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MARKETS ON 'CHANGE.

Flour in Stock Quotations—Looking Up—Firmness in Money Market.

Sept. 29.—The reactionary full view of today's market is a brief period of higher prices owing to sympathy with advanced at one time two last night's close. Sugar due to the belief that the government would decide that in effect paying an export duty, and that the counteracted therefore apply to Duties. The rise in sugar and some other commodities in the market in Manhattan served a general level of prices to an extent, but proved inadequate to meet the fall for the day was practically unchanged more rapid at some times. There was nothing in the market to indicate a change in the order of the day. The market compared with the recent tone was nevertheless firm. Interest was well defined and in activity during the day. The money market was quiet and the rate of interest was not affected. The features of the day were the activity of the money market, the stocks of which have failed to share in the recent advance, and the activity of some activity to-day. All activity steadily. The net loss from a fraction to 7/8 cent in Consolidated Gas, but a recovery of active shares it is noted.

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The Postmaster-General has approved the design for new postage stamps, which will be issued when the present stock of stamps is exhausted, in about three months. The government is calling for tenders for Canadian artists only for statues of the Queen and Hon. Alexander Mackenzie. The Queen's statue will be erected in front of the parliament buildings and the Mackenzie on some other portion of the parliament grounds.

J. S. Secretan, of this city just returned from Dawson, says Sifton could not get there this winter if he wanted to, but would have to be satisfied with a sight of Dyea. There is a hitch in the arrangements for the Dominion rifle range at Rockfield, South Ottawa. The land has gone up to a very high figure, and the \$25,000 appropriation set aside by parliament last session is not going to be nearly sufficient. It is also thought desirable to buy more than was originally intended in the case of the Bank of Montreal.

Robert Thomson, of the Head line, and Thos. Schofield, representing the Furness line, had an interview with Sir Richard Cartright to-day in regard to the resumption of services from St. John to Dublin and Belfast and London by vessels of these lines. The representatives of the other companies have postponed their conference for a day or two. Lieut.-Col. Sharpe, of the Ride Brigade, has been appointed aide camp to the Hon. the vice-Lieutenant-Governor, who is going back to his regiment.

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ONE FOR WILLIAM. Princess Sophia Sets Him Down as the Worst Foe of Greece. LONDON, Sept. 29.—During the course of a lecture which she delivered on Monday at Kingston, Warwickshire, Mrs. Orniston Chant, a well-known reformer who went to Greece with a party of nurses during the war between that country and Turkey, said that the Crown Princess of Greece, Princess Sophia of Prussia, had told her that the worst and most cruel foe of Greece was not the Sultan of Turkey, nor the Turks, but in her belief the Emperor William of Germany.

TORPEDO BOATS LOST. Three Aground, Two Breaking and Several Men Killed and Injured. PLYMOUTH, Sept. 29.—The torpedo boat destroyer, Lynx and Thrasher grounded today on a log on Red man's Point. The Thrasher broke in two and it is feared the Lynx will do the same. The crews of both boats were taken off. Three stokers were killed and two others were injured by the bursting of a steam pipe on board the Thrasher shortly after she grounded.

FATAL BLACK DAMP. An Entire Shift of Pennsylvania Miners Lose Their Lives. SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 28.—Five men today met their death from black damp, the after-accumulation of a fire in the Jermyn No. 1 mine near Reasdam. The bodies of all were discovered at 5:30 by a man who went down into the mine with supplies for combing the fire. Since Tuesday the fire has been raging in the mine. The men who lost their lives represented one shift. They went on duty at 6 o'clock and nobody knew of their death until the discovery of their lifeless bodies. Not a man in the party survived to tell the story.

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QUEEN VICTORIA.

American Tribute to the Success of Her Eventful Reign.

Buffalo, Sept. 27.—Rev. Dr. William Burnett Wright paid a glowing tribute to Queen Victoria and her successful reign of sixty years over Great Britain at the Lafayette Presbyterian church last night. After dealing at length with the events leading to the accession of the young Princess to the throne Dr. Wright said: "What could come of putting at such a crisis a child upon the throne who knew not even the name of his father, and of it, all men know now. This child is the only sovereign in Europe whose throne has not been shaken, and I believe here is the only monarch one that has not been employed by violence during the last sixty years. Here is the only court where the law of purity is the law of favor and requirements of fashion. Here is the one place into which every house in Christendom may safely look to find a model family. She alone among the monarchs of the earth has made the title 'defender of the faith' a fact and not a cynical fiction. She is the monarch who, more than any other since history began—unless King Alfred be the exception—has taught men to understand the secret power of Christ's kingdom, by showing what it is to rule, and by authority, but by influence. For she has been, not the tyrant, but the servant of the people. Queen Victoria mastered lawlessness and violence, and by gentleness has made her people great. There are few mistakes greater than to fancy that the Queen has been a figurehead in the government of England. She has exerted a greater influence than any of her ministers. She conquered the spirit of lawlessness in her people by first conquering it in herself. She never stretched her prerogative. We know that the Gibraltar of English safety has been her hearthstone. It was cracked and crumbling when this wife and mother received into it the fires of true love."

AN EXPENSIVE HOBBY. It Has Damaged a Rider So That Twenty-five Thousand Dollars is Demanded. SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Sept. 29.—A suit has been brought by H. A. Clark and Fannie P. Clark, his wife, against James Hayden, of Tiburon, for \$25,000 as damages for injuries sustained by Mrs. Clark while riding a hobby horse at El Cerrito, a summer resort, which was on a merry-go-round owned by the defendant, became unmanageable through the collapse of the machinery. The lady was thrown and badly hurt that she may be disabled for life.

ARMED LAKE VESSELS. How the United States Observes the Treaty Respecting Them. BUFFALO, Sept. 29.—A despatch from Washington to the Evening News says: Orders have been issued to Commodore H. I. Harrison, of the Boston navy yard, to dispatch the war corvette Yantic to the Great Lakes with the least possible delay. The orders were issued yesterday by Assistant Secretary Roosevelt. Commodore Harrison is directed to visit the Yantic at all times, and to that as she is passed through the Canadian ports on the St. Lawrence river, the question cannot be raised of violating the provisions of the 1815 treaty. A statement was made today on the best authority that an order has been given the commandant at the Washington navy yard to ship Yantic to Erie, Pa., a modern rapid-fire battery for the Yantic. This latter order is credited wholly to the ingenuity of Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, as he carried out, is certain to bring about early complications between the United States and Great Britain. The Yantic is to be turned over at Erie to the Detroit naval militia. It was originally intended to give the vessel to the Chicago naval reserve, but the Detroit organization succeeded in bringing a greater amount of pressure to bear on the navy department.

