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SECOND SECTION

Contract Soon to Be Let For 200 Miles More in British Columbia

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STEEL WEST OF WINNIPEG

gramme Also to be Undertaken

Montreal, April 14.-Bids have been opened for an additional 200 miles of the Grand Trunk Pacific east from Prince Rupert, and the contract will be let, probably; about the middle of May. This will make 300 miles of the main line at the Pacific coast terminal

main line at the Pacific coast terminal under way.

Winnipeg, April 14.—The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway started to lay steel on their line between Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie this morning, and expect to have the line completed in three weeks. They expect to run trains from Winnipeg to a distance of 450 miles west by the middle of May.

Ottawa, April 74.—According to a statement made in the House yesterday by Hon. G. P. Graham, the estimated cost of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Moncton, N. B., to the Rockles is now \$85,000,000, made up as follows: Elastern division under contract, \$44,399,333; not under contract, \$19,630,175; prairie section, \$21,872,200; total \$35,281,722. The estimated cost of the eastern division under contract is a little over \$36,000 a mile.

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Leamington, Ont., April 15.—Pere Marquette express No. 2 treated into a the blanch was alightly injured. None of the passengers were injured, though all were more or less shaken up.

Cut, in Two by Car

Tronto April 15.—Bennett Aqua, as iddent at the technical high school, missed his footing while attempting to board a moving car at the corner of king street and Tyndal avenue this morning. He fell in front of the case of which passed over him, cutting his body in two, How Short was a system of the contractors. The resulting completed the laborers entry the present interest to the street to have made and the contractors are a few branches of the present the result of the contractors are interested to the contractors are incompleted to the contractors. The resulting prepared to the contractors are incompleted to the contractors are in

Caught in Belt. Lanigan, Sask., April 15.—W. J. Robinson, formerly of Winnipeg, proprietor of the sash and door factory here, was instantly killed today. He was caught in the engine drive wheel belt.

La Toque, April 16.—The coroner's jury returned a verdict holding John Maki responsible for the death of Gabriel Bonn, as the regult of a fight with shovels on the Transcontinental

Lunenburg, N. S., April 15.—The 3-year-old daughter of Henry Eisennauer is dead, after eleven days' terrible suffering. The child had eaten a colored Easter egg and was poisoned by the dye. Her little brother also ate one of the eggs, but escaped with a slight indisposition.

Another Quebec Bridge Victim. Quebec, April 15.—The name of another of the Quebec bridge disaster of August last has to be added to the list, Oscar Laborge of New Liverpool, 22 years of age, who fell with the bridge, and who has just died of his injuries. He leaves a young widow and a child.

a mile.

The Commons railway committee today granted the Grand Trunk Pacific branch line company two years extension to begin the construction of a year to finish the work.

London, Ont., April 15.—William Mullins and John Brydges fell sixty feet in the elevator at Perrin's biscuit works when the cable slipped. Both were badly injured, but will recover.

Canadians and Americans Are Seeking Homes in Northern District

WELL EQUIPPED PIONEERS

Immigrants From Missouri

Fort Saskatchewan, April 15.—Numerous settlers are passing through here daily, bound for the Peace River country. Many of them possess nearly complete outfits, and are the right type of people for a new country. The majority of them are from the United States and eastern Canada. They all express satisfaction with the country. Seeding is general here.

Winnipeg, April 15.—A trainload of settlers and their effects, consisting of 36 carloads, is en route from the district around Kansas City, Missouri. The men are taking up land in Saskatchewan.

Captain Harbottle's Return. Captain Harbottle's Return.

Toronto, April 15.—Detective Rogers leaves for Havana tomorrow to bring back Capt Colin C. Harbottle, the absconding secretary of the Toronto club, whose alleged shortage is between \$17,000 and \$18,000. Harbottle will probably be brought back by way of Halifax, and not touch at any American port.

U. S. to Be Represented. Washington, April 15.—A favorable response will be made by the United States navy department to the courte-ous invitation of the Dominion government to be represented at Quebec by a war vessel at the coming visit of the Prince of Wales to Canada in July. The present intention is to dispatch the fine new battleship New Hampshire, recently put into commission and in command of Captain Cameron. The finishing touches are now being put on the vessel.

People of Southern California City Edified by the Grand Naval Display

a Diego, Cal., April 15.—A parade ejackets and marines is landed from lited States battleship fleet, 5,080 men fresh from a cruise of an 13,000 miles, marked today nonies of official welcome to of California, Sixty-four of sailors and sixteen commarines formed this most the navy's land displays, party, equipped as inwith krags, in light and with canteens filiarmy corps.

That the men more it.

More Immigrants. Halifax, April 14.—The Allan liner Grampian arrived from Glasgow last night with 20 first class, 285 second class and 47 steerage passengers.

Fenelon Falls, Ont., April 14—Henry Austin, of the firm of McDougall, Brandon and Austin, the largest dealers in farm produce and live stock in this section of Ontario, is dead at the age of 56 years. He leaves a widow and four daughters. as Defined by Leader Redmond

Winnipeg, April 15.—The Winnipeg Electric Railway company this morn-ing filed its defense in the action

Get Irish Support In Manchester

Allmore, Sask., April 15.—A bad prairie fire swept over the country west and north of here on Monday, burning considerable hay and several granaries. A high wind was blowing at the time, and the settlers in the path of the fire had hard work to save their property. All the formers turned out to fight the fire, but in spite of this many buildings and Dublin, April 15.—Speaking at a meeting of the United Irish league John Redmond, the Irish parliamentary leader, said the changes in the minary leader, said the changes in the min-istry resulting from the assumption of the premiership by Mr. Asquith had involved an alteration of the attitude of Ireland toward the Liberal party, and he did not think that Irish voters could support Winston Churchill in the approaching bye-election at Man-chester.

