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Former Premier Speaks Plainly at Meeting of Liberals in London.

If They Fail in Their Duty a New Party May Be Formed.

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THREE SCREW CRUISERS. Plans of New Vessels for United States Navy Now Under Consideration.

Washington, July 18.—The plans now under consideration for the two new armored cruisers authorized by congress contemplate such a new departure in steaming capacity that these ships will be able to make a round trip to Europe...

RUSSIANS IN MONGOLIA. Frontier Station Has Been Garrisoned—Surveying Parties at Work.

London, July 18.—"Mongolia is now Russian," says a dispatch to the Daily Express from St. Petersburg. "Urga, a Chinese frontier station on the road to Pekin, about 20 miles south of Kichikta, has been fortified and garrisoned by Russians."

DEADLOCK AT PEKIN. London, July 18.—In the House of Commons today the parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, Lord Cranborne, informed a questioner that the difficulty which caused the deadlock among the ministers of the foreign powers at Pekin had reference to the collection of revenues...

SUDDEN DEATH. Utica, N. Y., July 19.—Robert Folger Westcott, the head of the Westcott Express Co., died suddenly at Richfield Springs at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

THE DUKE WILL ENTERTAIN. Conservative and Liberal-Unionist Delegates Invited to Blenheim Palace.

London, July 19.—The Duke of Marlborough is about to appear in a new role. There will occur at Blenheim Palace, the Duke's seat at Woodstock, Oxford, on August 10th, the largest political demonstration of recent times. Its object is to celebrate the third Unionist victory in the elections. Three thousand delegates from the Conservative and Liberal-Unionist associations throughout the country will be present...

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The Final Heats To-Day

Ideal Weather Prevails For Closing Events of Regatta at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 20.—Weather conditions, as ideal as those of yesterday, prevail to-day for the final heats of the annual Regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen which will be rowed this afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock. To-day's sport promises to be of the finest order...

FIRST DAY OF REGATTA. Winnipeg Won the First Trial Heat for Intermediate Eights.

Winnipeg, July 19.—Fine weather and a smooth course is the outlook for the first day's race in the twenty-ninth annual regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen, which will begin at 3 o'clock this afternoon over the national course on the Schuykill river in Fairmount park.

INTERMEDIATE SINGLES, FIRST HEAT.—Two entries, Len Marsh, of C. S. Titus, and Nonpareil B. C., New York, first; Len Marsh, Don B. C., Toronto, second; C. E. Johnstone, Winnipeg, B. C., third. Time, 9:46.

INTERMEDIATE SINGLES, FIRST HEAT.—LON SCHOONES, DON R. C., Toronto, first; John Moran, Columbia B. C., Allegheny, Pa., second. Time, 11:31.

SECOND HEAT.—JAMES MILLER, Columbia B. C., Allegheny, first; A. C. McCloskey, Pennsylvania B. C., Philadelphia, second; E. J. Hess, Centaur B. C., St. Louis, third. Times, 10:31.

DISTURBANCES IN SPAIN. Convents and Churches Have Been Closed and Barricaded.

Saragossa, Spain, July 19.—As a result of the encounters here during the past two days between Catholics and Free Thinkers, in which one man was killed and 45 were wounded, 12 of the latter fatally, the majority of the clergy have fled from the city...

CANDY CAUSED DEATH. New Westminster, July 19.—Peculiar circumstances marked the death of Clarence, eighteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Best, Port Moody, which occurred yesterday afternoon.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT. Buffalo, N. J., July 19.—In the New York state tennis tournament but one match was played this morning, Jenny defeating I. Wright in the semi-final handicap, 7-5, 6-2.

Practically Settled

The Strike of Fishermen on the Fraser is Now About Over.

Basis of the Agreement Which Has Been Accepted by Grand Lodge.

Vancouver, July 19.—The fishermen's strike was practically settled to-day, through the efforts of a committee of citizens, headed by Fred Bascomb. The Grand Lodge this morning agreed to a settlement on the basis of 12 1/2 cents for 25 per cent of the pack, and 10 cents for the remainder. All that now remains to be done is for Vancouver to ratify this action.

Dr. McEwen, house surgeon of the City hospital, had a narrow escape from drowning last night in the bay. He fell out of a canoe and was rescued by Mrs. Long, who, with four children, was rowing into town.

Bodley's Shooting

Got Fourth Place in First Stage of St. George's Vase Competition.

Scored Sixty Six Out of a Possible Seventy—Canadians "At Home"

London, July 19.—In the competitions at Bixley yesterday, under the auspices of the National Rifle Association, Sergt. S. W. Bodley, of Victoria, stood fourth in the first stage of the St. George's vase competition, the second important prize, with a score of 66 out of a possible 70.

During the afternoon the Canadians held an "At Home," and Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal presented two cups to Col. Tilton, commandant of the Canadians, one of them from himself for the highest aggregate score made by a member of the team...

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EXODUS FROM LONDON. Season is Drawing to a Close and Society People Desert Metropolis.

London, July 20.—London is fast emptying, the recent heat wave having given a final kick to the dying season. Great expectations socially are entertained for Cowes, where the presence of the King and Queen will give that necessary fillip which has been wanting to every fixture this year.

Sensational Paris Story

Correspondent Tells of Alleged Conspiracy to Overthrow the French Republic.

And Install Prince Louis Napoleon as Emperor—Demonstration Fixed for September.

London, July 19.—The Pall Mall Gazette publishes this afternoon a somewhat remarkable communication from its Paris correspondent, giving circumstantial details of an alleged conspiracy to overthrow the French Republic and install Prince Louis Napoleon as Emperor of France.

PEASANTS DESTITUTE. Forty Thousand Acres of Grain Destroyed by Storms and the Hessian Fly.

London, July 20.—A dispatch to the Evening Standard from Odessa says that according to reports of special agents the Siberian crops appear to be nearly a total failure as a result of the two months' drought.

YACHT CAPSIZED. Eight Person Missing Are Believed to Have Been Drowned.

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FRUITS OF MONOPOLY.

