US CARICATURIST.

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elightful entertainment at tre on Saturday night. wing to the time, never a attractions at the Vicsomewhat small. But if the many rounds of, ar tuated Mr. Bengough's ere ample tribute to the

. Mr. Bengough's reputanental. It embraces led a six months' en-London, Eng., Chronicle, the public in this public men of Canada rt as a delineator with der, while his running wit and sparkling epi

exceptionally meritorious s included a number of ustrating and intensely nd several local carica nial United States consul d Glory," and Chas. Sem ho sat beside him. The the cartoon was inscribed ent." Another picture hit was a representation of , in which to the former is and one that was nicely her legislators who is now and standing beside him is nds a bouquet of flowers designated "Sympathy." will give another enter e will be given, including rday night, owing to the

ERS ELECTED

of Messrs. Pemberton & fternoon the annual gen-the Victoria Hunt Club secretary and treasurer dopted. The election of as follows: President. vice-president, P. T. secretary-treasurer. R E.; executive commit-idy, R.E.; Lieut, Cameron, op, R.N.; Lieut. West Club wrote, asking mem

eir horses in the annual nich takes place at that Gta. This was received understood that a num horses will likely take

PLE OF PEACE. egie Offers Building for Meeting Place for Arbi-

tion Tribunal

pril 25.-Andrew Carnegie 000 to the government of for the establishment at international library and ce. The offer was made rovers, the minister from to the United States. It idea to have erected a ch will be maintained an ary, and in which the arcan hold its sessions. All exchanges on the subject e. The formal announce negie's gift and its acceptnation will be set apart of peace in repair.

MER STRANDED.

and, April 27.-The British ester, for Philadelphia, sy rock, off Tuscar, during ay. She is in a bad posiand second holds are full

rang was the scene of a

affair on Saturday evenretiring officers of the ciation of Victoria ten to the other members of There were present G. of Commerce. I Simons. nerce; E. Corbett, man ng House; W. Oliver, A.; G. Taylor, Royal la; J. S. Gibbs, Imperial J. C. Galletly, Bank of proprietress, Mrs. M. d a delightful repast, decorations called forth her good taste. An interspersed with songs dispatched. It is ine that those present rep tal of \$50,000,000 and as-

of the late Mrs. Peter on Monday from the bell conducted the ser-Government street. ollowing acted as pall-Grathwold, se, F. Hilliger, A. Gra-Parsons. The two latresented the Odd Fela large attendance and

a & Western subsidy matter met | Phillips. onday, when the examination of loral tributes. ley-General Eberts was continued. Oliver called attention to a prondland legislature on Satan agreement produced by which Bond tabled the official company did not forfeit nd-Hay limited reciprocity to build from Midway to Penned his belief that the agreement was signed by pass. At to-day's sesas Shaugnessy and Mr. Oswald of the legislature warmly f the Columbia & Western. Bond's services to the Eberts said this did not arise tter of this treaty and dly; they also expressed arried out. It was dated 8th and he did not see it until ed to power in 1900.

an old resident of Springsked if this proviso was s dead, aged 66 years.

HON. D. M. EBERTS the Columbia & Western had surrender-IN THE SWEAT BOX

COMMITTEE CROWDING

Office - Lengthy Cross Ex-

amination.

on Friday. The committee was

the Crown grants in question.

een sent in reply to Sir Thomas

transportation to the committee

treal to take it there, or go be-

Gore said that he had he be-

stated that the Crown grants

notary public and give his

Mr. Green asked if that was the rea

e company in keeping with the pro-

ndaries were common to this sur-

asions been absent from meetings

sharp on Monday, and asked him

he committee inquiring into the Co-

meeting then adjourned.

sent to complete his evidence.

Hon. Mr. Eberts did not think it was

The agreement of the company to surender its rights to build the railway RELUCTANT MINISTER was never reduced to writing. It was called to the fact that the names of the not an agreement which could be enmembers of the council present were not owever, in the interests of the them. people of British Columbia. He Takes Shelter Behind His Oath of

Wells's visit to Montreal with the crown from a previous administration. It was grants, Hon. Mr. Eberts replied, "I not usual to insert the names of those really can't say." He was in Montreal present. ring into the subsidy to the Colum- ber that the matter came up at the ex- in-council was passed a majority must ecutive as to concessions to be made by & Western Railway Company met the C. P. R. for these crown grants. He was at every meeting of the executive. caucus of the government members | Wells was to ask for.

g held an adjournment was asked! "Was there any statutory authority some of the members in order they might attend that meeting. sitting was therefore postponed un-Not under the Land Act, Mr. Eberts The chairman reported that Mr. Wells asked that his examinacculd, by an appeal to the courts, be proshould not take place until Monday. lected in its interests if the government The chairman said that Mr. Gore had instructed such proceedings.

