COMMISSIONER AND ENGINEER

COUNCIL SEEKING TO AVOID ALL FRICTION

Ald. Mable Looks for Trouble if Present Plans Are Carried Out.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

At last evening's meeting of the city council Mayor Hall took occasion to say when the report of the streets, sewers and bridges committee of the city council had been received, that the report in the Times of that evening alleging friction had developed between the water commissioner and the city engineer was absolutely without foundation. The debate which resulted when the resulution defining the duties of the two officials came to be considered by the board made Mayor Hall's denial seem out of place, for Ald. Mable distinctly stated that friction had developed, and he believed that more trouble would result.

The report contained the draft of a resolution that had been passed recommending that hereafter all construction work, alterations and repairs requiring engineering skill in connection with the affairs of the water department shall be performed and carried out by the city engineer.

The report was about to be taken as read and adopted, when Ald. Mable rose and protested against the passage of the resolution as drawn. He favored the council going slow in the matter of defining the respective duties of the water commiisioner and the city engineer. Friction had already developed, and he could "see more trouble ahead" if such a resolution were passed.

Ald. Turner said he did not want to see any trouble between the two officials or the two departments. What he personally was desirous of seeing done was to empower the city engineer to have supreme control over all classes of work of whatever description. He did not see the force of the argument that the city engineer might be indisposed as a professional man to make a report to a non-professional man—the water commissioner. The city engineer was doing the same thing all the time when he reported to the city council and took his instructions from that body.

Ald. Fullerton was of the opinion that the council would have to amend the by-law if they wished to enlarge the powers of the city engineer in respect to control of waterworks matters.

Ald. Mable insisted that should the resolution pass in its present form they could look for trouble.

Mayor Hall said that personally he did not think that there was any danger of friction arising, Mr. Raymur, the water commissioner, was quite willing to meet the wishes of the council in the matter.

Ald. Turner suggested that it might perhaps be as well for the water commissioner, the city engineer and the city solicitor to get together and draw up a resolution to meet the case. This would no doubt be satisfactory to all concerned.

This suggestion was adopted, and the officials named will be asked to report the result of the conference to the city council.

HAYTI INSURGENTS SURPRISED TROOPS

Captured Several Towns Without Resistance—Losses Were Considerable.

Cape Haytien, Oct. 19.—News reached here last night, giving brief details of a sanguinary engagement between the insurgents and the government troops at Canongo.

The insurgents were in ambuscade behind a hill, and made a surprise attack upon the advancing troops. There were considerable losses on both sides. Making a feint to re-enter Dajabon, the insurgents then proceeded to Guayubin and Sabeneta, which they captured without resistance. The loyal forces proceeded into Dajabon.

A Haytien postal carrier, who was captured, said the whole frontier was in the power of the insurgents. There is a rumor that La Vega is among the captured towns.

STOP-OVERS MAY BE CUT OUT BY RAILWAYS

New Form of Transcontinental Ticket Contract Being Drafted.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—The time-honored stop-over privileges on trans-continental tickets will become ancient history if plans being formulated to-day by the Western Passenger Association are carried out. A committee of the organization is drafting a form of ticket contract designed to cover the contingencies of travel in simple terms that any passenger may understand, in which shall be eliminated stop-overs.

A standard ticket is proposed which will be as simple as possible under the circumstances.

TWO YEARS FOR WIRE TAPPER.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 19.—James B. Waddell, of Lakewood, Ohio, was yesterday sentenced to not less than one year nor more than two years at hard [illegible] in Auburn prison. Waddell is one [illegible] alleged wire tappers captured in [illegible]se in Dewitt street, where they [illegible] found with a telegraph instrument conneted with a wire tapped on to a line of the Federal Telegraph & Telephone Company

HAS NO DOUBT COOK REACHED THE POLE

Danish Sailor Talked With His Two Eskimos in Their Tongue.

