

The Budget Speech

Additional British Preference Will Reduce the Taxation to Canadians.

Concession to the Dominion—Public Debt Will Be Reduced.

Forty-two Commissions for Canadian Officers in the Imperial Army.

On the 30th of June There Will Be a Surplus of \$7,500,000.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 23.—The galleries were crowded this afternoon to hear Hon. W. S. Fielding deliver his financial statement. No finance minister since Confederation ever met the House under so favorable auspices. Not only is trade buoyant and the financial condition of the country excellent, but prosperity exists all over the Dominion, from one end to another. It was not wonderful, therefore that Mr. Fielding opened with reference to the prosperity of the country. He proceeded to give a clear statement of the finances of the country, afterwards dealing with trade figures. He showed that for the last fiscal year the surplus was \$4,837,741. Taking up the figures for the current year, he said that there would be on 30th June next a surplus of \$7,500,000. (Great cheering.) He added that the current year's financial operations would show that all ordinary expenditures, all capital expenditures and the cost of the contingents to South Africa would be met, and not one dollar would be added to the public debt of the country. (Cheers.)

Mr. Fielding stated that after 1st of July next preferential tariff with Britain would be increased from 25 per cent. to 33 1/2 per cent. In favor of Britain, so that for every \$3 duty collected on goods with other countries there would be on these same goods only \$2 on British goods.

Mr. Fielding announced in his speech that the government had submitted a proposal to Trinidad to have free trade, with very few exceptions, between it and Canada. This proposal will be submitted at a meeting of the legislature of Trinidad on Monday. The only change in the tariff was the placing of machinery to be used in the manufacture of beet root sugar on the free list.

Arrivals at the Capital.
Senator Templeman and George O'Reilly arrived last night. Mr. Bodwell is in Chicago, and will be here about the first of the week.

Ottawa, March 24.—Everyone to-day is talking of the splendid effect the budget speech produced to-day. Old-time Conservatives are forced to admit that the financial statement was a masterpiece, both in the manner of its presentation and the matter it contained. Mr. Foster was not only unable to reply, but the Citizen, the opposition organ, here has not one word to say editorially on the subject.

The additional preference, to Britain will greatly reduce taxation to Canadians, and will add the mother country as well. The admission of Canadian stocks to the trustee lists in Britain is a great concession to Canada, and the fact that the current year will show a reduction in the public debt is a terrible rebuke to those who have been clamoring about increased taxation.

Commissions for Canadians.

A cable has been received to-day at the militia department stating that 42 commissions have been given to Canadian officers in the Imperial army. There are to be four in the Royal artillery and eight in the infantry for students of the Royal Military College. There are also to be ten in the Royal Artillery and twenty in the infantry to officers of the Canadian militia, making 42 in all. The Minister of Militia will say who these commissions are to be given to.

Timber Berths.
An order-in-council has been passed providing that the annual rental of timber berths situated between Eagle Pass and Yale shall be reduced from five cents an acre to five dollars per square mile, and the reductions established by the order of 1st July, 1898, be amended accordingly.

Land in Yukon.
An order-in-council of 6th July, 1898, fixed the price of land in the Yukon at \$10 per acre. An order has been passed reducing this to figures varying from \$2.50 to \$5 on lands south of the White Horse rapids and not adjacent to the railway. Not more than one thousand acres can be sold to one individual.

NEW UNDERGROUND RAILWAY.
(Associated Press.)
New York, March 24.—With a silver spade, in the presence of thousands of persons, Mayor Van Wyck to-day lifted from an opening in the city hall square a

few pounds of earth, which formally began work on the underground rapid transit railway system. The ceremonies which marked the beginning of this great engineering feat were befitting an event of such great importance. A great multitude gathered in the space and overflowed into the adjoining streets, requiring the services of a thousand policemen to handle.

A CHICAGO FATALITY.
Two Men Found Dying in the Streets—One Death.
(Associated Press.)

Chicago, March 24.—Two men, who are supposed to have been assaulted by strikers yesterday, were taken to the county hospital last night in a serious condition. One of them died later. His name was Gustave Smith, 38 years of age. August Easterbrook, 36 years old, sustained concussion of the brain.

Mystery surrounds the manner in which Smith received his injuries. He was found lying on the street car tracks with his nose broken and lips cut. At the hospital he said the injury, in his opinion, had been inflicted with a club. Easterbrook's injury are also shrouded in mystery. He was picked up on the street unconscious, and was still in that condition early to-day. His condition was serious.