Reverting to the subject of concesd to him that he had found that

said he had knowledge of an informal Green said: "Mr. Gore does not talk as to the C. P. R. opening up the country as far as Spence's Bridge. He nd does he, that this was the reaon for the cancelling of the grants." Chairman Clifford said: "No, I do not nderstood that Hon. Mr. Wells would ask for this at Montreal.

Asked by Mr. McPhilips as to when be first had knowledge of the blocks, chairman stated that a message 4,593 and 4,594, being intended for the Columbia & Western railway, Hon. Mr. nessy's message. Sir Thomas Eberts said he could not remember. He could not say on whose initiative, whethevidence. He considered he had er the government or the railroad comt evidence to give and offered pany, this was taken. He was asked by 1902, the year of the cancelling order, the government whether it had power under the act to grant these lands to the railroad. He gave his opinion in the value of these lands, Hon. Mr. Eberts Montreal. The reply thanked favor of the contention that it was in the power of the government. The present his kind offers, without accept-Chief Justice had held the same opinion.
He thought Mr. Hunter's opinion was Mr. Wells took frem to Montreal. Hou.
Mr. Wells, he thought, came back in Denot cancelled through any mistake misnomer in them, and that no such mer existed in them. He found vesterday after leaving that the plan Mr. Hunter in getting that opinion.

and descriptions of the two blocks were Asked as to the lands being those "as railway," Hon. Mr. Eberts said that the wards complained constantly son for the cancelling of them. "Most certainly not," replied Mr. Gore. act did not read quite in that way. He said that he interpreted the act as per-taining to the districts of Kootenay and In answer to Mr. McPhillips, Mr. ore said that a survey of the blocks Yale. He still thought that the Gov 4.593 and 4.594 had been made in conernor-in-Council could exercise its power tion with other grants. They were in that way. There was also a large saving to the country in these blocks bepartially surveyed-sufficiently well done o grant of Crown grants being made.
In answer to Mr. McPhillips, he said

Hon. Mr. Eberts said that copies of hat the Red Mountain Railroad Comthe order in council granting the lands were prepared to be delivered to the officers of the company. He understood "The company's agent can speak for any had been obliged to use expedition get their lands surveyed in compliance Mr. McPhillips wanted to know if

they were granted.

If confined to the language "as near blocks 4,588 and 4,589 were surveyed by s of the statute previous to the islons of the statute previous to the could be so construed. He, how-show if the department had any field ever, held and still holds that discretion-Fry power was given the government.

He was aware that an opinion from otes or plans of such a survey.

Referring to the plan, Mr. Gore said

locks 4.580 and 4.589 were surveyed by the B. C. Southern Railroad Company, and connection with block 4.594, part of dated 8th April, 1903, and which was opposite to that of Mr. Hunter. He did would still control the giving of these There was no survey of the north rot know that the executive decided to grants. undaries of it. There was no get Mr. Hunter's opinion. Hon. Mr. 4,594, as such independent. Wells spoke to him about getting Mr. ey of 4.594, as such independent. there was no computation of the area McCaul's opinion. In neither case did a survey on the ground. There was he think that it came up in the execu-

The criwn grants having been unused for him to say. That was a 3rd October, 1901, Mr. McPhillips called attention to the fact that Mr. Hunter's attention to the fact ment to answer. He made no comment opinion was obtained 21 days after this.

How or the Chief Commissioner. It was not his place to take objection to anything done by the executive council. The first reservation grants. He did not know that they carried title to coal. The first reservation pany anywhere in Yale and Kootenay.

Want of the Crown supporting any of the litigants.

Mr. Oliver, reverting to the bill of last year, called attention to the fact that the lands were to be selected by the company anywhere in Yale and Kootenay. pressing for a settlement of the of coal in crown grants was in 1899.

