W. W. B. M'INNES ON HIS WAY TO OTTAWA

He Tells of Mission to the Capital and Promising Outlook in the

W. W. B. McInnes. Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, arrived in the city on Saturday evening. Governor Me-Innes is undoubtedly one of the most produced. His political career in provincial politics was of a brilliant character. His promotion to the governor- is not the need of a great number of ship of the Yukon has been attended the police. There is no lawlessness with the same signal success. There in any part of the Territory at the has since he assumed the office been but one judgment by those interested in the northern goldfields and that has considerable expense by reducing the been of the most flattering character, number of police in the Territory. He has in the office he fills in the north given satisfaction to all classes of the territory and won an enviable name for ceive the sanction of the Dominion auhimself in a position which it is ac- thorities. The act is along the genknowledged is not the least difficult to eral lines of the Mechanics' Lien act of fill. The administration of the affairs this province. A difficulty was expein the Yukon calls for peculiar gifts rienced in connection with a similar and the Dominion Government in the act which had been passed in the Ter-

trip south by his wife and their fam- to overcome this difficulty. fly. He has important business at Ottawa and will not remain on the coast for any length of time on this occasion. On his return from the East he may find time to make a rather longer visit among his many friends in this city. His trip out is on public business and has to do with the government at Ottawa. He will, therefore, leave as tiful supply of water for all purposes soon as possible for the east. On spent there will return to Victoria. On Saturday this week he expects to start | There was a period of about six weeks on his trip to Ottawa. Just how long he will remain at the Federal capital it is impossible to foretell. There are some very important matters to be gone into with the Minister of the Interior and what time will be taken in the full consideration of these is diffi-

cut to prophesy beforehand. Since Mr. McInnes assumed the administration of affairs in the north he has endeavored to thoroughly acquaint himself with the conditions and the requirements of the Territory. He visited the various outlying camps in the district and made himself familiar with the needs and the difficulties of the miners. During the summer the Minister of the Interior, under whose department the administration of the Yukon falls, also visited the Territory and made an inspection of the country for himself. This will greatly facilitate matters at Ottawa when the representations which Mr. McInnes is put to make are laid before the Min-

ne of these questions will be the consideration of a new placer mining code, which has been prepared by a select committee of the Yukon Council under the supervision of Mr. McInnes and approved of by the Council. This code is intended to meet the changed conditions in the north and to right defects which the laws were supposed to the general wishes of those engaged i the mining industry and has met with the endorsation of the mining community. It has been published and all its details are known, and have received the approval of those most diof this act is the proposed change in the shape of the creek claims. It is and the shape to conform to the following section

along the base line of the creek, estabment survey. The rear boundaries of and type have been ordered for next the claim shall be parallel to the base year. line and shall be defined by measuring 1,000 feet on each side of the base line. In the event of the base line not being established the claim may be staked along the general direction of the valley of the creek, but it will be necessary to conform to the boundaries which the base line, when established, shall define."

It is proposed in the code to allow this shape where the extension of the width shall not interfere with any With a supply of water these would be other claims or perties. Mr. Mc-Innes will urge upon the Federal Gov-

A bill to amend the placer mining act of the Province of British Columbia along similar lines has been introduced into the legislature at the present ses-The size proposed for the Brit- possible to get paying returns. ish Columbia claim is somewhat smaller than that planned for the Yukon, but the same principle is involved in has been introduced by Dr. Young, for passes most pleasantly. Atlin , where the conditions are very similar to those in the Yukon. Last says, have adopted a high ideal in livsession Mr. Jones, one of the Cariboo ing and there is consequently nothing representatives, proposed a similarshaped claim in the mining committee enjoyable. of the legislature. His proposition was not acted upon, but this year has been introduced by another member.

