MANY PERISH IN MINE DISASTER

EXPLOSION DESTROYS VENTILATING FANS

Entombed Men, Numbering 125, Succumb to Deadly Vapors.

noon on Saturday, was dispelled at peaces, grapes and tomatoes. It is ranch were impressed into service. Every 3:30 o'clock at night, when the first claimed that if lower rates were se-8:30 o'clock at night, when the inst claimed that if lower rates were severed. Late on Saturday afternoon and found the dead bodies scattered would soon drive out foreign products.

The assertion is also made that local and the claimed that if lower rates were severed. Late on Saturday afternoon Henry Newman, who had been searching all day, found the bodies at the head of the claimed that if lower rates were severed. Late on Saturday afternoon Henry Newman, who had been searching all day, found the bodies at the head of the claimed that if lower rates were severed. about the floor of the mine. Few, if any, of the bodies are mutilated, and the men were undoubtedly smothered the men wer by deadly vapors which followed the explosion. All but two of the bodies in the mine, it is said, are those of

No effort has been yet made to re move the bodies from the mine. Instead the rescuers and the mining experts are making a complete explora tion of all the workings, to see if they are now safe. This work is expected o occupy several hours.

The workings in which Saturday's

catastrophe happened are known as the Rachel and Agnes mines, in realty a double mine with underground con nections. Construction work was practically finished, and Deputy Mine before the explosion had completed a to various newspapers concerning the berto, was kidnapped while walking two days' inspection which had revealed no cause for apprehension. He and General Manager Kerr, of the scompany, came to the surface in the company, came to the shafts a company, came to the shafts a company of the shafts cage operated in one of the shafts a pressed fears of a possible German few minutes before 11 o'clock. invasion of England, and intimated

Mine Foreman Henry Thompson and two miners entered the cage, and it was started towards the bottom of the 500 foot shaft. There was an ominous every instance they deprecate the idea and deliver a letter from the brigands. rumbling, then a trembling of the ground, round about the mine mouth, as from an earthquake. An instant later there was a terrific report, and the cage was hurled up the shaft and through the roof of the shaft house, the mine foreman and the two men still in it, The bodies of the men shaft captures are supported by the shaft and the two men still in it, The bodies of the men shaft captures are supported by the shaft and the two men still in it, The bodies of the men shaft captures are supported by the possibility of such an invasion is not excluded, particularly in the event of the greater portion of the greater portion of the greater portion of the British fleet being engaged at a point distant from that, selected for a landing.

The Tageblatt publishes an interstance they deprecate the idea and deliver a letter from the brigands. This turned out to be a demand for a ransom of 300,000 lire (\$60,000).

Diliberto was forced to march unintersuptedly for thirteen hours to the mountains. When the bandages were finally removed he found himself in a spacious cavern, where his captors had still in it. The bodies of the men were hurled through the top of the building, and far beyond it. Thomp-son was dead when picked up, while

shaft were blown into Ten Mile creek, two thousand feet from the shaft. Besides the three men in the cage, por-tions of at least two other bodies were blown from the shaft, and were found in the field nearby. The ventilating fans were put out of commission by the explosion, and for several hours, until repairs could be made, no air could be forced into the mine.

Immediately following the explosion a dense volume of smoke issued from the shaft, and it was feared a fire was raging at the bottom of the mine.

A short time afterwards the smoke the surface were unable to tell whether the fire had been smothered out or the shafts so filled with falling debris that

the smoke could not escape.

Rescue work was immediately starttombed men being taken out alive, but this did not deter either officers of the Ingenica, near the mouth of Mc-

surface when the explosion occurred.
The mine was in perfect order. It had gas, but no accumulations. All water can be secured to operate on a mines contain gas, but here I made a large scale, thorough inspection and found no accumulation in any part. I cannot ad-vance any theory as to the cause of Tony Menard. He is expected down the disaster. I have been in every part of the mine in the last two days worked until late this fall. and I carried a safety lamp the same as the miners. There is a gas well in the interior, but it is surro and I don't think the explosion result-

"GOD SAVE THE KING."

His Majesty Gives New Order About Playing of National Anthem.

London, Nov. 30 .- King Edward's order of uniformity, the naval bands frequentplaying the anthem at a tempo approaching 100, while the army bands at times played it as slow as 72. Dan Godfrey considers that for a smart military salute the quicker tempo will be an improvement, but that the present slower movement should be adhered to for church or concert purposes in order to preserve the solemnity.