Any lands granted in compliance with "Give the company the right to select the the could not remember whether he had raised any objection to no ground survey having been made when he received instructions to prepare plans. This was an unusual method in his department. It was the first occasion. The railroad company had made a traverse of the railway and was able to make a very accurate computation, which the government considered accurate enough. The stakes placed on that traverse had since proved very accurate. The B. C. Southern railway ran through 4.504. When he got the descriptions the columbia & Western, which act was passed in 1896, would, he thought, therefore arry the coal rights. He did not know anything about a survey having been made of these lands before the railway company was in no different position to other railway companies in this matter. It was not obligatory that the instances of the Nelson & Fort Sheplard International boundary of these blocks. The sammit of the Rocky mountains bounded it on the part of the railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in this matter. It was not obligatory that the Crown grants should be issued for any lands selected. The government had a discretionary power.

Mr. Helmcken referred to the question of a petition of right. The Attorney-General asked Mr. McPhillips that question which he got their Crown grants? "asked Hon. Mr. Eberts. The Attorney-General contended that the railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other railway company was in no different position to other He could not remember whether he the Columbia & Western, which act was blocks in question?"

When he got the descriptions were not signed by any surveyor, of another grant on another side.

Mr. McPhillips asked if he knew company.

Answer to Mr. Smith, he said he answer to Mr. Smith, he said he answer to fany Crown grants not recollect of any Crown grants.

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Oliver called attention to the fact the Attorney-General had on two the Attorney-General had on two liself," replied Hon. Mr. Eberts. He the committee. Hon. Mr. Wells had Mr Oliver called aftention to the fact committee were making but little Attention was called to the

that Hon, Mr. Eberts had been y for one meeting, which was not owing to another meeting being in providence in the issuing of these on the providence in the issuing of these on the providence in the issuing of these on the self.

In answer to Mr. Helmcken, Hon, Mr.

assuredly say that the government was not influenced by any fraud or improvidence on the part of the company that I krew of."

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these were cancelled?" asked Mr. Mc-"The order in council states that," relied Hon. Mr. Eberts.

"With all deference to you, Mr. Eb-"With all deference to you, Mr. Ed and said a "majority," referring to Dodd's Kidney Pills. Reading the minute, Mr. McPhillips conterded that nothing was given in the always ruled, and the act then became

way of a reason. an executive one. "Am I to presume," added Mr. Mc-Phillips, "that you know the reason and you propose to not reveal it?" "The order in council speaks for i

self," returnel Hon. Mr. Eberts. "If there was any reason for the can-celling of this you are not at liberty to 4,594, Hon. Mr. Etc. rts stating he had nt with the present claim that give it?" asked Mr. McPhillips.

"I do not want you to do that," said been ready to appear before the duplicate the line proposed to be built by order. I would like to know if the rea-Mackenzie & Mann, was not, he sup- con is in Mr. Eberts's knowledge, and if posed, prepared to forfeit any rights it he, as a member of the council, was not CONFERENCE TO MEET at liberty to say what it was.

"I have said so," replied Mr. Eberts.
The Attorney-General's attention was members of the council present were no forced by law. It was a solemn agree- inserted in the form in the space left for Will Assemble in Metropolitan Methodist

In reply he said that the forms used Asked as to the time of Hon. Mr. were old ones which had been left over He came in at the close of the execu

have been favorable to it.

considered. It was taken up sometime in August, 1901. The company had for the cancelling of these crown grants except for mistakes?" asked Mr. Oliver. time. He could not say whether the proposal of giving this land came originalthought. He imagined that the crown ly from the government or the railroad company. He never knew of block 4.593 being

argely made of coal and petroleum lands. He had lately been told that 4,594 was 2.30 p. m.-Sunday school; addresses by cons to be asked for, Han. Mr. Eberts all coal lands. He was now informed Revs. A. E. Roberts and Chas. H. M. that there was not a vestige of coal on t. He thought that Hon. Mr. Wells told him so. He understood that Hon. Mr. Wells was told that there was no coal in it. The geological reports made by Mr.

Selwyn, which referred to rich coal de- Lord's supper, by the president of the conposits he knew referred to the lands of the Crow's Nest Coal Company. He could not say as to the value of the land or as to whether they were richer than other lands or not. Asked as to whether in the session of

there was not considerable debate upo said he did not remember of it. He never saw the Crown grants. He under given after his. He did not ask the Chief Justice's opinion. That came through Hon. Mr. Wells. He therefore iid not know what facts were laid before visit to Montreal and the time he knew of Hon. Mr. Wells bringing them back. No officer of the company came to him near as possible contiguous to the line of with a complaint. Mr. Brown after grants were not delivered. He did not know that the matter came up in the executive as to rectifying this.