THE QUESTION OF REDEMPTION. A Broader View Now Being Taken by the Episcopal Church. NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—The 114th annual convention for the diocese of New York of the Protestant Episcopal church was called to order at the Church of the Incarnation to-day. Owing to the illness of Bishop Potter, the Rev. Thomas Dudley, Bishop of Kentucky, presided over the religious exercises, which preceded the business session of the convention. After the opening service, the Very Rev. Dr. Charles George Canon of Westminster Abbey, preached a sermon on the subject, "The legitimate reaction from Calvinism." The preacher said that the church was taking a broader view on the question of redemption. He spoke of the reality of human responsibility, and said that we were simply leading a life of probation here. We were constantly subjected to temptations and judged according to the use we made of our opportunities. Lost opportunities, he said, could never be regained as the time of redemption was limited to the opportunities of the occasion. The sermon was followed by the communion and the business session was called to order at noon. The diocese includes 163 churches, and each church was represented by its rector and three laymen.

ANOTHER COAL TROUBLE. Five Thousand Pennsylvania Miners Quit Work to Settle a Contention. PITTSBURGH, Sept. 29.—Owing to a disagreement as to the differential between the rates for mining thick and thin vein coal, about 5,000 river miners refused to go to work to-day. A conference between the operators and miners will be held to-morrow in Monongahela city, at which efforts will be made to reach an understanding on the differential and other questions in dispute.

Some days nothing will "come outright" from the time you rise till you retire. Ten to one, the trouble is in yourself. Your blood is bad condition, and every organ suffers in consequence. What you need is the cleansing, invigorating influence of Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

ROYAL BAKING

WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY

A Liberal's Protest Against the Assumption of Divine Right Within the Party.

"Yellow Kid" Journalism and Its Pets—the Jubilee Hospital Issues.

To THE EDITOR:—I believe that some time ago Mr. Bostock by letter asked the opinion of the leading Liberals throughout the province as to calling a convention of the associations to consider provincial politics. I understand that the answers thereto, a majority thereof, were in the negative.

Another announcement in the way of an advertisement and circular, bearing no name or authority, calls a meeting or convention to be held in New Westminster, and that Liberal associations should send delegates.

"DEAR SIR:—The Liberal associations of the province have agreed that a convention of the party is desirable, that said convention shall be held at New Westminster during exhibition week, and having requested the undersigned to prepare and send out the notice of convention said notice is enclosed herewith.

The first misstatement in the above circular is "that the Liberal associations of the province have agreed that a convention of the party is desirable."

"I would advise that in future the duties of this officer (referring to the honorary treasurer) be limited to depositing all moneys in the bank and countersigning cheques, the bank and books be hereafter kept by the secretary as part of his duty."

"I need scarcely say that such a suggestion binds no one, and that no one would shirk the performance of his duties under such a pretext, unless he had some other reason for so doing."

"Now, sir, the following are the facts of the case: At a board meeting on the 7th of June, 1897, Messrs. Wilson, Helmcken, Byrne, Chudley and Yates were appointed a committee to draft the annual report of the directors owing to the absence of the president.

"The first statement of his circular that he is called upon by the Liberal associations to send out a notice of convention is incorrect, we can only conclude he is a self-appointed committee of one to mislead the Liberals into attending a convention called for his own purposes.

"TO THE EDITOR:—For a combination of silliness any impotent big game journalism the effusions signed 'John Stretcher,' appearing lately in the Province, are indeed, to use the elegant expression of the Times, 'a corker.'"

contenanced in a journal supposed to be conducted by gentlemen! God help the Liberals if the Province is to be their mouthpiece. This sort of thing may be an approved method of English Radicalism, but it is to be hoped the day is far distant when it will be introduced into the West as a feature of Canadian Liberalism.

WM. M. CHUDLEY'S LETTER.

To THE EDITOR:—I notice in today's issue of the Province newspaper a letter purporting to be signed by one Wm. M. Chudley, relating to the accounts of the Provincial Jubilee Hospital, and professing to lay certain facts in connection therewith before the editor of that newspaper.

Now a few words as to this William M. Chudley. To judge from his letter, one would imagine that he had been acquainted with all the workings of the hospital, and that he had been a member of the board of directors.

THE TURF.

VICTORIA'S FALL MEETING.

THE CITY.

THE "PROVINCE" AND ITS CORRESPONDENT.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Continental Wheeling Champions Make Sport for Fifteen Thousand at Manhattan.

THE COMING ATTRACTION AT THE DRIVING PARK—English Champion Oatsman Beaten.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Jimmy Michael, the Welch champion, again beat Lucien Lesna, the Swiss rider who holds the French middle-distance record, on the Manhattan Beach circuit track today.

THE DOMINION STEAMER QUADRA IS MAKING PREPARATIONS TO GO NORTH, AND IT IS EXPECTED SHE WILL BE LEAVING ON THE 30TH INST.

THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE S. P. C. A. WAS HELD YESTERDAY, VENERABLE ARCHDEACON BROWN BEING RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN, AND MESSRS. DALLIN, KITTO, CHIPCHASE, DRAKE AND HAMILTON AS SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

THE HARVEST THANKGIVING AT EMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH ON SUNDAY WAS WELL ATTENDED MORNING AND EVENING, THE CHURCH BEING FITTINGLY DECKED WITH THE GREENS OF THE SEASON.

AT THE INVITATION OF MR. J. T. BETHUNE, SIR GEORGE ROBERTSON, SENATOR MACDONALD, MR. FRET AND MISS MACDONALD, MR. AND MRS. LUGRIN AND THE MISSES LUGRIN SPENT YESTERDAY ON A CRUISE AMONG THE ISLANDS OF SIDNEY.

AMONG THE MINING MEN SOON TO LEAVE HERE FOR THE KLONDIKE IS ONE WHOSE INTEREST IN BRITISH COLUMBIA MAGNIFIES THE INTEREST THAT LEADING ENGLISH FINANCIERS ARE BEGINNING TO TAKE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

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FIRST SEALER HOME.

The "Casco" Returns From the Copper Island Coast With 1,064 Skins.

SEALS, NOT HAVING TO LOOK FOR THEIR FOOD, ARE FOUND SCATTERED.

AFTER A TEN MONTHS' SEALING CRUISE ALONG THE JAPAN AND COPPER ISLAND COASTS, THE SCHOONER CASCO, CAPTAIN LE BLANC, DROPPED ANCHOR IN JAMES BAY LAST EVENING, WITH A CATCH OF 1,064 SKINS BELOW HER DECK TO SHOW FOR HER 1897 OPERATIONS.

THE ANNUAL HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE WILL BE HELD IN ST. LAWRENCE'S CHURCH, CEDAR HILL, NEXT FRIDAY AT 3 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

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James Hamilton Killed by Rifle.

