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Speaker-Entirely out of order. Mr. Turner-I made no such I made a speech saying that as equence of some cheap labor that here we were enabled to pay out 00.000 to men with good wages which hop, gentleman tried to prevent us

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Mr. Turner-Certain gentlemen

n previous debates.

In speaking of the expenditure on puborks in certain districts as being productive, I notice that the hon. er for Kootenay raised the inferthat the expenditure in the Kootenays was not what it should be. I am clined to admit that at once. I think hat is so in many districts; I think it ies with us to build up the industries of the province, so that more generous expenditures can be made of public works. And I wish we could have studied more fully the wants of these districts, but under present conditions this is impossible. notice in looking back for a few years in the Kootenay revenue that in 1891 that district produced \$43,000; in 1892 it was \$67,000 and in 1899 it was \$325, 000. Now that is an indication I think that by the opening up of the province, by trails, roads and rallways, industries have been established which have led to an enormous increase of revenue. This s clearly indicated by the fact that from 1891 to 1899, only eight years, it has increased from \$43,000 to \$325,000 That there are other portions of our province that will return perhaps not so gigantic an increase, but still a very large increase on the outlay that has been made there. I think this applies more particuarly to the northern parts of our pro-

vince at the present time. I think strong

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leave the chair. (Loud applause.)

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ooked for appetite for business, and to the surprise, it is safe to say, of all the ical knowledge of nembers, the debate on the budget was irs in London, and uch. Before that nut-off of business the province. The know that. again to this subpital and monopolwhat monopolies red to? They do

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ster, Mr. Brown, rose amid opposition applause to reply

he should rather dwell upon the points sidered. in which he could agree with the Minblame for the not very forward state Eugene in his riding. of the business of the session, it was the government, which actually had eight new bills on the paper which were either not yet in the House, or just introduced. Another matter was the way in which the efforts of the opposition to get a hearing for their views and to put their principles into legislation, were received by some members. Opposition members had made certain pledges and advanced certain ideas, when before their constituents, and they felt bound to do what they could now to have these views carried out. To lecture them about "dictating to the government" and "talking to the galleries" was absurd. Certainly none of them had ever thumped his manly breast and shouted that he was the workingman's friend, as the Min-

Giving the figures for some years back Mr. Brown showed that there had been a steady increase in revenue, and he quite agreed with the Minister of Finance that there was every reason to look confidently for a continuance of that satisfactory state of things. With proper management, the rapid progress of the province was certain; nay, he had confidence enough in the richness of our resources to believe that the province would even progress in spite of a certain amount of bad management: He could not agree, however, with what the Finance Minister had said in his fierce attack upon Mr. McInnes. The Finance Minister was inclined to take credit as the only person able to formulate a policy which would develop this country. But that hon, gentleman's policy is a wonderful increase. This means that in the past had not been well calculated to advance the best interests of the pro vince. Mr. Brown here cited what Mr. Turner had just said about the fullure But at Request of Court Withof our rich mines to pay their fair share of taxation, and he also cited the B. C. Southern, or Crow's Nest, land grant. For that enormously rich grant the province had received absolutely nothingthe railway would have been built when it was built in any event, since it had become a commercial necessity and the Dominion had subsidized it on that ground.

ister of Finance had done a few minutes

before.

After entering a protest against the rease that will exceed the Kootenays for very unequal division of the grants made he last seven or eight years, and that to different districts and the plain discrimination against those districts which he revenue will amount to hundreds of were represented by opposition memsands of dollars from that section bers, Mr. Brown complimented the government on certain announcements made, important effect also on other sections for instance, that it was intended to come to the relief of agricultural settlers ere means that the central parts would who were in arrears in land payments. so receive a benefit. We would not on-Referring to increase of debt. Mr. Brown have the revenue accruing from that said that, while he did not see any cause for uneasiness in the actual amount of tic increase of business in other parts our debt at present, it was still true the province. Therefore I think that that the percentage of increase of debt effort should be made in this had been greater than that of revenue, House to encourage the introduction of and caution must therefore be exercised. apital to that part, and more especially If the money market continued in its present condition, we could not well way construction at an early date, not only opening up the Cassiar and Omineca therefore object to the plan announced float a new loan, and while he could not of arranging a temporary loan from the this morning reports the serious woundukon country, as well as bringing the bank, he wanted to point out that it, ing of Private John Hicks, of Strathwealth and trade of that country more would not do to carry that sort of thing oroughly in touch with the province of too far. Once before the province had British Columbia. Now it is a fact that been at the mercy of a bank and had he trade of this province has been large- paid for it. After some general remarks improved by railways. I might par- about methods of taxation, the heavy cularize the White Pass railway. There demands made upon the treasury for has been an enormous improvement in education, the advisability of adopting trade owing solely to that line. Before a systematic "good roads" policy, etc., money to the British prisoners there, was constructed it cost \$500 per ton Mr. Brown concluded with the expresor freight through that section. Now sion of a hope that our highest anticido not say that \$60 per ton is low pations for the progress of the province would be realized.