Mr. McPhillips, pressing for explanation, called attention to the delay which took place. The company were aware of these Crown grants being prepare There was a great deal of delay in this n.atter. Did it not seem peculiar

that," replied Hon. Mr. Eberts. Referring to the bill withdrawn las as practicable to the lands contiguous session, Mr. McPhillips asked if it was to the line," he did not know that these agreeable to the Columbia & Western

> that they were satisfied.
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> Mr. McPhillips contended that these lands could then have passed to the Columbia & Western under that bill. Hon. Mr. Ebert's said the governm

Asked as to a petition of rights, the Attorney-General said it would not come through him. It never came to his nosurvey on the ground with respect to survey on the ground with respect to tive. It night have been regarded as an executive act. He could not say what The government was not a party to the actions. The Previncial Secretary had received communications asking the government to be a party. The government had not become a party, and he did not know of the Crown supporting any of

When he got the descriptions line on another, and the boundary line what? I ask Mr. McPhillips that ques-

ne did not. He never saw it before. He had no knowledge of it.

Mr. McPhillips asked why the order torney-General. If the company thought the not describe it as "irregular." It is not the usual course.

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Mr. McPhillips asked why the order torney-General. If the company thought they had a right to land they would press for that, and not for compensation.

could not say what took place at a meet-stated in the House that a petition of ing of the executive council.

Mr. McPhillips pressed still farther.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said that if Hon. Mr. Hon. Mr. Eberts said that if Hon. Mr.

of public points, or the providence in the issuing of these on the part of the company, might constitute the part of the company, might constitute the part of the company, might constitute the part of the company would answer.

In answer to Mr. Helmcken, Hon, Mr. Eberts said that he recoiled Mr. Brown meeting members of the government after the order-in-council had been made. torney-General would answer.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said: "I can most meeting members of the government after the order-in-council had been made. It is a proving the property of the proving th

"Are you not at liberty to say why introduced last session was introduced Lumbago and Kidney Troubles. My in consequence of a direct promise from urine was of a very bad color and I

perhaps correct.

"Do we understand you to say there vas a division?" continued Mr. Green. "I did not say so," said the Aftorney-Mr. Gore was called upon to produce

"I will state all I can. I do not pro- Hon. Mr. Eberts before adjournment ed their right to build from Midway to Penticton?

Hon, Mr. Eberts did not think it was "I do not pro- Hon. Mr. Eberts before adjournment said that he had not shown any disrespect to the committee on Thursday. He had inconsistent. The railway company, he Mr. McPhillips. "The committee wants supposed, while it had agreed not to know the reason for this cancelling for three-quarters of an hour, expecting to be called.

IN VICTORIA SHORTLY WOULD IT INVOLVE

Church-Programme of Services Sunday and Week Nights.

The British Columbia Methodist conabout the latter part of October or beginning of November, he thought. He came in at the close of the execu-ginning of November, he thought. He tive meeting. He did not consider it a The select committee of the legislature Wells's possession. He did not rememed for the order or not. When an orderThe stationing committee and statisti-The stationing committee and statistical secretaries will meet on Tuesday Anterior to the order-in-council of 4th evening, May 12th, the ministerial ses-September, 1901, this question of giving sion on Wednesday evening following, we met at 10.30, but in consequence He did not know what concessions Mr. lands to the Columbia & Western was while the annual conference will assemble at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 14th. The programme is as follows: Sabbath Services, May 17th.

Metropolitan Church .- 9.30 a. m. to 10.45 Conference Love Feast, sed by Hev. E. Robson, D. D. 11.00 a. m.-Official sermon, by Rev. E. E. Scott, retiring president. Sutherland. 4.00 p. m.-Temperance mass J. W. Bowering, B. A. 7.00 p. m.—Sermon ference.

Centennial Church.-11.00 a. m.-Rev. R. Forbes Stillman. 2.30 p. m.-Sunday school addresses. Rev. S. J. Thompson and a lay man. 7.00 p. m.-Rev. A. M. Sanford, B.A. James Bay Chaurch.-11.00 a. m.-Rev. John Robson, B. A. 2.30 p. m.—Sunday school addresses; Revs. C. Ladner and E. Manuel. 7.00 p. m.-Rev. A. E. Hetherington, B. A., B. D.