IN SELF-DEFENCE CHARGES A RIFLE MAN.

FROM GRANITE CREEK HOW A GLUCKY WOOD RABBIT, IN DEFENCE AND KILLED A MAN WHO WAS ON THE AFTERMOUNTAIN 18TH INST., THAT HE AND THOUGH MRS. RABBIT WILL BE RETURNING TO THE BAY.

ACHES THEY WOULD BE ASKED TO TAKE WHO SUFFER FROM THIS DISTRESSING COMPLAINT, BUT FORTUNATELY THEIR GOODNESS DOES NOT STOP AT THIS POINT. ONE OF THESE PAINS ALL WHO USE THEM. IN VIALS AT 25 CENTS PER DOZ. SOLE AGENTS, 100, 100, 100.

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A GREAT POLICE HAUL.

George Van Horst and Robert Dodds Arrested for Three Recent Robberies.

All the Property Recovered Aggregating Over a Thousand Dollars in Value.

Detectives Perdue and Palmer of the city police force, in conjunction with Sergt. Langley of the provincial police, made one of the biggest hauls last night that has happened in this city for a long while back.

The story of the crime goes back to Labor Day, September 6, when Mr. Behnen's house at Spring Ridge was broken open during the afternoon.

The thieves had effected an entry by cutting out the glass of a window 12 inches by 14 inches in the cellar.

When the family returned Miss Behnen's room was found ransacked and the jewelry gone. It made up quite a formidable list, including a silver box, two diamond rings, a pair of gold bracelets, a heavy gold watch and chain, a pair of earrings, a set with garnets, and a pair of earrings to match, a baby ring, a gold pin, a brooch, two pairs earrings, two plain gold rings, gold ring set with garnets, two gold rings set with garnets, a gold pencil, gold brooch set with diamond, gold pin, scarf pin with garnet and diamond, glove buttons, gold watch chain, with slides, gold eblem, Masonic charm, gold shirt studs, gold and pearl stud, scarf pin with stone, diamond shirt stud, gold cuff buttons, silver coins, and several other articles.

Ever since the robbery, Detectives Perdue and Palmer have been working industriously on the case, but the next thing they heard was on Sunday night, when Mr. B. E. Seabrook's house, on the George road, was broken into and a pair of gold-mounted opera glasses stolen. This job was almost similar to that at the Behnen's home.

On Sunday seemed a favorite day for the thieves to do their little jobs of "burglarizing" so on Sunday Provincial Constable Zago reported that George Parsons' house at South Saanich had been broken into and three gold watches, two silver watches and a silver chain had disappeared as the result.

Mr. Newton who yesterday returned from Alberni where he went to let the contract on the Golden Eagle mine, brought quite an interesting budget of news with him.

He gave this information to Detectives Perdue and Palmer and worked with them, the two city detectives making young Dodds, who lives with his mother at Spring Ridge, Dodds, who is a lad of 19, was found to be a frequent com-panion of the boys.

And so the train rested in the lock-up last night, and will now have to answer for the very serious charges made against them.

The damps of autumn sink into the leaves, and prepare them for the necessity of their fall; and thus, insensibly are we, years close round us, detached from the tenacity of life; by gentle pressure of recorded sorrow.—Lander.

THE CITY.

ARGUMENT was at last concluded yesterday in the Stronach case, by the constitutionality of the section in the Game Act prohibiting the exportation of deerskins.

MONTREAL papers just to hand contain the announcement of the marriage at St. George's church in that city on the 21st instant, of Mr. Stephen Yardley Wood, of this city, to Miss Ethel Philippa Smith, daughter of Mr. Bowen Smith, of Bournemouth, England.

WILLIAM McKay and Arthur P. Johnson have been elected delegates to represent Court Vancouver, No. 5755, at the A. O. F. district meeting to be held at Westminster this week.

A HUNDRED pounds of specimens from the Golden Star mine, Kamloops, have been received by Mr. A. T. Monteith and are on view in A. W. More & Co.'s windows.

THE funeral of the late William E. Bittanourt took place yesterday afternoon from his mother's residence where the impressive services of that church were read by Rev. James Beaulac.

THESE are clouds occasionally even on the face of honeymoon, Mr. McIntosh of the Victoria Steam Laundry having while on the course of his bridal tour discovered that a thief on the San Francisco steamer on which he was a passenger had "touched him."

Water Power and Electric Transmission Plant to be Introduced by the Trans-vaal Company.

Mr. F. S. Reynolds, managing director of the British Columbia Electric Railway Co., Ltd., has on behalf of his company, brought in an interesting budget of news with him.

It is now probable that the double bridge over the Victoria and Alberni rivers is in operation, some time next season.

ALBERNI MINES WORKING.

Contract Let on the Golden Eagle—Consolidated Shipments—The Regina Group Bonded.

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CARIBOO TO THE FRONT.

A Visiting Newspaper Man Says Klondykers Will Travel via That Country.

F. S. Reynolds, proprietor of the B. C. Mining Journal, of Ashcroft, and W. C. Pendell, a Chicago attorney, are registered at the Diard, having reached Victoria by the Inlander last evening.

If you are troubled with asthma or hay fever, try Clark's Kola Compound. It cures.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL.

Extensive Improvements in the Buildings add to the Institution's Efficiency.

The large additions to the St. Joseph's hospital buildings just completed have largely increased the usefulness of the excellent institution, for the capacity for patients has been increased by fifteen more rooms.

THE RETAIL MARKETS.

Victoria to Become the Market For Nearly All Vancouver and the Adjacent Islands.

Indirectly, the application for incorporation of the Vancouver Island and Islands Produce Society is the most important move bearing on a large enterprise, the aim being to make Victoria the market for everything grown in the territory indicated.

THE LAST CASH SALE.

A Sandom despatch dated September 24 to the Kaelo Kootenian says: The last cash sale, held by the group, owned by E. H. Tomlinson, F. W. Gure and D. Hendrix, has been sold.

GOLD FIND NEAR KASLO.

A genuine gold excitement broke out in Kaslo last week when the result of an assay of the ore, made by the Kaelo mine, was found to be a rich one.

COAST INVESTORS.

There is quite an active demand for some stocks in the Vancouver market, principally to fill orders from abroad.

PAINS IN THE BACK.

Mr. M. P. Halpin, Brockville, Ont., makes a statement as follows: For two years I suffered from kidney trouble, causing severe pains across my back, dizziness, and loss of sleep.

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THE HEAD MASTER.

It has a record of years of cure. Send for the free.

MINING IS DOING WELL.

Kamloops About to Take a Creditable Place Amongst the Producing Districts.

Rich Gold Quartz Found Close to Kaslo Excites That Town—Last Chance Sale.