nough, but in comparison with the disadvantage that existed before its con-Mr. Brown sat down amid applause truction, there is a point to consider and was followed by Mr. McInnes, who n the trade which it has brought to the in opening coincided in the expressed policy of the government of opening up I do not believe that on account of the the resources of the country, and also rates there has been one pound of flour. restoring the salaries of civil servants pound of bacon, less imported into whose stipends had been reduced. With country. In fact I am not certain this latter action he had no sympathy. but that it may have helped trade to a He agreed that in a province like British Columbia the expenditure must neces-It was stated by one hon, gentleman

sarily exceed the revenue. To meet this expenditure new means happen to know the principal owners of of revenue must be found, and he had London who got up that concern. It is government had adopted this, but had nullified their action by allowing the and struck by a passing train. mine owners to advance the price to the \$200,000, which far exceeded the gross | Montreal. amount of the tax. The government should fix a maximum price.

tirely through the province of British He also urged that the tax be extended Columbia, an all-Canadian line, and to other mines and not on coal mines much more promising of benefit to the only. Another means of revenue might be found in taxing domestics, say \$25. people of this province than that line can As most of these were Chinese, little There is a question in connection with the line proposed yesterday that at any ized for the province exchequer. He government experimental farms in the time, through the advocacy of American also complained that there were 2,000,- Northwest and the Pacific Coast, to acmerchants, that port may be closed against us, so that difficulties may arise case be taken to the courts to see if and British Columbia. it could not be made revenue producing. have taken the usual liberty at this time It being six o'clock the Speaker left to refer to many matters which are not the chair.

EVENING SESSION. After dinner, the member for North Nanaimo continued his attack on the government and warned the Finance Minister that while the budget speech he had just delivered was his twelfth it would be his last, as he was the Jonah of the losed before 10 o'clock, and the House government. He referred to the action dunged at once into the estimates. Here of the government in regard to the E. & gain wonderful progress was made, and N. and White Pass railways to prove his hen the House rose at midnight over statement that they were the friends of of the appropriations had been pass- monopoly. He also disputed the claim It is intended on the part of the for credit put forward for the Premier rnment to take up the remainder for putting the Chinese out of his mines. afternoon and if possible dispose of Chinese were still employed there and m before the rising of the House, would continue to be employed, as the his means that the end of the session white miners regarded these mines in

the older members expect to be out the end of the coming week. One obthe in the way is the voluminous city the government, stood in the way. He harter of Vancouver, which has to be ridiculed the constant reference to capiwaded through and upon which sharp tal emphasized by government members. on the trestle. It is said the cause is the that should be encouraged. Upon the Finance Minister resuming Mr. McPhillips followed by McInnes up.

his seat, after delivering the budget at some length, after which the House speech, the member for New Westmin- went into supply with Mr. Hunter in the chair. The items passed with little debate. On the item for boiler inspection, Mr. Brown said he felt inclined to re- it was urged that one inspector could not gard this, in view of the unusual poli- cover the whole province and the govtical circumstances of recent days, as a ernment assured the opposition that the sort of new beginning; and he thought appointment of a second would be con-

Under the head of hospitals, Mr. ister of Finance than seek occasion for Stables put in a strong claim for as hostile criticism. Before entering on sistance to the hospital of Rev. Mr. Prinfinancial questions, however, he wanted gle at Atlin, which had done splendid to make a few general remarks; and he work. Mr. E. C. Smith also urged a proceeded to show that, if any one was grant to the hospital of the Sisters of St.

> Under the appropriation for deaf mutes, the Provincial Secretary said that eight of the twenty-one deaf mutes in the province were being paid for outside the province. In the supplementary es timates it was intended to make provision for the establishment of a school in the province for their treatment.