tee of the Yukon Council went into the club and a banquet to be given in his question of concessions granted to vari- honor. Mr. McInnes has been forced to to raise his salary on account of his ous parties in the Yukon some years decline this kind offer, which is but ago. There are quite a number of these another evidence of the popularity of and they were each gone into on their the new Governor among the mining several merits. The result of the in- fraternity which carries on operations vestigation is contained in representa- in the Yukon. He will not find it contions which will be made by Mr. Mc- venient to visit Seattle at the present Innes at Ottawa. It is proposed to time and anything of this character deal with these concessions as the cir- will have to stand over for the present cumstances in each case warrants. at least and until his return from Ot-There are probably about sixteen con- tawa.

cessions in the Territory. Another matter which the Governor ed since his arrival here and asked to of the Yukon will go into with the accept of a banquet to be tendered by Minister is that of the proposed water the citizens of Victoria and his friends. supply for hydraulic mining. The pro- It will be remembered that before he position is a gigantic one and has in went north the Governor of the Yukon view the bringing of a water supply was approached with a similar object H. Jesse, one of the victims of the to be used in hydraulic mining from in view, the desire being expressed that

the headwaters of the Klondike. This his friends in British Columbia would water it is intended to use in working like to mark the promotion which had the benches and the hills where the only feasible method is by hydraulic reply from Mr. McInnes was in the ne-operations. An expenditure of \$5,000,-100 is expected to be involved in the time was that they should wait until he undertaking. The water will be carbad proved himself. Now that the ied a distance of about 55 miles, but the expenditure, it is believed in the north, would be wisely spent. A sur- has been appointed the same excuse vey and estimate of the cost has been is not possible. But still Mr. McInnes ORIENTALS TO BUILD made during the summer by a surveyor asks that such a function be cut out. of the department at Ottawa, Mr. Thi- His only excuse now is that he is "a

On reaching the capital, Mr. McInnes vill urge this scheme upon the Federal Government, and will ask that the expense be borne by the Dominion or at least that a very substantial vote be given in aid of the work. Those engaged in mining ask only

that the water be assured to them at a reasonable rate and are not particular how it is brought to the claims.

There will also be made by him plea for civil service reform. In this connection it is intended to recomme a reduction in the staff. It is likewise popular of the public men which the intended to make representations lookprovince of British Columbia has ing to a reduction in the number of mounted police employed in the Territory. The conditions in the north are such that the Governor says there present time. There is an absence of crime and it is believed that the Federal Government may be relieved of a

A Miners' Lien act which the Yukon Council has passed will be asked to reselection of Mr. McInnes made a happy ritory. The courts declared it ultra vires. The new act passed will be laid before the Federal authorities in order

By receiving the sanction of the Dominion Government the law will be perative

Mr. McInnes thinks that the prospects for the coming season in the Yukon are excellent. There has been a very heavy fall of snow which is an indication that there will be a plennext year. Last season the production ne will proceed to his old of gold was a little less than the year during the season when work was producing their best. The result was that the aggregate of the territory was materially reduced.

> The Yukon is now entering upon a ew cra, that of the dredging operations. This is bound to increase, Mr. McInnes says, and will alter the conditions of the north to a very material extent. This will not drive out the inremains a vast field for this latter lass. The dredging operations are carried on on ground which has been worked over in some instances several times. Dirt which could not be worked at a profit in any other way lends itself readily to the dredges. New territories are constantly being opened up to the individual miner and of the claims now being worked there is

abundant scope for the miner of small

capita'. The mutual division of the ground as best adapted to the requirements of each between the individual miners and the dredging companies promises a continued life to the mining operations in the Yukon. Last year there were five dredges in operation. This coming season there will be at least seven more put in operation. As an examcontain. It has been prepared to meet ple of the economy of the dredge in he working of the dirt, Mr. McInnes points out that the average work of a the matter over for another meeting. miner is about eight cubic yards per day. The big dredge on the Boyle con- Mrs. Hasell report proved type in use in California, dis- with the plans to raise money by the rectly interested. Among the features poses of 3,000 cubic yards a day of 24 end of the year for a maternity ward. hours. This is done with only eleven | They had collected \$1,100, and Mr. Elmen, so that the cost of operation after | worthy had some money. The secrethe intention of the act to alter the size the installation is not great. This tary, amidst laughter, said that \$100 ground worked in the north that only short discussion as to plans followed, "A placer claim on a creek shall not for the shortened run last year it would and the ladies left the meeting after exceed 500 feet in length, measured have more than paid for itself in its a vote of thanks had been passed for The average charge per head was first year. As it was, the entire cost their attendance. lished or to be established by a govern- was met. Two more of the same size

