MONDAY, APRIL 9, 1900.

MR. MARTIN'S POSITION. Mr. Joseph Martin's friends would not and his government to be put at the Vancouver Liberal convention, but that proves that his case is hopeless. With the Conservative party to a man against him and the large majority of the Libany other man than Mr. Martin would place his resignation in the hands of the him. He has said that he would about the proceedings is at hand. as soon be leader of an opposition as of a government, for there is less responsibility in the former position than in the latter. In the meantime, with certain defeat staring him in the face, he will-

tion was in the last degree reprehen- we tell of another part of the Island, that they will have no occasion to be the United Kingdom, India and colonies sible. Premier of the province, he had and the report is from experts who were here afterwards, always excepting Mr. is 9,180,700 square miles; population himself put on the credentials commit- sent to find out the nature of the land Yates, who will then have all his leisure 345,282,000. Area of protectorates and tee and actually stood at the door of the from an engineering point of view and to devote to his private affairs, which convention hall, examining the creden- as to its adaptability for settlement. are quite extensive. The others will tials of the several delegates as they What is therein stated is worthy of very spend the next month or two trying to the British Empire: area, 11,421,000 came in. His plan was to pack the close attention. The report does not get themselves elected. They will not square miles: population, 381,404,960. jury by which he was to be tried. It refer to the district south of Campbell fail to come to town often enough to get This has been increased materially since failed and then he turned his supporters loose to raise a tumult in order that no Narrows, for this ground had already run the country in the spare time that vote condemning him might be carried. been covered in connection with surveys his canvass of Vancouver will permit It is a gross scandal that Mr. Martin for the Canadian Pacific, and it is well him to enjoy. This charming condition should be allowed to remain in office for known that a good route for a railway of things has the merit of novelty, and above 13,000,000 square miles and the a single day longer. Every day of his premiership is a fresh insult to the of good land and much timber along it.

will certainly never be repeated. Let of good land and much timber along it.

people of British Columbia. sonal government. He represents no ing impression that the larger area of colleagues has ever represented a con-the island. Mr. Gray estimates that say that it does not in the least over-stituency. For the first time in the history of this province since crown north of Campbell river about 110,000 it would be impossible to overstate it i colony days, its affairs are being adminares of farming land, and it is very one tried. Of course, the people of istered by men who are not the choice of evident from his report that a great deal British Columbia will demolish Martin precedented state of things is to continue, only Mr. Martin knows. It will Experience in other newly opened countries is to the effect that the first esti-Experience in other newly opened countries is to the effect that the deficit that the effect that if the Liberal convention did not endorse Mr. Martin, the Lieutenant-Governor would be given his choice between dismissing him or vacating office himserf. What foundation there is for this we do not know. So desirous are we that local and federal affairs should be kept distinct that we would not, as a rule, view with complacency a step of this kind, for if the federal authorities may interfere in one case they may in another, and the people of the province might gradually find themselves bereft of local self-government. But if ever a case can arise when federal intervention in the affairs of a province would be justifiable, this is some for the province would be justifiable, this is some for the province of the province would be justifiable, this is some for the province of the province would be justifiable, this is some for the province of the province would be justifiable, this is somewhat less. In the province of New Brunswick the choice of the people for the times are in one done in the meantime no one can fore—that the done in the meantime no one can fore—the done in the meantime no one can fore—that the done in the meantime no one can fore—the done in the meantime no one can fore—the done in the meantime no one can fore—the list.

The Lieutenant-Governor undoubtedly when he called upon Mr. Martin to form a government, and the Premier has deepute when he called upon Mr. Martin to form a government, and the Premier has the province when he called upon Mr. Martin to form a government, and the Premier has dispasyed most extraordinary lack of discrimination in his choice of at least some of his colleagues. There is now no longer any possibility of affairs with alarm, mixed with indignation. It is not to be tolerated that a population of 25,000 people. Taking of the province like British C