Victoria West Church.-11.00 a. m.-Rev. R. Whittington, M. A., D. D. 2.30 p. m .-Sunday school addresses; Revs. J. D. P. Knox and Geo. E. Smith, S. T. L. 7.00 p. m.-Rev. S. S. Osterhout, Ph. D. Esquimalt (Soldiers' and Sallors' Home). 10.00 a. m .- Parade service: Rev. A. Sutherland, D. D., general secretary of missions. 7.00 p. m .- Rev. R. Newton Powell. Snanich.-11.00 a. w.- (Strawberry Va'e), Rev. J. P. Bowell. 2.30 p. m. (South Saanich), Rev. R. J. Irwin. 7.00 p. m .-(North Saanich), Rev. J. W. Winslow Indian Mission .- Rev. W. Ha /Pierce. Chinese Mission .- Rev. A. E. Green.

Week Night Services. Thursday, May 14th-Missionary Anniver sary.-Speakers, Rev. J. H. White, local rintendent of missions; R. W. Harris, Rev. A. Sutherland, D. D., general secre-Friday, May 15th-Wesley Bi-Centenary

Japanese Mission .- 3.00 p. m.+ Rev. Goro

Meeting.—Speakers, Rev. E. E. Scott, Wesley and Early Method sm. Rev. Dr. Sutherland, Future." Saturday, May 16th-Theological Union

Meeting.-Lecture, Rev. Dr. Whittington. Monday, May 18th-Conference Session. Discussion of (1) Sunday school report: (2) Epworth League report. Tuesday, May 19th-Conference Session -Discussion of (1) State of the work report;

(2) Sabbath observance report.

The Devotional Feature. The committee unanimously decided to plan that each session of conterence should ing the vote, and hence none of them begin with a half-an-hour's devotion, during which a ten-minutes' address to the conference shall be given on some spiritual theme by brethren appointed:

Ministerial Session (Thursday Morning) .-Devotional address (10 minutes), Rev. Jos. Hall, "The Minister's Spiritual Need." Conference Opening Session (Thursday Afternoon).—Prayer meeting, the president.
Conference Session (Friday Morning).—
Devotional address, "The Need of Prayer," Rev. J. A. Wood.

address, "The More Abundant Lafe," Rev. is argued that Royal refusal, through James Hicks. Morning Session (Saturday). Devotional address, "Knowledge of the Word," Rev. an order-in-council is a purely adminis-

Morning Session (Monday). Devotional jesty. In regard to a bill, it is contendaddress, "The Winning of Souls" Rev. W.

H. Raley. Morning Session (Tuesday) - Devotional address, "The Bond of Love," Rev. C.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS "CURED HIS LUMBAGO AND HE IS A

Granton Man Shouts the Good News That There Is a Cure for Kidney Disease and That Cure Is Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Granton, Ont., April 24 .- (Special.)-There is no uncertain sound about the statement of John Fletcher, or this of Lumbago and now I am perfectly sound," that is the way he puts it. Questioned as to the particulars of his cure

urine was of a very bad color and I Hon. Mr. Eberts presumed this was could get nothing to help me. perhaps correct.

Mr. Green asked why Hon. Mr. Ebful frame of mind when I decided to try

me relief and I was soon entirely ne relief and I was soon entirely cured.
"Yes, my Lumbago is gone; my Kidney Complaint is gone and Dodd's Kidney Pills did it all ".

not seen them, and wished to see them. Lame Back, efc.

FALL OF MINISTRY?

Speculation in Corridors Regarding Outcome Should the Governor Refuse Assent to Bill Sixteen.

The delay of the Governor in affixing

his signature to bill No. 16 (the famous neasure involving the cancellation of the C.P.R. land grants), has overshadowed very other legislative topic of the week. The Premier much relieved the tension of Friday by indicating that His Honor had not refused assent, but had merely asked for sufficient time to properly consider a question so far reaching and important. Sir Henry Joly is too old a parliamentarian and too conservative an administrator of his office to invite trouble by any arbitrary action, but, on the other hand, he is well known to attach more responsibility to his duties meeting: speakers Revs. G. H. Morden and than some other occupants of that office have done. His delay in consummating by Rev. Dr. Sutherland, general secretary | the action of the legislature has opened of missions; followed by Sacrament of the up a wide field for speculation, and in the corridors and lobbies his probable course, and the results following that course, are monopolizing attention to the

exclusion of almost every other topic. Rightly or wrongly, the impress gaining ground that His Honor is awaitng developments in the special committee before taking further action. This committee was appointed before the bill passed the legislature, and, as a natural order of things, the members themselves would await this report before taking final action on the bill itself. But the revelations made in the debate created such a feeling of unrest among the members that none of them seemed to feel disposed to run the risks which delay would involve, and the result was the rapid forwarding of the measure through all those stages in its progress with which the legislature has to deal. specific promise seems to have been given by the Premier to the opposition chiefs that be would carry it through all its stages, and have it assented to before asking them to accord his supply. The Premier has kept faith in this to the limit of his ability, but of course no one doubts the right of the Governor o delay assent, to forward to Ottawa or refuse assent, if he feels so disposed. There does seem to be some question, however, in regard to what a refusal to sign the bill would involve. When the

