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NOTICE

is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, acquire, equip, operate and maintain a railway of either standard or narrow gauge by either steam, electricity or any other motive power for the conveyance of passengers, freight and merchandise from a point at or near Pyramid Harbor on Chilcat Inlet at the head of Lynn Canal in the Province of British Columbia, thence up the Chilcat river to Chilcat summit, thence in a northerly direction by the most feasible route to a point at or near Five Finger rapids on the Lewis river, thence to a point at or near Fort Selkirk in the Northwest Territories; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines, and in connection therewith and with the other objects of the company all necessary roads, elevators and warehouses, and to build, equip, charter, navigate, control, operate and maintain steam and other passenger, freight and ferry steamers and vessels upon the rivers, lakes and streams on or adjacent to the line of said railway or in connection therewith or with the other operations and works of the company, and to carry on a general express business, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines; and with power to acquire and build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of compressing air or generating electricity for lighting, heating and motor purposes; and to utilize therefor the natural water power of the district; and to sell or otherwise dispose of the same or of the products thereof, and of any surplus electricity or other power generated by the company's works and not required by the company for operating its railway or other works. And with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aid from any government, municipality or other persons or body corporate; and to make traffic and other arrangements and connections with other railways or steamboat companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in connection with the construction of such railway or other works of the company and in advance of the same or otherwise, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using the same or any other roads of the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway, and from all persons using the said railway, vessels or ferries of the company, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels; and with power to buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, wares, implements, provisions, chattels and merchandise; to establish and maintain stores and trading posts, and to carry on any other business which may be capable of being carried on in connection with the company's other works; and with power to carry on in all its branches a mining, milling and smelting business and to exercise mining rights and powers, and to erect or acquire all mills and other machinery or contrivances necessary for the purposes, including the erection of saw mills and smelters; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges as may be necessary or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

F'CARTHY, OSLER, HOSKIN & CREELMAN,
Solicitors for the Applicants.
Toronto, 1st December, 1897.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres (more or less) of land situated in the northeastern shore of Alice Arm, Coast district, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked R. C., being the southwest corner; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to post marked N. W.; thence south following shore line to point of commencement.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1897.
ROBERT CUNNINGHAM.
Alice Arm, B. C.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres (more or less) of land on the northeastern bank of Alice Arm, Coast district, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked G. C., being the southwest corner; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to post marked N. W.; thence south following the windings of shore line to point of commencement.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1897.
GEORGE CUNNINGHAM.
Alice Arm.

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situate in Cassiar district, viz: Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of E. M. Sullivan's pre-emption claim at south end of Bennet lake; thence south forty (40) chains; thence west forty (40) chains; thence north eighty (80) chains; thence east twenty (20) chains, more or less, to the shore of Bennet lake; thence following the lake shore in a southeasterly direction to the point of commencement, and comprising about three hundred (300) acres, more or less.

H. A. MUNN.
Bennet Lake, B. C., Nov. 4th, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land situated on the South Arm of Teslin Lake and on the west side of the Arm or Slough thereof, commencing at the southeast corner post of C. E. Thomas' claim, thence south 40 chains along the west shore of the said Arm or Slough thereof, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains to C. E. Thomas' line, thence east 40 chains to point of commencement.

JOHN ALEXANDER HINTON.
Victoria, B.C., Oct. 16, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned intends to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land situated on the South Arm of Teslin Lake, west side of the Arm, commencing at the southeast corner post of A. Boyd's claim; thence south 40 chains along the west shore of the Arm; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains to A. Boyd's line; thence east 40 chains to the point of commencement.

CHARLES EDWARD THOMAS.
Victoria, B. C., 13th Oct., 1897. oct9-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date we intend to apply to the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of unoccupied Crown lands, situated on an Arm of Sidney Inlet on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, commencing at the northeast corner, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains along the beach to place of commencement.

Dated this 21st day of October, 1897.
THOMAS STOCKHAM.
(Signed) WALTER T. DAWLEY.
JOHN IRVING.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following unoccupied land situated on Sharp Point, Sidney Inlet, Clayoquot district, commencing at a post marked J. A. Drinkwater, Jas. B. Thompson, K. Peterson, J. W. Russell, S.E. corner post running forty chains north, thence forty chains west, thence forty chains south, thence forty chains east to point of commencement.