The police said later that they had witnesses who would give testimony at the inquest over the body of Smith that the latter had been knocked down by a cable train, thus receiving the injuries from which he died. They also averred that Easterbrook had been injured by falling against a curb stone, that had the strikers attacked the man they could not have failed to attract attention, as Easterbrook was picked up where there were many people on the street.

SAILOR SHOT DEAD
And Another Wounded in a Fight at Galveston.
(Associated Press.)

Galveston, Tex., March 23.—Michael Mellegan, boatswain's mate of the United States gunboat Machias, was killed last night at the Tremont street ferry landing. His brother Edward, first class fireman of the cruiser New York, was shot in the hip. M. H. Ward, master of the Gulf and Interstate Railway Co.'s steamer Laurence, is under arrest.

The jacksies had been entertained at an oyster roast and attempted to negotiate with the tug Laurence to take them back to their vessel. The master declined because of the heavy fog and rough sea. He claims that about 25 of them attempted to take possession of the boat, and that this resulted in the shooting. The dead man was 35 years of age. He leaves a widow in Boston.

The police arrested a dozen jacksies who were intoxicated.

NOTES FROM NANAIMO.
Ralph Smith Leaves for Rossland Where He Will Address Miners.
(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, March 24.—Ralph Smith, M.P., left this morning for Rossland, where he will address a meeting to be held there on Monday night, with the object of straightening out the present labor troubles. Mr. Smith yesterday received a telegram signed by Hon. Smith Curtis and J. M. Martin asking him to go there and meet the Comstock miners.

R. McConnell arrived here from Cumberland last evening and left this morning on his way to England. Mr. McConnell served a term of enlistment in a Worcester regiment, and a few weeks ago he wrote applying for a place in his old regiment. On Thursday he received a cablegram informing him that a place was ready for him. Mr. McConnell was working in the mines, but he immediately threw up his position and started out. He leaves a wife and family at Union, who will return to England as soon as they can dispose of their household effects.

CUMBERLAND.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)
On Saturday night a mass meeting was held in Pike's hall to arrange for a celebration to be held either at the taking of Pretoria or at the surrender of the Transvaal. It was arranged that the mayor be asked to proclaim a civic holiday; that a flagstaff be erected at the school and a flag obtained; that a grand procession, headed by the band, parade the town; and in the evening there be a grand display of fireworks on the recreation ground.

On Saturday Messrs. Bennett and Pullen, assisted by some of the boys, planted nearly forty maple trees around the school grounds.

The English church people have arranged for a resident clergyman. Though many will be sorry to lose the services of Mr. Williams, yet all are agreed that it will be better to have someone who can give all his time to this place.

Mr. Le Fenore, late of Nanaimo, has taken over Mr. Rider's hardware business.