A STATE COLLIERY.

Owing to the rise in the price of coal, the government of South Australia has recently concluded negotiations for the purchase of 2,500 acres of land in New South Wales for the purpose of establishing their own mine. About 80 acres have been cleared, a dam has been constructed and prep-This new departure in state owner ship, regarded with misgivings in cerquarters, has given unbounded

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, Nov. 30 .- The opening of the

SEEK LOWER RATES Fruit Growers Will Make Representa tions to Railway and Express

Company. Vancouver, Nov. 28.-Freight and exterior points to the prairie provinces and from the interior to Vancouver oust be reduced.

This is the slogan of the British Co lumbia Fruit Growers' Association which comprises in its membership nearly every fruit grower in the province. Strong representations will soon be made to the railway and express

COULD BREAK THROUGH BRITAIN'S DEFENCES

Opinion of German Military Authority on Possibility of Invasion.

invasion of England, and intimated

view with an anonymous person, who is, however, described as a very high military authority, whose judgment is son was dead when picked up, while the others, although mortally wounded, were hurried to a hospital.

So great was the force of the explosion that shattered portions of the woodwork about the mouth of the shaft were hown into Ten Mile constitutions. tion that they do not possess adequate forces under arms.

INGENICA BENCH

Miners Clean Up Fifty-seven Ounces of Gold in Twentyeight Days.

Vancouver, Nov. 28.-The Ingenica country in north central British Columbia may prove a second Klondike, the company or volunteer rescuers from making the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful. Among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the most strenuous efforts to hurry the opening of the mine. The scenes were pitiful among the clean-up for twenty-eight days of the mine of the their shricks and cries were heart-ren- They were obliged to wheelbarrow the Speaking of the explosion, Deputy gravel to the river, where they washed State Mine Inspector Henry Loutiti it in a sluicebox, located on a little fall said: "I had been in the mine for the in the river. They sold the gold to the past two days. I was in No. 2 shaft assay office for \$17.04 per ounce. The less than half an hour before the ex-plosion occurred. I had tested the the camp is all right, Good values, cage and the safety valves, and was they expect, will be encountered as going to look at the engine at the soon as drifting is started. The gravel

The only other claimowner who did

The Ingenica Placer Mining Company has acquired between forty and fifty claims on the Ingenica and its tributary, McConnell creek. S R MacClinton president of the

company, said to-day: "It is our intention to spend between \$70,000 and \$100,000 next season in installing a series of ditches to supply water for working our claims. A small plant to énable us to sink to bedrock is now on its way in. Later on the company will that henceforth the National Anthem be also introduce dredges on McConnell played by military and naval bands at a creek and the Ingenica."

BIG DEPOSITS OF MICA. Company Organized to Develop Claims

at Big Bend. Vancouver, Nov. 28 .- One of the biggest mica deposits in the world exists at the Big Bend of the Columbia, 90 miles north of Revelstoke, according to

James F. Moodie, who is visiting the city. The mineral is largely used in electrical plants and commands prices, according to size and quality, varying Mr. Moodie staked thirteen claims in various groups and has interested. Calgary business men in the proposi tion. A company has been organized

with a capital of \$250,000. Mr. Moodie

says that shipments will be made next He expressed the belief that the supply on these properties was virtually inexhaustible. Surface weathering has detached tons of large white mica crystals which litter the sides of the mountain. The mineral occurs in a quartz formation, the country rock being mica-schist. Some of the specimens brought out by Mr. Moodie this fall measured 36 by 42 inches with a thickness of 12 inches.

CALIFORNIA YOUTHS DIE IN SNOWDRIFTS

Three Perish From Cold and Hunger While Climbing Peaks.

Ventura, Cal., Nov. 30 .- Frozen to death n the snow that covered the high peaks north of the Santa Clara valley on Wedcompanies. The association has invited the support of various public bodies in this city. The matter will likely be taken up at the next meeting of the board of trade.

W. I Drandsith of Ladner as secreday night, the bodies of three Santa nesday nes nesday night, the bodies of three Santa Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 30.—The last ray of hope for the rescue of any one of the 125 or more miners who were entombed by an explosion at the entombed by an explosion at the fall Coal Company, shortly before fall Coal Company, shortly before room on Saturday was dispelled at ten into the deep snow, and, becoming exhausted, had perished from cold and hunger. The bodies were brought to Santa Paula, where an inquest will be

The fathers of the boys are well known ranchers of Santa Clara district, east of Santa Paula.