Mr. McInnes objected to the grant of \$300 for a resident physician at Alberni, where there were already two doctors. He asked that the grant go to Parksville, which was 30 miles from medical at tendance. The Provincial Secretary said no representation had been made to him, whereupon the member for North Nanaimo intimated that Hon. Mr. Prentice was not in a responsible condition, and

the latter invited his antagonist outside. In the subsequent debate Mr. Helmcken urged a larger salary for Curator Fannin, of the provincial museum, whose excellent work was deserving of greater recognition than it now received. He also urged the appointment of physicians to regularly visit the jails.

Mr. Hayward asked for an appropriation for an Old Wowen's Home

Conspirators

Men Implicated in Plot to Kidnap Lord Roberts Plead Guilty.

draw Plea, and Case Is Proceeding.

(Associated Press.)

Pretoria, Aug. 16.—The trial by courtmartial of Lieut, Cordua, of the Staats artillery, and other leaders of the conspirators concerned in the plot to kidnap General Lord Roberts, began to-day. The prisoners pleaded guilty, but at

the suggestion of the court withdrew their plea and the trial is proceeding. Dewet's Escape.

Pretoria, Aug. 16,-General Dewet has managed to elude General Kitchener in spite of the fact that all the British wagons had double lines of picketed

animals. The Boers evaded the British at night over ground known to them, while their pursuers were obliged to march in the

Trooper Wounded. general commanding in South Africa ther.

cona's Horse, at Carolina on August ground. 14th. Hicks came from Exeter, Eng-For British Prisoners. Capetown, Aug. 17 .- An American consular official has gone from Lorenzo

Marquez to Nogitgedacht to distribute each of whom will receive \$20.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

penter's Fatal Fall. (Associated Press.)

Port Hope, Aug. 17.-Abraham Creamor, a carpenter, is dead from the result of a fall from a roof upon which he was working, due to excessive heat which prostrated him.

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 17 .- The body of Geo. Burk, a resident of Comber, was found in a horribly mangled condition on the Michigan Central railway tracks near advocated as one a tax on coal. The that place yesterday. The victim is supposed to have been walking on the track.

Hull, Aug. 17.-Edward Rollin, a C.P. consumer 50 cents a ton. This meant R. brakeman, was run over and killed an additional cost to local consumers of here this morning. He comes from Sarnia, Aug. 17.-James Symington,

one of the oldest men of this district, died suddenly here to-day. Dominion government in Ireland. He three feet in width. harm would be done, and probably much leaves for his new position on September

000 acres of land in the Island exempt quaint himself with the conditions of a Page wire fence fifty inches high. Toronto, Aug. 17.-James Kendrick, first class shape. aged 101, died at the house of industry.

to-day from excessive heat. Fanny Helper and Meyer Shapero, charged with poisoning Morris Goldstein, the second-hand storekeeper, appeared in the police court yesterday, but were remanded for a week.

The hot weather has returned, resultng in a renewal of the mortality among old people and infants. There were 24 deaths reported at the City Hall yesterday, of whom seventeen were infants.

THE RAILS SPREAD.

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 17.-Train No. 3 the fast mail between New York and Chicago on the Lake Shore, was wrecked at one o'clock this morning on the Long bridge over Sandusky bay, but no one was killed or seriously infured.

The engine and two baggage cars passed over safely. The smoker and one day coach are submerged in the lake. One coach is on end down the bank. A sleeper, about half tipped over, is down the bank, and the last sleeper is off the track right

Modern Rifle Range

Up-to-Date Facilities for Marksmen to Be Provided Here. .

Clover Pcint is to Be Fitted Up With Eight Targets.

On Monday of next week tenders will be closed at Ottawa for the construction of a new rifle range for the city of Vicinterest in the matter to consult the on this ground.

