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RAILWAY CLERK DESERTED WORK

MUST PAY COSTS OF CASE IN COURT

The Canadian Northern Road—President Mackenzie's Visit to Quebec and Halifax.

London, Ont., March 30.—A special train from Toronto to Windsor station, over the C. P. R., Saturday, made the run of 228 miles in four hours and three minutes, or an average of 57 miles an hour, the fastest time on record between those two points. In sections the train attained a speed of 72 miles an hour.

Found Guilty.
Winnipeg, March 30.—After hearing further evidence in the case of William F. Grundy, one of the striking C. P. R. freight clerks, at the court this morning, Magistrate Baker found the defendant guilty of unlawfully deserting his employment, and sentenced him to pay the costs of the court.

Dismissed.
A charge against Mrs. Mary Ada de Germais, of Oak Point, of attempting to poison her husband, Francis de Germais, heard before Magistrate Wilson at St. Lawrence, has been dismissed.

Escaped in Night Clothes.
St. Hyacinthe, Que., March 30.—The brotherhood's mortuary, located in this city, was destroyed by fire this morning. The fire, which is supposed to have originated from an overheated furnace, was not discovered until it had obtained considerable headway. All the inmates were sleeping at the time, and were awakened by the smoke. They were compelled to use the fire escapes to save themselves, and to leave in their night clothes. The building was completely destroyed, and was valued at \$15,000. It was insured for \$20,000.

Transportation.
Montreal, March 30.—Speaking at the Laurier Club to-night, Hon. Raymond Prefontaine announced that the transportation commission to be appointed by the government would consist of Sir W. Van Horne, George Bertram, of Toronto, and Herbert Kennedy, of Quebec. J. X. Perault, of Montreal, and Mr. Bell, of Ontario, would be secretaries.

The Canadian Northern.
Toronto, March 30.—President William Mackenzie, of the Canadian Northern railway, has gone to Montreal, Quebec and Halifax. During the trip Mr. Mackenzie will complete plans for the absorption of several Nova Scotian and New Brunswick roads as part of the Mackenzie & Mann transcontinental road. He will also approve of plans for connecting these Eastern railways at Quebec with the Great Northern, and complete arrangements for an interchange of freight and passenger traffic with the Dominion Atlantic line.

Debate Adjourned.
It was decided at to-day's session of the legislature, in response to a request from Mr. Wilton, that the debate on the speech from the throne stand over until after the investigation into the Gamey charges.

The Commission.
Hon. Mr. Ross announced to-day that the commission to Chancellor Boyd and Chief Justice Falconbridge to investigate the Gamey charges had received the signature of Sir Oliver Mowat. The commission will meet this week to make arrangements, but no evidence will be heard until next week.

Station Wrecked.
Toronto Junction, March 30.—The G. T. R. station was discovered on fire about 11 o'clock to-night. The east end, in which are operating instruments, office records, etc., was badly wrecked. The building was of wood and of little value.

Pressing Their Demands.
Moncton, N. B., March 31.—Two committees representing the conductors and train employees of the Intercolonial, are here pressing their demands on the management for an increase in wages. The matter will probably be laid before the minister of railways.

Want the Land.
Montreal, March 31.—The C. P. R. sent a petition to the city council asking that the city cede to the company all the streets between Notre Dame street and the river from Place Viger station to the jail, a distance of about a mile, as they are intended to expropriate the land. It is understood that the railway company already has options on most of this property.

Copper Refinery.
Within the next three months a plant will be established either in Montreal or Shawinigan, for the conversion of crude black copper into refined copper, to be followed by the establishment of extensive works for the manufacture of the free copper into sheets and tubes. J. B. Hardman has just received a communication from C. K. Milbourne, the

THE BOUNDARIES OF NEW CONSTITUENCIES

COMMITTEE OF HOUSE TO DIVIDE COUNTIES

Greeting From Hon. Clifford Sifton by Wireless Telegraphy—Sir Oliver Mowat's Condition.

Ottawa, March 31.—The Redistribution Bill, which will be presented to parliament to-day, will contain a provision to refer the dividing up of counties into constituencies to a special committee of parliament. In a county where two or three members will be returned the question as to the political boundaries within this constituency will be referred to this committee. This will greatly facilitate the passing of the bill, and will do much to remove opposition which might otherwise arise. In the bill of 1908, which was defeated by the Senate, there was a proposition to give this work to a commission of judges. A special committee of the House will do the work instead.

The Bill.
In the House to-day Sir Wilfrid Laurier introduced the redistribution bill. He said that the House of Commons under the new act would consist of 214 members, of these 86 shall be elected for Ontario, 65 for Quebec, 18 for Nova Scotia, 13 for New Brunswick, 16 for Manitoba, 7 for British Columbia, 4 for Prince Edward Island, 10 for the Northwest Territories and 1 for the Yukon. Sir Wilfrid went on to show that a strong effort was made in the Maritime Provinces against any reduction, but that was out of the question, as law and constitution was against it.

Home Rule Resolution.
Mr. Cosigan in the House to-day moved his home rule resolution.

Seeks Extension of Times.
A Morrison introduced a bill yesterday respecting the British Columbia Southern railway. This is for an extension of time.

Sir Oliver Mowat.
Mr. Maclean, East York, in the House yesterday again brought up the subject that a successor should be appointed to Sir Oliver Mowat as lieutenant-governor of Ontario. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that he had a letter from Sir Oliver stating that he was well able to discharge his duties, although incapacitated from prosecuting the legislature because he could not leave his room.

For Increased Pay.
The letters carriers waited on the postmaster-general yesterday and put in their memorial for increased pay. Sir William promised to consider.

No Arrangement.
Hon. A. G. Blair in the House yesterday said that no arrangement of any kind had yet been reached with the Grand Trunk railway as to a transcontinental line.

By Wireless System.
A private cable was received in the city yesterday from Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior and British agent for the Alaska boundary commission, who, with his staff, is on board the Kron Prinz Wilhelm which sailed from New York on Tuesday last. Mr. Sifton's message was sent by the Marconi system from the Kron Prinz when sixty miles off the coast of Cornwall. Lizard is the cable station, the cable reading:

Lizard, March 30.—Greeting through Marconi, sixty miles from Lizard. All well. (Signed) Sifton.

There are on board the Kron Prinz besides Mr. Sifton, F. C. Wade, K. C. assistant counsel; P. W. King, Dominion astrologer; A. P. Collier, the minister's private secretary, and Joseph H. Pope, under secretary of state.

MILLS REMAIN CLOSED.
Streets of Lowell Presented a Deserted Appearance on First Day of Strike.

Lowell, Mass., March 30.—For the first time in many years on a working day, the bells on the great cotton mills in this city were silent this morning, and the streets, usually marked by the hurly and bustle of thousands of operatives on their way to work, were almost deserted. Although the shut-down of the seven plants affected by the strike order of the textile council, which was passed to enforce a demand for a ten per cent. increase in wages, was issued on Saturday, its full effect was not apparent until to-day. So far absolute quiet has prevailed in the section occupied by the factories. No demonstration of any sort occurred.

THEY WILL RESUME WORK IMMEDIATELY

MICHEL AND MORRISSEY MEN SIGN AGREEMENT

Coal Creek Miners Likely to Fall in Line With Others After Holding Meeting.

Fernie, March 31.—The miners of Michel and Morrissey have signed a three years' agreement with the coal company, and will go back to work at once. The Coal Creek miners are still out.

The coal company have posted a notice that work will commence at Coal Creek collieries on April 1st, and all who desire work are requested to present themselves at the superintendent's office.

The Coal Creek miners are in session now at a special meeting, and it is likely they will decide to go to work. It is probable that if they do not they will lose their charter and good standing in the Western Federation of Miners.

The conciliatory committee of the British Columbia Mining Association have been indefatigable in their efforts to secure a fair and equitable settlement of all difficulties presented, and not only the citizens of Fernie but the people of the whole province are indebted to them.

Chairman Keen's Message.
Fernie, March 30.—The efforts of the Provincial Mining Association of British Columbia have at last prevailed. The Fernie strike has been declared off and a contract for two years signed this evening between the company and the Western Federation of Miners at Fernie, and they now return to work. John Keen, chairman.

CANADIAN COAL MINERS.

Question of Affiliation With Those of United States to Be Discussed at Conference.

Massilon, Ohio, March 31.—Affiliation of the coal miners of Canada with those of the United States will be one of the main subjects for consideration at the coming conference of mine workers' officials at Indianapolis on April 6th. National Vice-President Lewis is authority for this statement.

GONE TO LISBON.

King Edward Sails From Portsmouth on Royal Alexandra—Leaves For Copenhagen.

Portsmouth, Eng., March 31.—The royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with King Edward on board, sailed for Lisbon this morning. Royal salutes were fired and all warships dressed and manned ship as the yacht put to sea, escorted by two warships.

DEVoured BY WOLVES.

A Man, His Wife and Their Baby Attacked While on Way to Church.

St. Petersburg, March 30.—The Sevemy Krai reports the following: "A man and his wife, who left their native village near Vitebsk a few days ago to have their baby baptized at the nearest church, were set upon by wolves. The man ordered his wife to throw the baby to the wolves. She refused, and he attempted to tear the child from her arms. In the scuffle the mother fell off the sled with the baby and they rolled unnoticed by the wolves into a ditch. The wolves kept up the pursuit and overtook and devoured the man and his horse."