Copenhagen, Oct. 19.—Capt. Scourby of the Danish government ship Godhaab, which has just arrived here after a northern voyage, declares that he has no doubt whatever that Dr. Frederick A. Cook reached the North Pole.

Capt. Scourby can speak Eskimo perfectly, and he made inquiry among the natives and obtained at first-hand a report from Cook's two Eskimos. They both told the same story about the doctor's Pole journey.

MANN TALKS ISLAND LINE

SAYS ROAD SHOULD GO TO NORTH END

Vice-President of Canadian Northern is Concluding Negotiations.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

D. D. Mann, of the firm of McKenzie & Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, who has been in the city since Friday last conferring with the provincial government in respect to the matter of aid for the extension of a line of railway through British Columbia to the coast, was interviewed by the Times this morning as to the progress of the negotiations.

Mr. Mann said it appeared likely that his company would reach an agreement with the government. He hoped to be able to start on his journey east this evening. As to the nature of the proposals which had been discussed he could say nothing—obviously that would have to come from Premier McBride.

Mr. Mann was asked if Vancouver Island would figure in the programme for railway construction which the Canadian Northern would take up providing the negotiations with the government were successful. Turning to the reporter with great animation, Mr. Mann said:

"Why, look here. If a line of railway were constructed the whole length of the Island, right through to the north end, you could not keep people away from this section of the province with a shot-gun."

"Well," asked the reporter, "would such a project fall within the plans of the Canadian Northern, or is it more likely to appeal to the C. P. R. which is already so largely interested in Island railway enterprises?"

"As to that," replied Mr. Mann, "I can tell you that there is no part of British Columbia where the Canadian Northern does not hope to get some day, so as to share in the carrying trade of the country."

Continuing, Mr. Mann said, in reply to further questions, that the construction of a line of railway to the north end of Vancouver Island would mean the securing to Victoria of all the trade and traffic flowing to and fro north and south. "It's a dead open and shut proposition," concluded Mr. Mann, as he hurried away to attend the meeting of the railway committee of the board of trade, which he had been asked to address.

COOK TO RE-SCALE MOUNT McKINLEY

Hopes it Will Silence Attacks On His Veracity.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 19.—In an interview here to-day with the United Press, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Brooklyn explorer, made the announcement that he again is to brave hardships and death by leading an expedition for the records which he says he left on the summit of Mount McKinley, the highest mountain in Alaska.

Dr. Cook said that it would take two months for him to complete his arrangements for the trip, and that it would require three more months to reach Alaska and accomplish the feat.

If the present plans of the explorer do not miscarry, he probably will start on his expedition early in the spring.

After this week Dr. Cook will cancel all of his lecture dates and devote his entire time to making preparations for the journey.

When asked if he was willing to stake the polar controversy on whether the Mount McKinley records were found, the explorer said:

"I could not do that. The polar records must stand for themselves. A malicious attack has been made on my veracity, and I hope that my journey to Mount McKinley will silence my detractors."

SEVEN KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Eldorado, Ark., Oct. 19.—Seven employees were killed and three other persons injured by the explosion of a boiler at the plant of the Griffin Saw Mill Company, near Eldorado last night.

CIRCUS MAN DEAD.

Toronto, Oct. 19.—Martin Downs, proprietor of Cole Brothers' circus, and a native of Toronto, died this morning in the general hospital as the result of a kick received from a horse on May 12th last.

In building nests birds usually avoid the use of bright colored materials, which would add to the chances of the enemy in locating them.

MISS CAMERON AT WOMEN'S CLUB

SPEAKS AT FIRST VICTORIA MEETING

Many Are Present to Hear Address on Past and Future.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The Victoria Women's Canadian Club held its first meeting yesterday, and had as its guest of honor Agnes Deans Cameron, who delivered an address to some fifty members. The occasion, she said, was the fourth on which she had addressed a Canadian Club. She had spoken at Edmonton, Winnipeg and Toronto.