The bringing of the water supply rom the headwaters of the Klondike will, if carried out, result in a great development of another branch of the orthern mining, namely the hydraulic work. This is devoted to the hills and benches bounding the valleys which are given up to the individual miners and the dredges. By means of the diamond drill these hill sides are tested to bedof the altering of the existing claims to rock and the value of them is thoroughly ascertained before work begins.

washed down and the gold recovered. With all these possibilities the Yuernment the sanctioning of this new kon has still a long period of prosperity. New fields, some of them very rich, are being opened up constantly. The hydraulic and dredging operations follow where the individual miner, the pioneer of the territory, finds it im-

Mr. McInnes is well pleased with the north. Life is delightful in Dawson and he finds a residence there pleasant. The the laying out of the claim. This bill weather is charming he says and time

The residents of the Territory, he lacking in Dawson to make life very

Upon his arrival here, Mr. McInnes was met with an invitation from the Alaska Club of Seattle, to visit that During the summer another commit- city, accept of the hospitality of the

Mr. McInnes has also been approach-

fallen to him in a suitable manner. The Governor has given ample proof of his adaptability for the office to which he modest man," and does not care these things. As a matter of fact Mr. McInnes, who is the most agreeable of companions, and the life of all such gatherings, has an antipathy to accepting of banquets to be tendered

himself and has so far avoided all with very few exceptions. Mr. McInnes has asked that the plans with respect to a banquet in Victoria should be put off for the pres ent, awaiting his return from Ottawa.

-The announcement from London that the solution of the sealing question, in an international way, lies in a proposal that Canada should be a joint owner in the seal rookery islands in exchange for private rights, is not ooked upon by local sealers as possible. One of those engaged in the industry here said on Monday if such a proposal could be adopted it would not accomplish the desired result, for the reason that sealers wishing to engage in the industry could carry out their intentions by simply placing their vessels under some foreign flag. If the country whose flag was used was not a party to the international agreement then the sealers would not be hamper ed by any restrictions.

LADIES ATTENDED HOSPITAL MEETING

And Objected to the Children's War Costing More Than Sum in Rand.

The monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital was held Thursday evening, with James Forman presiding. A deputation of the Woman's home at Nanaimo and after a few days previous. This was due, he says, al- Auxiliary was present consisting of most all together to the lack of water. Mrs. James Anderson, Mrs. Machin, Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. Dalby, Mrs. Griffiths. Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Goodacre practically suspended. This was at the and Mrs. Charles Rhodes. They attime when the mines should have been | tended to discuss with the board the plan for the children's ward. Mrs. Dalby expressed surprise at

hearing the proposed cost of the build The auxiliary had thought that the

total expenditure would not exceed \$5,000. Mrs. Rhodes wanted to know if new plans could not be called providing for dividual miner in the least. There still a building within the contemplated estimate.

> The chairman remarked that the board would be liable for the drawing of the plans. Mrs. Rhodes considered that other architects than the one should have

been consulted and asked to prepare Mrs. Hasell reported that the ladies had raised by subscription and otherwise the sum of \$5,000 after seven years of hard work, and they could not think of making further appeals.