Mr. John Cobbedick, who represents a large amount of English capital, arrived last night from Kamloops, where he has been developing work vigorously presented to him the Lucky Strike mine, which he recently purchased.

AN EXTRAORDINARY CIRCULAR.

Mr. William Templeman of Victoria does not lack gall, whatever other qualities he may possess.

OPERATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

The Bears Having Things Their Own Way and a General Decline Noted—A Drop in Silver.

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AGAIN HEADS. The "Triumph" Behring Sea Fleet. Modest T. Utter Failure of the line—A Fatal Ver.

Professor David Sta celebrated electric bric for performing the dock trick among the sea victims and the sea returned from port of Behring Sea. Not which it was designed been its failure that it is in disgust by the associates and a thirly possession of it in the come in useful some principle that the hon name plate.

After the abandon trical brander, Dr. Jos according to the Swed regulation branding seals were captured less to commerce by the known to the Swed Wild Swan which returned. This much t ever—that sealing me of the burning has al- seal herds, which in moving out of Behring direction of one of the the Japanese islands. The stench caused b so sickening that the cer's did not care to ap according to the Swed six men—he himself home on the Rush—a busy brander. It was the this year found, is also well populated, rookeries in all on the according to the Swed no fewer than 15,000 some of them, deep migration—not very a

Among the mishaps the sealers, of which ship brings the new crew—Hunter Brown—having met death th capizing on the 19 the friends of each up the dead man is posi Hedley Hughes as the fish May, 1897. The first of his season Sitka, suffering with As he grew worse app the fleet the E. B. Mar suffered the worst wa fallen in with a hurri for Ounaska on the catch of 973 skins sto the sealers as so dan- torn that it was only manship that she ma very demonstrated the day after leaving Om port the tooer dep of this month.

Among the catches the following would appear that to wear the honors of 416; Annie E. Paint, 1,470; Thersa, 1,470; M. E. Marvin, 973; Otto, 730; Vera, 204; Victoria, 925; Fawn, 5 Umbria, 125; Ainko Borealis, 125; Ainko

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THE CITY.

Mr. Samuel Sea was yesterday the victim of a most peculiar case of poisoning, which for a time gave both himself and his associates no little anxiety.

On the 27th of next month the eighth annual ball in aid of the Jubilee hospital will be given in the Assembly hall under the auspices of the ladies' auxiliary.

A large and interested congregation assembled at Christ Church cathedral last evening to enjoy the special service in commemoration of the harvest festival.

A lad named R. H. Young, an apprentice on the City of Benares, was yesterday for not remaining aboard the steamer Tees, which is now on its way to Seattle.

A basket ball, which last winter proved so popular a pastime, is to again engage the attention of a large congregation of sports this season.

It was this that first aroused suspicion that all was not right, and by order of Mr. E. Loring, the Indian agent at Hazelton, Gordon was arrested, in the belief that he was in some way connected with the mysterious disappearance of his partner.

There was much disappointment yesterday among the police court habitués when it was learned that the trial of the evidence against Van Horst and his younger companion, arrested last Tuesday night for a succession of burglaries, will be postponed.

The steamer "Tees" Returns Loaded With Cargo to the Guards.

With her full hold of salmon, and dogfish oil piled high on her deck, the P. N. steamer Tees returned from northern ports last night.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

The Progressive Town of Nelson Lets a Contract for Sewer Construction.

Litigation Over a Mining Venture That Didn't Pay—Vancouver Stock Market.

COLONISTS FOR CAPE SCOTT. A Party Leave on the Steamer "Willapa" With Others to Follow.

The C. P. N. steamer Willapa, advertised to sail for the West coast to-day, goes as far north as Cape Scott, to which point she carries seven or eight passengers who intend going to the Daniala colony there located.

PORT TOWNSEND, Sept. 29.—The United States revenue cutter Grant, Captain Munger, arrived from Unalaska and brought the latest advices from St. Michael's and the surrounding country.

On board the Grant are Captain Peters and crew, in all nine men, of the schooner Nunene, which left Seattle on Monday for the Skeena river.

A Sunday school entertainment was given in the Centennial Methodist church last evening, when a programme of recitations, choruses and instrumental music was well rendered.

Just arrived from England and staying at the Dominion hotel is Mr. James Barratt, who until a few months ago lived in Western Australia.

Official Mining Maps at Tax Collector.

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THE ADMINISTRATION OF PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS.

The administration of public affairs in this province is proceeding with a smoothness that must be highly gratifying to the great majority of the people. An effort is being made by a section of the press to make it appear that profound dissatisfaction exists, but such papers do not even deceive themselves, not to speak of anyone else. So hollow are the attacks made upon the government that one is led to think the critics must be at fault, for it seems hardly credible that the very difficult task of conducting the business of a province like British Columbia could be carried on with so little friction and so little real complaint. But the more intimately acquainted one becomes with the manner in which the administration of affairs is conducted, the more impressed is he with the diligence, industry, good faith and, on the whole, excellent judgment exhibited, not only by the heads of the departments, but by the whole civil service. Year after year passes without anything approaching a scandal, without a case of misappropriation of public funds, without a single grave dereliction of duty or a serious mistake. We claim that this argues well for the administrative ability of the gentlemen who are at the head of affairs. We are not now referring to broad matters of policy, but to the general routine of the public business, and the reference is called out by the fact that the so-called opposition platform contemplates a general overturn in the civil service.

The province of British Columbia is in one respect different from the other provinces of Canada. In the others municipal organizations of various kinds relieve the provincial authorities of a vast amount of work which here devolves upon the government. Take the matter of education. In the other provinces there are laws which direct the Board of Education to do such and such things with the public money, when the school districts, or whatever name they are called, do something on their part. The government has nothing to do with the matter except to see that the Board of Education does its duty. If a district wants a school house or a teacher, it makes its own arrangements, knowing that it will be entitled to public aid to a certain extent and under certain conditions. In most parts of this province the schools are administered directly from the department, and the Minister of Education is responsible. So as to roads; the municipalities in the other provinces either wholly or in part provide for these. In other provinces while the administration of justice is under the control of the Attorney-General the actual work is done by municipal officers without reference to him. In more ways than could conveniently be mentioned in a newspaper article the government of British Columbia is brought more closely into touch with the people than are the governments of the other provinces.

This system is the result of the sparsely settled condition of the province. It has been practically impossible to arrange a system of county or township government for the whole province; but we are of the opinion that before very long something of the kind will have to be undertaken for all the more populous districts, or otherwise there will be a mass of detail to be attended to by the government which will be beyond what can be dealt with satisfactorily without more than an increase in the number of ministers and a very large increase in the number of departmental officers. In order that there may be no misconception about what we are saying, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we are not speaking with the authority of the government or any member of it, but are giving only the result of our own observations.