Referring to the early pioneers of Victoria, Miss Cameron said they were a picked people, and that she did not believe in an accident of birth, but everything was part of a harmonious whole. She claimed the early settlers were fortunate that their lives had fallen not in luxurious places, but in the path where lay poverty for a while and always constant struggle with life and development of the country. The fight had tended towards the strengthening of the people where the necessities of life and not the graces had absorbed the energies. In the first days she said the pioneers were constantly writing letters home, so that they were always Britons even while they were becoming Canadians. "While we are Canadians," the speaker said, "we are still Britons, and must not be forgetful of the larger empire." England, she held, had not been a greedy land grabber, as was proved in the refusal of England to annex the Sandwich Islands and Alaska. England did not boast of bigness, but her strength was a matter of pride, and was used towards the protection of the weak; but although England could give protection, Canada could give more, for here the stranger found not only protection but a home land where his children might grow up free. On its fertile plains would be established a newer and a stronger race, which though British to the core, was made up of many different strains.

Miss Cameron referred to the decreasing timber, seal and salmon. The word "inexhaustable" had been used, but unless reforestration and care were used the industries would vanish as has done the buffalo. The policy of accumulating wealth for the present generation at the expense of the coming generation was a narrow and restricted one, for the bounties of nature should be held in trust for the future good as well as for the present.

Not alone material things should be kept for the future, but also the ideals received from those who have gone before should be handed down to the next generation. The public schools should be the charge of the Canadian women's clubs. It was in the lives and minds of others that the best part of us lived again.

Mrs. FitzGibbon moved a vote of thanks which was seconded by Mrs. A. T. Watt. The president, Mrs. Harry Barnard, occupied the chair, and there were present among others: Mrs. Dunsmuir, Mrs. FitzGibbon, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. E. B. Hanington, Mrs. A. T. Watt, Mrs. J. A. Aikman, Mrs. T. Watson, Mrs. F. I. Clarke, Mrs. C. W. Bradshaw, Mrs. Gleason, Mrs. Rickaby, Mrs. Wm. Grant, Mrs. Lewis Hall, Mrs. M. A. Wylde, Mrs. H. Hanington, Miss Jessie Cameron, Miss Duff, Mrs. J. T. Reid, Miss Workman, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Dunbar, Mrs. Gould, Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, Mrs. C. I. Todd, Mrs. M. G. Graves, Mrs. E. B. Marvin, Mrs. Suttie, Miss L. B. Tully and Miss Mara.

A very interesting collection of mementoes of her northern voyage was brought by Miss Cameron, among which were pressed flowers gathered at northern stations, various articles of clothing manufactured by the Indians of the North and a little hymn book translated into the Cree language and printed on a hand press by two women missionaries.

FIRE DROVE CONVICTS OUT OF STRAWSTACK

All of Those Who Escaped From Salem Have Been Recaptured.

Salem, Ore., Oct. 19.—One of the two convicts remaining of the gang of five which escaped from the custody of penitentiary guards was severely wounded last evening, after which the other surrendered. Both were brought to Salem and are locked up safely today. The men took refuge in a straw stack. By a curious coincidence the farmer who owned the stack decided in the morning to burn it, and accordingly set it afire. This drove the convicts from their hiding place and they took refuge in some long grass.

Suspecting the identity of the pair, the farmer telephoned the authorities at Independence, and City Marshal Feagles, at the head of a posse of citizens, went to the farm. The convicts, who had lain quiet in the meantime, were driven from cover by the posse. They were chased some distance towards a clump of brush, while the posse kept up a running fire. Mike Nichotich had to be shot down, and is severely but not fatally hurt. His companion, Albert Murray, surrendered.

A NATIONAL AFFAIR.

Seattle, Oct. 19.—The date for the hearing of the Cunningham-Alaska coal land cases, made a national question by the recent Ballinger-Pinchot-Glavis episode, will probably be determined late this afternoon. The government is ready and prepared to go on with the case at any time.