Alex. Wilson was inclined to blame the ladies and referred to the several proposals which had been rejected and which resulted in a committee being appointed to engage Mr. Hooper

R. S. Day defended the ladies, how ever, and claimed that the ladies were not responsible. Considerable discussion followed

Mrs. Hasell reported that the Daughession which is upon the most im- ters of Pity had decided to go ahead dredge cost \$300,000. So rich is the had been subscribed by a bachelor. A

> In the course of routine the follow ing business was considered: Dr. Edward Hasell reported that for the month of January 165 patients were treated; 87 admitted; 85 free pa-

> tients treated, 2,009 days' stay, and 66:29 daily average. The matron reported the receipt of two dozen pairs of slippers from the Daughters of Pity: magazines from Mrs. Mess, and books and magazines from Mrs. McNeil. Dr. Hasell also reported that the Daughters of Pity had supplied an electric drill and also through the society, Mr. and Mrs. P. Wollaston, jr., had presented the hos-

pital with two wheel chairs, in memory of their son. The house committee reported that a skylight had been placed in the medical ward corridor and the committee had authorized that room J be used as a semi-private ward. The re port was adopted as read. The mat-

ter of the dinner wagon was referred back to the house committee. The finance committee reported that the January accounts amounting to \$1,735.61 had been approved for pay ment; that salaries amounting to \$1,024.50 were paid and that the total days' stay for the month was 2,009 at an average cost per diem per patient of \$1.37. The report was adopted as

Miss Toller, head nurse, wrote ten dering her resignation, which was ordered accepted with regret, and the house committee instructed to fill the

vacancy. A. W. Evans wrote asking the board increased duties. Dr. Hasell strongly endorsed the letter.

The report of the grounds committee was next considered. The farm account covered a period of seven months and showed a profit of \$287.56. The recommendations contained in the report were strongly opposed by Alex. tempting to secure the franchise for Wilson, but after consideration in detail were adopted and the meeting ad-

-At the annual meeting of the Nelson boat club held last week a resolution of condolence was adopted and ordered to be sent to the family of G. Valencia disaster.

Sixty Mile Line to be Constructed Company Headed by Lim Dat of Victoria.

A curious example of the quickening the Oriental mind is afforded in negotiations which are now in progress in the city of Canton, and in which the central figure is Lim Dat, one of the prising of the local Chinese colony. If non-commissioned officers, and men of successful these negotiations will result | the Fifth Regiment, C. A." in the Chinese merchants of British of Canton and San Wu. The project has been evolved by Lim

tradesmen in the Chinese quarter. tails of regimental routine. They are not exclusively commercial in their instincts, either, for the last named, but a few months ago, approached Col. Holmes, D. O. C. of the district and asked permission to or- state: ganize a Chinese cadet corps, along approved military lines.

Lim Dat has maintained for some cities, but the opportunity for an enterprise like the one now under way did not occur until a year ago, when the Chinese government revoked their railway policy and adopted one which reserves for its own people the right o form companies to carry on public works. Previously the government granted these concessions to foreigners, but this policy has not only been abrogated, but they have bought back from a United States firm which acquired a charter to connect by rail the provinces of Canton and Honghow, a distance of about 500 miles. The government are said to have spent several million dollars to redeem this charter, and to indemnify the holders, who had probably not spent more than half a million on the

enterprise. The present plan, upon which Lim Dat is working, and in connection with which he has been in China for two and a half months, is to build an electric railway from Canton to San Wu, connecting these populous centres, and tapping a densely peopled district. There are no physical difficulties to be motion being finally made to leave overcome, of a serious nature, and it is intended to make the service a frequent one, cars running probably every fifteen minutes. This great trade is now served by an antiquated junk line plying on the river San Wu. a distance of about 90 miles. These junks are towed by a launch and carry toth passengers and freight. It takes about 14 hours for the trip, but the extent of the traffic may be gathered from the fact that each of the 22 junks employed carries over 200 people daily. lies about two-thirds of the distance from Canton to its neighbor city. 50 horse-power motors, and will be enjoyable. built somewhat on the principle of the summer observation cars so well known on this continent. This is rengered possible by the warm weather