One of the effects of the system in force in this Province is that it throws too many details upon the ministers. It is a fact, which one can see for himself, that the four salaried provincial ministers do work that in other provinces is done by chief clerks or deputy ministers. We venture to say that they attend to details as the members of no other provincial government do, and we believe that this close application to the routine work of their offices, though at present necessary, is not really best for the interests of the province. We believe that in the near future it will be found advisable for the provincial ministers to recast their plan of departmental work, so that they may have more time to move about the province and become familiar by personal observation with the requirements of the people.

The satisfactory condition of the public service counts for more in public opinion than the clamor of a few people, whose sole ground of complaint is that they are not able to feed at the public crib. There is at least one conspicuous illustration in this province of a public man and journalist, who was ready and willing to swallow all the sins of omission, all the sins of commission, all the hotches and all the jobs, that the most ingenious opponent can lay to the charge of the administration, provided

he could get a cabinet office. From the results of such opponents a government has little to fear, especially when it is entrenched behind a record of successful administration.

THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

In the Golden Era appears a charge against the Surveyor-General. One allegation is that it took nearly four years to get through the survey of a farm. This is true. In the case referred to the farm was surveyed, and the surveyor included in it a piece of land covered by another claim, contrary to the Land Act, and offered no explanation for so doing. Notice was at once given by the Surveyor-General that an explanation was required. After nearly four years the explanation came to hand, and the proper order was at once made. It was the business of the grantee to expedite the explanation, if he was in a hurry. A second allegation is that the department does not furnish surveyors with copies of plans, but refers them to the nearest land office. This is not quite correct, but it was the course taken in the case referred to by the Golden Era. The Surveyor-General does not furnish copies of plans to the public on demand. The rule is to keep plans at the public expense for public convenience; but if individuals want copies for their own conveniences, they must either make them themselves or pay someone else to do so. This is the practice in all public land departments. Usually some one of the clerks in the office makes copies asked for, using his own time after office hours to do so, and making a small charge for his trouble. In some cases, like that mentioned by the Golden paper, applicants are referred to the most convenient land office, where they can make their own copies, or have them made as suits them best.

The Golden Era threatens that great changes will be made in the Crown Land office when the new government comes in. We have only to say that if it is contemplated to increase the staff of that office so that it may attend to the private business of the whole community, an additional reason is afforded for keeping the opposition out.

THE TEMPLETON OPTION.

On September 11 the following appeared in the Nelson Tribune, being a portion of an interview with Mayor Templeton, of Vancouver:

"What do you think of the statements that Mr. Cotton is going to join the Cabinet?" was asked by the interviewer.

"I do not think it likely," replied Mr. Templeton. "Mr. Cotton could not be re-elected in Vancouver again, and he is under a written promise, which is in my possession, that he will not go into coalition with the present government without the consent of the party."

Commenting upon this, the Daily Times of this city said on the 16th inst.:

Assuming that Mr. Templeton has been correctly reported, representatives in the legislature who have been associated in opposition with the member for Vancouver must feel that they have occupied a humiliating position. Or were they "the party" whose consent was to be obtained before Mr. Cotton could coalition with the Turner government? If so, they were cognizant of the existence of such a pledge, the existence of which would indicate a suspicion that the member for Vancouver had at one time entertained the idea of going over to the government. In view of the recent utterances of the Colonist, which were understood to hint at a modus vivendi between Mr. Cotton and the government, the startling statement of the Mayor of Vancouver will deepen the interest in the political game. Necessarily, Mr. Cotton will be expected to explain why such a pledge was exacted from him.

To this very reasonable and very moderate statement of the case, neither Mr. Cotton nor his newspaper, the News-Advertiser, vouchsafed a word of reply, but permitted it to go on record, and be spread from one end of the province to the other that Mr. Templeton held Mr. Cotton's political future in his pocket. We venture to say that no more damaging statement was ever made against a public man, that is, speaking politically, of course, and that Mr. Cotton remained silent under it, for fifteen days after it was made public and for eleven days after his co-worker in opposition called on him to explain it, is as damaging to his political reputation as the statement itself.

On Sunday, the 26th inst., there appeared in the News-Advertiser a column and a half interview with Mr. Templeton and a short editorial purporting to deal with this matter. Both deserve a place among the curiosities of political literature. To understand the matter properly it is necessary to bear in mind that the Nelson Miner, in which the statement of Mr. Templeton appeared, was, and is, the most aggressive of the opposition weekly papers. When asked about the Miner's remarks, Mr. Templeton said:

I did not see the report until long after we left Nelson, or else I would have returned and spoken to the reporter again. We note that Mr. Templeton here does not pretend to deny the substantial accuracy of the Miner interview, but, on the contrary, must be taken in using these words to endorse it as correct. Therefore the Times of this city was wholly justified in calling on him for an explanation, and the papers supporting the government were warranted in their comments. It also shows the absolute falsity of the following statement made

by the News-Advertiser in regard to the last named paper:

They fastened with avidity on an item in a brief report of an interview in a Nelson paper which Mr. Templeton during his recent visit to that city, and from it constructed a most wonderful piece of fiction.

We say this is wholly untrue because all that was done by the papers referred to was to quote Mr. Templeton's language as reported in the Miner.

Having delivered himself of the above ratification of the Miner's report, Mr. Templeton devoted nearly a column to the matter, but no where did he say or even hint that Mr. Cotton was not pledged as stated in the Miner. On the contrary, he said:

Well, I said, moreover, Mr. Cotton is not free to enter the Cabinet. We have lies him, and prevents him from pursuing any such course.

Then follows a very weak reference to a pledge signed by Mr. Cotton on May 9, 1894, and Mr. Templeton innocently goes on, after a lot of explanation which explains nothing, to say that he cannot conceive why the Nelson Miner's report should "be intended to mean more than it conveys." We submit that it has not been used by any one as conveying any more than it conveys, or any more than Mr. Templeton's statement, made under the coaching of the News-Advertiser, conveys. We also submit that, if this pledge was of the nature it is now represented to be, that is, a mere general pledge of opposition, the demand, made by the Times of this city and above quoted, is absolutely inexplicable.

We further submit that if Mr. Cotton was bound by any agreement made in 1894, not to enter the present government, he has shown himself to be a hundred times more disloyal than we ever imagined he could be. For his own political credit we hoped that the date of the option was some time in 1897. We say that if Mr. Cotton has been bound during the whole of the present year by a pledge, which he understood and which his associates understood and which he has been entering the ministry or doing anything that would contribute to its support, he is the most extraordinary sample of a public man that ever occupied a seat in a legislature.

A FAMILY QUARREL.