POWER OF THE MAFIA;

Sicilian. The recrudescence of brigandage in

public mind. Berlin, Nov. 30.—German military A few weeks ago the son and heir of critics have contributed their opinions a rich Palermo merchant, named Diliprone on the ground until Diliberto had been blindfolded and hurried some

> spacious cavern, where his captors had thoughtfully provided an oil stove and an abundant store of provisions. After he had written a dictated epistle reclicitude the brigands left him in the custody of a single member of the band. At nightfall a few days later Diliberto was again blindfolded, led down the mountains in the direction of his home, and at a certain point was set free. He reached home in the early hours of the following morning What had happened in the meantime to bring about his release? It is an undisputed fact that up to the present CLAIMS ARE RICH day many Sicilian farmers and landowners continue to pay a yearly tribute to the local Mafia, so to escape molestation by the brigand gangs, Despite certain relations between the notorious Mafia exercising jurisdiction over the capital city of Palerma and the Mafia operating in the country districts, they are separately constituted. This fact, says the Gionale di Sicilia, the principal newspaper on the island. though having property in the envir-ons, reside habitually in the city itself,

> > hundreds of Carabinieri have been dis- tien gunboat Centenaire. patched to search the mountain fast-nesses under orders to bring in the banditti alive or dead.

WOMEN PLEDGED TO SECRECY.

Will Not Reveal Names of Candidates
They Are Supporting.

New Westminster, Nov. 28.—Sixty-five women of this city have pledged themselves to keep secret for a whole week a selves to keep secret for a whole week a decision arrived at at a mass meeting of women voters held yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. R. Gilley at the residence of Mrs. J. R. Gilley at the residence of Mrs. J. R. Gilley at the residence of the frein control of the fre solemn obligation having been taken by siderable time must elapse before it reopened, the application having ala solemn obligation having been taken by all who attended to hold the entire proceedings in profound secret. The meeting was held for the purpose of discussing the different candidates for aldermanic honors in the forthcoming municipal election, it being the intention of the women to indorse seven suitable men. Unfortunately for the women, several of the candidates selected as desirable absolutely refused to allow their names to go before the solution is the forthcoming municipal election, it being the intention of the women to indorse seven suitable men. Unfortunately for the women, several of the candidates selected as desirable time must elapse before it reaches this city.

The insurgents have shown no signs of excitement, but the diplomatic corps has decided to prevent the entry of the revolutionists for the purpose of pillage, by having forces landed from the warships here.

Situation Serious.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 30.—With the efused to allow their names to go before the voters with the endorsement of the W. C. T. U., fearing that this would mitigate their chances of success at the polls. The women thereupon picked a number of other candidates, but in order to preof other candidates, but in the sup-vent these declining the honor of the sup-pert of the W. C. T. U., they have not yet been informed of the fact that they serious." are supported by the temperance faction.

SIX MONTHS FOR GAMBLERS.

Magistrate Intimates That If Term Does Not Prove Warning More Serious Charges Will Be Laid.

Vancouver, Nov. 28 .- Six months' imprisonment was the penalty imposed on Hing and Wong, the two Chinamen taken in the police raid on the premises situated at 23 Pender street on Thursday night.

the pair to six months' imprisonment with hard labor, said that if this did not prove a warning they would be charged with an indictable offence, and the term of imprisonment would be much extended.

Plants growing near the sea have thicker leaves than those growing inland. Apparently the sea sait is the cause of this ficially salted soil yield thicker leaves.



REBELS WIN FIGHT;

MARCHING ON CAPITAL

Haytien Government Forces Driven Back-Alexis Himself to Take Field.