J. A. DRINKWATER.
JAS. B. THOMSON.
K. PETERSON.
J. W. RUSSELL.
Clayoquot, B. C., 20th Nov., 1897.

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SPAIN AND CUBA.

Some Reassuring Criticism of Existing Conditions.

New York, Dec. 20.—A letter written by one of the foremost diplomats of Spain and one more or less in the entire confidence of the government and therefore in a position to speak officially, destroyed some of the arguments that have been used time after time during the past few days by those in opposition to the Liberal ministry, says the Madrid correspondent of the Herald.

Speaking of this ministry, the writer points out irrefutably that Mr. A. Kiley's message cannot be construed as attacking the honor of the Spanish army, as Gen. Weyler and his friends would like to make the public believe. In the second place, Gen. Weyler was not recalled owing to pressure from the United States, as by the express wish of the Queen Regent his recall had been decided upon during the late Premier Canovas' lifetime. In the third place, the nation as a whole appears to be more strongly in favor of the government than has been the case in Spain for a long time. Everyone is eager to have done with the Cuban question, and at this very moment the city is decorated and illuminated as a sign of rejoicing over the establishment of peace in the Philippine Islands, while on every hand you hear wishes that the next bill of good news will be of a lasting peace in Cuba.

DIED IN THE DOUGH DISH.

New York, Dec. 20.—The Herald says: Circumstances pointing to a murder of unusual horror were recently brought to the attention of Distrinct Attorney Olcott and Captain McCluskey, of the detective bureau, the alleged victim of the case having been Peter Doggett, 30 years old, who, if his relatives are justified in their stories, was thrown into the dough-mixing vat at 427 West Fifteenth street on August 28th last and literally cut to pieces.

DIPLOMATIC UNDERSTANDING.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 20.—The Brazilian and Italian government have signed an agreement settling the incident of the killing of the Italians at Spiritus Sancto last month. Italy admits that there was no cause for diplomatic intervention.

NOT BORN TO DROWN.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—The schooner er Mayflower, Captain Olsen, has arrived, fifteen days from Coquille river. The vessel had 112,000 feet of lumber as a cargo when she started, but when she reached here she was 10,000 feet short. A seaman was at one time carried over the side of the schooner, but was caught by a wave and was carried back on board again.

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

London, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Christiania to the Daily Chronicle says the political situation since the failure of the united committee on foreign affairs has become critical, and it is feared that Sweden wil seek an occasion for armed intervention in Norway.

DUTIES ON PIGS AND PRODUCTS

Paris, Dec. 20.—The chamber of deputies to-day passed a bill increasing the customs duties on pigs, pig products and lard. The bill fixed a duty on hogs at 12 francs; on sucking pigs at 3 francs; on hog products at 50 francs and on lard at 35 francs per hundred kilos.

AUTONOMY DISCOURAGEMENTS.

Madrid, Dec. 20.—Lieut.-Gen. Marin, captain-general of Puerto Rico, is about to resign owing to the impossibility of a reconciliation of the different parties in the islands with a view of establishing autonomy.

CHINESE VIEW

Wu Ying Fang, Diplomatic Representative in the United States, on the Port Arthur Episode.

Germany's Policy is a Matter of Much Speculation at Washington.

New York, Dec. 20.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

Minister Wu Ying Fang, the diplomatic representative of China in this country, expressed the opinion that the reported occupancy of Port Arthur by a Russian squadron would prove to be but a temporary convenience to the Czar's fleet, granted by the Peking government. He said the Russian squadron in Asiatic waters was granted permission last year to winter at Kiao Chau, and the Russian ships remained there during the winter, but as soon as warm weather set in they resumed their manoeuvers in the Pacific ocean. For the convenience of the Russian officers the Chinese government sent interpreters to Kiao Chau and made every effort to make them comfortable.

In view of the German occupancy of Kiao Chau it was impossible to permit Russian ships to return to that port and the minister therefore believes the Russian admiral asked and received permission to winter his ships at Port Arthur. It is said Russian vessels cannot winter at Vladivostock during the winter owing to the ice. The minister said he thought the Germans would eventually retire from Kiao Chau. So far as known in Russia there is no intention on the part of the Chinese government to seek the exercise of the good offices of this government with a view to securing the withdrawal of Germany.