The Dominion government has appointed a commissioner to inquire into and report upon the question of rates charged upon railways. Complaints have become too numerous to be ignored. It has been freely charged, and apparently irrefutable evidence submitted in proof thereof, that the people who are contributing large sums yearly to meet the interest upon the debt incurred to assist in the construction of railways are being ruthlessly discriminated against and the producers of a foreign country favored to the great loss of Canadians generally. The doctrinaires who assert that competition has no effect upon rates are confounded by these facts, for it is the points in the United States which are blessed with competition that benefit under the present system, and it is the points in Canada which are confined to one line of railway for transportation which suffer. Business on the branch lines in Ontario in some instances has been shown to be next to impossible of transaction under present conditions. The whole country is held back by extortion which renders competition with more favored sections impossible. It is not charged that one line is a greater sinner than another in this matter of charges. It is simply contended that they all take the fullest possible advantage of their opportunities, and that not one is as far-seeing as it ought to be considering the favors received from the country which is being pinched. It has been pointed out that one of the great Canadian lines is paying dividends of 25 per cent upon the capital actually invested in it. We hope the commissioner has been endowed with power to probe the question to its utmost depths, having regard to all phases of the subject, with special reference to the relationship between the rates charged and the bona fide profits earned. He will find many anomalies to engage his attention in the West. We have heard the virtues of government regulation of rates extolled most eloquently on the floors of the British Columbia legislature and the futility of competition explained by men who profess to be experts. There is no such thing as competition worthy of the name here, and it is one place in the world where regulation ought to be effective. It was pointed out in the Board of Trade report that the high charges on the White Pass road are overcoming the advantage which the tariff gives Canadians in the Yukon country. American goods are being transported up the Yukon river by steamer at rates with which Canadian merchants cannot compete after paying the railway charges even with the duty in their favor. The letter which we print from Faith Fenton-Brown in another column shows that this is not the only discouraging aspect of the situation which has been created in the north by the excessive charges made possible through a practical transportation monopoly. The development of the country is being retarded and none but claims of great wealth can at present be worked. We hope the commissioner will commence operations in the West and work his way East. There is a fruitful field for him to thrust his inquisitorial sickle into here.

A POSSIBLE RAPPROCHEMENT.

Lord Pauncefoot is a sanguine man. He is confident that all the unsettled questions between Great Britain and the United States can be disposed of in short order with a little earnest effort on the part of those who are conducting negotiations. He is even sure that treaties can be negotiated between the two governments which will be satisfactory to a senate which has hitherto proved that it is not easy to please. If the British Ambassador can satisfy the necessary majority of a legislative body which has up to the present been somewhat extravagant in its demands without giving away his whole case he has not uttered the following, worthy of a Dufferin, in vain:

"They (the Americans) are the most genial people on the face of the earth. At the first grip of the hands they take you to their hearts. So long as you do not assume superiority they treat you as one of their own, and no one could say more than this."

It is a fact that there has been a change in the tone of the United States newspapers lately. It has been brought about, however, by the evidence of hostility to their country which has been given by every European power with the exception of Great Britain. There is a movement on foot on the continent to administer to the United States a dose of the protectionist medicine which that country has been so freely pressing to the lips of all her competitors. Russia was the first nation to shut her gates. Austria is preparing to act, having become alarmed at the inroads the Americans are making upon her boot and shoe trade. Other powers are being pressed to join in the movement, and there are reasons for the belief that they will not refuse. A few months ago it was a common thing to read articles in United States journals lauding Russia as the naturally ally of their country. The massacre of students by Cossacks was even defended upon the plea that the people are ignorant and the only reasoning they can understand is that which is enforced at the edge of the sword or through the persuasive eloquence of the Czar. It was urged that if the Czar and his advisers were given a reasonable opportunity they would succeed in placing the masses of Russia upon as high a plane as the people of the United States now occupy. The tone has

changed, but the question is how long will it remain so? Would the Speaker of the House of Representatives still think it wise and politic to cover up the Union Jack alone of all the foreign flags used for decorative purposes? The New York Times speaks in a semi-apologetic tone of the insistent message of Cleveland and the imperious demands of Olney at the time of Britain's dispute with Venezuela, contending that the ultimatum which may regard as a stock-jobbing bluff was really a peace message, as it removed forever a possible cause of strife between the United States and Great Britain and vindicated the principle of adjusting difficulties by arbitration. Unfortunately for the consistency of the United States politicians, they have given unmistakable proof that they are not willing to be governed by the "decrees" which they issue for the guidance of others. They were urged to submit the dispute with Canada as to the location of the Alaska boundary to an impartial tribunal upon precisely the same terms as they prescribed for Great Britain for the settlement of her difference with Venezuela. They say there is nothing to arbitrate. "We have willed that the boundary shall be where we have placed it, and we should like to behold the nation powerful enough to question our imperial decrees." So the matter stands at the present time. The imperious, not to say bullying, attitude of our neighbors has not tended to cordiality of relationship. If Lord Pauncefoot can persuade the men who are responsible for the policy of the United States in this matter to reconsider their position he will prove himself an ambassador worthy of the name.

GOODBYE TO THE MUD FLATS.

Many Victorians will now be ready to acknowledge that Mr. Tarte is not such a bad fellow after all. It is no doubt bad that he is a Grit, and still worse that he was once a Tory, but it is undeniable that he is a good Canadian and that the charges of disloyalty to Britain which were levelled against him have all come to naught. If a public man be energetic and possesses capacity the public is not likely to concern itself much with charges such as those which have been levelled against the Minister of Public Works. Mr. Tarte has had charge of one of the chief departments of the public service for more than five years now, and the work he has accomplished for Canada speaks for itself. Millions have been expended under his direction, yet it has never been charged that a dollar has been misapplied. Every cent has been put to uses which are now returning, or promise to return, manifold returns. Though far from robust, the Minister, as far as possible, exercises supervision over all the works in his department. A sample of his energy was displayed in Toronto when he and his engineers completed the inspection of the harbor works there before the Mayor had completed his aesthetic slumbers of the indolent Aldermen had breakfasted. Time was thus economized and the Aldermen no doubt saw that the champagne was not wasted. But the characteristic of Mr. Tarte which is of particular interest to Victorians and for which virtue we are thankful at the present time, is his practical manner of doing business. It had to be demonstrated to the Minister that the people of Victoria had set their hearts upon a public work which would be of immense benefit to the city from sanitary, artistic and utilitarian points of view, and were ready to submit to considerable pecuniary sacrifices in order to have the scheme carried out, when he readily consented to co-operate with them. The result is that the James Bay flats will be filled in without a cent of cost to the city for the necessary material and the harbor will be deepened at the same time.