No one will be found to deny that the Nanaimo Review is a staunch Liberal paper and, we are sorry to say, opposed to the local government. For this reason its views on the proposal to run Provincial politics on Dominion lines are especially interesting. It begins a long article in its last issue by declaring that the movement had its origin in a "certain limited section of the Liberal press of British Columbia," but says that it fell very far.

Fortunately, however, the better judgment of the Liberal press, and its oppositionists was against the calling of such a convention. So pronounced, indeed, did adverse opinion become, that these self-appointed conventionists were compelled to belie their former preachings and claim that the proposed convention had nothing whatever to do with provincial politics. Assurances to that effect, however, notwithstanding, that they are now frequently and vociferously made, are devoid of an atom of truth, and are only published in the hope that the bold and blatant denials will deceive a portion of the public who are not aware of the earlier manipulations.

The Review then goes on to declare that it would like to see an opposition meeting held, but believes such a convention as is proposed will cause division and distrust. For this opinion it gives the following reasons, which will be very interesting reading to the promoters of the convention:

Even if we credit the statement that the proposed meeting has no provincial significance—a statement which we have documentary evidence to prove is a falsehood—the convention, if it is a satisfactory federal politics, at this juncture is quite unnecessary; in fact, we have neither read or heard of any reason being advanced for its call.

The Review then proceeds to let out some of the inner history of the movement which we reprint to let our Liberal readers know the views held by one of the ablest papers supporting their party, and incidentally to establish once more the unreliability of the Times, which stated a few days ago that the Vancouver World is the only Liberal paper that is opposed to the convention.

But the public have not only been denied any excuse for the convention—they are left absolutely in the dark as to the personality of the conveners. It is true that the Liberal representatives for the province at Ottawa were requested to call the convention, but it is a fact that the majority of them strongly advised against the move and have refused to countenance it. We know of no representative body of Liberals meeting the convention, reflecting the nerve and energy of Editor Deane, of funky fame, and well known here as a supporter of Hon. Theo. Davie in the last campaign, and the insulter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his entertainers whilst this city has been busy in this matter, but the zeal of Editor Deane and the association is open to ready comment as unsatisfactory for many glaring reasons. Apart from this doubtless, and we do not say, we know of none. Has no one connected with it the honesty or courage to fasten the pony thing. If no prominent Liberal openly identified with it, if there is, who is he? Has Hewitt-Bosch, M.P., taken upon himself the duty of calling it; or has it been done by William Templeman, Esq., or Dr. W. M.P.E.? The public and the Liberal party have a right to know with whom they are dealing and what parties

are endeavoring to secure a veiled purpose through this bastard convention. We therefore ask on whose authority, at whose request and for what purpose is the convention called? These are questions that should be clearly answered before any Liberal is warranted in recognizing it. So long as there remains this suspicious silence on these points, we are pleased to note the complete indifference with which the overwhelming majority of Liberals throughout the province ignore the efforts of an insignificant few to magnify their own importance and boom their minority views and discredited friends.

We want no packed convention; no cut-and-dried resolutions; no catpaw play for a few ambitious schemers; no agree to bring ridicule and shame on the Liberal party.

AN UNWISE "SENTINEL."

When the Colonist undertook first to reproduce and answer every specific charge made in the opposition press against the government and when afterwards it declared its intention, in the absence of such specific charges, to defend the record of the government, it did not engage to reply to everything the opposition press might see fit to print, in the absence of more interesting or re-threshing of old straw, which would render the columns of this paper as dull as those of its contemporaries in question are. Some times an exceptional case arises, as for example an editorial in a recent issue of the Kamloops Sentinel, most appropriately headed, "Audacious Mendacity." We should not have cared to be so rude to apply these words to anything which our esteemed contemporary might say, but politeness must give way to truth some times, and so we frankly admit that the Sentinel has very well described its own article.

Illustration No. 1 of this audacious mendacity is the statement that the general policy of the government is "to squander the public funds and to alienate the public lands." If it will help the Sentinel out any we will admit that this has been said very often, but frequent repetition, instead of making the mendacity more audacious, the Sentinel and its friends might vociferate until Doomsday that twice two are five, but this would in no way impugn the accuracy of the multiplication table. If the government's policy is to squander money, it ought not to be difficult to scare up one little "squanderer"; if the government's policy is to alienate the public lands, it ought not to be very difficult to show in what way any proposed alienation has worked or is calculated to work injury to the province. We assume that the policy of public lands, for it is of no good to anyone unless it is alienated. There will always be a question of whether or not any proposed system of alienation is judicious, and this is a matter to be demonstrated in each case. So far as Russia and Germany are concerned, we have been able to follow the opposition critics, the critics have not thought it worth while to go into particulars.

Illustration No. 2 is the statement, put interrogatively, that the Attorney-General is responsible for faulty legislation, needless litigation and heavy expense. If this is true there must somewhere be some proof of it. We have repeatedly asked for the instances which the opposition have in mind when making this general statement. The answer has been to cite the case of the Victoria Lumber Company and that of the Koksilah Quarry Company. We have showed by incontrovertible evidence that in the first case the province saved a large amount of money and that the second case is yet before the courts, and we feel no hesitation in saying that the decision of the Privy Council will in all probability be favorable to the province.

Illustration No. 3 is the statement, also put interrogatively, to the effect that the administration of the educational department has not commended itself to anyone outside of Victoria. Our reply to this is that session after session of the legislature has passed and the administration of the educational department has yet to be unfavorably criticized. We do not say that from time to time instances of local dissatisfaction have not occurred, but we do say that in every case a bona fide effort has been made, and in nearly every instance successfully made, to meet the wishes of the people. The case of Roseland is the most recent in point, where a matter that caused very considerable hasty criticism has been arranged in a manner that has called forth warm expressions of satisfaction.

Illustration No. 4 is the statement that well-grounded complaints have been made against the lands and works department. We say that this is an illustration of mendacity, because it implies that complaints have been made against that department and that the department has not been shown to have had good reason for its action in the premises. We do not deny that complaints have been made against this department. The people in one locality complain because a bridge has not been built; in another because a road has not been built; in another it is the lack of a public building that is the cause of complaint. These things always have been and always will be, for the department of lands and works will probably never have enough money to do everything asked of it, or enough clerical help to do every-

thing quite as soon as the man, who wants it done, thinks it ought to be done. By a well grounded complaint against a public department we understand one that implies neglect, carelessness or actual wrong-doing, and we say that no instances of this kind have been brought to light either in the legislature or out of it; and in saying this we do not overlook the much talked of Rookies case, in which a committee of the legislature found there was nothing wrong.

Illustration No. 5 is the statement that the criticisms of the finance department are unanswerable. These criticisms have been answered categorically and with minute detail.