W. E. OLIVER ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDATURE

Ex-Reeve of Oak Bay Will Offer for Mayoralty of Victoria at Next Election.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

W. E. Oliver, formerly reeve of Oak Bay, and at present a member of the municipal council of that section, authorizes the Times to announce that, agreeable to the wishes of many people who have asked him to do so, he will be a candidate for the office of mayor of Victoria at the forthcoming elections. At an early date Mr. Oliver will take occasion to outline his views on all questions of civic policy.

Mr. Oliver's decision to run for mayor is the first yet made by any of those whose names have been mentioned for the office. Mayor Hall will not again be a candidate, so he says. Ald. Henderson is said to have ambitions to occupy the chair of the chief magistrate, but he has not yet made any announcement of his intentions. The name of Ald. Turner has also been mentioned in connection with the mayoralty, but he is silent on the subject. Ex-Mayor Morley denies strenuously that he will be a candidate this year.

EXPLOSIONS IN COAL MINES

EXPERT GIVES TALK ON INFLAMMABLE GAS

Mineral Specimens Examined by Members of Natural History Society.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A short but very interesting and timely address was given last night at the regular meeting of the Natural History Society on explosions in coal mines by Dr. N. H. Darton, an American expert. Dr. Darton was on his way to Extension after having visited Roslyn, Wash., for a similar purpose. He came to the meeting as a guest of A. W. McCurdy.

Dr. Darton explained that the cause of explosions was often very difficult to determine. The United States Geological Survey was given a sum of $2,000,000 a year to expend. The work done was largely in the line of providing maps, of surveying underground waters, determining the extent of ore bodies, and of investigating the cause of mine explosions in order that these frightful catastrophes might be averted. For this last mentioned purpose a sum of $100,000 a year was set aside by Congress.

This department had an experimental plant for making explosions and investigating their effects. Experiments were made with various gases, air and coal dusts. It was found that under certain conditions fine coal dust was highly explosive. It was inflammable, but the dust from anthracite coal was neither inflammable nor explosive.

One of the things which had puzzled experts for a long time in connection with the gas in the mines was to know where it came from. It was found to be a mistake to think that it seeped up through the coal, and neither was it found in pockets. It was generally conceded that it was one of the properties of coal to give off gas. If there was not a free circulation of air this collected in the roof and in crevaces and accounted for the so-called pockets which were often mentioned. The work of the miners is to find the gas and to get rid of it. Sometimes it would be found hissing out of a crevace where it could be ignited and would burn like a candle. The gas, known as methane, or firedamp, was lighter than the air and therefore was often found in the crevices of the roof of a mine. The afterdamp was simply the air with the oxygen burned out of it. This was heavier than air and was found at the bottom of the working. A man might be walking along with afterdamp up to his knees and not know there was any. A sudden disturbance of this causing it to rise might prove fatal.

Most of the specimens examined last night were minerals. W. J. Sutton, of the Dominion Government Geological Survey, showed a piece of magnetite found at Upper Campbell Lake, which was highly magnetic. With it he could lift up fine pieces of steel. This, he said, was the first loadstone that had been discovered on Vancouver Island. Only part of the ore at the mine had this property. He also showed specimens of molybdenite from Bear Lake in the Sayward district; galena from the Slocan, and zinc blende and galena from the same district.

A box of specimens also attracted much attention, which had been sent down from Quatsino to A. W. McCurdy by Alex. McAulay. They included crystals from the June mine; dolomite crystals with siderite covering; copper crystals and other minerals. A. W. McCurdy showed a core of white marble which had been taken from the quarries at Nootka. It showed a very beautiful mottled, polished surface on one side, while the other was in the rough. Mr. McCurdy explained the method of boring, which was done by a plain piece of steel waterpipe with fine steel shot to do the cutting.

