger is to the Americans situated far in-land. If they were attacked it would be all over before the United States could get troops to the spot. So far as the naval forces are concerned, it is different, the navy is well equipped. At Manila, along the coast of Japan and China, and at other convenient points in the Orient, the United States has ships which could be brought to bear on China; enough to meet all possible

M'GHLL COLLEGE Methodist General Conference Sends a Petition to Sir Henri Joly Toronto, Feb. 22.-The McGill college's assalled by officers of the Methodist gen-eral conference. The reverend doctors gaman, Potts and Burwash are sending a petition to sir Henri Joly to disallow the bill recently passed by the legislature relating to McGill. The petition says that the Columbia Methodist college, estab-lished at New Westminster in 1882, has been sustained at an expense of over one hundred thousand dollars to the Metho-dist church, and that it was founded on a distinct understanding that British Columbia would establish a provincial university with which it could affiliate. The petition also asks that a provincial university be established.

STRIKE SEEMS CERTAIN

Bittsburg, Feb. 22.-Francis L. Robbins, chairman of the Pittsburg Coal company and leader of the bituminous coal oper-ators, declared upon his arrival from New York today that he could see no probabil-lites of avoiding a coal strike in the fitu-minous coal fields.

AN EXCELLENT BARGAIN WILSON ADDS HIS EVIDENCE TO GREEN'S AND MCBRIDE'S.

JUST HAD TO COAX THE G. T. P. TO TAKE LANDS.

(Special to The Daily News) Victoria, Feb. 23.—At the Kaien Is-land grant enquiry this morning James Anderson produced his bank book, checks, stubs, telegrams and other doc-uments as ordered by the committee. J. A. Macdonald deferred further ex-amination of Anderson until he had time to examine the documents, etc., produced.

time to examine the documents, etc., produced. Attorney-general Wilson was next witness. His testimony was of no spec-ial interest. He confessed to very slight knowledge of all the facts of the case. He had, he said very little to do with the negotiations beyond advising as to the legality of the transaction. He was convinced the government had power, under section 39 of the Land Act, to make the deal and thought the bar-gain made an excellent one and in the interests of the public. Atter a great deal or fencing, Wilson finally admitted that the government entered into a bargain with Bodwell, believing that by only granting two-thirds of the townsite on Kalen Island, could the Grand Trunk Pacific be in-duced to make that point their terminus.

THE PAN-GERMAN ELEMENT HAVE STRONG OBJECTIONS

er electoral reforms, ware introduced in the lower house of the Austrian parlia-ment today by premier baron Gautch of Frantenheur. The premier was subjected to nolsy interruptions on the part of the pan-Germans while explaining the details of the plan, but the voajority of the dep-utles heartily applauded his speech. Ane bills provide for the election of 455 depu-ties to the lower house. Zvery Austrian Z years of age sind Jomiled in the con-stituency for at least a velt, will be en-titled to vote, and svery one possassed of Austrian citizenship for at least three over house. Plural voting is prohibited and a division of the electoral distrct is designed so as to give the Germans Zu-ropresentatives, the Slavs 230, the Ital-isms 16, and the Roumanians 4 A bill amending the standing orders of the house provides for the suspension of disorderly members for a period act ex-ceeding one week.

BLAIR'S REPLY.

BLAIR'S REPLY. Vancouver, Feb. 23.—The C. P. R. de-nies the board of trade's allegations of unfair rates between the coast and eastern cities. They claim that their rates are lower than those of American lines. The formal reply of the C. P. R. was prepared by A. G. Blair, now counsel for the company.

WHITAKER WRIGHT ESTATA

London, Feb. 23.—The report of the tal liquidator of the J. Whitaker Wright company contains some startling figures. The assets, which were estimated to pro-duce \$14,505,100, realized \$2,575,570. "To real-ize this cost over \$1,500,000. The unsecured creditors, whose claims aggregate \$12,585, 575, received \$321,585. There was nothing to return to the shareholders.

CHEAP GAS



Chamberlain Asserts That Government Had Gained Power Under False Pretences squith Makes Reply

London, Feb. 23 .- An amendment to London, Feb. 23.—An amendment to the address to the throne in reply to parliament, expressing regret at the fact that the government had brought the reputation of the country into con-tempt by describing the employment of Chinese in South Africa as slavery, was defeated in the house of commons this atternoon by 416 to 91 votes. The de-bate which lasted two days developed considerable bitterness. Joseph Cham-berlain and other members of the oppo-sition declared the government had ridden to power on false pretences. Mr. Chamberlain asserted that he had been informed that the mining magnates had approved the government's proposals,

informed that the mining magnates had approved the government's proposals, which could not be carried out for sev-eral years. Premier Campbell-Bannerman here in-terrupted Mr. Chamberlain, saying the statement was false. Chancellor of the exchequer Asquith said that, though he would not like to do so, the government could not take a wet sponge and wipe the hateful or-dinance off the slate. However, no new licenses for the importation of cooles would be issued, the ordinance would be amended and all coolies desiring to leave South Africa would be repartiated would be issued, the ordinance wo be amended and all coolies destring leave South Africa would be repart at the cost of the imperial exchem When a responsible government is tablished in the Transval it wo have full power to determine whet to detain the Chinese. The conditi would be subject to the asset of imperial covernment thinese. The contract subject to the assist

NO CLOSURE.

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Merely a Revision of Parliamentary Rules of Procedure. Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Somebody has The solution of the bound from the factific be induced to make that point their terminus. He knew of no attempts on the part of the government to make better terms and expressed his opinion that the G. P. people did not consider they had secured any great advantage.
Peter Larsen has wired from Helena that for the past four months he has been under the doctor's care and it was impossible for him to say when he could leave. No reply has yet been received from F. W. Morse of Montreal.
The enquiry will be resumed on Tuesday evening next.
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UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE INTRODUCELLIN AUSTRIA

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION

Burns Defeats Hart in the Twentleth Round at Los Angeles Vienna, Feb. 22.—Five bills, embodying scheme for universal suffrage and oth-re electoral reforms, were introduced in he lower house of the Austrian parlia-nont tody by member house the parliaduced in a parita-autch of autch of autch

RISE IN BRITANNIA STOCK RISE IN BRITANNIA STOCK Vancouver, Feb. 22.-Reliable reports are current that Britannia stock has risen \$2,500. H. E. Robinson went up to the mine this afternoon and confirmation is not obtainable. The rise is presumably due to recent developments at the prop-erty. It is said that H. W. Treat sold a block at \$1,500 last week, having bought a short time previous at a little more than face value, \$825.

KILLING NO MURDER.

Oswego, N. Y., Feb. 23.-William Battens, a farmer living near Scriba, was today convicted of maslaughter in the first degree for killing his wife at their home on October, 9, 1904. The jury was out 24 hours.

ONTARIO PUBLISHER DEAD. Hanover, Ont., Feb. 23.—John Mitch-ell, publisher of the Hanover Post, died this afternoon, 53 years of age. He has published the Post since 1889.

WELDING COPPER Windipeg, Feb. 23.-A chemical process for welding copper, which has given most satisfactory results, and which has arouse ed great interest in manufacturing cir-cles, has been patented by a Winnipeger named McMillan.

SPEAKER HENDERSON DYING Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 22.-Former spe-Henderson took a change for the w today. His condition is now very of