rumor first gained circulation there was little difference of opinion on the point. Members argued that if the Governor had not sufficient confidence in his and visers to endorse their measures, it must necessarily involve the dismissal or the resignation of the executive. Were this correct it would involve complicat out sufficiently grave to prevent His Honor taking such a step unless absolutely compelled to do so. He would be obliged to call on some other member to form government to become responsible for his act, but the entire legislature concurred in the passage of the measure with the exception of the Attorney-Gen eral, who remained in the corridor dur could, logically, accept office under the conditions, with the possible exception of the Attorney-General, and he certainly could not be called on, because while he failed to vote on the bill, his remaining in the government, after its

passage made him, tacitly a party to But another and rather novel view is advanced by some of the best authorities of the House it is to the effect that the Crown may refuse assent to a bill with-Afternoon Session (Friday).-Devotional out involving the fall of the ministry, It order-in-council always entails lack of confidence in the administration, because trative act of the advis address, "The Winning of Souls," Rev. W.
C. Schlicter, B. A.
Afternoon, Session (Monday). Devotional address, "The Promises to Workers," Rev. without involving the fall of the ministry. Instances are quoted, during the reign of Queen Victoria, in which this

If this be a correct interpretation of the constitution, and the Governor should refuse his assent, Col. Prior would be put in possession of a much-needed slogan with which to appeal to the country, of which it is not likely he GLAD NEWS the country, of which it is not likely he will be slow to avail himself. He would first have to secure supply, because an appeal to the country, involving a dissolution, would bring into effect the new redistribution bill, and at least two months will be required to get the lists n shape. In the meantime, supplie would be exhausted, as the fiscal year ends on the 30th of June. The oppo-

path of the Colonel with roses in carrying out any such plan, however. In the meantime, the first minister is the head of a very unhappy family. It has been the lot of premiers, during the last few years in British Columbia, to be almost constantly confronted by "caves" and cabals, but these dissensions are not usually extended to the council chamber itself. If Col. Prior could now "I had been troubled for a year with unburden his mind, as he may find it necessary to do before the session closes, he could possibly give a harrowing tale of disloyalty on the part of some of his colleagues, which would make a choice morsel for opposition consumption. It would surprise no one acquainted with the present conditions if the prime minthe executive act.

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I did. Almost from the first they gave before the present muddle is straight

ened out. There is one feature in connection with the revocation of the order-in-council of August 10th, 1901, in regard to Pills did it all."

Dodd's Kidney Pills never fail to cure which the Premier and Governor stand on almost common ground. The Premier and Governor stand on almost common ground. The Premier and Governor stand on almost common ground. The Premier and Governor stand to by Bro. H. Solloway. Bro. A. Hobbs gave "The Maple Leaf," and toasts were proposed and responded to in a hearty the Governor, by virtue of his office, a non-participant in departmental affairs, and toasts were proposed and responded to in a hearty manner as follows: "The Ladies," by Bro.

Land We Live In," which was responded to by Bro. A. Hobbs gave "The Maple Leaf," and toasts were proposed and responded to in a hearty manner as follows: "The Ladies," by Bro.

Mrs. E. Carter, aged 29 years.

for a correct version of the facts, on the other ministers, and particularly on the Attorney-General and the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works. The evilence given already before the special committee by C.P.R. officials and others, varies so widely from the statements of after which the company dispersed. some of these members as to be prac tically contradictory. If the ministers in question misled both His Honor and the then Minister of Mines, now Prem- Mr. Stephen H. Hoskins, of Provincial ier, each of them have a justification for their part in concurring in and assenting to, the revocation order. And if the facts now adduced by the committee demonstrate that they were misinrmed, Sir Henri has a just cause for dismissing the offending ministers. Sir Henri possibly is also taking into consideration that it was on the representations of one of these ministers, to some extent, that the House unanimously passed bill 16, and he may be making

me allowance for that fact. Of course, while all these speculaions are indulged in, there is little real loubt in the minds of the members if egard to Sir Henri's course. there is no disposition to criticize his oper caution in thoroughly considering the matter before approving the bill there seems to be just as little doubt that he will ultimately assent to the

CASE CONTINUED.