When completed the new range will be one of the most modern in the Dominion, if not on the continent, being fitted up with all the latest convenience for expediting the work of marksmanship tests. A study of the specifications indicates that the department has spared no expense in the estimates for the work, in order to bring it up to requirements, and that marksmen will not henceforth have any cause to complain owing to the insufficient facilities which have hitherto formed the basis of per-sistent complaints from local militiamen. For the purpose of laying out a range sufficiently extensive for shooting with the present weapon, the thousand yard firing point has been prolonged practically into Beacon Hill park, in the vic inity of the bear pits. From this and the other extreme ranges the line of fire will be across the bay, a circumstance which will necessitate accurate judgments on the part of the rifleman in the adjusting of his wind gauges. The roadway thus becoming untenable, additional land will be acquired for the purposes of a high way through part of the Douglas estate, the requisite territory having already been expropriated. In front of the butts, a retaining wall

work, in large flat bedded stones, closely set and jointed, and cement that is used being of the C. P. R. Portland variety. The retaining wall will have concrete footing, the bottom of the footing being five feet below the surface of the ground. The top of the wall is to be coped with large flat stones with close joints. Behind this retaining wall will be the merkers' trench. The base of this will

stones, six inches of concrete, with a and a half of cement, there being a slight fall to one end to carry off the On this a floor of two inch undressed

cedar shingled roof will protect the sion of the material facts of the case. Ottawa, Aug. 17.-A cable from the markers from the inclemency of the wea-

on posts so that the tops of the frames will be at least six inches below the top posts with lag screws.

Two cupboards for paste brushes, etc.. will be constructed between seats under the roofs.

Eight first, second and third class targets will be provided, covered with heavy Two Men Killed on the Bailway-Car- factory cotton and white paper, and painted with lamp black and shellac. The firing points, of which there will be one at every one hundred yards, will be built of crib work with cross ties every eight feet. They will be of 8x8 inch cedar, filled in with earth and sodded.

At each of these firing points there will be a board fitted up for telephones. One of these telephones will be secured to the inside of the retaining wall in the markers' trench with connecting wires drawn through one inch iron gas pipes along the top of the retaining wall under the Connection will be made with each firing point, two Bell instruments complete being provided for these. Telephone poles twelve feet above and five under ground will carry the wires at one hundred foot intervals. This will

provide ready communication between the firing point and the butts. Other features of the range will be ninety-foot flag pole, and a board walk Kingston, Aug. 17.—Rev. Father running down the centre line of the ment of Russia:
Twomey, of Tweed, has accepted a positive range from the 200 yard to the 1,000 "1. Foreigners" range from the 200 yard to the 1,000

good; while say \$250,000 would be real- 7th. Before sailing he will visit the and for workshop purposes will also be of Kamtchatka and Tchutchi, except erected. It will be 20 feet by 15 feet. The whole range will be enclosed by from taxation, and urged that a test life and resources of both the Territories In the spring the work is to be gone ment. over by the contractor and brought into

> The range will be a sea one, there be ing no wall behind the target, and the line of fire being therefore out to sea in grant to Colonel Vonliarliarsky, who is Tailon, a member of the fire department. the direction of Drial Island, as before. at the head of a society of Anglo-Ameri- was probably fatally injured by a fall. be employed not only by the militia but (mineraux utiles) on the territory of the by the regulars as well, and possibly by Peninsula of Tchuktchi, and in conse the ships.

Inquiries are being made at West to carry on the same industry in that Hartlepool and on the northeast coast territory," generally by a Liverpool house on behalf of the French government for steamers to carry a million tons of coal from Nor- the concession is a valuable one, should folk and deliver it in France within the | beach placers be discovered. next 15 months.

A youth about 20 years of age was ar rested at Leipzic on Wednesday, and admits having conspired to kill King Albert of Saxony. He says he was appointed by lot to perform the deed, but that his

courage failed him. A Fresno, Cal., dispatch says a dead lock between the wine-makers and the vine-growers has ended in the breaking up of the growers' combine. Grapes are ifferences exist among the representa- Labor was true capital and it was this spreading of the rails. Everybody got out new selling for \$13 and \$14 a ton instead of the coaches, but several got badly cut of \$18 and \$20, the prices fixed by the association.

PRINCE ALFRED IN VICTORIA. An Alleged Incident of His Visit to the

While the late Prince Alfred, Duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, was a midshipman in the British Navy, he made a brief stop at Vancouver Island, and was entertained by the Governor at Victoria, says the Montreal Star. While on an exploring trip, his guide remarked point-

"I had the honor, Your Highness, show your royal brother, the Prince of Wales, over this same path, and he presented me with this magnificent gold watch."

