### The W.C.T.U. Convention

"You v to humbug me," he grumbled. It you will take the first half I will take the second."

And they settled it the way. The few mouthfuls of tepid water gave them new life. One sense can deceive the others. A man developing all the symptoms of hydrophobia has been cured by the assurance that the dog which bit him was not mad. So these two, not yet aflame with drought, banished the arid phantom for a little while.

Nevertheless, by high noon they were suffering again. The time passed very slowly. The sun rose to the zenith and filled earth and air with his ardor. It

end earth and air with his ardor. It emed to be a miracle—now appreciated, r the first time in their lives—that it is scaled not dry up, and the leaves it is. The since, the deathly inactivity of all aings, became intolerable. The girl aravely tried to confine her thoughts to the truly of the hour. She displayed

"But suppose we are kept here for eral days?" (
"That was always an unpleasant prob-

lity."
We had water then. Even with an aple supply it would be difficult to

e may be compelled to do both."

in-wer her satisfactorily would have ed a Talleyrand. But before he frame a feeble pretext for his too ne prediction, a sampan appeared, hundred yards from Turtle Beach,

that if he could keep them away the well and destroy the sampan hastening to their assistance, per-conveying the bulk of their stores,

would soon tire of slaking their t on the few pitcher-plants growing he north shore. come quick," he shouted, adjusting acksight of a rifle. Lie down and t the front of that boat, a little t.f anything. It doesn't matter if t f anything. It doesn't i

placed the weapon in readiness for

and commenced operations himself re Iris could reach his side. Soon rifles were pitching twenty shots a ste at the sampan. The result of long-range practice was not long oubt. The Dyaks danced from seat eat in a state of wild excitement. man was hurled overboard. Ther craft lurched seaward in the strong nt. and Jenks told Iris to leave the

fore he could empty a second maga-a fortunate bullet ripped a plank and the sampan filled and went down, let a shrill yell of execration from back of the cliff. The two Dyaks

living endeavored to swim ashore a mile through shark-invested reefs

doomed wretch flung up his arms vanished. In the clear atmosphere lookers could see black fins cut-

is exciting episode dispelled the gring mists from the girl's brain. eyes danced and she breathed hard.

hope I didn't hit the man who felli f the boat," she said.

h," came the prompt assurance, "I deliberate aim at that chap. He a most persistent scoundrel." s was satisfied. Jenks thought it to lie than to tell the trutin. for ald facts hardly bore out his assertable.

Judging from the manner of the 's involuntary plunge he had been y a ricochet bullet, whilst the sail-

forts were wholly confined to sink-he sampan. However, let it pass-t or shark, the end was the same.

shoot it," he roared. "Me Eng-

n, sahib!" was the joyful response

s, if you come unarmed."
d the chief, too, sahib?"
s, but listen! On the first sign of the property I will shoot both of you."
s will keep faith, sahib. May 122.

the pellucid sea.

Convention

Second Day of the Big Gathering
of Christian Workers in

Victoria,

Convention

Close by Successful Meeting

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Mrs. G. W. Smith of Vancouver gave her report of "Work Amongst Railroad Employees."

Mrs. Priestly of Nanaimo not being present, the corresponding secretary read the report of missionary work, the following unions having coontributed to this work: Nanaimo, through a social and concert raised \$10: New Westminster, at a parlor social at the home of Mrs. Manchester, took a collection amounting to \$3.15; Victoria Central, at a World's missionary meeting raised \$5.25. Vancouver Union raised \$2.50 for World's and \$2.50 for Dominion missionary work. The superintendent suggested all unions commomorating Frances Willard's memorial day as missionary day.

Mrs. Grant submitted the report of the department of franchise. Ou motion these were adopted.