Two new members were elected and there were two nominations for membership.

SAYS JEFFRIES WILL FIGHT.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Sam Berger, the talking end of the Jeffries-Berger combination, is in Chicago to-day en route to New York to meet the alfalfa farmer who now is sailing on the high seas for home, aboard the Lusitania. Jeffries will arrive in New York on Thursday or Friday. Berger says Jeffries will fight Johnson sure.

TRADE CANADA SHOULD GET

AUSTRALIAN DEMAND FOR LUMBER ACTIVE

This is Causing a Stronger Rate for Ocean Freights Along Coast.

Seattle, Oct. 19.—The demand for lumber in Australia is showing activity and the call for sailing craft to carry lumber to that country is so marked that rates have firmed up to the extent of a couple of shillings. Chartering around thirty was the feature for Australian ports for a long time with but few bottoms being fixed.

The west coast demand for lumber is also growing in extent, and the Panama orders show enough in sight to provide business for a number of steamers. However, steam tonnage to handle this business has already been taken.

The coastwise lumber market also shows a more active demand, with a slightly better rate in evidence for steam tonnage and a good inquiry for sailors, although there are plenty of these carriers in the market to take all the cargo that is offering.

In the wheat business there is little doing in the way of new charters, and the feeling is that market conditions are not favorable for the fixture of additional vessels until the fleet now loading and waiting orders has been disposed of.

BANKER STAYS IN JAIL.

Salem, Ore., Oct. 19.—The Supreme Court this morning handed down an opinion in the case of the state against J. Thorburn Ross, appealed from Multnomah county, affirming the decision of the lower court, but reversing it as to the jail sentence of 500 years, which is cut out, and set aside as being unconstitutional. This means that the banker will have to serve five years in the Oregon state penitentiary.

CITY BY GOLDEN GATE IN FESTIVAL ATTIRE

Rebuilding of City Being Celebrated—Many Warships Taking Part.

San Franci[illegible] the Golden G[illegible] again to-day, wi[illegible]ions and more than h[illegible] million rejoicing people greeted the arrival of the new Don Gaspar de Portola upon his "discovery" of the new San Francisco.

When the modern impersonator of the old Spaniard who discovered the peninsula stepped ashore at the Mission street wharf this morning his arrival was the signal for the beginning of five days' carnival and merriment.

His arrival was proclaimed with the booming of cannon, the shrieking and roaring of steam whistles and the lusty, triumphant shouting of the sons of the new city.

With the city decorated profusely with the brilliant red and yellow of the Spanish emblem, no city full of people ever was more ready and prepared for a wholesale frolic.

"Dull care" has been expelled absolutely by official and popular edict, and the city is given over to the pursuit of happiness. After the three and a half years of labor against terrific odds, through which the city has been lifted up from utter ruins and re-established on a larger and better scale than before its disaster, the time for rest and celebration has been set aside and is at hand.

"Its like the old town" is the expression of appreciation, heard everywhere about the streets and that is the highest compliment a native born San Franciscan can utter.

Don Gaspar de Portola seems to have brought back the spirit of old San Francisco, the city that was famed throughout the world for its love of frivolity and its ability to enjoy itself.

With the official recognition of the rehabilitation of the city from the nations of the world, expressed in the presence of the war vessels of Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Holland and Japan, riding at anchor in the bay, with the toast offered by President Taft drunk by officials of all countries round the world at noon, San Francisco time, to-day; with expressions of praise, admiration and congratulations received from the official bodies of most of the great cities of America, the festival which opened this morning has taken on a world wide significance.

The spirit that prompted the government of France to send Ambassador Jusserand to present to the city a gold medal in commemoration of the reconstruction, is manifest throughout the world, and San Francisco is receiving congratulations from all the peoples of the earth upon the heroic, herculean task which has been accomplished against difficulties which seemed insurmountable.