Minister Wu is extremely anxious that American interests shall be extended in China. Two or three American syndicates are now seeking concessions in the Celestial Kingdom, but he is desirous that more shall reach out for Chinese trade and thus promote commercial relations between the Peking and Washington governments. The United States he says, has not ulterior motives with reference to the empire. It does not want Chinese territory and the development of its interests in the kingdom would naturally increase and strengthen the concern of this government in the welfare of its associate friends. It is understood the minister is considering the advisability of suggesting to his government that the President be asked to authorize the employment by the Chinese of army and navy officers of the United States to train the army and navy of China. At present English officers are employed for the navy and German officers for the army, but the governments which these gentlemen represent are both grasping for Chinese territory.

The policy which Germany is pursuing in the Pacific is a matter of much speculation in Washington. It is generally believed that the Emperor has simply been influenced by his desire to secure the passage by the reichstag of the bill to increase the German navy. It was said at the navy department that Germany is expending $9,000,000 during the year 1897-98 for vessels under construction. One battleship and two gunboats have been authorized but work has not yet been commenced upon them. Two vessels under construction include two first class battleships, one armored cruiser, five protected cruisers, one torpedo boat destroyer and eight torpedo boats.

The report that Germany proposes to seize Hawaii and Samoa is regarded as ridiculous by administration officials. Germany has little interest, as compared with other nations, in the Hawaiian islands. It is admitted that her interests in Samoa are large.

The last administration was willing to denounce the treatp of June 14, 1889, between the United States, Great Britain and Germany. Mr. Olney informed the German ambassador here that "The treaty is unfavorable to the United States and is one which should be modified or altogether abrogated."

President McKinley proposes that the United States shall retain its grip on Samoa and will agree to no proposition which contemplates the turning over of the share of this government in Samoa to either Germany or Great Britain.

TRAIN ROBBERS LOCATED.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—It is believed by the authorities that they have located the robbers who held up the Northern Pacific train near Moorhead in October, and one of the alleged robbers is now in the county jail in this city. It is reported he worked in Moorhead long enough to familiarize himself with the situation and engage the help of some local men, who, however, weakened later. It is reported that the prisoner has made a complete confession.

LAMP CHIMNEYS IN DEMAND.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—Notices have been posted in the majority of the lamp chimney factories of the country that instead of the usual two weeks' shutdown, there will only be one day of idleness (Christmas) during the holidays this year. The extra work means thousands of dollars in the aggregate to the workmen in wages.

GRAIN SPECULATOR SUICIDES.

Warsaw, Ind., Dec. 20.—E. F. Moon committed suicide to-day by drinking carbolic acid. Moon was for many years a very wealthy merchant here, but lost his money in grain speculations.

While every person cannot have an abundant head of hair, it is possible, with care and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer, to grow a respectable hirsutic covering.

CABLE NEWS.

London, Dec. 21.—Saturday, Dec. 25th (Christmas Day), Monday Dec. 27, and the Monday following (Jan. 3rd) will be observed here as holidays.

Madrid, Dec. 21.—Serious strike disorders have ocurred at Morenzo, where a band of strikers attacked a band of non-strikers. Several persons were wounded and gendarmes are patrolling the streets.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—Princess Hohenlohe, wife of the imperial chancellor is dead. She had been suffering from inflammation of the lungs. The princess was born February 16, 1829; married February 16, 1847, to Prince Von Hohenlohe Sshillingsfurst, and had four children, three sons and a daughter.

Madrid, Dec. 21.—Official dispatches from Havana confirm the report of the execution of Lt.-Col. Joaquin Ruiz. The Queen Regent has cabled an expression of sympathy to the family of the deceased officer.

Sir Halliday Macartney, the English secretary of the Chinese embassy, was asked to-day if Russia's possession of Port Arthur would be temporary, and he replied that this plea was usually made a pretext for occupation.

AN IMPORTANT MOVE.

New Policy of Ontario With Reference to Timber Limits.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Undoubtedly the leading feature of to-day in Eastern Canada was the announcement this afternoon in the Ontario legislature by commissioner of crown lands Gibson, of the new policy of the provincial government with reference to the timber limits.

The government has yielded to the pressure of the large majority of lumbermen and of overwhelming public opinion, and has decided to put what will be termed a manufacturing clause in the timber regulations, the effect of which will be to compel the sawing within the province of all logs taken from crown timber lands. This legislation will certainly cause considerable comment in the United States and probably some excitement.

THE MURDERED ACTOR.

Great Interest Shown in the Funeral of William Terriss.

