

GOT DOWN TO WORK.

Most Exciting Scenes in the Dominion Parliament—The Premier's Vim and Energy.

Tupper a Synonym for Success—The Disgraceful Tactics Pursued in the Victoria Election.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTAWA, Jan. 18.—The crisis is over and parliament has settled down to the work of the session. The last ten days have been the most exciting within my experience in the gallery, now ranging over 14 years.

MAD E A GOOD HANDLE

of the incidents. Both Mr. Laurier and Sir Richard Cartwright took the ground that it was an insult to Her Majesty's representatives for these ministers to step out two days after the delivery of the speech from the throne.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER

to the ministry has infused confidence into the party. The name of the old war-horse of Cumberland is a synonym for success, and when the premiership reverts to him, as in the natural course of events it shortly will, the country will see the Liberal Conservative party going into the fight under a leader of indomitable courage, tact and discretion.

TWO IMPORTANT ADDITIONS

in the person of Mr. Powell, the new member for Westmeath, and Major McGillivray, the stalwart representative of North Ontario. Both delivered admirable addresses. The former did not hesitate to tackle the school question, while the latter who occupies the Pooch-Bah position of farmer, lawyer, Q.C., champion sheep raiser and secretary of the Independent Foresters, devoted himself principally to agricultural subjects.

A MERCHANT TESTIFIES

GENTLEMEN—I write to tell you how good I have found Hagar's Yellow Oil for sore throat. In one family alone the Yellow Oil cured several bad cases, and my customers now recognize its great value. They seem to prefer it to all others.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Terminal City Sneak Thieves—Placer Gold at Point Roberts—Mining Notes.

Victoria Merchants in the Okanagan—Transfers at Midway—East Yale and Its Member.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 25.—Thursday will be Vancouver's market day. As soon as the council market committee can assure the C.P.R. of certain business being given them by the up-country farmers, rates will be reduced.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Jan. 25.—John Johnston was brought from Mission yesterday and pronounced insane by Doctors Fagan and Walker.

REFORMS IN TURKEY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The house of representatives to-day after an interesting four hours' debate, adopted the resolutions passed by the senate last week, calling on the powers signatory to the treaty of Berlin to enforce the reforms in Turkey guaranteed to the Christians.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Jan. 28.—Dunsmuir & Sons have chartered the whaleback City of Everett for two trips to San Francisco with coal, and it is possible a permanent charter will be secured.

TORONTO TOPICS.

TORONTO, Jan. 27.—(Special)—The Hyams brothers appeared in the police court again this morning. It was decided not to go on with the forgery case, but the charge of conspiracy to murder against Dallas Hyams was taken up again.

BOUNDARY DISPUTE SETTLED.

TORONTO, Jan. 25.—(Special)—In Lac la Croix, west of Port Arthur, lies Coleman island. For some time it has been a matter of doubt whether it belonged to the United States or Canada, and recently the Ontario government went so far as to survey it.

THE WORLD'S FAIR TESTS

showed no baking powder so pure or so great in leavening power as the Royal.

DOMINION ESTIMATES.

Appropriations for British Columbia—Increase in the Grant for Lighthouses.

The Militia Estimates Materially Augmented—Budget Speech Thursday.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—The estimates for the next fiscal year, presented to Parliament to-night, show that the net decrease in the appropriations is \$175,000.

British Columbia Appropriations for Lighthouses.

Dominion public buildings, renewals, improvements, repairs, etc., \$5,000.

New Westminster drill hall, \$6,000.

Victoria drill hall and accessory buildings, \$4,000.

Victoria new post office, \$100,000.

Columbia river improvements above Golden, \$4,000.

Victoria harbor, dredging in the inner harbor, \$10,000.

Fraser river, improvement of the ship channel, \$10,000.

Fraser river, general repairs and improvements to harbor, river and bridge works, \$3,000.

Skeena river, \$3,500.

B.C. immigration vote, \$13,000 (the same as last year).

The light-house appropriation is increased \$20,000.

Toronto gets \$10,000 to entertain the British Association next year.

The militia estimates have been increased to \$411,000; all the city and rural corps are to be drilled.

The mail service has been increased \$211,000, presumably the increase which the Canadian Pacific is asking for.

Mr. Martin will ask if the government intend to order the removal of the wreck of the San Pedro.

The fact that only \$50,000 is asked for election expenses next year as against \$115,000 voted for this year leads to the inference that the general elections will be held before June 30.

Hon. Mr. Foster will present the budget next Thursday. He was ready to present it to-morrow, but owing to Sir Richard Cartwright's absence deferred it.

Commissioner Robertson has sold the Prince Edward Island product of cheese of last season at good prices, which will net a profit to the farmers of \$20,000.

Secretary Small, of the Department of Agriculture, is to be superintended by the fancy dress ball of February 17 is not to be postponed.

This has been a miscellaneous day in the house; questions as the duty on agricultural implements to Sir Charles Tupper's occupancy of the High Commissioner's office, and the Intercolonial staff being discussed.