COMING TO CANADA.

Nearly Two Thousand Colonists Sail From Liverpool To-Day—Hon. Clifford Sifton in London.

Montreal, March 30.—A special from London says: "The Lake Manitoba which sails to-morrow from Liverpool takes 1,800 of the first contingent of the all-British colonists destined for Saskatoon. The colonists themselves take with them everything necessary for sustenance. Two thousand one hundred people are being transferred from England to Canada, and \$2,500,000 being transferred from English to Canadian banks. Not one foreigner is included in the first contingent, which consists of 920 single men and 350 families.

"Hon. Clifford Sifton arrived to-day in London. The Alaska commission, which is to hold its sittings in London, is not expected to meet for some months yet.

"Lord Strathcona and Lord Mount Stephen dined on Saturday with King Edward at Buckingham Palace. The Prince of Wales, the Duke of Cornwall and a distinguished company were present."

LIPTON'S NEW YACHT.

Challenger's First Trial Spin To-Day—Experts Pleased With Performance of Shamrock III.

Gooswick, March 31.—The yachts Shamrock III and Shamrock I went for a spin this morning. Shamrock and a light steady breeze had succeeded the will weather of the past week, and no time was lost in getting the boats away. The breeze was light and the cup challenger's working topsail was accordingly set. Shamrock I. followed suit.

The challenger was the first to leave their mooring and looked the picture of a racer, and she headed off shore. Out in Gooswick bay the wind was so light that the motion was more drifting than sailing. Shamrock III. slipped through the water without leaving a ripple, and carrying her head well up. The first time the challenger broke track it was apparent that by shortening her fin, Designer Fife had produced a boat which was fast on her heel, even compared with cup racers. She carried her way right through turning, and was off on her new course while the other boats would have been uncertain at it, thus showing herself free of the greatest weakness of Shamrock II.

There was no attempt at a set race. Shamrock I. went off over a mile ahead, and then the sheets were trimmed on both boats and a course was laid down channel. The two yachts were close hauled while crossing the mouths of Holy Loch and Loch Lomond, and the wind was equally uncertain. They both sailed faster as they got a better breeze, and the challenger showed herself to be a little tender in squalls, but she sailed with her lee rail just clear of the water. She travelled fast and closed steadily upon Shamrock I. Under the mountainous Cowal peninsula the land breeze came true and fairly fresh, and the yachts were ranging down the channel on what looked like real racing tests, in which Shamrock III's greater speed was demonstrated. Sailing in the same water and no better served by the wind, the challenger pulled on it, their rival like hauling in a rope as they fetched down channel, until off Wemyss bay Shamrock III. lay better to the wind and sailed faster.

During the eight miles she had closed on Shamrock I. by fully a mile, and at the same time had edged quite a quarter of a mile further to windward.

Experts consider this performance alone sufficient to stamp Shamrock III. as being, under the conditions prevailing to-day, by far the fastest racer built on this side of the Atlantic to compete for the America cup.

The wind fell off early in the afternoon, Shamrock I. then was nearer holding the challenger than on any other point sailing. Shamrock III., however, still proved the better boat and gained a little. The yachts then squared away and ran across the Firth for the Cumbrae shore with little difference in their relative positions.

Off Cumbrae, by arrangement, the boats came together and started afresh on a long turn to windward and towards Rothesay. This was considered a crucial test, and it would have been more satisfactory if there had been more wind. But as it was Shamrock III. behaved excellently, going faster and always holding the better wind than the older boat.

After the conclusion of the windward work a turn was made south, Shamrock I. was again allowed to go ahead half a dozen lengths, after which the challenger started in pursuit. On a five-mile reach the latter gained a lead of one-quarter of a mile. Off Cloch point the challenger dropped her stay sail, thus finishing the trial.

LEGISLATORS DELAYED.

Smith Curtis and E. Smith Will Not Be Present at Opening of House.

Nelson, March 31.—The first passengers since Friday arrived to-night over the Crow's Nest railway, and slides blocking the line. About 1,000 passengers are Smith Curtis, returning from Montreal, and Edwin Smith, who are thus unable to attend the opening of the legislature on Thursday.

FLOODS IN THE SOUTH.

Break in One of the Levees—City is Inundated.

New Orleans, La., March 30.—Discouraging news came to-day from the scene in the break in the levee at Metairie. During the early morning more of the cribbing was swept away by the terrific current that is running through the gap, and the ends are rapidly crumbling away. Lumber is arriving in abundance, but the crevasse apparently is beyond control. The land for miles around is a vast sheet of water, and the tracks of the Texas Pacific are now covered, while the Southern Pacific is in danger from back water.

City Flooded.

Greenville, Miss., March 30.—The water is now stationary and covers nearly all the city. Many negroes refugees are arriving, and there is some difficulty in providing for their immediate wants, but there has been no real suffering. Relief boats continue to scour the overflowed district south of here, and are picking up all persons who desire to leave their homes.

Convict Farm in Danger.

New Orleans, La., March 31.—A dispatch received here says that the main levee protecting the state convict farm near Baton Rouge has given away. The entire place will be covered with water in a few hours. Efforts are being made to protect the convict camps.

CHINESE INDEMNITY.

American Delegate Will Forward Bond Direct to Chinese.

Shanghai, March 31.—The bankers' commission has declined to forward the American silver indemnity bond for signature by the Chinese representative on the ground that the terms of the bond were inconsistent with the commission's previous declarations regarding the indemnity. The American delegate insisted that article 6 of the Peking protocol clearly states it to be the commission's duty to effect all operations in connection with the instructions sent by the powers to their delegates, and announced his intention of forwarding the bond direct to the Chinese representatives for signature.

All the viceroys and governors in China have now united in a protest against the payment of the indemnity in specie. They declare that the resources of taxation are exhausted, and that further extortion would impoverish the people, tend to excite revolt and hamper foreign trade.

The London Times correspondent at Shanghai cabled on Friday that the American delegates on the bankers' commission, acting on instructions from Washington, presented on that day the American indemnity bond for signature by the Chinese representatives.

FATAL COLLISION.

Waterbury, Conn., March 31.—In a collision between a wild engine and a passenger train in South Brooklyn to-day two employees were killed and three injured. It is rumored that three more bodies are buried under the wreck. The passenger train was northbound for this city. Through some error, the responsibility for which has not been ascertained, it collided head on with the wild engine on a curve. Both engines and the baggage car were destroyed. No passengers were hurt.

MAYOR AND JUDGES ARE INCLUDED

IN INDICTMENT OF SEATTLE GRAND JURY

J. H. Hume and Chief of Police Charged With Malfeasance in Office—Scene in Court.

Seattle, March 31.—After a scene in court, in which representative members of the local bar resorted to every means in their power to prevent, the grand jury has returned all indictments which it had voted during the past two weeks, including those against the mayor, chief of police, justices and other prominent men in the community. In all 19 indictments were returned.

Among them are: Mayor J. T. Humes, malfeasance in office; Chief of Police Sullivan, malfeasance in office; Police Judge George, failure to perform his sworn duty; Justice T. H. Cann, extortion and perjury; George U. Piper, perjury; Jacob Furth, obtaining a valuable property by fraud; Walter S. Fulton, failure to perform his sworn duty; Charles F. Whitteley, larceny by embezzlement; P. P. Padden, larceny by embezzlement; J. Shuffleton, obtaining valuable property by fraud.

Furth and Shuffleton were indicted for alleged connection with the granting of a lighting franchise to the former by the city council in the spring of 1902. Mr. Furth is president of the Seattle Electric Co., which acquired the franchise immediately after it had been issued to Shuffleton, who, several councilmen say, told the municipal body he represented a rival corporation.

BRITISH IRON TRADE.

Manufacturers Discuss Methods of Meeting United States Competition.

London, March 31.—The British iron trade and American competition were the subjects of a conference of iron and steel manufacturers held in London to-day with the object of considering how best to meet the competition of the United States. Ebenezer Parks, M. P., of Birmingham, who presided, advocated among other things, a reform of the present free trade system and closer trade relations within the Empire as a means of meeting the "American onslaught." A number of papers were read by the commissioners of the Iron Trade Association, who were sent to America, the general trend of which was in effect that the better part of the British iron and steel industry occupied an unassailable position, although, pending the development of the resources of Canada and other colonies, a period of serious competition and invasion from the United States is to be expected.

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RICH BEAR CREEK.

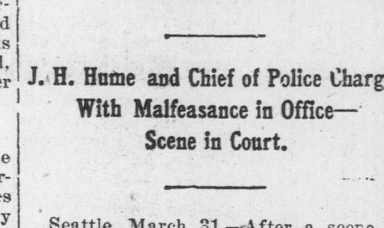
Another Phenomenal Strike Is Reported—Pans on One Streak Run to Five Dollars.

Dawson, March 31.—Another phenomenal strike has been made on Bear creek, 6 miles from Dawson. The pay is 14 to 16 feet deep and one hundred feet wide, and the smallest pan goes 25 cents, with an average of 50 cents. The pans on one streak run to five dollars. Four men with one horse are taking out \$400 daily in ground surrounded by the Treadgold concession. It is estimated that the Forty Mine district will yield one and a half millions this year. About \$100 a day is being taken out in nuggets on Jack Wade creek. Some of the nuggets run as high as \$400 to \$600.