Illustration No. 6 is the statement that the Colonist has not dealt with the charges preferred by the Sentinel. Our impression was that we took up each one of the Sentinel's charges as it was made; we do not say that we repeated our answers as often as the charges were repeated.

Finally, the Sentinel says that we will not "for good reasons" discuss its charges that the Attorney-General favors certain corporations. To this we replied, only to have our statements of opinion on questions of fact misrepresented as being statements of the law. But we again say—

THE SMASHING OF BRITAIN.

A report comes from St. Petersburg to the effect that the governments of Russia, France, Germany, Italy and Turkey have arrived at the conclusion that the time has come for Great Britain to get out of Egypt. We take very little stock in the story. These nations are not at all likely to agree upon any plan of action, and even if they should do so, they would find that suggestions more difficult than they imagine. It is stated that the Empire is to be divided up according to an agreement alleged to have been arrived at by the aforesaid governments. We are not at all anxious to see the experiment tried, but if it ever is, and the British Empire must face all Europe in arms, the result will be something very different to what the enemies of liberty imagine. If Great Britain could be crushed, the republic in France would be quickly annihilated and all Continental Europe would be plunged into an abyss of imperialism. But the time for such reaction is not at hand, and long before the plans of the absolutists of Russia and Germany could succeed, the whole continent would be in an uproar. Germany is today only a slumbering volcano. It has been repeatedly said that only the life of an old man stands between the Austro-Hungarian empire and political chaos. The Emperor Franz-Josef is in his 86th year and shows signs of increasing age. M. de Blowitz, the famous Paris correspondent of the London Times, is on record with a prediction that on the death of the Emperor his dominions will fly asunder as if there were an explosion. Signs of this are everywhere manifest. The German element of the population is avowedly hostile to the others, and Hungary is extremely restive under her partnership with Austria. Russia is ripe for rebellion under favorable conditions, and these are likely to occur if a great foreign war breaks out. Indeed, look in whatever direction over continental Europe we may, we find, except in Switzerland, Holland, Denmark, Sweden and Norway, discontent ripening for a terrible harvest.

If the Continental powers should determine to attack Great Britain they would find their aggressive capacity as against her very much less than some people imagine. They would not be able, for example, to drive the British out of Egypt. They could not land troops there, while the British army of occupation could be reinforced if necessary from India. It is all very well to string figures on paper to represent the fighting force of the Continental powers, but it is to be remembered that all their armies are organized for campaigns in which their own countries will be a basis of supply. The experience of France in Tonquin and Madagascar show how poorly equipped that great military nation is to carry on operations beyond seas. Germans will fight for the Fatherland, but when it is proposed to send the youth of the country into foreign lands to fight the battles of pryanry, there will likely be another story to tell. Russia has a vast army, but Turkey held it at bay for a long time. Austria has never yet accomplished or, indeed, attempted any fighting outside of Europe, and as for Italy, the day that a King of Italy calls on the people to fight Great Britain he will forfeit his crown.

Looking at the whole situation, we conclude that the new scheme to smash the Empire is simply an expression of the disgust which Russia feels at finding that her plans in regard to Greece and Turkey have been blocked by Great Brit-

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Then commenced the horrible mutilation of 24 volunteers and innocent children. Pedro Suarez saw his three sons, still boys, cut down with machetes, and afterwards Ramon Rubio saw his two sons treated in the same manner. A Madame Popilo Santa Ana was hanged by her feet and burned alive. An insurgent who had surrendered opened his veins. The feet of a guide of the Spanish troops were burned off, and a boy only 11 years of age was also killed by burning his feet.

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A Christian named Camilo was hanged by the wrists until dead. It is impossible to relate the many other brutalities committed upon women and girls.

SURPRISED THE ALLIES. Great Britain's Avoidance of the International Sealing Net Not Looked For.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Great Britain has not notified Russia or Japan of her intention not to take part in the sealing conference, and her notice to the United States was sent too late for the other three governments to change their arrangements.

Inquiries at the Russian embassy here show that the officials were greatly surprised at Great Britain's withdrawal and were disposed not to believe the news.

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CHINESE CONVERTS' FACTIONS. Conflicts Between Those of Two Denominations Cause the Authorities Trouble.

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MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST. Sir Mackenzie Bowell's Trip—The Yukon Administrator—Rat Portage Mine Sold.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 27.—Sir Mackenzie Bowell left on to-night's train in company with Sir Charles Tupper and will accompany that gentleman to the Kootenay, where he will look over the mines. From there they will go to Vancouver, where he will visit his son, the collector of customs, thence returning to Calgary, where he will transact some business of a private nature.

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British Guiana Looking to the United States and Other Colonies May Follow Suit.

CANADA MAY BE ENCOURAGED TO AGAIN SUE FOR SOME RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENT. WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, is expected to return here from his London trip about October 15, notwithstanding reports that he would not be back in time for the Behring sea conference.

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TO CLEAN CHICAGO. The Huge Task Which a Resolute Woman Has Undertaken.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Mayor Harrison has entrusted the promised revolution in down-town street cleaning to the management of a woman. Mrs. A. E. Fann has been given the task of reordering Chicago's main thoroughfares, and when she marshalled a troop of twenty-five men in military order, with brooms on their shoulders, down Washington street today sharp at 8 o'clock, the work of keeping down-town streets and crossings free from refuse was begun.

SUNK IN BUFFALO HARBOR. Government Inspector's Craft Struck by an Excursion Steamer.

BUFFALO, Sept. 28.—The steam yacht Gazelle, chartered by the Engineer corps of the United States army as an inspection vessel for the breakers of the district, was sunk in Buffalo harbor by the excursion steamer Gazelle a little after noon to-day.

DOCKS FOR U. S. NAVY. Six Million Dollars Expenditure Urgently Needed on Atlantic Coast.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—The special board appointed by navy department to consider the needs of the navy in the matter of new dry docks, finds five new docks are urgently necessary.

WILL STAGGER THE TRANSVAAL. Immense Indemnity for Misdeeds Demanded by the British Chartered Company.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Capetown says it is rumored in Johannesburg that the British South Africa Company has demanded £27,000,000 indemnity from the government of the Transvaal for inciting the natives of Matabele to revolt against the company and supplying them with rifles.

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Mr. Donville's Klondyke Company Organized—Mr. Blair's Trip—Gen. Gascoigne Returns.

OTTAWA, Sept. 28.—Mr. Blair returned from England to-day. He says there is a very healthy feeling there towards Canada, and he believes that Mr. Fielding will place the loan on advantageous terms.

Representatives of half a dozen steamship lines are here to confer with Sir Richard Cartwright to-morrow. There does not appear to be any concerted action among them, each pulling in the interest of his own company.

Mr. Donville, M.P., arrived from England to-day. He says his Klondyke mining company has been successfully floated. Robert Smith, a London capitalist, there with him.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier left for Montreal to-day. He is to visit Halifax accompanied by Mr. Fisher.