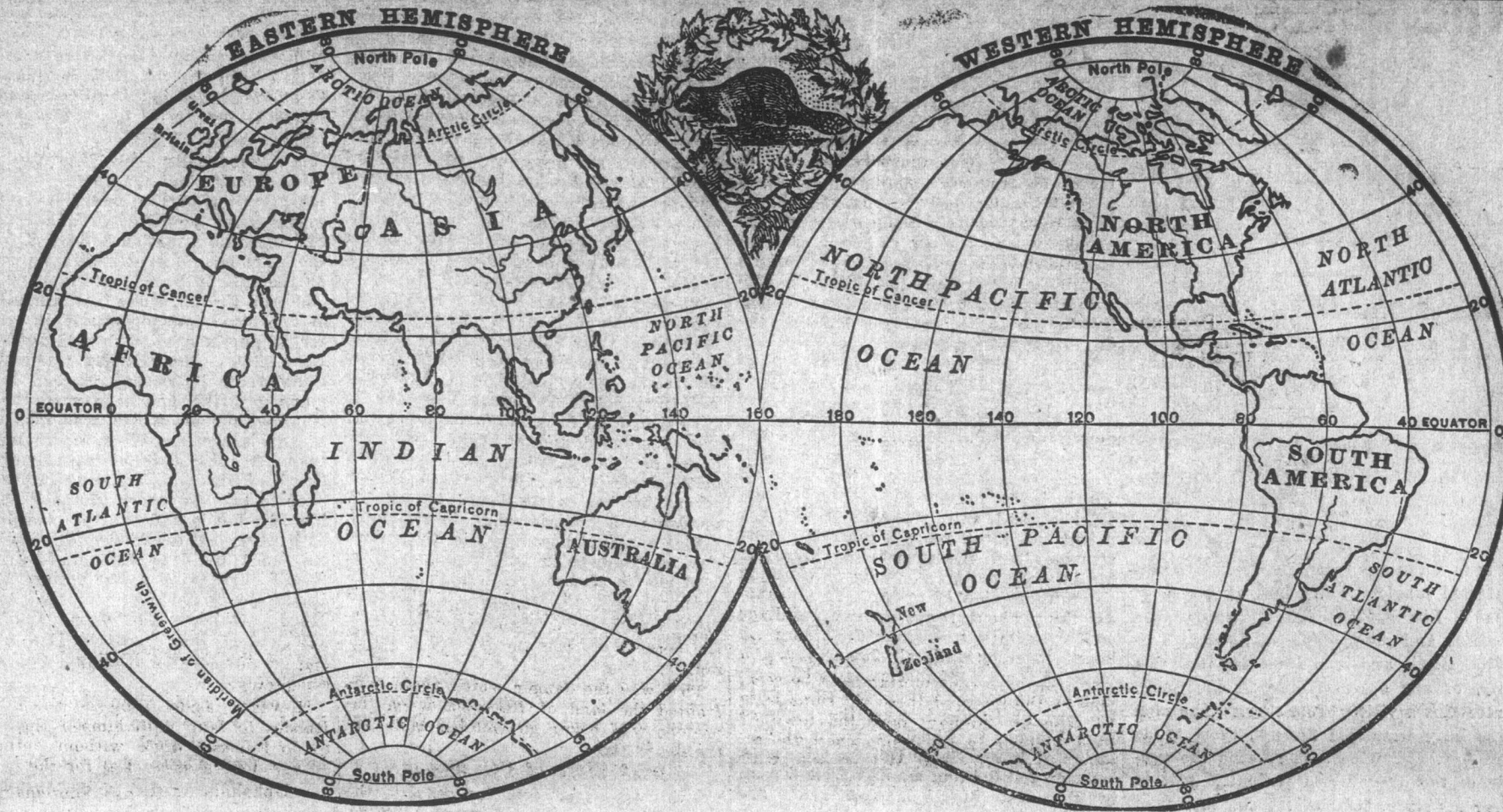
Mr. Weir and family are going to live in Vancouver.

NOTES FROM ALBERNI.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)
The case of McLennan vs. Pemberton, heard here on Tuesday before Judge Harrison, was decided in the latter's favor. Mr. Pemberton having satisfied His Honor that he had paid the contractor all dues.

A sad accident occurred on Monday afternoon to Mr. Bishop's youngest child. Whilst playing with some little friends she placed her hand on a stump which a little boy was chopping at, and he cut off the middle finger of her right hand, and severely cut the hand.

A social tea and entertainment was held here on Wednesday. The proceeds going to the Mansion House fund. An excellent tea was provided by the ladies of the district, and a very good programme of instrumental and vocal music was rendered. The songs were mostly patriotic. A clever little operetta, entitled "The Days of the Week," was one of the many pleasing items on the programme. During the singing of "The Absent-Minded Beggar" a sheet was held up to receive contributions, and a very large number of coins found their way into it. Altogether the sum taken for the tea and at the collection amounted to \$88.61.



Canada on Top.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People is a Canadian Medicine with a world-wide reputation for merit. It is the only Canadian medicine that has met with unqualified success in all parts of the world. There is not a civilized country on the face of the Globe where these pills are not on sale, and in all countries they are looked upon as the standard blood-builder and nerve tonic.

Merit—and merit only—has given Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a greater sale than any other medicine in the world. It is proved that these pills have cured diseases which, before their introduction, medical science said were incurable. Wherever they have been used they have made people bright, active and strong.

In the Company's offices throughout the world there are on file upward of half a million (500,000) grateful letters from people who have been cured, and throughout the world millions of people now use no other medicine. The merit of this medicine has made for it an enduring reputation.

We give below testimonials from some of the most prominent countries in which Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are on sale:

CANADA.

John McDonald, merchant, Cape North, N.S., says: "For years I was a sufferer from spinal troubles, which eventually resulted in partial paralysis. I consulted no less than six doctors, but with no good results. I invested \$30 in an electric belt, but it was money wasted. I spent two months in Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, under the best specialists, but left the hospital actually worse than when I entered it. My legs were as useless as two sticks of timber, and I could only drag them after me with the aid of crutches. Rev. Mr. McLeod urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After using them for some months new life and vigor returned to my legs, and I am able to attend to business without the aid of crutches, or even a cane. My restoration through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills has caused a great sensation in this section."