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MORE SETTLERS COMING TO WEST

THE RECENT STABBING CASE IN TORONTO

The Coroner's Jury Returned Verdict of Guilty Against McGrain—Bridge Company's Strike.

Halifax, April 1.—Cornelius Shields, general manager of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, resigned this morning. He will be succeeded by G. H. Duggan, now general superintendent.

Death of Banker. D. H. Duncan, late general manager of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, died this morning, aged 67 years.

On Strike. Walkerville, April 1.—The employees of the Canadian Bridge Company to the number of 300 went on strike this morning. The company, in view of the rush of orders, asked the men to work ten hours a day for ten hours' pay, but the men are not satisfied and demand more pay.

Guilty. Toronto, April 1.—The coroner's jury has brought a verdict of murder against Christopher McGrain for causing the death of George Williams by stabbing him, while he was on his way home on Sackville street ten days ago.

For the West. It is estimated that about 550 people left here for the grain fields of the West yesterday by the C. P. R.

Will Visit Canada. Miss Eva Booth, field commissioner for Canada of the Salvation Army, announces that she will visit the Klondike, where the army has a successful branch.

Combination of Grocers. A combination of grocers was formed here to-night at the Queen's hotel, which will include many of the leading wholesale grocers of the Dominion, excluding Quebec. The organization will be known as the "Canada Grocers, Limited."

The promoters say there is no intention of interfering with the industry of the firms entering the combine, or with their travellers. The chief aim being to unite in purchasing and by combining orders secure reduced prices. The head office will be in Toronto.

Mr. Mackenzie's Statement. Winnipeg, April 1.—W. M. Mackenzie, who is expected to establish a transcontinental line with British Columbia as the Western terminus and some point in Nova Scotia as the Eastern outlet. He was of opinion that the present volume of traffic in the West did not warrant the construction of three distinct lines across the continent.

The line will be built from Cape Arthur, Quebec, thence to Maritime provinces, and will have termini to Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal.

JUDGE'S DECISION. In the Burdick Case—Censures Widow of Murdered Man.

Buffalo, April 1.—The verdict in the Burdick case handed down by Judge Murphy yesterday, while stating that the identity of the murderer of Edward L. Burdick has not been proved, practically charges Arthur R. Pennell, the dead lawyer, with the crime.

Pennell had a stronger motive than anyone else for putting Burdick out of the way. Judge Murphy says, and all the facts brought out by the inquest constitute just grounds for the issuance of a warrant against Pennell if he were alive. The verdict is softened somewhat so far as it relates to Pennell by the statement that if Pennell were alive he would be given the presumption of innocence until proved guilty.

In the opinion of Judge Murphy, Burdick had no woman guest in his den on the night of the murder, and the crime was not the work of a burglar. He exonerates Mrs. Paine and Miss Hutchinson from any connection with the crime, and in conclusion censures Mrs. Maria A. Hull and censures Mrs. Burdick, the former for her attitude toward the authorities and the inconsistency of her actions with the theory that she had no knowledge of the murder.

THE LATE GEN. MACDONALD. Grave of Soldier is Covered With Flowers—Proposed Memorial.

Toronto, April 1.—The Evening News's London crowds in a continuous line visit at the grave of Gen. Macdonald, which is covered with a huge pile of flowers. Among the wreaths sent was one from the Oldman Society of Australia. The Glasgow Marylebone Society have decided to open a memorial fund. At a meeting, the chairman said that Scotland had been robbed of her most illustrious soldier since Bruce. On the eve of an important battle in South Africa, Macdonald wrote to the society: "Neither the army nor clan will suffer in name through me." Subscriptions to the fund are pouring in.

AUTOBOMOBILE KILLED. Count Zeborowski's Car Capsized When Rounding Curve and His Head Was Split Open.

Nice, France, April 1.—Count Elliott Zeborowski, of New York, was killed today in an automobile accident on the coast between Nice and La Turbie. The Count's car rounded a sharp angle too quickly, top between Nice and La Turbie. The Count was hurled against a rock, his head was split open and he died instantly. His chauffeur is believed to have been mortally injured. The race was stopped immediately.

Countess Zeborowski was waiting her husband at La Turbie. She and her world-limecane together at the conclusion of the race.

The accident occurred at the spot where there was a similar fatality two years ago, when a German automobilist was killed.

THE COTTON-MILL STRIKE.

Union Officials Are Preparing to Continue Struggle All Summer.

Lowell, Mass., April 1.—Indications are that all concerned in the struggle for an advance in wages in the cotton mills here are settling down for a stubborn contest, and consequently a long period of idleness began to-day. The finishing of print cloth goods is being rapidly completed by the limited number of hands at work, belts have been taken off the machinery in the mills, and some of the corporations have decided to dispose of all raw material on hand in view of the present high price. The union officials claim that arrangements will be perfected so that the strike can continue all summer, if necessary. Trouble was reported at the Lawrence mills today in the hosiery department, where several men claimed to have been dismissed for attending a union meeting.

AGREEMENT SIGNED.

Men Employed at the Coal Creek Mines Have Decided to Return to Work.

Fernie, April 1.—As the Western Federation declared the strike off, the Coal Creek miners yesterday decided to back and signed the agreement similar to that already signed by Michel and Morrissey unions.

This morning over two hundred men went on the train to the mines to work. As the contract is for a term of years it will give more stability to Fernie and vicinity than it has previously enjoyed.

CHRISTIANS KILLED.

Outbreak of Albanians Assumes Serious Proportions—Heavy Casualties in Fight With Turks.

Constantinople, April 1.—Details of the disturbances among the Albanians show that the revolt which has broken out there against the reform scheme of the powers is a very serious disturbance. Several thousand armed Albanians surrounded the town Vucostein, on the Mitrovitzka Uskub railroad, March 29th, and demanded the surrender of eleven Serbian gendarmes who had been engaged in accordance with the reform plan. The governor surrendered the Serbians who were bound and taken to Pristia, after having been maltreated.

A number of Serbian inhabitants of Albanian towns were surrounded by the Turkish garrison, consisting of three thousand troops. The fighting continued until March 30th, when the Albanians finally were repulsed with great loss. Heavy reinforcements have been ordered from Asia Minor and other places to suppress the rebellion.

The Albanian rising has caused a panic among the Christians of Old Serbia, who are fleeing towards Serbia. A panic has occurred at Pristia in consequence of the growing fanaticism of the Albanians against the Christians. The latter have closed their shops and schools, and are preparing to seek refuge at Monastir. Numbers of Christians have been murdered in the Pristia district during the past few days.

HORRIBLE DEATH.

Number of Workmen Burned by Molten Iron.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 31.—An accident at furnaces of the Edgar Thompson plant of the Carnegie Steel Company at Braddock, to-day is expected to prove one of the worst in the history of the plant. Twenty men were injured, six of whom are dead, and ten are in a hospital and are not expected to recover. The other injured went to their homes and are suffering from painful burns.

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The Race. Putney, April 1.—It was raining and a light wind was blowing previous to the start of the Oxford-Cambridge boat race to-day. The water was smooth. Oxford won the toss and chose the Surrey side of the river, out the choice carried little advantage under the prevailing conditions. Cambridge was first afloat, quick as a flash, and Oxford was not far behind. The race was a close one, but Cambridge was still going ahead. Both crews were rowing 38 strokes to the minute. Four lengths separated the boats on passing Chiswick. Oxford drew up and Cambridge was only three quarters of a length ahead at the Crabtree. By the time Devonshire Meadows were reached Cambridge was three lengths ahead. The race, however, had a very exciting finish. Cambridge shot under Barnsbury 3 1/2 lengths in front, and won by about six lengths. Oxford, although hopelessly beaten, rowed out the course in good form.

The official time is 19 minutes 32 1/2 seconds.

Some Results.

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"Young Corbett" and McGovern on Result of Fight For Featherweight Championship.

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"It was my way of winning the fight," said "Young Corbett" after the fight. "I fought cautiously in every round, and felt McGovern weakening toward the end of the contest. I caught him with a left on the jaw and sent him back against the ropes. He dropped his hands to his side, which was a sure sign to me that I had won the contest. I went for him, put right and left to his jaw, and was forced to fight myself free in the clinches. The final blow was a right upper-cut to the jaw that put McGovern on the floor for the full count. Even had he been able to regain his feet before the count of 10, I would have hit him, as he was unable to defend himself. At no time in the contest was I confused or discouraged, and to say that I won the fight unfairly is a great injustice to me."

"McGovern is certainly the next best man in the world, but I still retain the championship, and will fight any man who approaches my class, but I will not give a pound of my weight to anyone. I was in superb condition, and to my trainer I give credit for winning the contest."

"It was the greatest robbery in the history of the prize ring," said McGovern. "I had Corbett beaten from start to finish. I landed one big when I was pleased, and surely would have had him out within a few rounds. I was not knocked out, but admit that right uppercut to the chin dealt me, and I could have gone on with the battle and would, I think, have regained the championship. I sincerely hope that some club will match us again and then you will hear a different story."

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REDISTRIBUTION IN DOMINION HOUSE

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Ottawa, April 1.—As stated in this correspondence yesterday Sir Wilfrid Laurier introduced the redistribution bill stating that the House of Commons under the new act would consist of 214 members, of these 83 shall be elected for Ontario, 65 for Quebec, 18 for Nova Scotia, 13 for New Brunswick, 10 for Manitoba, 7 for British Columbia, 4 for Prince Edward Island, 1 for the Northwest Territories and 1 for the Yukon.