In this case enterprise has brought its own reward. It is now expected that the city which at times smelled rather "high" will shortly be the most attractive. A saving of between thirty and forty thousand dollars will leave a considerable sum to be applied in the direction which will do the most good. That is a matter which can be determined after the practical part of the undertaking has been completed. It is of importance that the most artistic effects possible shall be produced; but the chief point at this time is to get the causeway completed and the present bridge, which has become inadequate for the increasing demands upon it, removed.

THE GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC OPINION.

On the surface it appears a wise move on the part of the government to ascertain definitely whether it is feasible to build a railway through the Hope Mountains. It is undeniable that there is at present a conflict of opinion upon the point. There is no doubt that engineers in these latter days can accomplish marvellous things. They can take locomotives almost anywhere, but they cannot make them earn dividends for their owners under all circumstances. That is just the point that creates the difference of opinion in regard to the direct line from the coast cities to interior points. One engineering expedition has declared that a way through the fastnesses exists; the government apparently has no confidence in that report. The C. P. R. people say such a line would be so expensive to build and so costly to operate that it would not pay. The V., V. & E. people are willing to construct the line and take chances, and their position is endorsed by so eminent successful a

railway man as James J. Hill. No doubt Mr. Hill expected to make money enough out of the portions of the road which did pay to overcome the extra cost on the difficult parts. The C. P. R. contends that it is capable of attending to all the business which is likely to arise between the coast and the interior when its connections are completed, but if a shorter route is considered essential it will supply it via Spence's Bridge. The government is strongly pro-C. P. R. At least that is the general opinion, based upon the events of the last session and the remarks of the gentlemen on the opposition side who formulate its policy. If it were not for these things it would be unreservedly admitted that Mr. Wells has acted wisely in deciding to send out an expedition to gather data for a foundation upon which to treat with companies asking for a subsidy for the Coast-Kootenay road. As it is, if the engineers report adversely the public will view the finding as another victory for the C. P. R. This is an unfortunate state of affairs both for the government and the community, but for it the government has itself entirely to blame. It is another proof of the necessity of all who have charge of affairs of state being above suspicion. It does not do to let a notion get abroad that there is an alliance between representatives of the people and powerful corporations. The persuasive ways of the latter are considered by the public to be calculated to the welfare of the people whom they ostensibly serve.

SWEET USES OF PROSPERITY.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, who is now in Vancouver, says the Tappens can "paddle their own canoe and he will paddle his." This does not indicate that the relations between the Conservative leaders are very cordial yet. Mr. Foster says politics do not pay, and he probably thinks "not when a man is in opposition." If a cabinet position and eight thousand a year were in sight it would be different. But the prospects are very gloomy indeed. The Liberals are so harmonious. There has not been a single split in the ranks yet. They are all in one canoe instead of each man paddling his own. Even Providence and the elements seem to be arrayed against the Conservatives. The harvest in Canada, unless something unforeseen occurs, promises to be by far the most abundant in the country's history. Already Manitobans are looking for laborers to assist in the reaping of the forty million bushels of wheat and other crops which are expected. Employment is so abundant that a man might find it difficult to get work. The day that there promises to be a dearth of suitable hands for the work which it awaits them. The contrast is so sharp between this condition of affairs and the situation in the latter days of Conservatism when mobs marched through the streets of Toronto and other large cities carrying red flags and demanding employment or bread that it is no wonder so bright and far-seeing a gentleman as the ex-Finance Minister ponders the matter carefully before consenting to stand for Addington. Victory even in a Conservative stronghold without the assistance of a powerful railway corporation is not a cause of achievement by an unpopular candidate of a most unpopular party. Then there is Mr. Fisher, the first practical Minister of Agriculture the country has ever had, travelling in Great Britain and adding to the market's heat already created there for the products which formerly found favor in the United States, but which Messrs. McKimley and Dingley decided to exclude. It is said that governments are seldom changed in prosperous times if they be at all worthy of the confidence of the people. The successful gathering of the fast ripening harvest now upon the fields of Canada will mean a season closely approaching a boom. It will gather force, too, as the acreage under cultivation in Manitoba alone is being added to at a tremendous rate. About half a million acres more were opened up this year. The success of the farmers there will greatly encourage the taking up of land, and there is an abundance of it yet left. We are all interested in the affairs of our agricultural neighbors, because we cannot escape from the strong current of business prosperity which flows from abundant harvests. The railways and all industries feel the impetus of the current which arises in the wheat fields of the prairies. But we are indeed sorry that some of our Conservative friends cannot fully enter into the spirit of the occasion. Think of the joyous note they would sing if they were in power.

A PROPHECY.

Lord Rosebery has made two significant speeches within a week. He has raised the whole empire and startled the world to attention, but it is doubtful if his words will breathe new life into the dry bones of present day Liberalism. The ex-Premier is awake to the possibilities of the future. He sees that the great mass of the British people put patriotism before party and that the only hope for the forces which Gladstone led in putting aside the petty squabbles of the politician and appealing to the electors on a broad imperial policy. It has become a habit with a certain class of people to sneer at Chamberlain. The Secretary for the Colonies is practically the power which keeps the empire together to-day morning. Mr. Chamberlain perceives that the conditions in the world have changed; that the relative position of the United Kingdom is not what it once was. Other powers with greater natural resources have not only begun to manufacture for themselves, but have entered into competition at home and abroad with the nation which was the workshop of the world. Great Britain has managed to stand alone in the past, but her position was never really one of splendid isolation until the present time with hostile commercial legislation aimed at her from all quarters. The statesmen of the old school who rule the government are not moved by any of these things. "They believe in bunting along in the good old way which has served the army so well, but has proved so costly, and in trusting to luck to make all things right in the end. Lord Salisbury has passed the meridian of life, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach is too conservative to think of departing from the paths his predecessors have walked in for years, while Mr. Balfour is not possessed of the energy to even suggest that old things have passed away and that it is time to enter upon a new and higher national career. The appearance of harrows must be kept up. It is noticeable, however, that when the question of the relationship between the Mother Country and the colonies is under discussion and the usual deprecatory remarks are being indulged in by the pessimists on both sides of the House Mr. Chamberlain opens his mouth. He has his own opinion upon these matters, and it is practically identical with that of Lord Rosebery. There is but one interpretation to be put upon the speeches of the Colonial Secretary. He also believes that the time has come for a change in the relationship which exists between the Mother Country and her colonies. Like Rosebery he perceives that the present condition of the most important of these colonies of apathy, followed by separation. The fires of patriotism have been kindled by recent events, and it is felt that the time to act is near at hand. True Liberals are appealed to to come out from the midst of those who would render the empire into fragments and would rejoice at its downfall.