The parade was the most imposing military pageant that San Francisco ever saw, and with the uniforms of the men from the foreign ships, the flags and decorations, it offered a most appropriate opening for the week of festivities.

TOMMY BURNS READY TO FIGHT JOHNSON

Sydney, N. S. W., Oct. 19.—Tommy Burns, the Canadian heavyweight, who was defeated by Jack Johnson in a fight for the world's heavyweight championship here December 26th last, announces that if the American promoters are unable to arrange a match between Jeffries and Johnson, he is willing again to meet Johnson, winner take all.

SPOKANE WOMEN NOT SUFFRAGISTS

Few Are Registering and of These Most Are School Teachers.

Spokane, Oct. 19.—Woman suffrage apparently does not appeal strongly to the women of this city, as there are only twenty registrations of women on the city's rolls to-day out of a possible 16,000.

Thirteen of the registered women voters are school teachers. As there are 300 school teachers in the city this is equivalent to seven registered women voters out of 15,700, or one registered woman voter for every 2,242 women not registered.

The election which will take place Saturday is to chose two school directors. Registration books for the voting have been open since January.

SAN FRANCISCO NEXT WITH FAIR

ONE PLANNED WHEN PANAMA CANAL OPENS

It is Announced That Southern City's Will Be in 1915.

Seattle, Oct. 19.—Speaking before a farewell banquet given at the Washington hotel by the Executive Commission Association of the A.-Y.-P. exposition in honor of President Chilberg and other officers of the fair last night, Col. J. A. Filcher, executive commissioner for California, announced that San Francisco, waiting until the close of the local exposition to announce it, would commemorate the completion of the Panama canal in 1915 by holding a national exposition.

"In accordance with the broad spirit of the West," said Col. Filcher, "San Francisco did not announce to the world that she would also hold an exposition, for the reason that it would in a small measure divert interest. San Francisco thinks she should have the honor.

"Preliminary plans provide that the United States government shall provide a cruiser which shall carry a delegation appointed by the president, the governors of the western state[illegible] the mayors of its great citi[illegible] it shall visit every islan[illegible] try washed by the Pacific, participation. If this is [illegible] we shall not have to look for the participation of European countries."

RAILWAY MAN GETS SENTENCE SUSPENDED

He Was Cause of Mount Vernon Wreck, When Three Were Killed.

Brantford, Ont., Oct. 19.—When the assizes resumed this morning Mr. Justice Latchford took up the case of J. MacGuire, convicted of criminal negligence and neglect of duty in connection with the Grand Trunk wreck near Mount Vernon on October 6th, 1908, when three men were killed.

In commenting on the case the judge remarked on the high character of MacGuire and his straightforward manner in the witness box. Men placed in similar circumstances were prone to perjure themselves, but MacGuire had told the truth, even though his fate was imperilled thereby.

Under the circumstances he suspended sentence.

TWELVE MILLIONS FOR SALMON PACK

Puget Sound Canners Do Well This Season—Lobster Culture.

Bellingham, Wash., Oct. 19.—According to a statement made by George M. Bowers, United States fish commissioner, who is here to-day in connection with the selection of sites for government hatcheries, the total salmon pack on Puget Sound this season will bring the cannerymen between $12,000,000 and $13,000,000.

This is greater than the receipts for any previous year in the history of the packing industry here, and to the big run of salmon and high prices is attributed the immense total value of the pack.

Lobster culture is to be taken up by the government, Mr. Bowers stated, the headquarters of the breeding to be on Hood's canal. The United States will not, however, go into the experimental culture, as has been rumored.

SPECULATION IN LAND.

Calgary, Oct. 19.—The price of non-irrigable land in the eastern and central sections of Bow valley has been advanced, the increase ranging from $1.50 to $3 per acre. The increase results from the fact that speculators who have been purchasing these lands have recently been able to sell their holdings at prices greatly in advance of those charged by the railway. This forced actual settlers to pay prices much in excess of even that now being charged by the railway. The new prices, while below the actual value of the land, will do much toward reserving for actual settlers lands now on the market.