Sir Wilfrid said the opposition always complained that they were unfairly treated in regard to redistribution. He cited how unfairly the Liberals were treated in 1882. While it was the intention to remedy injustices it was not intended to do any injustice to anyone. Ministerial representations ought to be the basis of parliamentary representations.

After laying down the county boundary lines as the rule, the Premier said that the government intended following the principle laid down by a British precedent for dividing up the country into constituencies, namely, to have a conference with the opposition in doing this. That was what was done by Mr. Gladstone, and accepted by the Salisbury government, therefore he would not do more now than declare that the House should be represented as above laid down in the various provinces.

The result of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech was embodied in a short bill of five clauses presented to the House. It declared the total number of members will be 214, and gave the number allotted each province; the provinces and territories shall be divided into electoral districts and be represented as provided in the schedule to the act; a committee of 65 be appointed to arrange the schedule; it provides that every town, village, township, parish or place, lying within the electoral district shall be taken to be part of the electoral district in which it is locally situated, and shall have effect only on the dissolution of the present parliament.

R. L. Borden, in reply said that the measure had the appearance of fairness, and when the bill was printed they would have a chance of looking into it.

The committee, which shall lay out the constituencies will be composed of four members from the government side and three from the opposition.

Grand Trunk Transcontinental. Mr. Logan, Mr. McCarthy, introduced in the House yesterday a bill to incorporate the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Co. for a transcontinental line. The bill was read a first time.

Montreal Vacancy. Mr. Monk asked the Speaker to issue his warrant for the election in St. James, Montreal, to fill the place of Brunet, disqualified.

Fishery Commission. The first meeting of the British Columbia fishery commission was held yesterday afternoon. The reason for not meeting sooner was on account of the illness of Prof. Prince.

Pot Hunters Not Wanted. The annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association took place to-day, Col. Sam Hughes presided and paid a tribute to Sir Frederick Borden as a minister. Lord Minto was in attendance, and spoke of the good work of the association. What Canada wanted were long range rifle practice, and reminded them that a few British marksmen at Ladysmith were able to keep the Boer gun, three thousand yards away, coming into action. He believed in military training in schools.

OVER MILLION DAMAGES. Number of Oil Tanks Destroyed by Fire at Baj-baj.

Calcutta, April 1.—A number of oil tanks at Baj-baj, province of Bengal, belonging to the Standard Oil Company and two other concerns, were burned last night. The damage amounts to about \$1,200,000.

ANOTHER STRIKE.

OPPORTUNITY.

Beautiful Watch and No Money Required. Woman, Boy of Girl Opportunity Under

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THE COURTS.

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VANCOUVER ORES FOR IRON WORKS

FOREIGN ENTERPRISE TO TAKE OUR SUPPLY

The Wealth of Mineral Available at the Mines on Barkley Sound and Texada.

Seattle is anticipating an additional boom by the erection close at hand of iron works and blast furnaces. The company which is organized for the purpose of carrying out this work has at its head Homer H. Sweeney.

A feature in connection with this, which is anything but gratifying to British Columbians, is that this province is to supply the raw material which will result in this impetus to the prosperity of the city across the border. These works are to be supplied practically all together from that province. The iron works of the West Coast and of Texada Island, which are known to carry ore of the equal of any in the world, are to be the source of supply for the Seattle works, there to be manufactured.

Vancouver Island, which contributes this rich supply of iron ore, also has inexhaustible supplies of the other necessary commodity coal. Cokes owners also are in operation on the Island. With the works established on the American side the great profits and advantages go to residents of the United States, while the raw material, at a comparatively high cost, is sent from this Island.

This affords but another illustration of the immense opportunities which await the investment of capital on Vancouver Island.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, alluding to the works which it is proposed to establish, has the following to say: "H. H. Sweeney, of Port Townsend, who, according to J. A. Moore, will undoubtedly be the first president of those extensive iron works and blast furnaces that are to be built in or near the city, was in Seattle yesterday, and submitted to an interview. Among other things, Mr. Sweeney said: 'I will move to Seattle in the very near future and make this city my future home. I have just closed a deal for one of the finest lots on Capitol Hill, and will erect a fine residence thereon. I expect to begin work on it within the next thirty days. I am making this move in order to be in closer touch with the establishment of the big blast furnaces, rolling mills and open hearth furnaces to be erected in the vicinity of Seattle within the year. The committee having the selection of the site in hand has been looking over several properties, and has not yet made the selection, but is expected to make it within ten days they will be able to make their choice, after which it is intended to push the matter vigorously until the entire plant is in operation.'

"Mr. Sweeney has got at this iron business very systematically, and before he had developed enormous quantities of iron ore. In fact, the analysis of the ore he has developed shows an average grade of ore higher than the famous Lake Superior ores, and the quantity is practically inexhaustible.

"One of the mines which Mr. Sweeney has developed on Barkley Sound has 3,000,000 tons of ore in sight, and is owned by the same company. In Michigan 50 cents per ton royalty is now being paid to owners of iron mines, so that the new Seattle Steel Company has one mine alone that is reasonably worth \$150,000. Still another property has been contracted for that has several millions of tons of ore of the very highest quality in sight. In addition to the above, the company has the option to purchase the immense deposits of iron ore on Texada Island, which Mr. Batters, of Pittsburg, one of the leading iron experts of the country, emphatically stated contained 10,000,000 tons of ore. It is for this property that the furnace at Port Townsend has drawn its supply during the past year, and the pig iron made from this ore is produced by Morn Bowers, the Washington Iron Works, the Southern Pacific and other concerns that have used it, to superior to any other pig iron brought to the Pacific Coast.

"It is predicted by those competent to know that within one year after the plant has been in operation it will be found necessary to double the capacity. With the numerous plants that will follow the erection of these furnaces, Seattle will easily become the Pittsburgh of the West, as far as the manufacture of steel is concerned. As J. A. Moore said this morning: 'It is conceded by all that the manufacture of pig iron on Puget Sound in commercial quantities will mark an epoch in Seattle's growth that will be one of the greatest in the history of the community.'

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LIPTON'S YACHT AGAIN ON TRIAL

OUTSAILED THE OLD BOAT ON EVERY RUN

New Craft Showed Up Well in Weather Which Particularly Sailed the Former Challenger.

Gourock, April 2.—The third trial of the yacht Shamrock I. was held to-day under conditions similar to those of yesterday. The wind had rather less strength, but it was fresh and squally at times. This was welcomed, as yesterday's display of the challenger for the America cup left a suspicion among the yachtsmen that there might be conditions under which Shamrock I. could amount, if not quite, hold the new boat. The latter's gear, which stretched under yesterday's strain, was set up afresh yesterday evening.

The boats started on the first trial to-day. Sheets were trimmed and they reached in close company all aboard of Skeinloch buoy, where they lifted and bent to windward to Robesay, three miles. In cross tacking in a fresh breeze the challenger again showed great ability on this important point of sailing, and went further ahead and further to windward over every tack, and in a half hour's sailing beat Shamrock I. by four minutes.

The next trial was a spinnaker run down the wind. The breeze was steady and of moderate strength. Shamrock I. was given a lead of exactly one minute, but in a twenty minutes run the challenger closed the gap, overlapped her and ten minutes later had drawn clear ahead, the distance covered being between four and five miles.

Although the challenger proved faster in this run before the wind, she hardly demonstrated the superiority expected. After starting on another run to windward from Largs to Robesay, about six miles, Shamrock III. again outfooted her opponent on every tack. The wind freshened but the fresher it became the better it seemed to suit the new boat, which finished this beat to windward half a mile ahead.

On turning, the yachts set their spinnakers for another trial down the wind. Shamrock I. was about three minutes astern at the start, but a better wind from the bay came up and shortened the gap until she was barely two minutes behind.

These positions were maintained to the end of the run. Starting on another beat across the Firth, Shamrock III. excelled all her previous performances on this point of sailing and gained considerably over a mile on a beat of about five miles, and when they squared away for the run home, she led by a mile and a half.

FIGHTING IN SOMALILAND.

Aden, April 2.—The first fight of any importance in the recent operations in Somaliland, East Africa, occurred on March 29th, when a British column of 200 men, accompanied by a force of Somalis south of Damot. The natives made an obstinate resistance, and 27 men killed and many wounded before they retired. There were no casualties on the British side.

During the "driving operations" recently the British killed 40 of the Mad Mullah's followers and captured 1,400 camels.

CHANGED HIS VIEWS.

D. J. Munn Adversely Criticizing Action of Government in Granting Chinese Poll Tax. Ottawa, April 2.—D. J. Munn, New Westminster, has arrived from Montreal. In an interview in the Witness he adversely criticizes the policy of the government in increasing the poll tax on Chinese. He says Sir Wilfrid Laurier is treating the Chinese like so many cattle.

This appears very inconsistent with Mr. Munn's attitude as Chinese commissioner, since he then advocated an increase to one \$300, and later on, if necessary, to make it \$500.

VICTOR L. DEFEATS ROY MONTEZ

SOME AWARDS AT KENNEL CLUB SHOW

Great Interest Being Taken in Exhibition Now in Progress at Philharmonic Hall.