Prof. Saunders is back from the Coast. He thinks that the visit of the members of the British Association will be of great benefit to Canada.

Communicating with October, the Militia List will be issued quarterly hereafter. Gen. Montgomery Moore was in the city on his way to Halifax from visiting the fortifications at Esquimaux.

General Gascoigne has returned from England. The 40,000 stand of Lee-Enfield rifles and 12,000,000 rounds of ammunition ordered by the Imperial government, originally 18,000,000 rounds were ordered, but as the Quebec cartridge factory is now turning out ammunition at the rate of 1,500,000 rounds yearly, it was thought better to purchase two batteries of field artillery instead. These latter guns have not yet been received, but the six originally ordered have been delivered and issued to the A and B batteries, and the Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Hamilton batteries. The new guns will possibly go to Newmarket and Sydney. Each battery consists of six twelve pounders.

MR. SIFTON'S PLANS. He Would Preserve the Trade of Yukon District for Canadians.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 28.—Interviewed last night, Hon. Mr. Sifton said he would go as far as Dyas with the Klondyke party to get definite information as to the state of the passes and the different routes leading to the Yukon district, also to make further arrangements in the matter of administration and to ascertain what steps are necessary to preserve the trade of the district to the Canadian people.

Mr. Sifton will visit a number of Western points on departmental business. A most enthusiastic send-off was given Mr. Sifton, Major Walsh, F. C. Wade, A. J. Magurn and other members of the Yukon party this afternoon on their departure for Vancouver. Many of all shades of politics were there to give the parting cheers. The Major is taking to the Yukon in charge of his brother Philip Walsh, six expert Indian dog drivers from Fort William. The party includes Ambrose Cyret, who discovered the Silver Islet mine.

A DETERMINED SUICIDE. Jumped Two Stories Without Hurt So Tried From the Third.

MONTREAL, Sept. 28.—Michael Adrie jumped out of a second-story window on St. Paul street. People picked him up, and in answer to queries he said he was not hurt. He was asked if he intended to jump, and before the crowd had dispersed he came down a second time from the third story. He was picked up fearfully mangled and died shortly afterwards. The father of the deceased was killed in a landslide at Quebec some time ago, and three weeks ago his son received \$500 compensation. Since then he has been drinking heavily.

PENNY-WISE GOVERNMENT. Will the Halifax Steamship Service Be Killed by the New Economy.

MONTREAL, Sept. 28.—Sir Wm. Van Horne, who has returned from a visit to St. John, N.B., was asked to-day about the reported decision of the Allan and Dominion lines not to call at Halifax in winter. He replied: "I can only say at this moment it would be a most disgraceful thing if Canada should permit herself to be left without steamship service for the next six months, and I can not believe the government will look with indifference on anything of the kind."

OUT OF THEIR ELEMENT. Two Steamships in Trouble in the Lower St. Lawrence.

QUEBEC, Sept. 28.—The tug Lord Stanley has just returned from Cape Laroche, the scene of the stranding of the steamship Arabia. She will immediately return with two more schooners and pumps.

THE FLEET AT HAKODATE. The Most Powerful Ever Assembled Under the British Flag in Eastern Waters.

YOKOHAMA, Sept. 28.—The British fleet now assembled at Hakodate, Japan, for the annual manoeuvres is the most powerful ever brought together under that flag in Eastern waters.

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THE TRADE OF THE YUKON. Hon. Mr. Sifton is credited with the statement that he aims to do all in his power to secure the trade of the Yukon to Canadian cities.

THE CAMPAIGN IN INDIA. There is no reason to suppose that the British troops will experience much difficulty in subduing the rebels in North-west India.

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THE LIBERAL PRESS TALKS OF LIBERALISM. There is no such thing in Canadian politics. The Liberals are a party, but they do not represent a principle.

that it is doubtful if they yet believe that duties will be collected. The first point, therefore, which we suggest should receive Mr. Sifton's attention is the matter of duties.

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thing else. What we have said and what we repeat is that when charges of boodling and corruption are made against a government, and not an instance has been cited where a dollar has been misappropriated or a corrupt act has been performed, the persons or papers making such charges show themselves to be mere idle slanderers, and that the absence of specific statements in proof positive that the charges are absolutely without foundation.

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ABOUT SKAGWAY TRAIL. A Nanaimo Man Gives an Uninviting Description of This Road to Riches.

Great Mortality Amongst the Pack Horses and a Sanitary Problem Thus Created. (From the Nanaimo Free Press.)

THE CANADIAN PRESS. NOW HERE, ALL TOGETHER. If the board of trade, the local legal fraternity, the railwaymen's association, the trades and labor council and the Roseland newspapers join in a great shout for a court house, it is liable to be heard as far as Victoria.

THE TEMPLETON INTERVIEW. The interview was correctly reported, as shown by the fact that it has not been contradicted from any quarter.

A Great Book Free. When Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., published the first edition of his great work, "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," he announced that after 680,000 copies had been sold at the regular price, \$1.00 per copy, the profit of which would be used for the great amount of labor and money expended in producing it, he would distribute the next half million copies of his work free of charge.

Mining Companies' office stationary a specialty at the Colonist's office.

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in all kinds of goods, stores, implements, provisions, chattels and effects, capable of being used or required by the Company or its workmen, or by any other person who may settle on the property of the Company, or by others, and for that purpose to carry on the business of a general shopkeeper or merchant.

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FORTIETH YEAR WEEKLY TRADER. A Health Showing All Continents—Movements of Merchandise.

Favorable Reports From and Vancouver, but Collections Slow.

New York, Oct. 1.—R. G. D. weekly review of trade will show: failures during the first nine months of 1897 were 2,903, with liabilities \$28,965,261, of which 29 were for \$3,387,069. Commercial failures were 2,874, with liabilities of \$28,965,261.

York for the week might be \$206,364,000 against \$134,859,000 for the week ending Sept. 12, 1897, and \$173,423,000 for the week ending Sept. 19, 1897, a gain over the same month of last year of 17 per cent.

Failures for the week have not increased in general, but in the United States against 236 and 94 in Canada against 10 and 10 respectively.

BRANDS TO-MORROW. The manufactured products of the United States are being sold at a "staggering" price.

EX SHIP BAL. 60 bbls. English 65c. PER G. IN 4-GAL. Elephant White 55.50 PER Pure White Lead 56.00 PER Pure Mixed Paint 51.50 PER Root Paint 1.00 PER 5 Tons Barbed 4-1-2 Mellor's Ready Cut VARNISH Sashes and Doors FROM J. W. MELLOR 76-78 Fort Street, WALL PAPERS, GLASS, PA

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