it could be, for there can now be no mauner of doubt that the people would support, acre for acre, a larger number support any ministry which accepted of animals and produce a greater weight It is not easy to winnow the grain of office and with it the responsibility for his dismissal. It is not necessary for the Lieutenant-Governor to have any our estimate of a population of 25,000 news. When one review the events of a specific reasons for dismissing the Pre-He may do so because he is satisfied that his retention in office is a menace to the welfare of the province Such a reason as this in the case of Mr. Martin would unquestionably be endorsed by the people at the polls, for they are waiting with great anxiety for the advent to power of some minister who can be reasonably expected to give the ordinary system of agriculture preanxious are the people for this that anxious are the people for this that Another way of estimating the value of est European intrigues are shallowness chosen to Mr. Martin would, if he dischosen to Mr. Martin would, if he displayed ordinary good judgment in selective with its collections and defining his role. If we place it at \$10 We have yet to learn the art of reading ing his colleagues and defining his platform, be returned to power at the electric per acre, the district under consideration between the lines of Japanese official them down to 1900. tions with a strong majority. The can produce upwards of a million dollars' communications. people are weary of political strife; they are alarmed at the long continued period of unrest and uncertainty: they would rally to the support of almost anyone province the first place in his plans for the future. Martinism would vanish: the Cotton party would become extinct, for it would no longer have any excuse find himself supported by all the great business interests of the country and are only briefly touched upon, as though longer it is delayed, the better will Ruswelcomed by the very great majority of the explorers took it for granted that sia's chance be, for, with the Siberian the rest of the community, who are be-

THE VANCOUVER CONVENTION.

(From Saturday's Daily Colonist.) one expected such a disreputable per-formance as that which took place at the Liberal convention yesterday. Most people like the clamor of public gatherings, and if there is a little more noise than harmony it usually indicates that the popular mind is getting in its work; makes no difference, because the fact but the most ardent admirer of an unthat he was in a minority at the conven- trammelled democracy must have been more than surfeited by the Vancouver erals quite as bitterly opposed to him, bring the whole Liberal party into dis-

Mr. Joseph Martin seems to have pre-Lieutenant-Governor immediately; but cipitated the rowdyism, which was cer-Mr. Martin is not to be judged by the tainly a pretty piece of business for the rules which govern other men. Although premier of the province to be engaged by this time he must clearly understand in. It is a thousand pities that arthat his defeat is beyond all doubt, he rangements were not made for kinetowill probably hold on to office in the scope pictures so that the whole country hope that he may get some kind of fol-might be shown this gentleman in his lowing in the house and be a thorn in the side of the premier who will succeed further comment until the full report of

VANCOUVER ISLAND.

(From Saturday's Daily Colonist.) Last Saturday we gave a description go on administering affairs with his of a portion of Vancouver Island from extraordinary collection of colleagues, not one of whom has the ghost of a showing that there is in this section of conduct. chance of ever getting a seat in the the province one of the most attractive regions in America to those who love isters will not be much in town before ary and Encyclopedia, which brings its Mr. Martin's conduct at the conven- Nature in her rugged aspects. To-day the elections, and we are quite certain facts down to 1895, says: "The area of

Deople of British Columbia.

The observations of Messrs. Gray and
Fry are calculated to alter the prevailhimself, and none of his farming land is in the southern part of Victoria Daily Times, and have only to How much longer this un- of country remains to be examined. ism as soon as they get the chance

when federal intervention in the affairs of a province would be justifiable, this is one, for not only British Columbia but the whole of Canada is being injured seriously by the retention of the premiership by Mr. Martin.

We have surely area enough to provide six acres for every individual of a population. The desire of four months by well-known citizens who were not actually the choice of the people for the time, but who ran a reasonable chance of being ultimately elected; but what is it possible to say of the present condition of affairs? If Premier Martin intends to appeal to the constituencies to endorse this choice of advisors. His Honor has acres for every individual of a popula- his choice of advisers, His Honor has We have been asked if the dismissal tion of 25,000 people. But, as is well a duty to perform to the people, and it is known, the climatic conditions of Vantonian and immediate election. of Mr. Martin could be justified under constitutional usage. We answer that couver Island are such that its soil can of crep than the average soil of the contribution tinent. Therefore it will be seen that comes from the thresing floor of Oriental