which prevails in that portion of China The trucks for these cars will probably be built in British Columbia, but the wooden work will in all probability be placed in China, where labor is cheaper. The supplies will, it is expected be bought in Canada, unless the boycott against United States goods is raised before that time. A few electricians may be taken from this province, but the majority will be obtained from among the Chinese in Hongkong who have received training in electric work. It is found better to employ the Oriental as the whites do not seem to

work amicably with the Chinese. The stock will practically all be subscribed for in British Columbia, the merchants in this province standing | Violin Solo-Pizzicato Dance ... ready to put up a large portion of th two million dollars necessary. White ockholders will not be allowed in the company, as their presence in the comrany would expose the latter to the

It is also intended to seek from the city of Canton a concession of the light and power privileges. The streets there are so narrow that some difficulty would be experienced in ata city street railway system, although this may be sought later.

The population of Canton is abou two millions, and of San Wu about half a million people. In 1895 Lim Dat perfected and applied for a patent on an improved device for electric rich mill machinery -the first patent to be issued to a Chinaman in British North America.

PAARDEBERG DAY.

Members of Fifth Regiment Attended Services in St. John's Church.

Sunday was the fifth anniversary f Paardeberg Day, a day which should always remain green in the memory of all Victorians. On that occasion four local young men, members of the Fifth Regiment, C. A., and accepted volunteers for service in South Africa against the Boers, fell in the faithful performance of their duty. In honor of the day a church parade of the local regiment was held yesterday morning, the members attending services at St. John's.

It was shortly after 10 o'clock when the men lined up at the Drill Hall. As they took their places many glanced at the tablet which had been placed in a prominent position within the armory n memory of their deceased comrades. There they saw the following inscripeffect of Occidental environment on tion, the names standing out in letters "In memory of Capt. M. G. Blanchard, Sergt. W. I. Scott, Gr. J. Todd, Gr. J. H. Summers, and Gr. A. Mundrill, who fell gloriously for Queen and country in South Africa, A. D. 1900. most progressive, wealthy, and enter- Erected by their comrades the officers,

Lieut,-Col. Hall, commanding the mi-Columbia and their countrymen in deplored the comparatively small atlitia, made a short address in which he China investing a round two millions tendance. He thought that, in spite of of dollars in their mother land, in the inclement weather, the occasion building, equipping and maintaining was of sufficient importance to enable an electric tram line between the cities the "fair weather" men to overcome scruples prompted by undue delicacy. Headed by the band the corps then

paraded through the principal streets Dat, head of the big company of Gim to St. John's church, where the regi-Fook Yuen, a firm of Chinese mer- mental chaplain, Rev. Ensor Sharp, chants, whose main business is that conducted appropriate services. His o' conducting a general store and rice address was particularly impressive. mills, but whose enterprise has led and the bravery of the Victorians who them to branch out into various other had fallen at Paardeberg, the anniverlines, all of which seem to have sary of which event was being comproved remunerative. Lim Dat is a memorated. He pointed out that they fair type of the Chinaman who, com- had been faithful unto death, that having to this province with little capital ing realized their duty as soldiers of but with business acumen, has ac- the Empire they had not permitted quired wealth with such rapidity as to even the bullets of the enemy's guns excite the envy of his less thrifty Cau- to move them from the path laid down. casian neighbors. The second genera- Taking this striking example of bravtion of the house of Lim promises to ery the chaplain drew several lessons carry on the parental shrewdness, for impressing upon members of the Fifth the two sons, Lim Bang and Lim Yat, Regiment the necessity of performing although less than twenty years of their duty not only in the field against age, are among the shrewdest of the an avowed enemy, but in the small de-After the services the

marched back to the Drill Hall and were immediately dismissed Appended is the complete

No. 1 company: Officers, 4: sergeants. 6; rank and file, 24. Total, 34. No. 2 company: Officers, 2; sergeants, 4; time a house in one of the Chine s rank and file, 14. Total, 20. No. 3 com-Officers, 2; sergeants, 9; rank pany: Officers, 2; sergeants, 5. Total, 7. Bugle band: Sergeants .1; rank and file, 13. Total, 14. Brass band: Sergeants, 1 rank and file, 16. Total, 17. Grand total. 137.