London, Dec. 21.—The funeral of Wm. Terriss, the actor, took place to-day at Brompton cemetery. There was an immense crowd of people. The principal mourners were the two sons of the deceased, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Hicks, and Messrs. Cattie, Sir Henry Irving, Mr. Charles Wyndham and Mr. George Grossmith.

The funeral procession was composed of 100 carriages. On arrival at the cemetery it was found that 50,000 people had assembled there. All the leading theatrical people in London were among those present. It was the most remarkable demonstration of sympathy in recent years.

CRUISERS FOR JAPAN.

Two Under Construction in the United States Ready for Launching.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—The Japanese legation has been informed that the two new cruisers which Japan is having built in this country are so well along towards completion as to be launched within the next few weeks. The cruiser at Cramp's shipyard, Philadelphia, has been christened "Kasagi Kan" and launching will occur on January 20th. The cruiser at the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, is named "Chi Tose;" launching in February. The cruisers are alike in all respects, having a tonnage of 5,000 each. The contracts call for a speed of 22 knots per hour.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

Major Perry, of the N. W. M. P. to be Stationed at Victoria.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Major Perry, of the Northwest Mounted Police, will be sent to Skagway immediately with a large supply of provisions and dogs, and after seeing them over the passes he will return to Victoria, where he will be stationed to superintend Yukon parties at that point.

REV. DR. DAVID A. DAY IS DEAD.

Baltimore, Dec. 20.—The body of the Rev. Dr. David A. Day, the distinguished missionary of the Lutheran church, who has served at Muylenburg Mission, on the west coast of Africa for nearly twenty-five years and who died on the steamship Lucania last Friday, one day out from New York, was brought here yesterday.

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DRAGGED THE SUSQUEHANNA.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 20.—Experienced men dragged the Susquehanna river all day yesterday for the body of Rev. S. S. Spearrier, who, it is thought, either committed suicide or was murdered and thrown into the river on Thursday night.

PEACE OR WAR?

China is Asking This Question Regarding Her Relations With Germany.

Russian Influence Paramount—The Situation at Kiao Chau Bay is Unchanged.

Pekin, Dec. 22.—The China government have granted Russia permission to winter a squadron at Port Arthur. Great Britain demands a quid pro quo if concessions have been made to other powers. It has been suggested that the Japanese and British occupy Wei-Hai-Wei jointly.

The situation at Kiao Chau bay is unchanged. Germany remains unyielding and Chinese counsels are divided as to whether there should be peace or war with Germany.

China regards Russia as her only friend, and is asking her advice alone. British influence is nil, having suffered greatly through the failure of the loan negotiations.

China is now negotiating a loan with Russia. The latter demands the dismissal of the British railroad engineers in North China, and it is probable that the demand will be granted.

The German drill instructors will be dismissed at the expiration of their contracts and be replaced by Russians. Russian officers have already been appointed to drill the armies in North China.

It is believed that Port Arthur and Kiao Chou Bay were promised to Russia by a secret treaty.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—In a strongly anti-British article to-day the Novosti says:

"In consequence of the pretension of England to compensate herself for the Russian occupation of Port Arthur by the acquisition of Port Hamilton or Lazareff, and in view of the possibility of the disturbing action of Japan, Europe stands on the brink of grave diplomatic complications. It is therefore well to recall that the reinforcement of the German squadron in the Pacific permits Russia, France and Germany to effectively prevent the disturbance of the balance of power between the three powers on the one hand, and Great Britain and Japan on the other, such as might be produced by violent seizures of territory."

In conclusion the Novosti expresses the hope that the isolation of Great Britain in regard to the other European powers will paralyze her action sufficiently to permit the preservation of peace from the dangers threatening at the present moment.

London, Dec. 21.—According to special dispatches received from Shanghai, the British Squadron will make a demonstration at Chee Foo, on the north coast of the Shan Tung promontory, as a warning. It is supposed that Great Britain intends to oppose the division of China without consulting her. It is reported that Russia has offered China a loan to pay off the war indemnity.

It is believed, says the dispatch, that Japan and England are acting in concert to reserve China from disintegration, favoring the idea of a protectorate over Central China, with a capital at Nanking.

A German-Chinese commission has been arranged, according to a dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Mail, to settle the boundary of the occupied district at Kiao Chau, and it is evident, therefore, that the occupation will be permanant. The same despatch says it is rumered inShanghai that the British intend to occupy Talienwan, south of Port Arthur, in order to guard the gulf or Pechili.