> will at a very early day be engaged in know in point of fact what is transpiring farming in the district mentioned. We in China outside of the treaty ports. are treating solely of the agricultural Manifestly it is impossible that all the capabilities of this portion of the Island, stories which come out from Pekin can and are giving a measure of its capacity, be true, for even Chinese men and women and not its maximum capacity either, cannot possibly be doing diametrically but only what it is capable of under opposite things at the same time. We

Island to be worth developing from the ed upon if the Japanese mean to try conover that when once it is opened by a to take it for granted that a struggle berailway it will be so developed.

the rest of the community, who are beginning to feel from day to day the pinching effects of the present condition of affairs. The only people interested in continuing the present state of things readers with any of it. But this we lapt the value of Vancouver granting that the struggle is inevitable. is not lacking abundant testimony on this point, but the matter is so hackness that we shall not trouble our readers with any of it. But this we readers with any of it. But this we as any of the we shall not trouble our leads to the Pacific coast of her empire, and thus you force that is point, but the matter is so hackness of the Pacific coast of her empire, and thus preaders with any of it. But this we as any of the worked mannerically any force that we shall not trouble our readers with any of it. But this we as any of the pacific coast of her empire, and thus preaders with any of it. But this we are not written and the countries and the United States of instance of the Pacific coast of her empire, and thus preaders with any of it. But this we are not written and the countries and the United States of instance of the Pacific coast of her empire, and thus of the Pacific coast of her empire, and thus of the Pacific coast of her empire, and thus trouble our readers with any of it. But this we do not see how Japan can afford to allow it to be put off much longer.

OVER-RIGHTEOUSNESS.

The writer of the Book of Ecclesiastes and into blood and unitition coance of digestion and matrition coance of the state of the food each time the trust of the college and all the other European countries and the United States of the food each time the trust of the college and the other European countries and the United States of the food each time the own than anyth and the other European countries and the United States of the food each time the thing to the other extreme and recursion of the college and the unitition coance of the food each time the trust of the college and the unitities coance and the United States of the food each time the own that the two on the each of the food each time the own that the two on the each of the food each time the own that the two on the own that the two of the food each time the own that the two on the own that the two on the own that the two on the own that the whole received the the own tha n getting rid of him with neatness and Island timber is of itself sufficient to we do not see how Japan can afford to

an industrious populati changes will take place npon the Northwest Coast of America that are far beyond what anyone would care to commit himself to in black and white just now.

THE MINISTERS.

Mr. Martin flits from Island to Mainland and from Mainland to Island almost with the regularity of the Islander. ceedings were disgraceful is to state the Mr. Curtis is up in Kootenay and has Victoria long enough to get a salary check cashed and then hied himself to his ranch, where at last accounts he was still remaining, pondering over the The effect of the latter was noticeable, like the fame of Katishaw's elbow, for miles around. Mr. Yates is on deck from day to day with religious regular ity. No one has suggested that Mr. Yates is a statesman, but he sticks to his business, and while no one in particular is going to vote for him, he still retains, notwithstanding the astonishing company he has got into, his normal eputation for decent and industrious

It stands to reason that the new min-

EXTRAORDINARY SITUATION. We reprint the following from the

THE ORIENT.

people for the region traversed by the few years, and compares them with what railway is not excessive.

We do not suggest that 25,000 people time, he is apt to wonder if we ever

farming point of view alone, and more- clusions with Russia. Every one seems railway it will be so developed.

The resources of the district in timber as has been frequently pointed out, the

an industrious population. It is im-portant to bear in mind that arable land from Europe as soon as it suits the co near the sea and in a salubrious climate venience of the Czar's government. Nais very scarce in America. It must also turally the question arises: How would never be forgotten that in the coming Great Britain regard such a step? We expansion of trade on the Pacific Ocean think the reply is that Great Britain would not oppose it. The Russian occu pation of Constantinople is not anything like the bugbear it used to be. Our position in the Levant has been much strengthened during the last twenty years. We practically own Egypt and are the greatest naval power in the world we need have no fear of the results that will flow from the conversion of the ceedings were disgraceful is to state the cas mildly. Their tendency will be to been there for most of the time since his Black Sea into a Russian lake. Moreappointment. Mr. Beebe remained in over when Russia moves down to take possession of Constantinople, Austria will rapidly extend her territory so as to embrace Salonica, which will immensely lessen the value of Russian control of the suddenness with which a man may have Dardanelles. We believe the possession greatness thrust upon him. Mr. Ryder of Constantinople is not worth the remained in town long enough to get his life of a single British sailor, and that hair cut and buy a bottle of perfumery. when Russia gets ready to take that city, she will find no British guns in her path.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