Ministerial Caucus at Quebec

Boston, April 14.—The bodies of two persons, a man and a woman, were found in the ruins of Sunday's fire at Chelsea today. Three bodies of unknown persons had been discovered previously. The bodies found today were thought to be those of Mrs. John Hake and Willard C. Sanborn, a carpenter. The three bodies found previously have not been identified.

The police made an examination of the premises of Chester avenue, where resided Dr. Fenwick, Mrs. Fenwick and her neice have not been seen since the fire and their relatives fear that the bodies are in the ruins of the home.

Early today the police placed under

St. John Business Man Dead St. John, N. B., April 15.—Henry Barker, resident manager of the N tional Drug & Chemical Company, Canada, died suddenly this morning heart failure, following an attack mumps, He was 54 years old.

CHAMPIONS WELCOMED

Returning Footballers Given Great Ovation When They Reached Home

Nanaimo, April 15.—Never in the history of the city of Nanaimo, and perhaps in British Columbia, has a football team ever received such an ovation as did Nanaimo United as they stepped from the E. & N. train upon its arrival from Victoria tonight, champions of Vancouver island after defeating Ladysmith at Victoria today. Some four or five thousand people headed by the Nanaimo silver cornet band formed a procession to welcome the victors who were enthusiastically received.

Woodstock, Ont., April 15.—Earle Cooper, 15 years old an Embro lad is in a somewhat serious condition as the result of being stabbed by a companion.

Unpledged Delegates to be

Milton, April 15.—Richard Newton, C.P.R. brakeman' is on trial here charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Engineer Chas. Armstrong at Guelph Junction last month. It is understood the charge may be amended to criminal negligence. WARNING TO MR. ASQUITH

Regina, April 15.—What in many respects was the most notable political demonstration ever held in this city took place last night, when over 1,100 members of the recently organized Liberal club gave a welcome home to Premier Walter Scott.

Continuing, Mr. Redmond declared that the attitude of Premier Asquith and the secretary for Ireland, Mr. Birrell, toward home Rule was a direct challenge to the people of Ireland, and he warned Mr. Asquith to remember the fate of Lord Rosebery.

Five Victims so Far Discovered

—Fears for Two Women's

Safety

The late of Lord Rosebery.

Ireland herself would have to force the Home Rule question to the front at the next general election, but there was nothing to be gained by withdrawing the Nationalists from Westmins-

Quebec, April 15.—The ministerial party was in caucus for several hours this morning, and it is understood that some heart-to-heart talks took place about elections, etc., but nothing definite on the subject can be learned.

St. John Business Man Dead

Napanee, Ont., April 15.—T. C. Carscallen, M.P.P. was nominated by Lennox Conservatives for the legislature at next election. NOT FOR BRYAN Young Lad Stabbed.

Brakeman on Trial.

Funeral of Constable Wilmot.

NEW ATTACK MADE

Duncan Ross Re-iterates the

Charges Against the At-

torney-General

(Special to the Colonist.)

Vernon, April 15.—Duncan Ross has made renewed charges at the Liberal convention here against Attorney-General Bowser on the subject of the Japanese labor contracts with Gotoh.

Sent to Denver National Convention

FIFTIETH YEAR

McCARREN IS DRIVEN OUT

Knife Tammany Candidate For Mayor

Macleod, Alb., April 15.—The funeral of Constable Wilmot, the mounted policeman who was so foully murdered at Frank last Saturday, was held here yesterday afternoon. All the available members of the force in this district turned out to pay their last respects to their dead comrade. Up to the present the police have no clue to the murderer.

Session that began with bitter factional disputes and was concluded amid scenes bordering on the riveus, the Democratic convention squelched a boom for Wm. Jennings Bryan, draw the King's county faction, headed by Senator Patrick H. McCarren from their seats, and named an unpledged delegation to the national convention at Denver.

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The final session was not ended until a half hour after midnight tonight, and the last hour's business was transacted amidst a howl that made it impossible to determine the will of the delegates as expressed in the voting.

During the day, the Bryan men who had been already defeated in the committee on resolutions, abandored their attempt to have the national delegates instructed for Mr. Bryan. The real fight in the convention came tonight on the successful attempt to out a large share of Brooklyn delegates headed by Senator McCarren, and the state committee name its successor rather than that its members should be elected, as formerly, by the several senatorial districts. Senator McCarren, beaten in committee, carried his fight to the floor of the convention, and before he was voted out of that body, threatened that never in the lifetime of those present, would Tammany beaten in contents.

eral said that without being informed specifically what the member for Yale-Cariboo had charged he could make no specific reply, except that he relterated his previous statements on the subject and denied utterly that Mr. Ross has the slightest reasons for making any charges whatever connecting him with the Gotoh contract.

"I intend to give Mr. Ross an opportunity to make his words good, if he thinks he can," Mr. Bowser added, "I know, of course, that he cannot, for there is absolutely nothing whatever in what he says; but when the campaign opens I will challenge him to meet me, either in his own constituency or any other place he may name, where a considerable number of people can be got together. If he will not accept my challenge, I will go to one of his meetings and demand a right to be heard, a and I know that the people will see that I shall get it. I once more, in the most emphatic manner possible, deny in that there is any truth in, or shadow of an excuse for what Mr. Ross herestoffer said in regard to any direct or indirect connection on my part with the Gotoh contract. Of course, I do not know exactly what he may have said at Vernon, but if he stated that I was in any way associated with that matter, I have only to add that my devise a statement of the most replaced as the mean and their opponents and the McCarren men and their opponents participated. The long two

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