There was a large crowd at the Victoria Kennel Club show yesterday, the Philharmonic hall at times being well filled while the yard adjoining, where the judging was in progress, was constantly crowded. Great interest was shown in the different competitions, and the decisions of Prof. Wesley Mills were generally agreed with.

Open Dogs and Bitches.—Flora, J. W. McMorror, Vancouver. Limit Dogs and Bitches.—Flora, Dr. G. L. Milne, Victoria. Winners, Dogs.—1, Remus. Bitches.—1, Carlotta. Greyhounds.—Flora, J. W. McMorror, Vancouver. Puppy Dogs.—1, Oregon Lad, W. F. Zeigler, The Dalles, Ore.; 2, Shot, W. T. Willowbank, Vancouver. Novice Dogs.—1, Gnome, E. V. Holman, Portland, Ore.; 2, Shot, W. T. Willowbank, Vancouver.

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Mrs. P. R. Hobson's Royal is a Great Dane of merit. He is entirely free from breeding and comes from two distinct families of registered Blue Danes. He is but 18 months old, and has not yet reached his full growth. Already he has made himself famous for his remarkable intelligence. A few months ago Royal took a 3,000 mile journey, and without suggestion assumed charge of the baggage, locating each piece at the various changes. He is also a good hunting dog, and it is claimed will strike a point as well as either a pointer or setter. Royal is valued at \$10,000.



VICTOR L. Owned by H. H. Jones.

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THE FERNIE SETTLEMENT.

There seems to be no doubt that the strike at Fernie has been settled at last. The settlement carries with it, we are pleased to note, an assurance that there shall be no more troubles of such a character for a definitely fixed period of time.

We should not like to undertake to say the miners at Fernie had no grievances. There are very few men in the world who have no fault to find with the conditions under which they perform their daily stint, fewer still in these days of "intangible longings" for the ideals which have no abiding place upon this earth.

However, the end of the strike was reached before a great deal of harm had been done to the country through the closing down of industries dependent upon coal and coke for the continuance of their operations.

From the phraseology of the agreement, shorn of technical terms, it appears that there has been a general sweeping away of such inequalities and that under the new arrangement a more equitable system of remuneration will result.

THE NEW CONSTITUENCIES.

British Columbia receives an additional representative in the House of Commons by virtue of the Redistribution Bill now before Parliament, and the province will be divided into seven constituencies, each having one member.

In dividing the province into new constituencies the government has had to deal with a matter of some difficulty, but with the assistance of the British Columbia delegation a conclusion has been reached which appears, and certainly ought, to give general satisfaction.

Further, Canada's trade during the year, per capita of population, figures at a little over \$77; that of the United States at between \$30 and \$31; Great Britain \$102; France between \$33 and \$34; Germany about \$41.

as reasonable as any that could be selected. The new Coast constituency, to be called Alberni-Atlin, is one of the most interesting in the whole Dominion. It embraces nearly the whole western frontier of Canada: that is, speaking territorially, in view of the railway construction now being provided and the progress being made in mining at so many points between Alberni on the south and Atlin on the north, it seems certain that this part of the province will be the scene of exceptional activity in the immediate future, and will be very closely identified with that great Imperial problem—trade with the Orient.

MANUFACTURERS AND THE TARIFF.

An incident which occurred in Ottawa a few days ago illustrates the difference in the methods of the present government compared with those of its predecessor. The Canadian Manufacturers' Association waited upon the government, handed in a schedule of duties and intimated that in the opinion of the delegates it was necessary that that scale should be adopted in Canada in order to promote the peace of mind and industrial prosperity of the section of the community represented by the Association.

Another reason why the schedules should be considered confidential: It had taken a year and a half to prepare them and to obtain the agreement of a majority of the members of the association to them. In fact, Mr. Fielding had received communications from manufacturers protesting against the recognition of the schedules at all as a basis upon which the tariff should be modelled.

That is an excellent showing, but it becomes even more striking when a comparison with other peoples is made. We lead in percentage of increase of trade. Look at these figures:

Table with 2 columns: Country and Per Cent. Increase. Includes Canada (96.03), Japan (83.21), Australia (62.21), United States (48.08), Netherlands (43.80), Italy (39.91), Germany (32.43), Belgium (32.08), Argentine Republic (30.91), United Kingdom (24.77), France (18.16), Spain (13.65), Cape Colony (2.92).

Why should we set about meddling with the fiscal arrangement under which such great progress is made? Let us not

impair our great prosperity by turning our faces toward the evil system which delayed Canada's progress so much in the days before 1896, when the Conservative government was in power and the tariff was arranged not by the government of the country but in the interests of the whole people, but by the election fund contributors, and in the interests of certain favorites. Let Canadians put their energies into the work of making money and developing their country, and cease trying to jockey one another through tariff legislation.

GAMEY V. STRATTON.

On the initiative of the Attorney-General of Ontario the law governing the submission of evidence before judicial commissions has been so amended as to give the fullest scope to the tribunal which will deal with the charges made by Mr. Gamey against the Hon. J. R. Stratton. Still the opposition members are not satisfied.

We take it that what the country desires is an expression of opinion from a disinterested, unbiased source as to the facts. The Liberal government does not propose to rest under the load of the charges that have been laid against it, and it does propose to bring out the truth with regard to those charges. If Mr. Stratton is guilty of that with which he is charged, he is not a fit person to occupy a high position in the councils of the province. If he is unjustly charged, it is fitting and proper that he should be given an opportunity of proving his innocence through the findings of a tribunal whose pronouncement will carry some weight.

Apparently the plan of campaign was all mapped out before the House met. Member after member was to get up in his place and announce that he had been "approached" by emissaries of the government with the object of securing his support. Such accusations have actually been made, but by members the very idea of whose apostasy must cause a smile to mantle the face of friend and foe.

Mr. Gamey was new to the parliamentary game. He desired to be thought impressive. He became theatrical and went to lengths that rather astounded his leader. But he went too far and gave the government a chance to call upon him to prove his charges. Now in "Tory Toronto." If he succeeds in establishing his case his fame will extend to all parts of the Dominion and the Hon. J. R. Stratton will become a back number.

The so-called independent press has already pronounced judgment, of course. It is not so sure about the case, it may be noted in passing, as it was when the charges were first laid. The tactics of the opposition may have raised misgivings. What the public should keep in mind is the fact that the Conservative party in Ontario has been caught in two conspiracies of the most desperate kind, hatched for the purpose of defeating the Liberal government. One of these plots contemplated the purchase of a considerable number of members. The other was not hatched on quite so ambitious a scale. The object in each case was identical with that which is hoped to be attained through the instrumentality of Mr. Gamey. Bearing these facts in mind, and having regard to the present attitude of the respective parties, perhaps it would be just as well for the public to suspend judgment in regard to the Gamey charges.

The condition of the laborer in Great Britain cannot be quite as bad as is sometimes represented. One of the class writers to the London Chronicle expressing a desire to come to Canada and explaining that the only thing that keeps him at home is a lack of funds to meet the expenses of the trip. He is married and has a family of four. One daughter, aged sixteen, can "clean a room, cook a dinner, or give a pianoforte and mandolin recital." All the people of England have evidently not yet attained to the state in which ability to perform some sort of useful work is considered humiliating. Presently, no doubt, the daughters of the British workingman will mount up higher and cut out entirely room cleaning and dinner cooking.

SHAMROCK III.

"The fastest yet ever built" is again showing her stern to everything with sails that float in British waters. The third Shamrock is a wonder, as all America Cup challengers have been wonders until they came across the Atlantic and met more wondrous craft. It has been a peculiar feature of challengers that they seldom required "tuning up" in their home waters. They have generally run away with a bang from their "trial horses," crossed the Atlantic after a couple of trial spins, cruised around New York for a week or so, and in a condition of absolute unpreparedness have gone into the races against competitors which had been tested for months and improved in every point of sailing where improvement was possible.

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KENNEL CLUB SHOW OPENED THIS AFTERNOON

A Large Number of Entries—Setters of All Classes Are Well to the Front.

Beautiful weather and a large attendance favored the opening of the second annual kennel show this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Fanciers from Vancouver and Washington, Oregon and California arrived yesterday afternoon and evening with large strings of dogs, and early this morning invaded the hall and took possession of the kennels, which were allotted to them for the four days of the show.

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The Nelson Economist was in a nasty sarcastic mood when it remarked: "But it must not be forgotten that even party organizations are but a means to an end, and the end is efficient and honest legislation and administration. It is quite certain that the victory of either party would attain this end? Mr. Joseph Martin, of Vancouver, is leader of the Provincial Liberal party, and Mr. John Houston, of Nelson, is president of the Provincial Conservative Association."

THE POPULAR GOUNTY GLERK OF THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO.



HON. WILLIAM A. DEANE, OF SAN FRANCISCO.

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In the winter the catarrh is more frequent in the head, throat and respiratory organs. In the spring the catarrh seems to chiefly affect the stomach and nervous system. In the summer the bowels suffer the most; while in the autumn the liver and kidneys seem to be particularly subject to the ravages of catarrh.