Rev. Canon Beanlands on the Witness Stand-His Evidence.

The preliminary hearing in the case of the seven young lads charged with assaulting the Chinese boy Hey on Tuesday evening, January 13th, is nearing complesides the injured lad examined.

after 9 o'clock, by special request. Canon many useful and costly presents from after 9 o'clock, by special request.

Beanlands was the only witness heard.

Friends in this country and Europe.

Mr. Hoskins is well-known in this city, estry of the church for the puriose (f having been on the headquarters staff of ascertaining what had happened on the evening of the 13th of January. There were evening of the 13th of January. There were present at the inquiry the boys Rome, the Gulf Islands. More recently he was Orake, Johns, Royds, Hanham and King. appointed to a post in the interior, Kim-The boys were questioned by him separ- berley, where he and Mrs. Hoskins will

Canon Beanlands what the boys had said friends and acquaintances won by Mr. to him. There was considerable argument Hoskins during his residence here. among the lawyers as to whether or not the admissions made by the accused boys should be admitted as evidence. Magistrate Hall gave his decision in favor of the

prosecution. Canon Beanlands said that Royds had old him that he (Royds) was looking for his friend Taylor, who was coming on the along. Royds threw up his hand to startle Hey, and immediately the Chinese boy showed fight and pushed him. He resented. and at once took his own part. During the scuffle Hey backed up until he was upon the car. When the boys heard him cry out they ran away.

The case was proceeded with this afternoon, with Canon Beanlands still on the witness stand.

EVIDENCE ALL IN.

The case of the seven boys who are charged with assaulting the Chinese boy from New York, is in the city, a guest at Hey on Tuesday, January 13th, on Cadas examining the witnesses and ad-dresses of counsel on Friday. The Henry King, brother of one of the acused boys, was called by E. Pooley,

herefore could tell nothing first handed f what actually occurred. After the last witness was examined he lawyers for both sides addressed the ourt. Magistrate Hall, after a sport address, stated that he would give his decision on Tuesday next. The court was

then adjourned. ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

St. George's Day was observed in different ways Thursday. At Esquimalt the warships in port donned their holiday atire, and on the city hall the St. George's Cross was displayed. Last evening there were three entertainments in honor of the ccasion. A concert was held under the Smothering Spells made my life a torment. suspices of St. Barnabas church and a Dropsy set in. My physician told me to panquet was given by the Sons of St. leorge. A conversazione was also held by

the Daughters of St. George at their hall. The banquet took place at the Royal Cafe under the auspices of the Sons of St. George, and there was a good attendance The president, Bro. Ed. Siddall, presided. The room and table were beautifully decorated. The former presented a gay and cheerful appearance, national flags and bannerettes having been liberally used in producing a really striking and pretty effect. Flowers arranged in artistic taste

fulness adorned the table. The menu was of an elaborate characte and it was some time before the good things had been partaken of and the toas

list was reached. As usual toasts were first drunk to "The KingHeand "The President of the United States." The latter was proposed in few well chosen words by W. H. Price, and KILPATRICK-M'KINNON-At Revelstoke, responded to by Bro. Ed. Siddall in a neat speech. Hearty applause followed the rendition of " The Star Spangled Banner' by Bro. Sherman, P. P. Bro. Richards, in eloquent terms, proposed a toast to the "Order of the Sons of St. George," which was responded to with great enthusiasm. In his address he referred particularly to In his address he referred particularly to the progress of the local order. Memi were congratulated upon the sound standing of the order, both numerically and financially. "The Officers of Milton Lodge" was next proposed by W. H. Price, and responded to by V. P. Bro. Bonnett and Dr. Gibbs in appropriate words, co gratulating the order upon its freedom from illness and wishing it every success for the future. Bro. A. Wood proposed the "Army and Navy," which Bro. A. Namer responded to. "Red, White and Blue" was given in fine style by Bro. W. H. Charlesworth, and Bro. Creech proposed "The

were each, to a large extent, dependent | S. Greatleigh, responded to by A. Blyth; "The Visitors," by Bro, Pineo, responded to by Bro. Risly. "The Old Brigade" was sung in excellent voice by Bro. Blygh. The health of the host brought the programme to a close. It was proposed by Bro. Rich-

FORMER VICTORIAN WEDDED

Police, United in Marriage at Fernie.