BACK FROM FIELD.

George L. Courtney Returns From Convention of Canadian Pacific Railway Officials.

George L. Courtney, local agent of he C. P. R. Company, has returned from Field, where he attended on the trouble. I could not eat solid food relief of the unemployed, the repeat 12th and 13th instant a meeting of the without experiencing great agony, western lines officials. There were altogether 68 representatives in attendance at this convention. The purpose of the conference was two-fold; to im- active work. I was treated by doctors prove the acquaintance of officials of and took advertised medicines but different divisions and sub-divisions, without any lasting benefit. One day the foregoing indicates its and to devise schemes of improvement a friend urged me to try Dr. Williams' as they may be found practicable. A Pink Pills. I began their use, but I speech will be the most radical stenographer was engaged to take must confess that it was without much papers and the salient points brought out in discussion. A taking a couple of boxes I could see large committee was appointed, which an improvement, and this gave me enwill later consider in detail all the sug- couragement. I continued using the sert that the cabinet has discusse gesticn made and report on them to the pills until I had taken eight boxes,

management. and very interesting paper on suggestions of improvements to the passenger service, was very frank in his comparisons of the C. P. R. with other roads. manning as the three conditions of efthirty cents, where a tram line will ficiency. Under the head of equipment two cities in three hours where the was unfortunate that women and chiljunks required 14 for the trip. The dren should have to get out at dinner savantages of the electric over any stations at inconvenient hours when steam system can be appreciated in a trains were late. He also suggested such allments as indigestion, anaemia The power will be obtained from a across the prairies where scenic atsplendid stream fed from the Quai tractions were few and everything pos- troubles, and the special ailments of Tong Shun range of mountains, which sible should be done to relieve the

monotony. The conference was voted by all to Each car will be equipped with four have been very profitable as well as

NOVELTY CONCERT.

The programme for the grand annua concert to be given in the schoolroom of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening will be as fol-

Overture-Ben Hur March Paull Orchestra. Song-Tit for Tat Miss Jennie Bishop. Trio (2 Violins and Viola)-Serenade Bettridge Miss Brooker, Miss Nora, McCoy and Jesse Longfield. Recitation (with Musical Accompaniment-The Devoted Apple .. Weatherly Miss Nora McCoy

Song-The Pretty, Pretty Creature D. B. Christopher. Jesse Longfield Song-That's What I Would Do ... Pontet Mrs. W. E. Staneland. String Trio-Serenata Miss Brooker, Miss N. McCoy and J. Longfield.

. Underhill

Recitation-The Cherubs Entertain

Piano Duet--Ring, O Bells Miss Murray and Jesse Longfield. Miss Queenie McCoy Round-Fire! Fire! ... The Choir. March-Tivoli Orchestra. Toy Symphony Choir and Orchestra Good Night Choir God Save the King.

HAVE A GRIEVANCE

DELEGATION WAITED ON COMMITTEE TO-DAY

Asked to Have Municipal Taxation Wiped Out-Kaien Island Investigation to Continue To-Morrow

The municipal committee of the legislature at its sitting this morning was waited upon by a deputation representing the provincial managers of the insurance companies doing business in Columbia. Messrs. Breeze, British Fernie, and Carr, of Vancouver, and Messrs. Heisterman, Johnson Brett, of Victoria, were in attendance. The request made of the committee was that the statutes should be amended so that the right might be taken away from the municipalities to impose taxation upon the insurance com panies. It was represented that in all other provinces the provincial taxation is all that is required of companies and they are exempt from municipal rates. Into the British Columbia treasury is paid a license fee and a rate of taxation on the income. In addition to this the companies are met with a varying rate of taxation in different municipalities where they carry on business. This the insurance men claim is unfair and they desire that the legislature should cut off all chance of municipal taxation being imposed.