Magistrate Hall is still in the clutches of a gripe, and therefore all the cases that were called on for the first time on Wednesday, with one exception, were laid over. The exception was H. M. Wong, a Chinaman, who foolishly thought he could drag a real case of the eye tax before Collector Carter. This official called on him the other day on this usual mission and obtained the names of three employees. There was a boy on the premises at the time, but he was not eligible to be taxed, as he was running expenses of this great country, so his name did not adorn the collector's book. When Mr. Carter called again, however, two of the three names were accounted for. Wong asserted that the collector was mistaken, and that the third name was that of the boy, who, of course, was ineligible. As to the other Chinaman he denied that he worked for him. He was probably down in Chinatown somewhere, Wong speculated, but certainly he didn't work for him.

The collector, however, was too familiar with Oriental ways to be slipped up so easily. He was convinced that the missing Celestial was an employee of Wong's, and he was determined to get the money. He sent up Plummer Bean II., valued at \$3,500, and Plummer Flo, also a very valuable dog. The Portland cocker kennels have sent Black Victor, valued at \$5,000. These will meet a number of local cockers, owned by J. W. Creighton and a number of others local fanciers.

In fox terriers the Wandee kennels are competing strongly. They have sent up four of the finest terriers in California, including Mayse, a winner from England, valued at \$3,500; Wandee Blizzard, valued \$2,500; Wandee Jester and Wandee Beverly. Against these are J. J. Boscoe's Reminiscent, W. Bull's Cadger, of Oak; Geo. Florence's Victor, value \$500, and General Buller and a number of others.

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As has been announced before the judging will be done by Prof. Wesley Mills, of McGill University, Victoria. The catalogue issued by the Victoria City Kennel Club contains valuable information regarding the show, and may be obtained upon application at the hall.

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Of course it is not meant by this that catarrh is absolutely confined to these parts of the body during the season to which we have assigned them. Catarrh may attack any organ in any season of the year, but the liabilities are so much greater for catarrh to attack particular organs in certain seasons that these four distinct varieties have become recognized.

Mr. Robert Douglas, Homeopathic Specialist, cor. 6th and F Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C., in a recent letter to the Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, O., has the following to say concerning their noted catarrh remedy, Peruna: "I have been a practicing physician for some years, during which time I have administered Peruna to a number of my patients for colds, catarrh and general debility with great benefit to them. I have paid particular attention to its effects, and I have absolute confidence in its curative qualities, and have no hesitation in giving it a most emphatic endorsement."

Hon. Clement M. Hammond is one of the best known newspaper men in New York City. He was for years editor of one of the principal papers in Hartford, Conn., later was prominently connected with the New York Recorder and New York World. He has traveled extensively and is known all over the United States for his talent as a newspaper man. Writing to The Peruna Medicine Co., he says:

"For about six years I have had trouble every fall and winter with my voice. At times it has extended to my bronchial tubes and lungs. I think all this trouble came from whooping cough, which I had when I was about twelve years old, and which was cured with catarrh. Since I have taken Peruna, my voice has been clearer than in over two years, all of which I am willing to testify to." Mr. Hammond's address is "The Arlington," 64 Montague street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Probably no presentation before the provincial legislature will be of so much vital importance to the province as that which made by the executive committee of the Mining Association. A meeting will be held on the 20th to meet the government. The report prepared by the committee at this time is as follows:

Mineral Resources. "That the provincial government requested to procure the services of a thoroughly reliable and competent geologist, who has had experience in the classification of mineral resources, and who has had experience in the present session on the geographical and mineral resources of the province, with a view to the desired information at the earliest possible date."

Licensing of Companies. "That the government and legislature of British Columbia be requested to amend and modify the fees chargeable on the incorporation of companies, free miners' certificates, in order to encourage the output of mining companies, and to encourage the development of the products of this province."

Two Per Cent. Tax. "That the government and legislature of the province of British Columbia be respectfully urged to abolish the two per cent. mineral tax on the output of mining companies, because of its effect in restricting and hindering mining, and because of its discouraging the investment of capital."

That with respect to the proposed dealing with the abolition of the two per cent. tax this shall not be understood as being for a fair and equitable taxation mining industry."

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Mineral Resources. "That the provincial government be requested to procure the services of a thoroughly reliable and competent geologist, who has had experience in examination and classification of auriferous alluvial deposits, to report during the present session on the geographical position and the mineral resources in general of the district, with a view of having the desired information at the earliest possible date."

Licensing of Companies. "That the government and legislature of British Columbia be respectfully requested to amend and modify the law now in force relating to the incorporation of companies, free miners' certificates, in order to encourage the formation of companies having among their objects the development of the natural products of this province."

Two Per Cent. Tax. "That the government and legislature of the province of British Columbia be respectfully urged to abolish the so-called two per cent. mineral tax upon the output of mines because of its injurious effect in restricting and depressing mining, and because of its effect in discouraging the investment of outside capital."

That with respect to the resolution passed dealing with the abolition of the two per cent. tax this convention shall not be understood as being opposed to a fair and equitable taxation of the mining industry."

That in the event of the repeal of the two per cent. commutation tax this convention suggests and desires as a proper basis for the taxation of working mines that a fair tax be levied upon the profits or dividends paid to the owners of such mines."

Timber Dues. "That the collection by the government of dues in respect of timber and coal-timber rights used by the mining industry upon its own mines and mineral claims for mining purposes should be discontinued."

Code of Mine Signals. "That the government be urged to immediately obtain and necessary information and advice from both miners and mine-owners in order that the code of mine signals may be made as perfect and safe as possible."

Claims Sold For Taxes. "That owners of Crown granted mineral claims sold for taxes should have the same right of redemption for six months as is accorded by law to the owners of Crown granted or other lands sold for taxes."

Free Miners' Certificates. "That the law relating to free miners' certificates should be amended so that failure to keep up a free miner's certificate should not work forfeiture of rights acquired under it."

Taxation of Crown Grants. "That for the purpose of taxation Crown granted mineral claims should be placed in the same position as other mineral claims, and that the exemption from the tax imposed by section 145 of the Mineral Act should be extended to all groups of Crown granted claims upon any one of which claims the assessment work for the whole group may have been performed."

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Free For Crown Grant. "That in the opinion of this convention the government fee for Crown grants of a mineral claim when such grant is applied for by the locator and prospector, should be reduced from twenty-five to ten dollars."

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IS ENDORSED BY HIS CONSTITUENTS

A. W. NEILL UPHELD BY ALBERNI VOTERS

Authorized to Pursue an Independent Course in the Forthcoming Session of the House.

The hearing of the case at Alberni in which Burke was charged with perjury, alleged to have been committed in the Admiralty court at Victoria in the recent suit of Waterhouse v. S.S. Willie, began on Wednesday forenoon, after the committee of Mr. Huff on a similar charge, and before inquiry took up the remainder of that day and the whole of Thursday. Eight or nine witnesses were examined for the prosecution, and Mr. Burke called two for the defence, after which he addressed the court for upwards of an hour. About 8:30 p.m. the court adjourned to consider their decision. After a consultation of forty minutes the magistrates announced their unanimous decision to dismiss the case, giving as their reason that, although many witnesses had supported the case for the prosecution, yet as the principal charge had narrowed itself down to practically a matter of half an hour, there was a margin of doubt, and the accused was entitled to the benefit of that doubt. The decision appeared to give satisfaction to a large number of those present.

A. W. Neill, M.P.P., held his annual political meeting at Alberni on Saturday evening. Consequent on bad weather and short notice, the attendance was somewhat less than usual, though fairly representative of the immediate neighborhood. Mr. Watson was voted to the chair. Mr. Neill spoke for an hour and a quarter. He first reviewed the proceedings of last session, going seriatim through the acts passed, and detailing his action on each. He gave his reasons for having given a general support to the opposition. He then gave an outline of the policy he proposed to follow during the ensuing session. Considering the present state of political affairs, he was prepared to give the government an independent support, reserving to himself the right to vote against it on certain matters. He had had some correspondence with the government and he had every reason to believe that they were disposed to act more fairly to Alberni than during the past session.

Some discussion took place on the subject of a wagon road to open up the country in both directions, northeast and southwest of Alberni. A long resolution on the subject, drafted by Mr. Neill, was proposed by him and seconded by Mr. Best, and carried unanimously, the result of which would be a wagon road via Beaver Creek to Comox, and in the opposite direction from the Nanaimo stage road by the old Cowichan trail to Duncan, and it was ordered to be forwarded to the board of trade at Victoria for their consideration and support.

Finally the following resolution was unanimously carried: "That this meeting of the citizens of Alberni endorse the stand that Mr. Neill has taken with regard to giving an independent support to the policy of the government as outlined by Mr. Neill."

It is said to be the first time that a resolution of the kind has been carried unanimously in Alberni.

THE MINING ASSOCIATION. Will It Offer to Settle the Difficulties in the Extension Mines? A representative of the Times visited the Mining Association office in the city on Tuesday last, and was met by the secretary, Mr. J. H. McLean, who was accompanied by the president, Mr. J. H. McLean, and the secretary, Mr. J. H. McLean.

"Of course," said Mr. Higgin, "the generous action of the government in offering to pay the committee's expenses must not be forgotten in the exchange of felicitations over the event. But you must also remember that the committee would have gone in any event and paid their own way without a penny."

"Does your constitution provide for the settlement of labor disputes by the association?" "Yes; the association is at liberty to use its good offices in adjusting and settling mining labor differences."

Several gentlemen have entered the room to extend their congratulations to the association on the settlement of the People matter, and our reporter withdrew.

WANT A CONVENTION. South Victoria Liberals Indorse Vancouver's Action. A meeting of the Liberal Association of South Victoria was held at Sidney on Saturday night, at which about forty members of the party were present.