WHEN THE PRESENT WAR IS AT AN END.

When the present war is at an end a question of still greater dimensions will loom up on the political horizon for contemplation by the British people. The Tories will not face it and the rump of Whiggism will have nothing to do with

in proof of their contention. Foreigners are on hand in great numbers ready to undertake the work which the union men refuse, a condition and one which any reasonable person will admit was not calculated to turn discord into harmony. The labor leaders were irremediably in spite of all the efforts of Labor Commissioner Bremner to induce them to agree to terms which would be acceptable to the canners. Violence was threatened and illegal acts were committed, although there is no reason to suppose that anything serious has resulted. Superintendent Hussey of the provincial police has performed his part at a critical time with the judgment and coolness for which he has become noted, and there is no doubt that it is largely owing to his rare tact that a matter which at one time looked so serious has had a satisfactory ending. It has been demonstrated that law and order are supreme in British Columbia. The greater number of the Japs may have obtained their naturalization certificates by fraudulent means. The Attorney-General showed that he believed there had been illegal acts in connection with the admission of the men to the rights of British subjects when he cancelled the commission of the one who had been most active in "swearing them in." He rested from his labors when he had performed that arduous task. Perhaps it was not possible for him to do more. But he might have tried. In any case the Japs were in the river and they claimed to be British subjects. It was not the business of the officers of the law to inquire into the why and the wherefore. It was their duty to protect law-abiding people who desired to pursue a lawful calling. They did protect them most effectively, and it is due to a large measure to the lesson inculcated by Superintendent Hussey and his staff that the strike is at an end to-day and there is a reasonable prospect of British Columbia receiving the full benefit of one of its chief industries. There is only one respect in which the conduct of the police is open to adverse criticism. The Japs who have been allowed to go upon the water armed. By doing so they set an example to those who antagonized them and invited attack. There is no necessity for any man to carry arms in this country. It is a mischievous habit and it is the principal cause of the shedding of human blood that is one of the chief blot on the record of the United States.

THE STRIKE OF TRACKMEN.

With men of courage and ability like Rosebery and Chamberlain to lead there is a possibility of the political affiliations of years again being cast aside and a new and greater Unionist party being formed. Some of the altruists of the East have been stricken in a weak spot. The newspapers report that there was considerable curiosity mingled with alarm manifested on account of the arrival of three score Chinese in Toronto. It is almost a pity the head tax was increased. If the tide had been allowed to flow uninterrupted for a little while longer we might have had the East with us in the agitation for restriction, or even prohibition. The Orientals are an enterprising people, as the thrifty Eastern Canadian will find it he is ever brought into active competition with them. But all the virtues of humanity are not summed up in the one word thrift, as some economists seem to think. The Orientals have their virtues too, although it is a trifle difficult to practise them in places where they are not gathered together in large numbers. The report of the royal commission, we doubt not, will open the eyes of some very good but simple people upon that point. Life in China is not altogether lovely nor is the scene so picturesque in the aggregate as it is in the individual. The combination of smells—the robust word used by Capt. Wolley would fit the case better—complexly drives away the charm and dissipates the poetry of the situation.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell has arrived in Vancouver en route to Dawson. To a Province reporter Sir Mackenzie said: "I have not seen Sir Charles Tupper since last election, but as far as I am aware the old trouble between us is completely ended. The Tappens paddle their own canoe and I paddle mine." In reply to an inquiry about the future prospects of the Conservative party, Sir Mackenzie said in effect: "Sir Wilfrid Laurier was in power and was likely to remain so for the present, though he thought that a better showing would be made by the Conservative party at the next election." The old Conservative leader is not, it is evident, too hopeful of success for his party in the immediate future.

Annie Heggett told the Grimby magistrates that her husband, Matthew Heggett, a gauger, "gave her away to the next door neighbor," and to this unusual proceeding she objected, going home to her parents instead. She now made application for a separation and maintenance orders against her husband. They were granted in 1872 but had been living apart for the past 15 years, she supporting the children by "charring." During that time she had heard nothing of her husband. The bench ordered defendant to pay 10s. a week towards his wife's maintenance.

According to statistics prepared for the Home Secretary, 1,700 children are estimated to die yearly in the United Kingdom.

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The Strike of Trackmen

Grievance Committee Sent Out Circular Urging the Men to Stand Firm.

New Master Mechanic For Vancouver—Former Golf Champion of Canada Dead.

Montreal, July 19.—The grievance committee of the Brotherhood of Trackmen held a special meeting at the Grand Union Hotel this morning, when it was decided to address another circular to members of the union still out on strike along the line. In its mention is made of a resolution passed at the meeting of freemen at Winnipeg, asking that further efforts be made to settle the strike, as their lives were placed in continual danger owing to unsafe conditions of the road bed. The committee still strongly urges the men to stand firm, telling them that their position is becoming stronger day by day, owing to the fact that the company is beginning to feel the need of experienced men to keep the road in a proper state.

COMING WEST.

Winnipeg, July 19.—Mr. Hall, general foreman of the C. P. R. shops, is to be transferred as master mechanic to Vancouver, and his position is to be filled by Mr. Baird.

JUDGMENT TO-DAY.

Judgment will be given in the Lisgar election case by Chief Justice Killam and Mr. Justice Dubeau to-morrow morning.

EX-CHAMPION GOLF DEAD.