The Daily Mail's correspondent at Tokio says there is no excitement there over the news from Port Arthur. The press is calm and the public is indifferent. It is rumored also, the despatch alleges, that a large Russian military force has come overland from Siberia.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—The Cologne Gazette embarrassed the goverment to-day by declaring that the other powers would soon follow the example of Germany and Russia now that the partitition of China had actually commenced. Other papers have expressed opinions in a similar strain. It has been hinted that Prince Henry's destination is another point than Kiao Chau and that he will receive the supreme command of the China seas. The Nord Deutsch Allgemeine Zeitung hastened to issue a denial of these assumptions, declaring that they were not warranted by facts.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—The Cologne Gazette maintains the accuracy of its statement yesterday that the Russian occupation of Port Arthur was connected with the visit there of the British warship Daphne, about a week ago. As a proof it points out that there were neither Russian ships nor Russian consul at Port Arthur at the time the Daphne visited the harbor, and it argues that Russia could only have learned of the visit there from Chinese complaints.

To the aged, with their poor appetite, feeble circulation and impoverished blood Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a boon beyond price. Its effect is to check the ravages of time by invigorating every organ, nerve and tissue of the body. See Ayer's almanac for the new year.

NEW RELIGIOUS SECT.

Establishment of an Independent Polish Catholic Church in America.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The Times-Herald says:

Polish Catholic seceders from the Roman Church, who have organized the independent "Polish Catholic Church of America,' with three parishes located in Chicago, recived Bishop Anthony Kozlowski, leader in the revolt, as the spiritual head of the church in America on Sunday with impressive rites. The new prelate has just returned from Europe, where he went by appointment from his people to receive ordination as a bishop. As he could not secure recognition from the Holy See and was consecrated by a bishop of the Catholic Christian church of Switzerland, there was said to be doubt as to the welcome awaiting him. This proved to be unfounded. The priest's old parish received him back with open arms and great enthusiasm at his course of action. By this act a new sect is formaly established in America which occupies the anomalous position of recognizing the Roman Pontiff of the Occident; of subscribing to the Roman Catholic faith as based on the foundation of the Apostles, the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments, the traditions of the fathers, the Athanasian creed and the Council of Trent, except such decrees as touch upon the Roman jurisdiction and hierarchy—all those, yet affirming as complete liberty in local self-government as the investiment of property titles in the local parish organization.

The priest spoke on "American Reformation," and predicted that it will rapidly absorb most of the Polish-American Catholics into its fellowship. About 17,000 communicants are claimed by the three parishes in Chicago, after but four years of existence. The movement has spread into a dozen other cities. Bishop Kozlowski now stands at the head of this sect in America.

Because of the significance of the prelate's return to the people whom he led into the independent movements, yesterday was celebrated as both a patriotic and religious holiday by many thousands of Poles in this city. After solemn high mass had ben celebrated by Bishop Kozlowski, he made a report of his mission to Switzerland. He produced the document attesting his ordination, which was read in Latin by Rev. Paul Poloch and was interpreted first in Polish and then in English. This parchment is regarded by the priesthood of the new church as ample proof of legitimate ordination. There was no attempt to convey the impression that Pope Leo had given his sanction to the new Polish movement in the wording of the document.

Dr. Poloch says the new Polish church is now in communion with all the independent Catholic churches of Europe, comprising the "Federation of Utrecht," formed 30 years ago, with 4,000,000 communicants.

The siutation is the outgrowth of the dissensions which rent St. Stanilaus and St. Hedwige Roman Catholic parishes four years ago. Those who now constitute the Independent Polish Church left the mother church under the leadership of Father Kozlowski, and for awhile clamored for the appointment of a Polish Bishop, to have charge of their spiritual affairs independently of Archbishop Fehan. They failed to get any recognition, however, and the new organization resulted.

STEAMER'S SHAFT BROKEN.

Liverpool, Dec. 20.—British steamer Floridian, Capt. Bullock, from New Orleans, December 1st, to this port, has arrived here and reports having passed on December 16th, in latitude 50, longitude 22, the British steamer Appomattox, from London for Newport News. She signalled that her shaft was broken. The British steamer Virginia was preparing to take the Appomattox in tow.

SUNDAY IN MEXICO CITY.

City of Mexico, Dec. 20.—The bull fight yesterday afternoon was largely attended. Ten horses were killed and six balls. Mazzantini was in his usual good form and the other performers acquitted themselves to the satisfaction of the public.