The election of officers for the year resulted as follows: Hon. president, T. W. Paterson, M. P. P.; president, A. Munro; vice-president, W. Lennon; secretary, J. J. White; treasurer, Capt. R. Riley; executive committee, Geo. Sangster, R. Blomson, C. Moses, W. Jensen, L. Harber.

A resolution in line with that passed by the Vancouver Association, namely requesting the provincial executive to call a convention of the party, was passed by a large majority. A resolution in favor of party lines was also endorsed.

OFFICERS ELECTED

At the Annual Meeting of Natural History Society—Reports Received and Adopted.

At the annual meeting of the Natural History Society, held the other evening, there was a good attendance, and among those present Canon Beauland and Messrs. Denton, Denton, Robinson, Crease, Denison, Gosnell, Sylvester, Lowenberg, O'Dell, Forman, Green, Reed, Koelle, Pinco, Sutton, Newcombe and Langley.

The first business transacted was the consideration of the reports of the retiring officers. President J. R. Anderson occupied the chair, and the report of the secretary was adopted. Reports from the librarian, curator, and executive committee were also read and ordered spread on the minutes.

The election of officers followed. The president, J. R. Anderson, in vacating the chair, made an excellent address. Canon Beauland presided during the election, and before nominations were made hearty votes of thanks were tendered the retiring officers in view of their energetic work on behalf of the society during the past year.

The executive committee for the new term was selected as follows: Canon Beauland, J. R. Anderson, Frank Sylvester, Dr. Hasell, E. Robinson, Napier Denton, R. B. Gosnell, Dr. Newcombe, W. Sutton and A. A. Crease. Officers were elected as follows: President, Dr. Hasell; first vice-president, Mr. Sutton, second vice-president, Napier Denton; secretary, E. Gosnell; treasurer, A. A. Crease; librarian and curator, Frank Sylvester.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of business governing regular meetings. A report was submitted by the song bird committee stating that there was now about \$504 to the credit of this committee. The committee also reported that correspondence had been opened with those interested in birds in England and in Portland.

It was moved and carried that if possible the song birds should be obtained from a Canadian source, so as to be placed free on board the cars at Toronto, or other Canadian port.

There was a lengthy discussion as to whether it would be advisable for the society to be incorporated. Dr. Newcombe brought the matter up, and it was finally left in the hands of a committee, composed of Messrs. Gosnell, Hasell and Crease, to report at the next meeting.

The meeting shortly after adjourned.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Some twenty or more women met in the Labor hall on Monday evening to organize themselves to assist the men who are at present on strike in connection with the U. B. R. E. Teamsters and Longshoremen's Unions. It is understood that the female sympathizers of the strikers will chiefly confine their efforts to giving practical aid in the management and operation of the restaurant started by the strikers and now in full operation on Seymour street.

On Tuesday A. J. Baxter formally assumed his new duties as secretary of the Vancouver Tourist Association. He severed his connection with the World on Saturday, the occasion being marked by a gathering of representatives of the entire staff formally bid him farewell. The gathering took place at the residence of Mrs. J. C. McLagan. Before the gathering broke up Mrs. McLagan presented Mr. Baxter with a gold locket as a souvenir of his connection with the World.

The Toronto Old Boys' Association have appointed a committee to arouse enthusiasm in the order, arrange for a banquet, and plan for a big excursion to Toronto to the big hotel of trade celebration for Toronto Old Boys, when the forefather of Toronto boys from all over the province will take place.

A branch of the Merchant Service Guild of Canada has been established in Vancouver, with Captain G. Eddie as representative for Vancouver. Those eligible for the guild are shipmasters and mates holding certificates of qualification, and the objects of the guild are the mutual protection and support of the members. Captain Eddie is a member of the guild of Great Britain, which has ten thousand members, and is in a highly flourishing condition.

THE KING AND PRESIDENT.

A Meeting is Being Arranged Between His Majesty and M. Loubet—Date Not Settled. Paris, March 31.—A statement was secured from an authoritative quarter today to the effect that official negotiations are now in progress which make it practically certain that King Edward will visit President Loubet at a near future date. The question remaining open being whether the meeting will occur before or after the President's projected voyage to Algeria.

Considerable significance is attached to the meeting owing to the recent move toward a rapprochement between Great Britain and France, and the parallel courses they pursued towards Turkey and Morocco. It is a French President and a British sovereign—the late Queen Victoria was received by the late President Faure on Her Majesty's private visit to France in 1870, and through Paris to the south of France in 1870, after the Boer war severely strained Anglo-French relations.

FORMER VICTORIAN DEAD. Mrs. Cartmel Passed Away in Los Angeles Recently—Highly Esteemed Here. The sad news was received in the city on Monday of the death in Los Angeles of Mrs. E. Cartmel, a former resident of Victoria, who had been in that city for some time suffering from cancer, and passed away in the hospital a week ago last Thursday.

Mrs. Cartmel was the widow of the late Dr. Cartmel, formerly chief engineer and Lloyd's surveyor here, who died about a year and a half ago. After a residence in Victoria extending over quite a number of years, the family removed to Los Angeles, where they made their home.

THE COMMUNITY A LAWABIDING ONE

POLICE RECORDS SHOW RATHER LIGHT MONTH

The Firemen, However, Have Been Quite Busy—List of Offences During March.

Judging by the entries in the record book at the police station the guardians of the peace have had a comparatively light month. The list of charges is considerably smaller than has been the case for many months, only sixty offences being recorded. Of these the drunks, as usual, take first place. If they ever lose their position at the head of the column it will be because a liquor famine has struck the land.

In the list will be observed a fairly large batch of offences against the street-by-law. The majority of these are cases in which the offenders have driven their vehicles over the bridges at a rate exceeding the legitimate pace. For some time there had been a lull in charges of this sort, and drivers became reckless. They thought the old ordinance was becoming too strict to be recognized, so that when their horses evinced a little impatience in crossing the bridges their drivers let them go. The authorities, however, decided to stop it, and the offenders were instructed to pull the reins. A miniature horse was the result. The summary of offences follows: Drunkenness, 25; infractions of the street-by-law, 16, assault, 6; infraction of the fire prevention by-law, 2; infraction of the public morals by-law, 2; postal regulations act (Bates), 1; obtaining money under false pretences, 2; stealing, 2; inmate of a bawdy house, 1; violation of property, 1; infraction of bicycle by-law, 1; manslaughter, 1; Total, 60. Besides these there were 15 people detained at the police station for safe-keeping, and as necessary witnesses.

The firemen have had a very busy month. They have been called out by 20 alarms on buildings, which, with their contents, are carrying an insurance of \$45,000. The total loss has been \$1,800. The most serious fire was the list of buildings on Yates street, just above the Clarence hotel. This occurred on March 14th, and the loss resulting therefrom was \$1,500. The complete list for the month is as follows: March 2nd, 2:30 p.m.—Roof fire at W. A. Robertson's house, North Chatham street, loss, \$5.

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March 3rd, 7:40 a.m., box 27—Roof of building, 114 Yates street; spark from flues; loss, \$5. March 3rd, 3 p.m., box 15—Roof of building, Humboldt street, near Wellers' factory; caused by sparks from adjoining building.

March 3rd, 11:45 a.m., still alarm—Kitchen of Mr. Dresser's house, Catherine street, Victoria West; caused by oven of wood becoming overheated; no loss. March 3rd, 8 p.m.—Chimney fire at corner Douglas and Cormorant streets.

March 4th, 2:30 p.m.—Fire 114 Yates, occupied by Paisley dye works and others, caused by explosion of gasoline; loss, \$1,500; building and contents. March 15th, box 27—Mrs. Pretty's house, 21 Bodwell street, caused by overturned lamp; loss, \$5.

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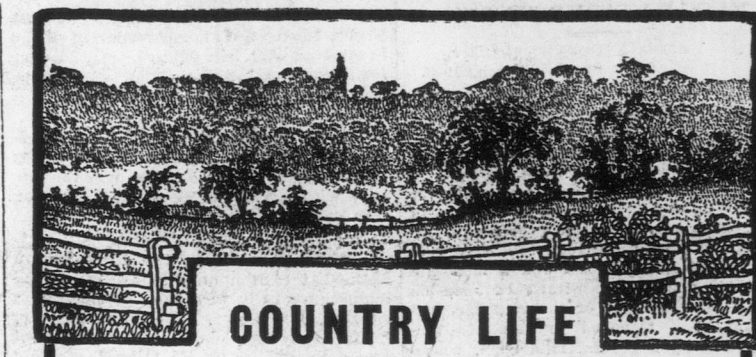
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The Display Will Be of Most Interesting Character—Varied and Very Comprehensive.

The most extensive exhibit of school children's work ever held in this city will be opened in the market building on Friday evening. The original intention was to have the display in the council chamber and the necessary permission was obtained from the Mayor. But it was found that this apartment, large as it is, was altogether too small to accommodate the formidable array of specimens which are to be displayed. It was then decided every child attending school in the city will be represented in that display. The interest among the children in the affair is exceptional, and it quite naturally follows that this interest will be shared by their parents. There is, therefore, no reason why the attendance on Friday night when the exhibition will be opened, and on Saturday should not be gratifyingly large. It was intended to secure the hand for the evenings of the exhibition, but this, it was pointed out, would necessitate the imposition of an admission fee. These in charge, however, have wisely decided to admit the public free, which is another reason why the attendance should be large. As to the exhibit itself, it will be widely varied and comprehensive. It will embrace every class of work performed by children's hands. Penmanship, map-drawing, bookkeeping, arithmetic, work, kindergarten work, specimens of the building manual training school, clay modelling, paper and cardboard cutting and folding will be all represented. The manual training department will have a room on the south side of the building, where benches and shelves will be arranged. The very best specimens will be shown, and the public will have an ample opportunity of seeing for themselves the quality of the work turned out by the school.