Golf players in Canada will learn with regret of the death of Andrew W. Smith, ex-champion golfer of Canada. Mr. Smith died early this morning. He had been in poor health for some time, but on Wednesday he became suddenly worse. He was born in St. Andrews, Scotland, and it was there that he learned the game of which he was one of the founders in Canada.

SAD ACCIDENT.

Guelp, July 18.—An accident occurred on the farm of Frank Drexler, Guelp township, in which his three-year-old son Eddie lost his life. He wandered into a grain field, where a binder was at work, and as he was not observed by the driver, was caught in the knives. One leg was so badly injured that amputation was necessary, and all the fingers were taken off one hand. The child soon died from his injuries.

DECLARED OFF.

Montreal, July 18.—F. X. Ledoux, United States consul at Three Rivers, and the church authorities or Bishop Cloutier, have come into conflict. The consul is a young man of intelligence and vigor, and has taken active interest in matters calculated to benefit citizens, physically and intellectually. Finding the city had nothing that could be called a book store without drawing on imagination that few books were in circulation among the mass of people, and that to

Prominent Financier

President of Large Life Insurance Company and Party in City.

Says Most Buoyant and Hopeful Feeling Prevails Throughout the Dominion.

There arrived last evening by the Champlain a party comprising some of the most able financiers in the Dominion, including the president of the Mutual Life Insurance company of Canada. The party consists of President Robt. Melvin and Messrs. Melvin of Guelp, Ont., E. P. Clement and Mrs. Clement, of St. John, Ont., and G. Wegman and Mrs. Wegman, of Waterloo, Ont.

President Melvin is well known in Canadian financial circles. He is a native of Glasgow, and came to this country in his early years, bringing with him a substantial stock of spelling worth and ability, which has placed him in the prominent position he now occupies. He can no longer be included among the young men of the nation, but the efficient administration of the affairs of the company is a striking commentary on his intellectual grasp of the details which come under his supervision.

Mr. Wegman, who accompanies him as the company's general manager, while Mr. Clement is one of the directors. The present tour will have both its pleasure and business aspects. In fact when it is remembered that the great object of all insurance companies, as Mr. Clement pointed out this morning, is the secure investment of its funds, it can readily be seen that every worthy opportunity for investment must be seized. The fact was brought out this morning that conversation with several members of the party that there was a strong possibility of a considerable quantity of capital being invested in the large industrial company represented by the men in the near future.

Despite the fact that owing to the exigencies of their itinerary the party will be able to spend only a day in the city, Mr. Melvin courteously devoted some time to conversation with a Times representative at the Grand Union Hotel. The president expressed a keen interest in the city, as it were, from which he can obtain a birds-eye view of the condition of the country. He has his fingers on the financial pulse, and is therefore qualified to speak authoritatively on the progress of the Canadian people at large. Canada, he said, was never so buoyant throughout the entire domain as he found a feeling of hopefulness which was justified by the general prosperity in Manitoba he had not heard one complaint. Even last year when adverse climatic conditions had done much to cross the misfortune had been borne with perfect equanimity. The year the crops throughout Ontario, Manitoba and other points were excellent everybody was happy and every body prosperous. In Ontario there were few signs of employment, and good wages were earned.

Mr. Melvin is a staunch Liberal. He has stood by the Grit standard through failure and success for many generations. He was pleased to say that Guelp, a city in which he resided, had gone Liberal always, with the exception of the 1886. This reverse could be attributed to the gloomy predictions of manufacturers, who said that without a protective tariff the iron and steel industry would close down. The same information volunteered by the manufacturers in North Waterloo, now represented by Messrs. Segram, the directors of the Liberal party, however, dissipated these impressions. The manufacturers, both Mr. Melvin and Mr. Clement pointed out, were busier now than ever. They were anxious to increase their staff and work the factories overtime. The Tory candidate, C. Kleopfer, who was defeated by Mr. Goutierre at the last election in one of the Wellington wards, had done more business during the last five years than ever before. In fact he had doubled the capacity of his establishment.

Regarding the proposed re-nomination of Sir Louis Davies, the president heard nothing from which it might be inferred that a successor was under consideration. In fact he had had a long conversation with Mr. Davies, then Minister of Customs, at Banff, and the gentleman had made no reference to the subject.

Mr. Melvin was formerly mayor of Guelp, and a leading member of the board of trade at that place. He has been identified with the Mutual company since its organization in 1868, and on retirement of the late president was immediately selected as the man for the post.

The party spent to-day touring the city, and will leave to-night en route for another city.

ANOTHER STRIKE.

A. F. Gwin Tells of Rich Find on Salt Spring Island.

A. F. Gwin, the well-known mining prospector, who discovered rich copper recently on Richard Mountain in value of that of the gold mine, arrived from Salt Spring island where he has been superintending operations on his claims at Pufford Harbor. He is in the city for the purpose of purchasing an outfit of mining tools which he will send to Salt Spring on his claims.

Speaking of his Richard Mountain claims, he says, "I have been very good; the men working have reached a depth of 17 feet, and reporting the better the ore was assayed. I have received that the further down the ore was assayed, the better development work is being pushed, and in the opinion of those who have seen the property, it is as rich as that of the Lenora and other property owned by Mr. Mackenzie. The opinion that in a short time Richard Mountain will be as famed for its ore as the Lenora."

Mr. Gwin states that his claims on Salt Spring are also progressing favorably. He has several men working, and everything has shown up well. He says the Pufford Harbor claims, which he has also discovered what he

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Days Most Buoyant and Hopeful Feeling Prevails Throughout the Dominion.

There arrived last evening by the (Quebec) a party comprising some of the most able financiers in the Dominion, including the president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of Canada. The party consists of President Lord Melvin, Miss Melvin, of Finch, Ont., E. P. Clement and Mrs. Clement, of St. John, Ont., and G. W. Wagon and Mrs. Wagon, of Waterloo, Ont.

President Melvin is well known in Canada as a financier. He is a native of Glasgow, and came to this country in his early years, bringing with him a substantial stock of sterling worth and ability, which has since been increased. He is no longer included among the young men of the nation, but the efficient administration of the affairs of the company is a striking testimony on his intellectual grasp of the details which come under his supervision.