The Colonist has been asked what the area of the British Empire is and how may be glad to have the information. The growth of the Empire is so con stant that no statistics can be accepted as quite accurate. The Century Diction spheres of influence, 2,240,000 square by the addition of a large portion of the India. The total area is now probably population fully 400,000,000. Some de tails may be of interest, especially as re gards area. Following are nearly all the mponent parts of the Empire; but Egypt and Soudan are not included:

The British Isles..... 120,979

| Aden and Perin | 80 |
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| Somaliland | 75,000 |
| Bahrein Islands | 300 |
| British Borneo | 31,106 |
| Ceylon | 25,364 |
| Cyprus | 3,580 |
| Hongkong | 29 |
| India | 964,993 |
| Beluchistan | 227,200 |
| Sikkim | 3,500 |
| Andaman Islands | 1,760 |
| Laccadive and Raraman Is- | |
| lands | 200 |
| Straits Settlements | 2,500 |
| Ascension Island | 35 |
| Basutoland | 10,293 |
| Bechuanaland (protectorate) . | 386,200 |
| Cape Colony. | 221,311 |
| Bechanaland, (colony) | 60,770 |
| Pondoland | 5,000 |
| British Central Africa | 500,000 |
| Central Africa (protectorate) | 400,000 |
| East Africa | 1,250,000 |
| Mauritius | 712 |
| Natal | 20,460 |
| Niger Coast (protectorate) | 100,000 |
| Niger Territories | 500,000 |
| Sokoto | 219,000 |
| Rhodesia | 200,000 |
| St Helena | 47 |
| Rhodesia | 15,000 |
| Lagos and Lorupa | 20,070 |
| Gambia | 2,700 |
| Sierra Leone | 15,000 |
| Zanzibar | 985 |
| Zanzibar Zululand | 12,500 |
| Bermudas | 20 |
| Canada | 3,315,647 |
| Falkland Islands | 7,500 |
| British Guiana | 109,000 |
| Honduras | 7,562 |
| Newfoundland | 42,200 |
| Bahamas | 5,450 |
| Barbadoes | 166 |
| Jamaica | 4,424 |
| Trinidad | 1,898 |
| Other West Indies | 1,500 |
| Fiji | 8,000 |
| British New Guinea | 88,460 |
| Australia | 3,000,000 |
| New Zealand | 102,993 |
| Tasmania. | 26,385 |
| Tasmania | 12,000 |
| | |
| Total | 12,127,872 |

These are the statistics given in the

Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,209,878, and about 15,000,000 people, Thus the British Empire is probably as large as any two other nations in the world. Exclusive of China its population is greater than that of any two nations and greater than that of Russia, Ger

GENERAL DEBILITY. Ralph Giberson, postmaster at Monquart, N.B., is also known as a prosperous agriculturist. Now stalwart and rugged, he scarce would be recognized as the man who six months ago was the picture of one suffering the terrible symptoms of general debility.

such food as he ate gave him great distress. He was incapacitated for the work that fell upon him and was well nigh utterly discouraged. The symptoms bordered on to those by which hypochondria is manifested. Through reading the Advertiser he learned of the bendered by the weep of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and by the hope held out by their testimonials he secured a supply and took them according to directions. The result was almost magical; immediately his symptoms became less disagreeable, and he steadily gained until now he is perfectly free from his old troubles. He gladly gives his testimonial, that all who read it may know the remedy if ever they are troubled with general debility.

SPRING MEDICINE.

In the springtime the blood needs attention. The change of the year produces in every one, whether conscious of it or not, some heating of the blood.

Some people have pimples, a little eczema, or irritation of the skin; others feel easily tired and have a poor appetite. A tonic is needed.

The best tonic - the best of all spring medicines for man, woman or child is

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS

These Pills do not purge and weaken like other medicines. They make rich red blood, build up the nerves, and make weak, depressed and easily tired people cheerful, active and strong.