WESTMINSTER NEWS. The remains of the late Duncan Munn were interred on Tuesday afternoon. The funeral was very large, being swelled by many Misses and Oranges, the deceased having belonged to those orders. Two long term prisoners escaped from the provincial jail early on Tuesday morning. One cut a hole in his cell door, and with a key he had procured somehow he unlocked the padlock, slipped the bolts, and walked out. He then finally started his pal, and the two broke the lock on the street door and escaped. The guard who was on duty apparently knew nothing until about 5:30 o'clock, when he discovered them missing and at once notified the warden. One of the escaped men, Clark, was serving two years for breaking jail, and the other, Jones, three years for stealing.

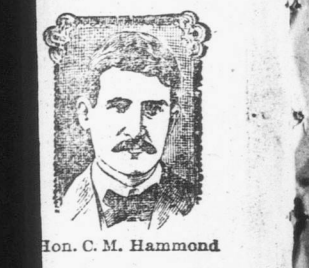
On Monday evening two young lads who were out on the river in a dugout canoe had a narrow escape from drowning. They tried to paddle too close to the ferry steamer and were capsized by the wash. They clung to the bottom of the overturned canoe and were finally hauled aboard the ferry with a pike pole. Coroner Pittendrich received word from Harrison on Monday that the body of a white man had been discovered there. It is thought that it is the remains of the late John Newman, who disappeared some two years ago. He left Harrison in a canoe at the time of the high water and was never heard of afterwards. It is stated that there is a knife wound in the neck of the deceased.

Magistrate Pittendrich has handed down his decision in the district court in the assault case of Dr. Wilson and Joseph Jordan, of Ladner, whereby the case is dismissed, each party to pay his own costs. J. J. Johnston has just received a letter from his brother Edward, who is one of the men who were in the dugout canoe which started out a fortnight ago to lay out a route to the coast for the proposed trans-Canada railway. The weather has been bitterly cold. They have not yet come across any game, but the deep snow shows the track of numerous wolves and deer.

CONCERT AT GORDON HEAD.

A very pleasant entertainment took place on Tuesday in the hall at Gordon Head, when a number of young people from the city furnished an excellent programme. The attendance was very good in spite of the sickness in the community, and all present enjoyed a treat. The chair was occupied by D. Sprague, of Victoria, who proved himself master of the situation, and did much to add to the enjoyment of the evening. A duet by the Misses Scovcroft was so much enjoyed that they were compelled to return to the platform. The recitations given by Miss Renish Westwood and Mr. Scoble were highly appreciated by the audience. The Rogers Bros. entertained the audience for some time by their original jokes. Miss Scovcroft gave an excellent reading, and also a solo, both of which were well received. Herr Wilhelm Peters entertained the audience for over half an hour by conjuring tricks. The ladies served refreshments. The entertainment was terminated by the singing of the National Anthem.

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On the 27th and 28th the first of these storms crossed this province to the north. It caused a strong southerly gale on the Washington coast and a moderate southerly one on the Straits of Juan de Fuca.

On the 29th and 30th another low pressure area approached the coast from the sea, it also crossed the province and caused a general rain west of the Cascades, 2 inches of snow in Cariboo and showers in Kootenay.

This disturbance as it moved eastward crossed another high spell in the Territory and Manitoba. During the passage of these storms across the Dominion others were spreading inland across California to Utah, where they also caused a general rainfall.

Owing to the high temperatures and comparatively warm rains during the last few days vegetation has advanced considerably, and many shrubs are to be seen in blossom.

Victoria—Amount of bright sunshine recorded was 14 hours and 36 minutes; rainfall, .35 inch; highest temperature, 56.1 on 29th; and lowest, 38.2 on 29th.

New Westminster—Rainfall, 2.12 inches; highest temperature, 56 on 29th; and lowest, 34 on 29th.

Kamloops—Rainfall, .24 inch; highest temperature, 56 on 30th; and lowest, 22 on 29th.

Barkerville—Barometer, .34 inch; snow, 2 inches; highest temperature, 48 on 29th and 30th; lowest, 8 on 29th.

Dawson—Snow, one inch; highest temperature, 30 on 29th; lowest, 16 below on 31st.

The hearing of the charges against P. W. Leeson for alleged violation of the Steamboat Act has again been laid over for a week owing to the illness of Police Magistrate Hall.

A correspondent writing from Quatsino reports that a party has recently been in that locality looking over the district with a view to selecting a site for a railway terminus.

After service in the Metropolitan Methodist church on Sunday a grand temperance rally was held, presided over by Rev. Dr. Rowe. Special music was rendered by the choir, and an address was delivered by T. W. Glover, of New Zealand, on the subject "Where Are the Nine?" A brief address was also given by Rev. Mr. Ewing.

The announcement made on Monday evening that Miss Kate Maddock and Miss Barklett, of Vancouver, had taken the black veil was incorrect. Miss Maddock has entered St. Ann's convent, but has not taken the veil, and Miss Barklett only accompanied Miss Maddock there.

The first meeting of the newly-elected members of the Law Society will be held on Monday next. The members are: E. P. Davis, K. C., Charles Wilson, K. C., E. V. Bodwell, K. C., John Elliot, A. H. McNeill, K. C., G. Corbould, K. C., H. D. Helmecken, K. C., C. E. Pooley, K. C.

The Carriage Builders and Horse Shoers' Association of this city have decided to keep their shops open only three hours a day instead of ten, as formerly. They will pay the same wages for the shorter day as was paid for the ten-hour day. This is, of course, satisfactory to the employees. It has been decided to close the shops Saturday afternoon.

Rev. R. G. McBeth, of Vancouver, has received a letter from Dr. Bryce, moderator of the Presbyterian general assembly, stating that he had received from the city council of Victoria an invitation for the delegates to visit that city on the conclusion of their labors in Vancouver. Rev. Mr. McBeth is secretary of the Terminal City reception committee.

The streets, bridges and sewers committee of the city council will meet on Friday evening next, when attention will be given to a consideration will be a proposal from the United Publishing Company, of Portland, Ore., to introduce a new numbering system. The company desire authority to renumber the houses on the uniform block basis, the tenants of houses paying for the installation of the new numbers.

Victoria, N. B. Building Society held its first drawing on Tuesday in Sir William Wallace hall. The chair was occupied by P. J. Riddell, in the absence of the president, and B. Heisterman, C. Gardner and A. B. Fraser, Jr., were appointed to superintend the drawing. The result in the selection of No. 81 A for \$1,000 held by John Bell. A second drawing resulted in the selection of No. 100, A, B, C and D, for \$4,000, held by Senator Templeman.

Delegates representing the loggers of the interior are on their way to this city to urge upon the government a modification in its recent regulation with respect to the survey of lands and asked for a special license. Under these new orders the land thus applied for or for which a lease is asked to be renewed, must be surveyed by an engineer satisfactory to the surveyor general. The timber men represent that their part such a large expense upon their part that it will simply be prohibitive in many cases. They expect to have a modification made with respect to the regulations.

Secretary Sivertz, of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council, has forwarded the following to the secretary of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council: "Dear Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge your communication of the 11th inst., giving cause, that led up to the strike, not on against the C. P. R., and stating that your council had endorsed the cause of the striking unions; also making a request for financial aid for organized labor in that city, and am to state in reply that the Victoria Trades and Labor Council endorses the strike, and has instructed its members to bring your request for financial assistance to the notice of their respective unions."

The board of school trustees in special session on Monday afternoon awarded the contract for improving the high school grounds to Mr. Muntion. There were three tenders. In regard to the exhibition of school work to be held in the market building on Friday and Saturday, the city superintendent explained its nature and reported to progress made in the preparations. The building and grounds committee recommended that drainage work at Rock Bay be carried out at a cost of \$100. The board at its next meeting will supply the position vacated by Miss Noble, of North Island, who has already announced, has accepted a position in Vancouver. The city superintendent will make temporary provision for the vacancy in the meantime.

A very enjoyable social was held on Monday at the house of Rev. R. B. Blyth in charge of Miss N. Howell, who was responsible for the arrangements on behalf of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church. Games were enjoyed during the earlier portion of the evening, after which the programme assumed the character of a Flower Show. Prizes were offered for the persons who were most successful, and were awarded to A. Howell and L. Oliver. A quartet by W. D. Kinnaird and Miss L. Seweroff was much enjoyed, as was recitation by Mr. Kirkendale, after which Miss B. Howell sang in a most pleasing manner. Refreshments were served to the guests by the hostess, Miss Geo. Carter, on behalf of the church members, presented Mrs. T. Waring with a handsome set of dishes as a token of the esteem she has held in by her friends. She is leaving for Vancouver tomorrow, and was much touched by this expression of love so unexpectedly expressed. Mrs. Waring responded on behalf of his wife, and thanked the members for their kindness.

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