Port au Prince, Nov. 30.-Governinduced the Palermo Mafia to inter-vene, because the Diliberto family General Celestin Cyriaque, minister of man was found lying along the C. P. ed. There was practically no hope despite premature earlier reports to the from the first of any one of the encountry. Messrs, Stark and Stanier, compromise, by which the brigands eral Antoine Simon, have met with a a pulp, his boots being later found alaccepted \$15,000, or one-fourth of their severe defeat at the hands of the revomost two miles nearer the city.

women many were hysterical, and eight hours. They had no assistance. future annoyance on the part of the affected ports, and after severe fighting their shricks and cries were heart-ren. affected ports, and after severe fighting the government forces were routed and driven back to Miragoane, about 50 An inquest was held, and the jury returned a verdict to the effect that driven back to Miragoane, about 50 Somers had died from injuries received

resident Nord Alexis, who has always shown confidence in the ability ways shown confidence in the ability ways shown to suppress the revoluof his troops to suppress the revolu-

and the French training ship Duguay

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—The state department late on Saturday received the following dispatch from Minister Furness at Port au Prince, Hayti: "The government troops have Portland, Ore., Nov. 30.—With the words, "Hello, Ralph," as his salutation, J. A. Finch on Saturday afternoon walked into the private office of Ralph B. Fisher, chairman of the grievance committee of the Oregon State Bar Association, and been defeated and the insurgents are giving his victim but time to partly turn

ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

Stronger Than Ever, Says Sir Claude MacDonald, Despite the Enemies of Both Countries.

Tokio, Nev. 30 .- The British Society or Friday night entertained at dinner Count Takahira Kato, the newly appointed Jap-anese ambassador to Great Britain. Sir Claude MacDonald, the British ambassador, presided, and in the course of a speech said that in spite of the efforts of Chursday night.

Magistrate Williams, in sentencing the enemies of Japan and Great Britain that the planing mill and factory of the relations between the countries were the establishment, which was destroystronger than ever.

MILKMEN BOYCOTTED.

Milkmen of Montincon, in France, re-

WILL INVESTIGATE DEATH OF MAN NEAR KAMLOOPS

Allegation That He Was Thrown From Moving

Train.

Kamloops, Nov. 28.—Early last Friment troops, under the command of day morning a week ago the body of a war, composed largely of young re- R. track three miles east of the city. cruits, who were sent out to capture He was in a terribly mangled form,

He was later identified as Robert

At the outstart the police were handicapped severely on account of the risk of imperilling the captive's life. Now, however, although the family decline all aid and information, mounted patrols are scouring the country, and hundreds of Carabinieri have been distinguished.

of his troops to suppress the revolu-tionary movement, has decided to take the offensive with three divisions of disciplined troops, which have been concentrated here. concentrated here.

The United States cruiser Tacoma the train crew to throw Somers off the train train,

The attorney-general's department has women voters held yesterday afternoon current that the revolutionary army is marching on Port au Prince, but eading temperance worker of the district, eading temperance worker of the district, even if these reports are true, a consequent the application having also reported the resolution are the powering the po

KILLS ATTORNEY

his head, he shot Fisher dead. Finch was recently suspended from practicing law for having appeared in having forged the name and notarial seal of his law partner to an affidavit. Fisher as chairman of the grievance committee had prosecuted Finch.

WILL REBUILD AT ONCE. Manager of Vancouver Mill Says Improved Plant is to be Installed.

Vancouver, Nov 27 .- E. C. Mahoney manager of the Royal City Mills, states they should be detected, ed by fire on Monday night, will be rebuilt as soon as the insurance on the for the new plant, and these submitted to the directors of the con-

Requisites for Xmas Puddings

SPECIALLY SELECTED EGGS, per dozen35c

The Family Cash Grocery Cor. Yates and Douglas Streets.

Have You Purchased Your Heater Yet? If not, here is what you want, either an OAK HOME, SPECIAL OAK, or a

B. C. HARDWARE CO., LTD.

GANG OF YOUNG GIRL THIEVES IN TORONTO

Systematic Method of Shoplifting-Precocious Criminals All Under 14.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 30.—It has now developed that the two little girls from Symington avenue, who were arrested in West Toronto for shop-lifting, are members of a band of juvenile law-breakers who have been developing their thieving propensities in a very systematic manner. Both the local and Toronto rollice have get the pages? Toronto, Ont., Nov. 30 .- It has now systematic manner. Both the local and Toronto police have got the names and addresses of several other girls all under-14 years of age, who have been working hand in hand collecting articles from stores. The value of the goods stolen now aggregates \$50. Besides having become proficient at light-flugering, the girls had developed in crime so far as to have fictitious names prepared for the police in cas

-The regular monthly meeting of the Mothers' Club will be held in the Spring Ridge school house on Wednesportion of the plant destroyed is adjusted with the fire underwriters. A number of plans are being prepared will be provided, and a large attendance is provided, and a large attendance is provided. ance is hoped for.

the sea sait is the cause of this more, as plants cultivated in artisal soil yield thicker leaves.