Kaien Island Committee.

The next sitting of the committee to investigate the Kaien Island land grant will be held to-morrow evening. is expected that James Anderson will continue his evidence before the committee. It is probable that Anderson's evidence will occupy the greater part of the evening.

C. W. Munro Returns. Chas. W. Munro, member for Chilliwack, has returned to the city. He was called away last week by the sudden illness of his mother, whose dition was very serious. Mrs. Munro has rallied sufficiently to allow of Mr. Munro returning to the legislature.

STOMACH TROUBLE.

The Agonies of Indigestion Can Be Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

All over the land there are people hose lives had been made miserable through the pangs of indigestion, who have been restored to the enjoyment of health through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. One of a franchise, and that meanwhile these is Mr. Wm. Moore, of Welland, Ont. Mr. Moore is the manager of the electric light plant in that town, and stands high in the estimation of the citizens. He says: "It is really a pleasure to speak in favor of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. For four years prior to 1908 I suffered great torture from indigestion and stomach amendment of last year's act for and for over two years I had to resort to a milk diet. I had grown emaclated and was almost unfit for don and other minor measur hope that they would cure me. After when I was completely cured and able A large number of papers were read. to eat any kind of food I desired. I Superintendent R. Marpole in a long | shall always praise Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, as they saved me from such misery as only a dyspeptic knows. I might add that my wife has also used the pills for troubles that afflict her He named the road bed, equipment and sex, and has been fully restored to

Bad blood, poor blood, watery blood, handle them for twenty cents, and the he suggested that the dining car service is the cause of nearly every allment latter will convey them between the should be made more complete, as it that afflicts mankind. It is because every dose of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make new, rich, red blood that they have such wonderful power to cure country where coal costs \$10 a ton. that observations cars should be run rheumatism, neuralgia, St. Vitus dance, heart troubles, kidney and liver women, young and old. But you must get the genuine pills with the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," on the wrapper around each box. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box. or six boxes for \$2.50, by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville,

THE DEAL WITH INDIANS. E. G. Russell Will Neither Confirm Nor Deny the Story Published on

Saturday. E. G. Russell, who returned by the Amur on its last trip was seen this morning with reference to the deal made by him acting on behalf of the Grand Trunk Pacific for the acquiring of rights to the lands of the Indian reserve on Digby Island and the mainland. Mr. Russell, who since his arrival in British Columbia several years ago, has maintained the strictest silence with respect to his business, refused to discuss this subject. He would neither confirm the report nor would

he deny that it was true. The acquisition of these lands by the railway company seems to have been carried on by Mr. Russell in a very business-like way and he made sure of its consummation before leaving. The acquisition of Digby Island will give the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway the control of the water front adjacent Watson to Tuck's Inlet, which will be of inestimable advantage to it in the event . Roeckel of the city of Prince Rupert being located on Kaien Island.

> Those who have visited the location say that the passage separating Kaien and Digby Islands is about a quarter

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MANY BILLS WILL BE INTRODUCE

DURING FIRST SESSION OF NEW PARLIAMEN

South Africa Will Occupy Prominer Place-Some Measures Dealing With Local Affairs.

London, Feb. 19.-It is understoo that the King's speech at the open of parliament to-day will include expression of satisfaction for Great Britain's continued peaceful relation in Europe, especially with France. a desire for a friendly solution of Moroccan conference. It will also tain an announcement concerning ditions in South Africa, the appoint ment of a commission to proc thither to examine into the question importation of Chinese into the Tra vaal shall be stopped, and the terms the Chinese ordinance made subject discussion.