"Ah, indeed!" answered Prince Alfred, dryly, "that's more than he ever did for In naval circles it is recalled that the Duke was not a favorite among his the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital brother officers, being too forgetful of was held last evening, when the follow-

ent one at Clover Point. Oddly enough him by Prince Alfred when their ships Davies and C. A. Holland was submitnot a single tender has yet been received lay in the same harbor. The Prince, in ted: the Galatea."

> It is but just to the Prince's good sense to say that he returned to his ship, donned his ceremonial uniform, and repeated his visit in becoming fashion.

Siberian Expedition

Czar's Government Grant a Large Concession to an Anglo-American Company.

All Others Warned Not to Encroach on the Corporation's Rights.

Some days ago the Times announced that preparations were being made in present committee, \$748.50; total, \$2,this city for an expedition to the Siberi- 218,50. an Coast for the purpose of seeking in will be constructed of uncoursed rubble the beach sands of that district for placer diggings similar to those met with at Nome. A few days later additional details were published, in which the statement was made that a Mr. Lehman, of Vancouver, was the promoter of the enterprise and that Captain Otto Buckholtz, the daring ex-skipper of the Alpha, would be engaged as pilot.

Difficulty was met with at the time in verifying the story owing to the reticence be made of twelve inches of broken of all those connected in any way with the enterprise, all the principals apsuperficial finish consisting of an inch proached seeming to be bound by a Free Mason oath to keep the matter strictly

However, the perseverance of reporters of the Times was to some extent rewardplank on cedar joists will be laid. A ed and its readers were placed in posses To-day the Times is enabled to give additional particulars, from which it The target posts will be of cedar and would appear that the real head of the will be set five feet eight inches in the expedition is Col. Vonliarliarsky, who cure a fracture bed for the surgical There will be eight target frames of syndicate. Not only is this syndicate ton from Mrs, Widden, Duncans, and the Rockliffe pattern which will be set granted the privilege of operating on the a number of cups, bowls, teapots, etc., well as citizens of the Russiam empire and the denors to be thanked, of the retaining wall and secured to the are forbidden to trench upon the pre-

serves of the corporation. ter received by His Honor the Lieut. days' stay was 1,552; the daily average Governor from the Russian consul at number of patients, 45.8; the daily aver-Montreal, asking that its contents be age cost per patient, \$1.32. Received and made generally known. The letter is as filed.

follows: "Imperial Consulate of Russia in Canada, No. 81.

"Montreal, July 20th, 1900. empire, with the request that you will ceived and filed. have the kindness to communicate its During the evening a communication province of British Columbia.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to equest Your Honor to accept the assurance of my greatest consideration. "(Signed) N. DE STRUVE.

"Imperial Consul of Russia." To His Honor, Sir H. G. Joly de Lotbiniere, Lieutenant-Governor, etc., etc.

Accompanying the letter is the following notification by the Imperial govern-

"1. Foreigners are not allowed to prostion in the emigration department of the yard firing points. This walk will be peet for gold in the maritime province of DWELLING HOUSES DESTROYED. Eastern Siberia, including therein the A frame building for storing targets district of Anadyr and the Peninsulas such private individuals or companies as may be admitted in virtue of a special cuthorization by the Imperial govern-

"2. The prospecting for gold and the working of gold mines by Russian sub- residence all turned out to fight the fire. jects are specially regulated by law. "3. The Imperial government has \$35,000. There is no insurance. Wm. Local shots are very much pleased can capitalists, the exclusive right of with the new arrangement, which will taking out minerals of commercial value quence of the exclusive grant so made, all other parties are absolutely forbidden

> As the Peninsula of Tchuktchi is of considerable extent it will be noticed that

> > FOR FIRE SUFFERERS.

Ottawa, Aug. 15.-The Ottawa fire relief fund committee has issued the last of its cheques to fire sufferers and a government audit will be made of the ac- British Columbia, on a political tour next counts.

ELEVATOR DESTROYED.

Buffalo, Aug. 13.-A fire which started shortly after 6 o'clock this morning destroyed the Dakota elevator, one of the largest elevators in Buffalo.

Work to Be Commenced

On the Erection of the Doctor's Residence at the Jubilee Hospital.

Meeting of the Board of Directors Last Evening-Committee's Report.