The sum of 250,000 was spent in fruities experiments to make artificial into less experiments are also less experiments to make artificial into less experiments are also less experiments are also less experiments are also less experiments are also less experiments The sum of £900,000 was spent in fruit-

WOODS' RADIATOR They are neat, well finished, and perfect heaters THE PRICE IS VERY LOW

COAST DISTRICT, RANGE 4. tke notice that Arthur Howard Hara, of Victoria, B. C., accountant, in man, of Victoria, B. C., accountant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post planted 4 miles south and 5 miles west of the northwest corner of Section 33, Township 9, Range 4, Coat District, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, and containing 640 acres more on less.

Dated October 2nd, 1908, ARTHUR H. HARMAN, By his Agent, J. E. M. ROGERS.

COAST DISTRICT, RANGE 4

ro less.

Dated October 2nd, 1908.

R. B. PUNNETT.

By his Agent, J. E. M. ROGERS.

THE DUCREST STUMP PULLER-Mos powerful made, catches from 1 to 20 stumps each pull. Will clear a radius of 340 feet without moving. Moved easily in 30 minutes. Apply J. Ducrest, 466 Burnside road, Victoria, B. C.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

the Matter of an Application Duplicate Certificate of Title to Lot and Easterly 18 Feet of Lots 1, 2 and 3 of Suburban Lot 8, Victoria City. mention, at the expiration of one month om the date of the first publication ereof, to issue a Duplicate Certificate of title to said land, issued to Rose Campell on the 18th day of March, 1908, and

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B the 11th day of November, 1908



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GLENFARG HITS VANCOUVER

GROUNDS WHEN AVO COLLISION AT NAI

Vessel Discharging Coming to Dry Dock Repairs.

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—In an avoid a collision with a tug fast night in the first nar Canadian Pacific Oriental farg, outbound, struck a reef mediately returned to her v and to-day is discharging f dred tons of cargo, which w by some other vessel to Orio The liner will go into dryo diately. Two plates only a to have been smashed, and no water got into the hold, The Glenfarg struck at a p

"ALL FOR LOVE Japs Fight For White Girl-Scene in Los Ange

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. anese fought for the love girl in the Nippon restaura Second street, on Saturday, them shot the other four flicting serious wounds, Rinz employed as a domestic a fired the shot at Raku Ta waiter in the Nippon.

The girl lives in San
where Takahasi was forme
tor of a retaurant and v shara is said to have com posely to slay his rival, Entering the restaurant o he cried out: "I am Kash Kashara!" 'and opened fire.

VICE CONSUL SUIC Prussic Acid Route Chosen

Representative at St. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 7 .- C ouis, committed suicide russic acid at his home Mr. Echtromer came into some time ago through a with federal officials, which the revocation of his ex-President Roosevelt. Late instated in the good grac

duties here. VERDICT IN INGERS

Washington, D. C., Dec preme court of the Unite day decided in favor of in the case of Mrs. Widow of the late Rober against Joseph Coran ar volving a claim of \$100,00 gersoll on account of services by her husband in brea of the late Andrew J. Day

SUICIDE BY SHO

St. Louis, Dec. 7.-C. V ager for the American pany, shot and killed ome here this morning dence the report of Mr. was confirmed, but thos would make no statem reason for his act.

SOAP DEAL LAG

Calgary, Dec. 7.—The sa ard Soap Company, of ti Royal Crown Soap Compa and Vancouver, has not be BRITAIN FACING E London, Dec. 7.—Cha Exchequer Lloyd-George for the first time that ning of the next fiscal England will be spend

BUILDING OF NA IS HER OWN

annually more than it also admitted that the heavy increase in taxati

Animated Discussi gramme in Riech erity in Const

Berlin, Dec. 7.-The Reichstag on Saturday budget resulted in an a zion of the naval prog Several speakers of criticized the increase building battleships, a member of the Centre taken as a challenge

Herr Basserman, Na declared that German jected to the military and armaments of ot that she rejected ener gestions from abroad army and navy, which range according to he During the debate, suffered an attack had to be carried, shiping, from the building