Mr. Wagon, who accompanies him, is the company's general manager, while Mr. Clement is one of the directors. The present tour will have both its pleasure and business aspects. In fact when it is remembered that the great object of all insurance companies, as the security of their funds, it can readily be seen that every worthy opportunity for investment will be improved. The fact was brought out this morning in conversation with several members of the party that there was a strong possibility of a considerable quantity of capital being invested here by the large and substantial company represented by them in the near future.

Despite the fact that owing to the exigencies of their itinerary the party will be able to spend only a few days in the city, Mr. Melvin courteously devoted some time to conversation with a Times representative at the Grand Hotel this morning.

The president occupies a coin of vantage, as it were, from which he can obtain a bird's-eye view of the condition of the country. He has his fingers on the financial pulse, and is therefore qualified to speak authoritatively on the progress of the Canadian people at large. Canada, he said, was never so buoyant. Throughout the entire domain they had found a feeling of hopefulness which had been denied by the general prosperity. In Manitoba he had not heard one complaint. Even last year when adverse climatic conditions worked havoc with the crops, the misfortune had been borne with perfect equanimity. This year the crops throughout Ontario, Manitoba and other points were excellent. Everybody was busy, and everybody was content. The same information was vouchsafed by the manufacturers of North Waterloo, now represented by Mr. Wagon, the distiller.

The return of the Liberal party, however, disappointed the Tory candidates, both Mr. Melvin and Mr. Clement pointed out, were busier than ever. They were compelled to increase their staff and work their factories overtime. The Tory candidates, K. Kleopfer, who was defeated by Mr. Guthrie at the last election in one of the Wellington ridings, had done more business during the last five years than ever before. In fact he had doubled the capacity of his establishment.

Regarding the mooted resignation of St. Louis Davies, the president had heard nothing from him. He had inferred that a successor was under the official eye. In fact he had had a long conversation with Hon. Wm. Patterson, Minister of Customs, at Banff, and that gentleman had made no reference to the subject.

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Local News.

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(From Friday's Daily).

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John A. L. Waddell, C. E., who has a wide reputation as an engineer, will be engaged by the provincial government to superintend the work which is to be undertaken in the province and bridge over the Fraser at New Westminster.

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"Therefore, His Excellency, by and with the advice of the King's Privy Council for Canada, is pleased to order that the aforesaid section 34 of the said regulations governing the disposal of coal lands, the property of the Crown, in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia, shall be and the same is hereby rescinded, and the following substituted therefor:

"Lands containing anthracite coal may be sold at an upset price of \$20 per acre, and coal other than anthracite at an upset price of \$10 per acre, or may be sold by public competition if the Minister of the Interior shall so decide. Payment for cash or scrip shall be made when the application is granted, or payment may be made of one-quarter of the purchase price only, and the balance in three equal annual instalments with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum upon the unpaid balances. Scrip, however, cannot be accepted unless payment is made in full at the time of the sale. If payment is not made accordingly the right to purchase will be cancelled.

"In addition to the above a royalty at such rate as may be fixed from time to time by order-in-council will be levied and collected on the gross output of the mine, and it will be necessary for the person operating a mine to furnish the Agent of Dominion Lands with sworn returns monthly, or at such times as the Minister of the Interior may direct, accounting for the full quantity of coal mined, and pay the royalty thereon at the above rate.

"Default in payment of such royalty, if continued for ten days after notice has been posted at the mine in respect of which it is demanded, or in the case of such mine, by the Agent of Dominion Lands or by his direction, shall be followed by cancellation of the sale. In case of such default, the interest on the purchase price may be refunded.

"The patent which may be issued for coal lands will be made subject to the payment of the above royalty, and provision will be made therein that the Minister of the Interior may declare the patent to be null and void for default in the payment of the royalty on the coal mined.

"Any attempt to defraud the Crown by withholding any part of the revenue thus provided for, or by making false statements of the amounts taken out, shall be punished by cancellation of the sale of the land in respect of which fraud or false statements have been committed or made, and the Minister of the Interior may, for the same cause, declare the patent which may have been issued for the land to be null and void. In respect of the facts as to the fraud or false statements or non-payment of royalty the decision of the Minister of the Interior shall be final."

"There is to be a vacation in the County Court here from August 1st to October 1st, during which time no cause will be tried, subject to the following provisions:

"Nothing in these rules shall interfere with the issue of service of ordinary, default or judgment summonses, or garnishee proceedings, or proceedings for obtaining judgment on default summonses. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with any criminal proceedings.

During said vacation the office hours of the court shall be in accordance with Marginal Rule 326 of the Supreme Court Rules, 1900.

These rules shall be cited as the County Courts Long Vacation Rules, 1901.

Provided, however, that any judge of the above-mentioned County court may, if he deems necessary, hold sittings of the County court during such vacation. Tenders are being called for a new end for the enlargement of the Alexandra school house. Tenders for the former must be in by July 22nd, and for the latter by July 24th.

The Gazette also contains the following appointments:

Ritchie S. Gallon, of Canterbury, East Kootenay, to be a justice of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

Frederick C. Campbell, of Trout Lake, mining recorder, to be registrar of the County court of Kootenay, holden at Trout Lake; such appointment to take effect on the 15th instant.

Joseph Page, of Galiano Island, to be assessor and collector of the assessment and "Revenue Tax" Acts for the Galiano Island Assessment district, vice H. Macklin, resigned; such appointment to bear date the 1st instant.

William Graham McMyran, of Greenwood, gold commissioner, to be government agent in and for the Kettle River and Grand Forks mining divisions; such appointment to bear date the 1st instant.

John McLeod, of the City of Revelstoke, alderman, to be a member of the board of licensing commissioners for the said city, vice Alderman W. D. Newman, resigned.

George Cruickshank, of the City of Victoria, clerk of the department of education, to be secretary of the said department.

### The Annual Field Day

**Collegiate School Yearly Sports Held at Oak Bay Were Very Successful.**

**Large Number Attended—Interesting Programme—Lady Joly Presented Prizes.**

Yesterday afternoon a large number of people spent an enjoyable time at Oak Bay park, where the Collegiate school held their annual field day. The different events afforded a great amount of excitement, all or almost all, being closely contested.