A meeting of the board of directors of professional etiquette. A certain British ing report of the special committee contoria, partially on the site of the pres- admiral has often referred to a visit paid sisting of Messrs. B. Gordon, Joshua

by Col. Benson for the work, and only his capacity as a captain, paid his re- "Your committee, appointed to solicit one contractor has manifested sufficient spects to the higher officer, but was so special subscriptions for the erection of inconsiderate as to appear in plain a doctor's residence in connection with clothes. The admiral's rebuke was not the Jubilee Hospital, beg to report as folplans and specifications which are on the less pointed, because indirect, when lows: Your former committee, through view at the office of the D. O. C. of this he said: "It would have given me sin- Mr. Holland, handed in \$460 collected by district in the Drill hall. It is probable, cere pleasure to extend hospitalities of them, and we taken pleasure in informhowever, that Eastern contractors will my ship to the Duke of Edinburgh"-this ing you of having added to this amount tender for the work, and that there will with a glance which swept the Prince's in cash \$748.50, both amounts having be no delay in proceeding with the work whole attire, from hat to shoes-"but been placed to the credit of the doctor's was expecting a visit from the captain of house account in the Bank of Montreal, making a total to the credit of this account, as per statement herewith enclosed, or \$2,218,50

"We also beg to hand you a list of parties who have agreed to donate the amounts opposite their names towards this fund, same not yet collected, and would suggest that this list be handed to your secretary for collection of the several amounts.

"Your committee wish to draw special attention to the liberal response of the Chinese of this city towards this rand. We hand you special list of amounts subscribed by Chinese friends, and would ask your board to make acknowledgment of same through Mr. Lee Mong Kow, who rendered us valuable assistance."

In connection with the above the following statement of the amount now to the credit of the "doctor's house special account" in the Bank of Montreal was submitted: Mr. Arnold Pike's contribution, \$500; amount deposited by the Women's Auxiliary, Provincial Royal Ju-bilee Hospital, \$510; collected by your former committee, \$460; collected by your

The committee will report further on the subject.

A communication was read from James Dunsmuir enclosing a cheque for \$100. and the thanks of the board will be ten dered the donor for his substantial contribution. A communication was also read from Lee Mong Kow, containing a list of the subscribers among the Chinese merchants of the city, with their respective subscriptions amounting in all to \$256. The thanks of the board will also be expressed to the subscribers for their generosity.

Dr. Ernest Hasell, the resident physician, asked for a fortnight's leave of absence, to commence on the 28th of

this month. Granted. The matron, Miss J. M. Grady, reported that the following donations had been received at the institution during the month: A cheque from Cowichan, through Mrs. Musgrave has at his back a strong Anglo-American | ward; books from Mrs. Bowker; old cot-Siberian Coast, but all foreigners as from the Women's Auxiliary. Received

The resident physician reported that during the past month 82 patients receiv-This information is contained in a let- ed treatment in the hospital. The total

The finance committee reported the payment of accounts presented amounting to \$1,678.93. Received and adopted. The steward reported on the satisfac-"Sir: By order, of my government, I tory manner in which the tradesmen of new lay before Your Honor the annexed the city were furnishing supplies, also tory manner in which the tradesmen of notification relative to the prospecting that during the summer 1,075 pounds of for gold on the territory of the Russian jam had been made at the hospital. Re-

contents to the government and to the was read from Mrs. L. Gould, secretary ousiness and industrial community in the of the managing committee of the Home for the Aged and Infirm Women, stating that the enlargement of the home was contemplated to the extent of at least four bedrooms, providing the board would guarantee the immunity of the property from sale in the near future, The eight inmates in the home taxed the accommodation, and it was necessary that it be enlarged before the coming

winter. Permission was granted for the alterations, although no guarantee was given.

(Associated Press.) Makinac Island, Mich., Aug. 17.-Fire started early to-day in the Pine Cottage. one of the large boarding houses of the island. The residence of John W. Davis also caught fire and both houses were burned. The people in the hotel and The loss is estimated from \$25,000 to

A DOOMED TOWN.

Peoria, Ill., Aug. 17.-A message from Smithfield, a small town in Fulton county, early this morning, announced that buildings had been destroyed by fire and that the flames were beyond control. Additional particulars are lacking as communication is interrupted.

COMING WEST.

(Special to the Times) Ottawa, Aug. 17.-It is understood the Hon, Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior, leaves for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and probably Saturday.

FACTORY DESTROYED.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—The clothing factory of K. B. Olsen and Co. was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss on the building and goods is \$95,000.