Hon. Mr. Foster, replying to Mr. Davies, said that a member of the cabinet, his position being the same as that of any other privy councillor who is a member of the cabinet.

BEHRING SEA COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Secretary Olney was called upon to-day by Sir Julian Pauncefote, British ambassador, who submitted the final acceptance by the British Government of the plan of a Behring Sea commission to pass upon the claims of Canadian sealers seized prior to the Paris award.

It remains only for the President to submit the plan to congress, and as the legislative branch has refused to pay a lump sum for the seizures, it is considered certain that the commission arrangement will be approved.

It is likely that the President in submitting the plans to congress may suggest once more the desirability of a lump sum payment as the most expeditious means of settlement, for the commission of arbitration, if agreed to, will bind the United States to any payment awarded, which may far exceed the lump sum proposed.

The commission is to be composed of one American commissioner, one British commissioner, and an umpire to be chosen by the two. The personnel of the commission has not been suggested, but there is a belief that the President of Switzerland will be asked to act as umpire, or some one designated by him, if the sessions of the commission necessitate the presence of the umpire in the country.

In view of the pending request of the Venezuelan commission to the British government, Sir Julian's call at the state department on the Behring Sea matter led to some comment as to Great Britain's probable answer to the letter of Justice Brewer, transmitted through Secretary Olney, but it is understood that the ambassador had no information to impart on this subject and that the British foreign office has not given any information as to its purpose.

There is reason to believe, however, that there will be no action on the Brewer letter within a month or more, as the request will go through the usual slow channels of diplomacy. The answer of Venezuela is expected to be delayed until about February 14, as the mail transmission of the request and answer will take until then.

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Frank Gardner, an American, of Port Arthur, wrote to the Washington authorities complaining of the action threatening that there would be trouble

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 28.—(Special)—J. S. Ewart, Q.C., left to-day for Ottawa.

"My business to the Dominion Capital," said the well known solicitor for the Roman Catholic minority, "is to look into what the government, or the committee they have appointed, are doing with the remedial measure which we have been promised.

There are a good many rumors going the rounds that this bill is to be a mild one and after five years of hard work we do not intend to receive practically nothing as satisfaction for our labors.

I shall do all that I can to assist the government in carrying out their pledges to deal justly with the Catholics of Manitoba."

A dispatch from West Selkirk says that Michael Chin, a young man eighteen years old, while scuffling with other boys in a store here dropped dead.

He was in his usual health all day.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 27.—(Special)—By dog train mail from Rt. Rev. Dr. Beece, Anglican Bishop of the Mackenzie river, Sir John Schultz learned to-day that in August last two whalers had come in the vicinity of Herschel Island from the neighborhood of which, owing to the large yearly catches in the past, the whalers are beginning to disappear.

The Eskimo at the mouth of the Mackenzie under mission influence, objected to the quantities of whiskey supplied by them.

One of the whalers will winter as far east as Cape Bathurst. His Lordship thanks Sir John Schultz for the interest he has taken in these matters.

The shipments of wheat from the Port Arthur and Fort William elevators last week were 40,000 bushels more than the preceding week.

The returns are as follows: Receipts 180,149 bushels, shipments 110,984, in store 3,714,445.

The Winnipeg Conservatives held a meeting on Friday evening to arrange for the Dominion elections.

The Winnipeg hockey players have returned from a successful tour to the St. Paul carnival. They met the St. Paul and Minneapolis teams in the tournament and were easy winners in the final.

A Montreal dispatch published here says the C.P.R. will erect another main north grain elevator at Fort William next summer, also a large flat grain warehouse.

FITTINGLY FEARED.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 27.—(Special)—Prince Louis, nephew of King Humbert and son of a former King of Spain, with the officers of the Italian warship Christopher Colombo was feted by the citizens of Vancouver, B.C., to-night.

The reception was a grand success, being attended by dignitaries from all parts of the province.

The prince is 23 years of age, is handsome, a graceful dancer, and converses fluently in English.

The Colombo leaves here on Wednesday for Esquimault, and after a week of social life will proceed to San Francisco.

CHARLEVOIX ELECTION.

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—Latest returns from Charlevoix give Angers, Liberal, 200 majority over his Independent opponent.

There was no straight Conservative in the field.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR

Restores natural color to the hair and also prevents it falling out. Mrs. H. W. Fenwick, of Digby, N. S., says: "A little more than two years ago my hair began to turn gray and fall out. After the use of one bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor my hair was restored to its original color and ceased falling out. An occasional application has since kept the hair in good condition."

Growth of Hair.

"Eight years ago, I had the varioloid, and lost my hair, which previously was quite abundant. I tried a variety of preparations, but without beneficial result, till I began to fear I should be permanently bald. About six months ago, my husband brought home a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor, and I began at once to use it. In a short time, new hair began to appear, and there is now every prospect of as thick a growth of hair as before my illness."

Mrs. A. WEBER, Polynnia St., New Orleans, La.

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