A well known member of the provin cial police staff joined another depart-ment—the ranks of the benedicts—at demurring, and Col. Prior an excuse for dismissing the offending ministers. Sir Stephen H. Hoskins, fourth son of the late Edward Hamilton Hoskins, of Hoddesdon, Herts, and formerly of Faw-ham's Hall, near Ware, Herts, England, was united in marriage to Miss Mar-garet Hilda Ward, third daughter of the late Rev. Philip Gordon Ward, vicar of Branghing, near Ware, Herts.

The ceremony was conducted at Christ Church by Rev. H. Beacham, rector of Cranbrook, assisted by Rev. C. W. Houghton, rector of Fernie. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers and plants, their arrangement being due the artistic talent of Mrs. J. H Mc Mullin, The bride was charmingly gowned in a white Chinese silk dress, trimmed with lace, and Indian hat to match, trimmed with chiffon and Parma violets. She was given away by Mr. Lestock R. Forbes, and attended by Mrs. Lestock R. Forbes. The bridegroom was supported by Mr. A. D.

A few intimate friends of the principals were present at the church. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the ion. There have been six witnesses benumber of guests assembled to congratuon Friday morning court opened shortly

On Friday morning court opened shortly

Mrs. Hoskins were the recipients of

make their home. They have the well-mr. Pooley, for the prosecution, asked wishes of the large circle of Victoria

PERSONAL

Andrew Bruce, who has just arrived in town from Dawson, states that business is picking up in that city now since the weather is becoming warmer. Considerable work was carried on in Dominion and Sulcar, and just then the Chinese boy came phur creeks during last winter. He said that there were a couple of large dumps out on lower Bonanza, and he expected that work would commence on all the creeks almost any day now. He is of the opinion that Duncan creek, in the Stewart iver district, will boom this coming summer. The prospects at Tanana are anything but favorable at present, but it is possible that in due time a good camp might be established. Mr. Bruce is down for business purposes, and is a guest at the Dominion.

the Victoria. Mr. O'Connor is the repreboro Bay road came to an end, as far sentative of Hawes von Gal Co., the well known batters in the Atlantic metropolis, ease was reopened at 2:30 o'clock, and | year, and he always contemplates his visit was not until after 7 o'clock in the to the picturesque capital of British Colevening that court adjourned. Canon Beanlands's evidence was continued, and that the house he represents dispatches umbla with unfeigned pleasure. The fact him all the way across the continent from for the prosecution. It was found he commentary on the pushing aggressive way in which the establishments south of the ocean to ocean twice a year is a forcible commentary on the pushing aggressive way line reach out after business.

Capt. A. H. Scott, of the steamship Toby, which is loading coal at Ladysmith, came down on Thursday's train to meet Mrs. and Miss Sectt, who arrived from San Francisco by the steamer City of Puebla. E. J. Conway, who has been at McGill College, Montreal, for the past two years, arrived Thursday night on a visit home. He Banquet Held at Royal Cafe by Local
Order Last Evening.

was accompanied West by Miss Lamming,
a cousin. He is at the Victoria hotel.

J. E. Boss, of Spokane, is a guest at the

J. W. Bengough is at the Dominion.

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BORN. HALL-At Nelson, on April 21st, the wife of G. A. B. Hall, M. D., of a son. MANSON-At Nelson, on April 21st, the wife of A. Manson, of a son.

MARRIED. MADDEN-CARTER-At Nelson, on April 22nd; by Rev. Father Althoff, A. Mad-den and Miss M. Carter. OOYLE-BELL-At Nelson, on April 22nd, by Rev. Dr. Wright, J. M. Doyle and Miss Alma Bell.

LESPERANCE-DANIELS—At Revelstoke, on April 21st, by Rev. Father Lardon, James Lesperance and Miss Olive Daniels.

on April 22nd, by Rev. C. Ladner, Thomas Kilpatrick and Miss Elsie Mc-Kinnon. OEUR-VALOIS-At Vancouver, on April 23rd, by Rev. Father Le Chesne, A. J. Boeur and Miss Henrietta Valois.

YOUMANS DAVIS — At Chilliwack, on April 15th, by Rev. M. Jukes, Arthur W. Youmans and Miss Frances M.

ALEXANDER-ROULEAU—At Vancouver, on April 22nd, by Rev. Father Le Chesne, H. O. Alexander and Miss Anna E. Rouleau.

DIED WOLF-At the Royal Jubilee hospital, on the 25th inst., Johann, beloved wife of Peter Wolf, aged 45 years, and a native of Germany.

CONLIN-At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 25th instant, Thomas James Conlin, a native of Percy, Ontario, Canada, aged