Pink colored pills in glass jars, or in any loose form, or in boxes that do not bear the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, are NOT Dr. Williams'.

The genuine are put up in packages, with wrapper printed in red Sold by all dealers or direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont, at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2 50.

No other medicine in the world has offered such undoubted proof of merit. What Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for others they will do for you, if

to be lost sight of. One cannot easily be too good, but it is quite easy to erect false standards of righteousness. Many coveries bearing upon ancient civilizaand many a person has developed a false tions have been much more extensive and

faculties brings with it a tremendous infinitely slow and would not the achieve-

The thoron are with a brief . A NOAG . Att. 4.

During the last year or two the dis- parts of the world. They have been told, or they suggestive than any made at previous have persuaded themselves that certain periods in the world's history. We seem a paragraph telling of the proposal to things are wrong, and if they are led driven to the conclusion that the present dig a canal from the ocean, some sixty into doing them they suffer as if they era of civilization is only one of several miles long, so as to flood the desert of had committed a grievous sin. What the that have succeeded each other, and that Sahara and thus create a great inland writer of the book in question doubtless possibly in some of those that have been meant was to utter a warning against entirely forgotten, a degree of advancesuch false standards. The teachings of ment was reached even higher than that and at one time there seemed to be a any system of ethics that was ever now enjoyed by us. The extraordinary likelihood that French capitalists would promulgated, if carried to an extreme, manner in which these ancient civilizations have been obliterated need be no was to be a private affair and vast progress would be impossible for there matter of surprise, if we only stop to revenues were to be derived from the would be no incentive to effort, if, for think a while. We live to-day with a shipping that was expected to pass example, the individual ownership of very narrow margin between us and ob- through it to trade with property were abandoned, and social or literation. A storm, just a little heavier the countries bordering on the new sea. der be out of the question if violence than usual, and whole cities would fall in Curiously enough, no one seems to have were never employed against aggressors. ruins. An earthquake just a trifle more taken into account the element of Happiness would be impossible, if we violent than those which form the subsearched every human act microscopically ject of a paragraph in the papers, and lem of filling up the Sahara can be carto detect some hidden germ of possible whole communities might perish. That nied out. We venture to say that no evil in it. None of us comes anywhere such catastrophes have occurred at various perfect and if we wanted we near being perfect, and if we pretend we lows times during the history of the world water so as to make it navigable for are we are guilty of the meanest of all is beyond any question. Here in British ships. Man is many-sided. His various qualiies are all capable of development along.

Columbia we are living on the line of a square miles. If a canal 1,000 feet ties are all capable of development along If we begin at Cape Horn and follow up wide and 50 feet deep were dug between right lines. It is right so to develop the coast of America and then down that the ocean and the desert, and the curthem. But as the writer above quoted of Asia, we will find a region which has also says, we must take pleasure in our not yet ceased to be the theatre of earth- rate of 10 miles an hour, it would take strength and our other powers with a quake and volcanic action. A few years about 70 years for enough water to pass full sense of the responsibility which the ago we saw in Java what tremendous through it to give an average depth of possession of those powers entails. "Re- devastation could be caused by a volcanic 100 feet over the desert, if there were joice, but-remember" is the advice which eruption. A large community was wiped no evaporation at all. Now, it will be

he gives to youth. Remember, not be-off the face of the earth, and so comcause you will be punished for the en-pletely was the contour of the land aljoyment, but because you will have to tered, that navigators could not recog- feet, and connection with the sea were Imperial Year Book for 1896 and doubtless they must be increased to bring

take the consequence of the enjoyment, if nize it. The force of the accompanying not wisely indulged. Many young people tidal wave was felt around the world. per acre, the district under consideration can produce upwards of a million dollars' worth of produce. If \$10 an acre is thought too low, anyone can readily make a calculation for himself. All these things are necessarily approximations. Their value consists in the fact that they show the northern end of the Island to be worth developing from the people; next the United States, which including the Phillippines and Porto Rico has probably an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. Next in area comes Brazil with an area of 3,700,000 and a population of upwards of 80,000,000. boasted close of the nineteenth century. of despair. Let us suppose that such a fore, that the project of filling up the This is a great error. Such precepts as thing should happen in these days, and that referred to are the enunciations of the survivors of the catastrophe had to the soundest philosophy. Nothing is truer than that the abuse of any of our all over again, would not the progress be Europe, may be dismissed as a phan-

given a fair trial. built the forgotten cities found in variou

THE SAHARA PROJECT.