The first event was the broad jump for boys under 14 years of age, which was won by E. Todd against Pitts. The jump, over 14 yards, was won by Ettinge, with H. J. Marshall second.

In the high jump, for boys over 14 years, Marshall was first against Ettinge. In the contest between boys under 14, Pitts was first and Spencer second.

The cricket ball throwing contest was won by Ettinge, with a throw of 94 yards, while A. Janion made a throw of 82 yards 1 foot, coming second.

The three-legged race was won by Pitts and Stebbings. The best race of the day was undoubtedly the quarter-mile handicap for boys over 14. Ettinge started off in the lead, but could not keep the pace. Bell, Marshall, Campbell and Dart kept together until almost the finish, when Marshall, who was in the rear, made a splendid sprint, passing the leaders and reaching the tape first. Campbell beat Bell for second place by a few inches.

The 100 yards handicap, under 14, was won by Pitts, who beat Stebbings by a short distance. The next event was the pole jump, which was won, after a most interesting and exciting contest, by H. Marshall, who cleared the bar at 7 feet 5 inches. L. Bell cleared up to 7 feet 4 inches, but was unable to negotiate the extra inch.

A very evenly contested race was the 100 yards handicap for boys under 12. It was won by Stoddart, who beat Stebbings by a few inches, passing him at the finish at the tape.

The sack race was won by Garnet, with Spencer second. Marshall won the 100 yards handicap, over 14, with neck and neck race with Ettinge, beating the latter by about two feet.

Stoddart won the 150 yards handicap, while Alfred Selbach when ahead at the tape. The 200 yards handicap, boys under 12, was won by Selbach, with Martin second.

The half-mile handicap was won by Todd, with J. Belyea second. The quarter-mile handicap, under 14, was won by Pitts. Holden was second.

The hurdle race was won by Bell, who, after a neck and neck race with Ettinge, the consolation handicap, 200 yards, was won by Spencer. Drake was second.

The 300 yards stagers' race was won by K. Scholten, with S. Patton second and B. Bell third. The bicycle race, over 14, was won by Raymer. The entries were Raymer, Mr. Christian, and Mr. Laing.

In the bicycle race, under 14, Spencer won, Todd being second and Holden third. The school championship prize, under 14, winner of most events, fell to Pitts. A handsome silver cup is the award for this event. To become the property of any of the boys, this trophy must be won two successive years.

The school championship, over 14, was won by H. Marshall, the prize being a silver cup. At the conclusion of the sports Lady Joly, assisted by Mrs. Laing, presented the prizes to the winners. Sir Henri Joly's prize in most complimentary terms to the organizers of the physical exercises of his boys, judging from the events of the afternoon. He knew of their mental capacity as evidenced by the excellent reports last Christmas, and now he was pleased to note that they were able to make such good use of their hands and feet. The Bishop of Columbia, the vicars, Mr. Laing, Mr. and Mrs. Laing, during the afternoon. The Fifth Regiment band played a number of popular selections, and "God Save the King" brought to a conclusion a most enjoyable entertainment. The school will reopen on Monday, September 9th.

The donors of prizes were as follows: Bishop of Columbia, Messrs. T. N. Hibben and S. Messrs. Henry Short & Son, Carl Lovenberg, Esq., W. H. Langley, Esq., A. Friend of the School, the Masters, A. W. Yowell, Esq., The Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, E. Campbell, Esq., C. E. Redfern, Esq., Messrs. M. and H. A. Fox, H. Bell-Irving, Esq., A. P. Laxton, Esq., the Headmaster, Sir Henri Joly, the donors, K. C. M. G., a friend of the school, G. Gillespie, Esq., H. Dallas Helmeck, Esq., M. P. K. C., P. B. C. Hanington, Esq., M. D. Mrs. Laing, C. E. Ettinge, D. P. Hanington, B. B. B. S. A. Stoddard, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. Laing, L. P. Selbach, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. A. Hollis White and Mrs. Robt. Dismeyer.

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**LEGAL NEWS.**

In the Supreme court yesterday afternoon the case of Bryce v. Jenkins and Levy was finished. Mr. Justice Irving clearing the action as against Levy and giving judgment against Jenkins for \$205 interest and costs. J. M. Bradburn for plaintiff; G. Hunter, K. C., for Jenkins, and F. Higgins for Levy.

This judgment establishes Levy as the purchaser of the property. In the County court Mr. Justice Drake gave judgment in Ditty v. B. C. Market company in favor of defendant. W. Moresby for plaintiff; L. Crease for defendant.

### CHARGED OF THREATENING.

**Police Magistrate Hall Refuses to Bind John Pinkerton Over to Keep the Peace.**

**Two Fences And a Barn**

In the provincial police court this morning John Pinkerton, of Saanich, was brought before Police Magistrate Hall to answer a charge of threatening Rufus Pinkerton with bodily injury.

The case was heard by the instance of Robert Pinkerton, the father of Rufus and brother of John. Robert wanted to have John bound over to keep the peace. The indictment was of a quarrel which led to the alleged threat being made was one concerning the ownership of cows. An arbitration had been agreed upon with regard to them, but Robert had dropped the arbitration in May last, stating in a letter that rather than continue this matter John could have the two cows.

Last Wednesday Robert went to John's home and claimed the cows. His brother refused to give them up. Robert's story was that John replied he would have them by fair means or foul. Going towards the stable Robert warned him not to touch the cows. John put his right hand in his pocket, and the two cows were taken to the stable. Robert also shot, and went towards the house for his gun. Finding the door of the stable locked, he entered the house and the brothers entered into an altercation. Reaching the roadway John stated to Robert that he could keep the cows, "but he would do with Rufus in a way you will all be sorry for." Robert says the impression conveyed to his mind was that it was his intention to kill Rufus Pinkerton.

A child, Mand Mathews, a niece of Mrs. Robert Pinkerton, gave evidence in which she stated that she heard John say he would "kill Rufus," while at the stable.

The court held that she had been mistaken in connection with it. John Pinkerton's evidence was to the effect that he had not intended to carry out the threat, but it simply meant to expose the character of Rufus and make him quit the country.

The evidence of neighbors who had known John for three years was to the effect that he was not likely to carry out his threat. The magistrate dismissed the case.