FATAL HOTEL FIRE TO-DAY

ONE DEAD AND TWO FATALLY INJURED

Ballard Hotel Was Totally Destroyed by Early Morning Fire.

Seattle, Oct. 19.—In a fire that gutted the Denver hotel at Ballard early today, one man was burned to death, two others were fatally injured by jumping and a fourth sustained serious burns.

Edward F. Birch, recently from Southeastern Alaska, is dead. The fatally injured are: Milton Dolan, of Puyallup; Albert Manke, Seattle; Charles W. Johnson, of Ballard, is seriously burned.

Birch was burned to death in his bed, having first been rendered unconscious by the smoke that filled the burning building. Dolan and Manke jumped from the second-story windows and received internal injuries which will probably result in their death. Johnson was found overcome by smoke and seriously burned by firemen, who at great risk to their own lives, rushed through the burning structure in search of unconscious lodgers.

The fire was caused by the explosion of a kerosene lamp in a rear room on the second floor, and the entire building, which was of frame construction, was in flames before the score of lodgers could be awakened and notified of their peril.

Mrs. T. S. Lowe, the proprietress of the hotel, rushed through the building giving the alarm. Gathering six men in a front room, she dropped a rope fire escape to the sidewalk and down this rope the six men slid to safety. Mrs. Lowe insisted on being the last to leave.

TERRORISTS CAUGHT IN RUINS OF CHURCH

They Had Fired Bombs Which Wrecked the Structure.

Lisbon, Portugal, Oct. 19.—It is reported that a party of terrorists have been caught in the ruins of St. Lorenz [illegible] as damaged by bombs, [illegible]rs of the organization, [illegible]re standing off the [illegible] surrounded the [illegible] on which the edifice stands.

Soon after the explosion soldiers were hurried to the scene and placed on guard. It is impossible to learn what is transpiring inside the square as the public is excluded from the vicinity by the government authorities. The populace is much excited, however, as it is reported that the terrorists are barricaded in the ruins, and that they are desperate.

MIGHTY HUNTER HAD VERY NARROW ESCAPE

Roosevelt Was Charged by Bull Elephant While Stalking.

Nairobi, B. E. A., Oct. 19.—Mr. Creswell, a government engineer in the public works department at Nyori, came into Nairobi yesterday afternoon and brought word that Col. Roosevelt had a very narrow escape when shooting elephants.

In shooting elephants it is often necessary to creep into the herd and shoot the bull selected at a range of fifteen to thirty yards. Mr. Roosevelt, accompanied by Mr. Cunningham, the big game hunter and guide, followed this procedure and killed his elephant at the second shot.

Suddenly, before Mr. Roosevelt could reload, another elephant bull charged him at close range from the herd. Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Roosevelt got behind trees, and Mr. Cunningham fired and turned the bull from Mr. Roosevelt just in time.

IMPROVEMENTS ON C.P.R. AT KAMLOOPS

Eighty Thousand Dollars is Being Spent There by the Company.

Kamloops, B. C., Oct. 18.—The C.P.R. is spending considerable money along the local divisions and as a result the various departments will be improved to an extent that will facilitate and enhance the service.

At Spence's Bridge large coal chutes have been erected. The chutes will hold one hundred tons of coal which will supply at least ten locomotives. There will be five chutes on each side of the dump and a six per cent grade has been secured making it possible for an engine to pull two cars up to the top of the chutes.

The coal that will be used will be brought from the Nicola valley and all the engines on the division between Kamloops and North Bend will be coaled at the bridge. This will materially relieve Kamloops. A similar chute will be constructed at Kamloops to coal the engines from the eastern division. The outlay for these improvements will be about thirty thousand dollars. The remodelling and enlarging of the local yards is nearing completion—a work that will cost over fifty thousand dollars.