The Birthday Celebra

Choral Competition and ties' Parade Suggeste Attractive Features

A Word for the Jolly Citizens Said to Pro Who Do Not Pay.

To the Editor of the Colonist:

Sir: Your timely remarks proach of the time when we s have the pleasure of celebra gracious sovereign's birthda caused the citizens to ventu opinions as to what would greatest number pleasure and manner we could change for t the various entertainments we viously enjoyed. It will be remembered that

It will be remembered that through the action of an ingentleman, we were deprived on the original programme as laid though many of those outside committee were not aware of turned out that if the original programme had been carried out would have been a large deficit. Victorians can have their fill ure if they are generous enou one who for several years has great deal of time in calling who are expected to donate likennot help expressing great di who are expected to donate in cannot help expressing great di ment at the manner in whice those assisting have been met, there are many who contributed somely and who in no way be reason of the influx of visitor assisted commercially, there are other side many in our city we and who treat the celebration from the singerally manner. This most niggardly manner. This most niggardy manner. This class it is hoped will come out shell and "spread themselves," this is done, then a programm and entertaining can be provide able to both citizen and visito will pardon this comment, but of those who undertake the coll of those who undertake the c unds deserves to be met in a m

generous manner than has he been the case.

I would suggest that a choral tion be arranged, open to any British Columbia, the music to be a baton for the conduc to be a baton for the conductor challenge cup for the choir, the be competed for annually and to three times before becoming the erty of the successful choir. I would not only encourage choral in the several districts of this but would be the means of bir large number of visitors to the large number of visitors to the friends who are always willing pland singing when fairly w

Another suggestion I would that the different benevolent a nal societies be asked to take outside this city and on the to join with them on the occasi would bring to our city quite number of visitors, who couthemselves of cheap transport could be arranged by the committee

I think that I am expres feelings of a large majority o zens of Victoria when I rema would be a great disappointm regatta were abandoned. Th is one that costs the finance of the celebration committee iety, but I have always felt one of the most interesting a able features of the celebratic in some way also gives pleas: Jackies who compete, and again them in a small way to receivants some token of our apprehair efforts. As a very hum I feel that I would like to hold hands for the results. I feel that I would like to ho hands for the regatta. Other of the regatta might be introducomic element has been drop last few years. If water phunting, tub-rowing, etc., were the list of prizes I think it wo joyed by the majority of thost tend at the Gorge.

This year ought to see Victoring all her previous efforts, who have not previously done make up for their neglect in The celebration committee will training and the contract of the cont

ne celebration committee wil rians and the visitors ever UNIO

PROVINCIAL INSTIT Teachers' Convention at Van Tuesday, April 17.

On Tuesday, Wednesday a day of Easter week the Teach tute meets in Vancouver. D. superintendent of education Northwest Territories, will be ance and deliver a series of lecis one of the foremost education of the foremost education to institutes, and his let a large range of educational s. The institute officers are a President, D. Wilson, B. A. first vice-president, H. M. B. A., New Westminster: semestates of the president of the president, E. B. Paul, M. A. third vice-president, Miss Be or treasure of the control of the co

A RARE. STAMI

It is of interest to stamp c know that the most valuable s world is one lately discover penny postoffice Mauritius, fo cently £1,000 was paid in Lo W. H. Beckitt bought it fro dealer, who placed a value or it at first. It will be of furt to know what prices have be stamps of this class, which rare and are at long intervmarket. A Mr. Tapling, w tion is now owned by the 1 seum, paid £95 for a "one-office" in 1882. In 1890 £20 ed and obtained for a two-pen the same class at the London In 1893 Mr. Stanley Gibbons pair of unusued one and pair of unusued one and stamps £680. In 1897 Mr. chon paid 49,000 france for a