**THEY WERE MODIFIED.**

Not Enough Money at School Board's Disposal for High School Building First Proposed.

At a special meeting of the board of school trustees called last evening to consider the plan for the high school building, it was found that the money available, but it resolved that the plan be modified, and that the following resolution moved by Trustee Drury and adopted is self-explanatory:

"Whereas, in the opinion of the board, it will not be possible to secure the site and building of the site and accommodation for 575, for the money available, be it resolved that the plan be modified, and that the following resolution moved by Trustee Drury and adopted is self-explanatory:

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**How a Couple of Neighbors in the City Showed Their Dislike.**

**Honors Are Even and Further Developments Not Improbable—Fun For Neighbors.**

Residents in the vicinity of Collinson street, near the intersection of Rupert street, are having rare fun these days. On the first named thoroughfare a comedy is being enacted, which may ultimately take on a serious tinge and afford scope for the display of legal talent in the courts.

Pedestrians in this neighborhood are confronted with the unique spectacle of an extraordinary high board fence, separating the fore part of one property owner's premises with those of his neighbor. The peculiar point about this rather unusual partition is that it has apparently been constructed for the express purpose of interrupting the view from the front windows of the other house, as it has been erected as high as the eaves. The gentleman who built this institution has another on the other side of his premises, which, however, extends the entire length of his property.

But this was not his own doing, and between the two fences hangs an amusing and interesting tale.

For the sake of convenience it will be advisable to call the actors in this comedy A and B. The first owns a corner lot in the rear of which stands his house which faces Rupert street. B owns the adjoining property facing Collinson street, therefore, the rear of A's residence faces the back yard of B's place, of which there was at one time an unobstructed vista.

The genesis of the trouble may be traced, according to one of the principals, to the desire of both to obtain the same plot of land, namely, that on which B has erected his home. The latter's success, so far as the plot was concerned, was against the grain, and since that time the relations between them have been strained. This occurred three years ago, and in the meantime B erected his habitation, improved and cultivated his lot and prospered. But alas! gentle peace was not destined to reign over that part of this fair land. The spirit of mischief and enmity between the two principals were stirred up again in a very common but somewhat simple manner.

The erection of those fences, divers barns and other affairs may be directly traced to a few innocent feathered bipeds. Some time ago, A's chickens decided to explore in other lands for that which satisfied the palate or gullet. What was more natural than a skip over the low-board fence which separated their yard from B's cultivated garden? Here they found the land of "Canaan indeed; elegant mosaics in the shape of immature plants were just beginning to peer through the carefully cultivated earth. This was to them a fowl bonanza, and they decided to visit it every day.

B, however, intervened, and requested A to prevent his chickens making their excursions into his premises; to put a stop to these picnics in his garden and to prevent his chickens from eating some heat that would not cut his chickens' wings for any man, and B, very wroth, intimated that he would take forcible measures. He did.

The chickens, utterly oblivious of the storm in the tea cup engendered through their epicurean tastes, again invaded neighbor B's yard. The irate owner charged them to their infelicitous dismay, and in the fracas they fell in all directions. Some apparently did not return home, for next day so, a policeman entered B's place accompanied by A's wife to look for stolen chickens. As B was almost consumed with the fires of indignation, he challenged the constable's authority, and forbade Mrs. A to enter the sacred precincts of his chicken roost. It was finally shown that he had not appropriated any of his neighbor's birds, so the matter appeared to be settled.

Appearance was made, however, on Christmas day last, when B woke from his innocent slumber and gazed toward the roost while the sun was just creeping over Mount Baker, the twinkling stars were growing dim, and the Milky Way was pulled up for the day—his eyes fell upon the first installment of a fence which was taking to itself adult proportions. This was A's work. He had threatened to build it in, and he was just carrying out his threat. Despite the solemnity of the day and the rate of reverence in which B awoke, he hurried from his room and rushed into the yard. Investigation here found his apprehensions justified, as the fence was rising inch by inch.

That was enough; he took action at once, and by night fall a few days later there was erected in his back yard, squarely adjacent to the rear of A's house, a substantial and secured constructed fence, which completely spoiled A's view of B's back yard and all that was contained therein. A then whitewashed his high fence, and B painted his barn red. Thus were honors even, and each rested on his laurels.

It happened, however, that A also owned the property on the other side of B's place on Collinson street. On this he erected two neat cottages, one of which was near B's house as the latter's barn was to A's. These cottages also extended ten or fifteen feet across the street, thus his neighbor and B saw to his dismay that his south-west view would be cut off. He would never be able to see who was coming down the road. B was not to rest easy was the question. Something must be done.

Finally he hit upon a great and glorious idea. He built a high board fence along the fence separating his place from A's new cottages, from the front of his own house to the street. The fence was raised as high as the eaves of A's new structures, and is twenty or more feet long. The posts are longer and have been applied, as there is plenty of room for more boards if B considers it necessary to take further action. This is the latest move, and it is extremely amusing. The last fence is remarkable for its crudity, and its purpose is as palpable as its existence. D vows by all the movable objects in or out of Christendom that he won't remove that fence until A moves his cottage. That is how the matter stands, and the neighbors are watching the situation with great interest and amusement.

**VALUABLE PICTURE.**

Portrait in Oils of Capt. Vancouver Presented to the Province.

There is an exhibition in the window of Jos. Somers, on Government street, of an oil painting which should be of interest to local lovers of art. It is a portrait of Capt. George Vancouver, and has the mellowness of age on it. The name of the artist, if it was ever inscribed, has long been erased—and in some quarters it is said to closely resemble a Reynolds.

Its antiquity is contained on the back of the frame in the shape of some old parchment. The picture has been presented to the province by Wm. Walters, agent-general in London. It was exhibited years ago in Melbourne, Australia, in the collection of famous vanities of the school, G. Gillespie, Esq., H. Dallas Helmeck, Esq., M. P. K. C., P. B. C. Hanington, Esq., M. D. Mrs. Laing, C. E. Ettinge, D. P. Hanington, B. B. B. S. A. Stoddard, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. Laing, L. P. Selbach, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. A. Hollis White and Mrs. Robt. Dismeyer.

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