UNITED STATES.

Mrs. M. M. Peabody, Haverhill, Mass., says: "When I experienced the change of life that comes to all women, it left me broken in health and utterly miserable. I suffered with palpitation of the heart, extreme nervousness, severe headaches, and general debility. I seemed to grow worse each year, notwithstanding the fact that I was almost constantly under the doctor's care. At last my husband brought home half a dozen boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. My only regret now is that I did not learn the value of these pills sooner. They have restored me to good health and activity, and I have gained over twenty pounds in weight since I began their use. These pills are a blessing to women at a critical time in life."

GREAT BRITAIN.

Lilly Ledger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ledger, Doncaster, Eng., at the age of six was afflicted with St. Vitus' dance to such an extent that she was utterly helpless. She could neither move limbs or head; had to be carried about and led like an infant. Neither parents nor friends of the family thought she could possibly recover. Her father read of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and decided to give them to the child. The effect was wonderful, in a few weeks she began to recover, and in the course of a couple of months there was not a healthier, livelier, or brighter child in the neighborhood. Her parents look upon her cure almost in the light of a miracle.

DENMARK.

T. Lose, Copenhagen, says: "Since Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have been introduced into this country, I have sold more of them than any other medicine, and my customers all speak of them in words of great praise. I never hesitate recommending them to those enfeebled."

PORTUGAL.

P. Gonzales, Oporto, says: "My wife was a great sufferer from ailments which afflicted the sex, suffering in consequence from headaches, weak heart and dizziness. She tried many medicines without benefit until we received a little book telling about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Then she tried this medicine, and it has given her new health and strength. We now always keep these pills in the house."

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

J. de Torok, Buda Pest, says: "I was a continuous sufferer from indigestion, which reduced me in flesh, made me easily irritated, and I felt like a burden. I had doctor for years with nothing more than temporary relief. Then I began using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and in two months' time every sign of the trouble had vanished, and I have been in perfect health since."

ROUMANIA.

Mrs. M. Yonell, Bucharest, says: "Two of my daughters, aged 14 and 16, have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with grand results. They were weak, often dizzy, ate but little, and the elder especially suffered much from pains in the head, sometimes almost to blindness. I saw these pills advertised for such troubles, and so I got three boxes, and both daughters were made as well as ever they had been. I have recommended them to others with the same good results."

SPAIN.

M. Garcia, Barcelona, says: "Overwork made me nervous, irritable and weak in health. I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills advertised and decided to try them. I used only four boxes, and am now in splendid health."

ITALY.

Antonio Meranda, Milan, says: "My son, twelve years old, was weak and ill. He could not run about and play like other children, and all that we did for him availed not. He had headaches, sometimes trembled all over and ate but little. A book came into my possession recommending Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I got a box. These did him good, and I got two more and before he had taken them all he was running about with the other children as active and happy as any of them. I have proved these pills the best of medicines."

SERBIA.

Mrs. D. Gyuris, Belgrade, says: "I was an almost continuous sufferer from a severe form of neuralgia. My blood was poor and watery, my face would swell and the pain I endured was something frightful. One day a small book advertising Dr. Williams' Pink Pills was left at our door, and on reading it I saw the pills were recommended for the trouble from which I was suffering. I bought a box, and then one after another until I had taken eight boxes, when I felt I was cured. I have since had the best of health and no return of the disease."

RUSSIA.

M. Stroboski, Moscow, says: "I have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for general debility and have never found any other medicine to equal them. Since using them I feel like a new person; my blood is better, I eat and sleep better, and have gained considerably in weight."

SWITZERLAND.

P. Doy, Geneva, says: "I warmly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to those who may not be well. I felt weak at all times, had a poor appetite and even slight exertion left me worn out. My chemist said, try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I took his advice. After taking four boxes I felt equal to any exertion, and in every way as well as ever I had been."

EGYPT.

Max Fischer, Alexandria, says: "I have handled Dr. Williams' Pink Pills since they were introduced into this country a few years ago, and I can truthfully say that not only have their sales been wonderful, but they have worked some remarkable cures. From what I have seen and heard of these pills, I can understand the success they have met with throughout the world."

BELGIUM.