Mr. Bryan attended divine service at the Union Evangelical church and was also the guest of President Diaz at the distribution of prizes to the Mexican exhibitors at the Chicago and Atlanta expositions.

GERMAN FLEET'S DESTINATION.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The assertions that the German fleet, under Prince Henry, will go to Somoa and Hawaii, thus creating a menacing situation for the United States, are ridiculed in official circles. When the reports were called to the attenton of the German representatives they laughed heartily at the idea. Nothing of the kind has ever been considered. The German fleet will go to China via Suez canal and its destination is Kiao Chou bay.

"My Life Despaired of."

These are the words of Mrs. William Burton, of Dartmore, Ont., after doctors had prescribed and she had taken every known heart remedy. Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gave relief in almost shorter time than it takes to tell it—it worked a wonderful cure in a case of long standing, and to-day she says: "I am a well woman." Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart has no case recorded against it where it did not give relief inside of thirty minutes.

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BEET SUGAR MEN OPPOSE HAWAII.

Ames, Neb., Dec. 18.—The American Sugar Growers' Society has prepared a petition to congress asking that body not to be hasty in taking action on the question of annexing Hawaii. It has issued a manifesto in which it proclaims to the country that the annexation will seriously cripple, if not utterly ruin, the rapidly increasing industry of sugar beet growing.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The total output of sugar from the Hawaiian islands for the year just closed, according to the figures of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, is put down as 248,567 tons, as against 248,555 tons last year.

KITE FLYING THEORIES.

New York, Dec. 20.—Wm. A. Eddy, of Bayonne, N. J., well known as an expert in constructing and flying kites and in aerial photography, has just completed a series of experiments which he thinks prove that his kites may be made of the utmost value to meteorologists and navigators.

He believes that he has established the fact that the pull of his kites on their strings actually measures the velocity of the wind and he thinks that the wind velocity over a wide region is practically the same at a not very great height above the ground, where the effect of the irregularities of the earth's surface upon the atmospheric movements is amulled.

CONFUSION IN CHILE.

Valparaiso, Dec. 20.—Politics in Chile are sadly mixed. Since the resignation of the cabinet, which was due to the coalition of the government Liberals, the Conservatives and the Balmacedists, there have been several attempts to form a new one, but all efforts in this direction have gone for naught. The coalition of the three parties was based on an agreement to give to each party two members in the cabinet. Senor Ismael Tocornal undertook to form a new ministry and failed because of the refusal of the government Liberals to abide by the agreement; they have been willing to give only one member of the cabinet each to Balmacedists and Conservatives. Then Senor Pedro Montt undertook to form a ministry, but was persona non grata to certain political leaders; therefore he failed. Senor Montt was bitterly attacked by the press, and President Errazuriz was criticized harshly by even his own organizations for choosing him. Scheming against the interests of the country was charged and the president was accused of betraying his party. The president has had several conferences with the leaders of the three parties, but so far as can be learned he has arrived at no decision as to whom he will select to form his ministry.

A big mass meeting of workingmen was held here to protest against the government's policy or refusal of all offers to build more railway cars and locomotives at home. The speakers demanded that such work be done in order to give employment to those who need it to support themselves and families. A resolution embodying the sense of the

TORONTO TOPICS.

News of the Walsh Party—Extra Police for the Yukon.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—The Globe prints a letter from Dufferin Patullo, secretary to Major Walsh, which was dated from White Rapids, Nov. 8th. The letter gives details of the trip from Lake Bennett, and also announces two regulations by Major Walsh. One is that no man will be allowed to pass Tagish Post without a supply of six months' provisions, which will in all probability save many lives. The second is an increase of the duty on whisky from 50 cents to two dollars per gallon, liquor only to be brought in bulk, case or barrel, and only the best Canadian brands will be allowed to pass at all.

The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says much surprise is occasioned by the publication by United States Commissioner Foster of his correspondence with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, as it was confidential and had not been declared closed.

The Globe announces that the force of police in the Yukon will be increased from 90 to 250, of which 100 will be stationed at Dawson, the balance at Selkirk, Tagish, Dalton Trail and one or two other points. The first detachment of 30 will be sent up at New Year's, the others following rapidly thereafter. Fifty dogs will also be sent up, making 180 in all which the government will then have in the Yukon. The additional police will be taken largely from Regina district. It is hinted that the police may be withdrawn altogether from this district and the militia system extended to meet the situation.