As authoritative information had not been ascertained regarding the power of officers, it was decided to leave the question in the hands of the executive, Mrs. Cunningham giving notice that she or someone else in her stead at the next convention will move to amend article VIII. of the constitution by adding to list of officers having arrived, Mrs. Sherwood and Miss Chadsey were appointed tellers. Mrs. Watson of Vancouver led in prayer for divine guidance. The election was proceeded with and the following ladies duly elected to office: President, Mrs. Gordon Grant, Victoria: treasurer, Mrs. F. Andrews, Victoria: treasurer, Mrs. S. H. Brown, Vancouver.

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Victoria; treasurer, Mrs. S. H. Brown, Vancouver, Rev. Mr. Adams was introduced and briefly addressed the convention. The secretary called attention to the fact that hitherto the Provincial Union had no by-laws, and that such were necessary for the purchase and transfer of property. A set of by-laws was adopted.

tion report, of which there was a number of copies on her table, and moved, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham, that the committee op papers forward to all unions not represented in the convention, to the Dominion president and to Mrs. Waycott, editress of the Dominion department in "White Ribbon Tidings," and Mrs. Sanderson, president of Quebec and treasurer of the World's W. C. T. U. copies of the papers containing the report. Carried.

Mrs. Wm. Grant presented the finantial report of the board of management, which was not included in the report of the Refuge Home given/yesterday.

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Mrs. Priestly of Nanaimo not being the responsible of the Saturday Review, in speaking of Earl Grey's appointment, says it was almost inevitable, as he is a brother in-law of Lord Minto, and for the last five critical years has been constantly in touch with Canadian sentiment through his friendship with eminent Canadians. The Melbourne correspondent of the Economist says the defence department is busily engaged in formulating a council of defence, in which the military officers will be practically powerless.

Lord Talbot De Mallahide leaves shortly on a visit to the Talbot settlement in Canada.

Lord Strathona has received a letter that the King has consented to become a patron of the Louisburg memorial fund.

Princely Successor to Von Plehve at Post of Minister of the Interior.

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IN NEED OF DOCKMEN.

## Wild Rumor in St.Petersburg

No News From Gen. Kuropatkin and Intense Anxiety Is Manifest.

Imperial Conferences Will Likely Result in Further Large

Reports of Port Arthur's Fell and of Kuropatkin's Capture.

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FIX DATE FOR ROYAL WEDDING PLATONOFF SUCCEEDS PLEHVE Fighting at

Men and Fatally Injures Others.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 7.—Two persons were killed and several others injured, two fatally, by the collision of a freight train on the Wheeling and Lake Erie road with a two-horse wagon on a grade crossing today. The dead are Henry Porter and Conductor Gregory, Canton, Ohio. Two brakemen were taken from the wreckage. One was dying when found and it is believed the other is fatally injured. Among the seriously injured was Jas. McKay, of Cleveland, driver of the wagon, who suffered a broken collar bone. The engine and a dozen cars jumped the track and were piled up in a huge mass of wreckage.

discussion on the governorship question it seemed to be as good as settled that Lieut.-Governor Frank W. Higgins will be nominated.

INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION.

Significant Gathering at Philadelphia of Nations' Lawmakers.

Philadelphia, Sept. 7.—The Inter-Parliamentary Union, made up of members of the English law-making body and the parliaments of Europe, arrived here to-day, the guests of the United States in a tour of the continent. The twelfth conference of the union is to be held at St. Louis this week. Its purpose is to discuss international arbitration and the nodes of the track and were piled up in a huge mass of wreck-are.

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# **Port Arthur**

Local Newspaper Gives Brief **Accounts of Recent Events** In Fortress.

Russians Lose Additional Positions and Sacrifice Men to Recover Them.

The Japanese Confine Efforts to Holding Ground Won From the Enemy.

Celebrated Journalist and Boom
Candidate Enjoys Some
Good Sport.

Nelsoh, B. C., Sept. 7.—William R. Hearst, of the New York Journal, responsed to Nelson from Bounington and to Nelson from Tanana next spring up are heralded from Tanana next spring up are heralded from Tanana next spring.

The travel over the ice from White Horse to Dawson next spring en route to the new camp is expected to be the heaviest that ever came over that course. Boats will get away from here from Good Sport.