A. Derneville, Brussels, says: "I have been a great sufferer from rheumatism, which frequently kept me in the house for days at a time. All the medicines I took gave me no more than a temporary relief, until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These seemed to have reached the root of the disease, as I have not had even a twinge of it for months. I cheerfully recommend this medicine."

MEXICO.

Mrs. Isidora Salazar de Langarica, of Guachinango, Mexico, says: "I had been sick now and then for a long time, but two years ago I began to grow worse. I had a severe pain in the left side of my body, which prevented me from moving my arm, and extended itself on that side through to my heart. After this my head became stiffened. I had trouble with my breathing and every bone ached. As a consequence of all these ailments I had to stop to my bed, without being able to move at all, even my meals being fed to me. A physician of repute was treating me and as his medicines did me no good, I was prevailed upon by Mrs. Lucia Amaral to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which she had the kindness to get for me. Soon after taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I began to recover my health, and after having taken five bottles, I recovered my health completely."

FRANCE.

Dr. Thierry Migre, Paris, a member of the Legion of Honor, says: "I frequently prescribe Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in my practice, especially in cases of anemia (poverty of the blood) and extreme nervousness, and always with the best of results. I have no hesitation in saying that these pills are an excellent tonic for people in a feeble state of health."

GREECE.

J. D. Joannides, Pirae, says: "I was troubled with insomnia and general weakness, and a friend advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I acted on his advice, and the medicine acted beyond my best expectations. I am now free from these attacks and enjoy the best of health."

GERMANY.

J. Lucac, Bremen, says: "I have been a severe sufferer from kidney troubles and constant pains in the back, as the result of which I frequently passed sleepless nights. A physician who prescribed for me said my trouble was likely to assume a fatal form, which statement left me very hopeless. I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills advertised for this trouble, and decided to try them. The result has been a happy one for me, as the pains have entirely disappeared, and I am once more enjoying the best of health."

SOUTH AFRICA.

W. A. Bester, J. P., owner of Bester's farm, the scene of a recent battle near Ladysmith, says: "For a long time I was in very poor health. I always felt tired, was afflicted with violent headaches and swollen and painful legs which made it difficult for me to walk. Often I would take dizzy and fall, and on one occasion remained unconscious so long that my Kaffirs had to carry me to the house. I was under the treatment of a doctor in Ladysmith, but did not get better. Mr. Illing, druggist of that town, advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These did me good almost from the start, and after using them about a month all my old-time vigor returned. I think Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a blessing to humanity."

AUSTRALIA.

W. F. Byrnes, whose home is a few miles from the city of Melbourne, says: "Two years ago I was afflicted with a large abscess on the right thigh. The doctor said it was an aggravated case of hip disease, and consumption of the tissues. I was removed to Melbourne hospital and after being there a few weeks one of the leading doctors pronounced my case hopeless. I was then taken home, everyone imagining I was at the point of death. I was reduced to a living skeleton. A neighbor urged my friends to give me Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They did not think any medicine could help me but consented to do so. Under their use the wasting away ceased, and I began gradually to recover. I used the pills for about four months and am again as well as ever I was in my life. The doctor who first attended me has told me he did not think anything on earth could have saved me, yet Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have made me well and strong."

VENEZUELA.

Matias, Y. Salas, Caracas, says: "For some years I suffered dreadfully with stomach trouble. Some doctors were of opinion that my disease was chronic catarrh of the stomach; according to others I had granulation in the lower part of the abdomen, and still others diagnosed something else, but none succeeded in curing me, notwithstanding my having followed their various treatments to the letter. No matter how wholesome the food, it would cause indigestion and flatulence. I had anæmia and a poor appetite, all of which obliged me to give up my business. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were recommended to me by so many persons that I decided to take them, which I did with the greatest success, and it is a fact that I owe my present health to a few bottles of these wonderful pills."

HOLLAND.

H. Snablie, Rotterdam, says: "My wife was weak and ailing for several years. She was often taken with severe headaches; her heart would palpitate violently if she took any exercise, and her appetite had almost deserted her. It was about this time I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills highly recommended and procured for her a few boxes. Relief came in a few days, and in a few weeks she was again quite strong and with good color in her face. Since this many of her female friends have used the pills and all speak well of them."

If you are weak or ailing; if you are feeling "out of sorts"; or if you need a spring medicine (and most people do) Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are exactly what you require. But remember that you must get the genuine, and the world over, the genuine bear the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around the box. If your dealer does not have them they will be sent post paid at 50c. a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.