A suggestion of the following le lative programme will be mad education bill, a trades' disputes b a workmen's compensation the Irish coercion act, the introd of a Scottish education bill and o No official forecast of the from the throne have been issu drift. It is quite certain that

put into the mouth of a sov for Ireland, well-informed perso possibility of some sort of a tion measure or scheme for reli the congestion of parliamentary ness. It is even stated that the K speech will contain a hint of such intention The Earl of Aberdeen, the new Ir

viceroy, while a guest of the college surgeons on Saturday, made a sig cant reference to Irish affairs. remarking the great change in p feeling in England towards Irelan the last thirty years, as full of for Ireland, he said: "There is and auspicious feature in the outlo allude to the well-grounded belief His Majesty the King is actuated warm solicitude for the welfare of land and her people."

THE DRYDOCK DEWEY

New York, Feb. 19.-The Tr says: Fifty days have passed the big drydock Dewey, convoyed the United States auxiliary stea Glacier and towed by the Unit States auxiliaries Brutus and Caes and the tug Potomac, started from Chesapeake bay for the Philippine There is now some anxiety for safety. The last word received fr Commander H. H. Hosley, Uni States navy, who is in charge of expedition, came by wireless thro the chain of scouts formed by cruisers Colorado, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland on Jam 22nd. On that date, some fifteen h dred miles of the journey had ompleted. She still had some eight hundred miles to go to reach Gib tar, but naval officers say she sho have covered that distance by time, even if she only travelled s miles a day, which is an average mate, unless she encountered unus ly heavy weather. Some think will be heard from next at Made where the towing vessels may take while they repair whatever dam may have occurred and to comm cate by cable with the navy dep ment.

SUTTON'S SEEDS

Have Arrived at BRACKMAN-KER MILLING COMPANY

125 Government St., Victoria.

Government Attempt to

Victoria, Febru Defeats are following quickly for the gover again the premier an were forced to obey th opposition and lay the Bill over until to-morre was made to get the report stage, but the such little control over in spite of every effor forced to stand over after the government Hon. F. Carter Cotto

spirit in connection w seems to regard as hi His anxiety to force t to the government's de day while the variou were under debate the council could not allow education to conduct case, but boldly wade dissatisfied with Hor efforts, and determined and was necessary. The various amenda were all voted down in the government then a the bill through the re opposition protested that new features of come up and require The government would reason, but determine position to conform to member of the ministr ernment side, however, against this action, a refused to be coerced such an unreasonable

adjourn the debate Henderson was attem over by Hon. Mr. Cot debate by moving that now put. A vote on th ed in a defeat of the amidst loud applause tion the debate on the ed question of an adjo debate began to force into reason. This was to 6 o'clock, and J. R. Macdonald filled the the hour of adjourn premier willingly acc tion and agreed to a journment of the deba The opposition hav control over the legis cousty withdrew the journ the debate, and Price Ellison in m reading of the bill to rates under the cont cipal councils and the to permit of connecti

companies delivered. impassioned speeches ture has ever listened ber for Okanagan. not speak very often showed this afterno keenly on the subject in an able and fear sat down amidst apr sides of the House. The bill for an eig smelters also occur time in the legislatur

present session. Prayers were read by Clay.

The day proved to h

interesting since the

Committee The private bills co recommending that t presentation of repor tended to February 2 The report was adop The private bills co reported that the bill

Granby Smelter Act

had passed the comm Return Hon. F. J. Fulton pre of the report made by specting the slave tra Cape Mudge and other New Bi J. H. Hawthornthwa oill to amend the Var

Settlers' Rights Act, 19 Questions and J. N. Evans asked th mier the following que 1. How many (if an issued under authority 1903-04, have been regis

defeasible fee? 2. How many (if any) grants have been regis solute fee? The Hon. R. McBride

lows: "1. None. "2. None."

Mr. Evans asked the commissioner of lands following questions: 1. Why was the bridge, on Indian rese not re-built last sun water in river? 2. Why were the te last fall afterwards w 3. Is it the intentiment to proceed with construction of said bri

Te Hop. R. F. Green 1. Decision regarding had not been arrived a "2. In the interests

"3. Yes; this spring." J. R. Brown asked the ommissioner of lands following questions: 1. What part of the ated for Greenwood ridi