

THOUSANDS OBEY ORDER TO STRIKE

EMPLOYEES OF HARRIMAN LINES QUIT WORK

Vice-President Declines to Make Statement Regarding Trouble at Present

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 30.—While definite figures are not forthcoming as yet, from either side, the strike order for the shop employees of the Harriman system, which became effective at ten o'clock this morning, appears to have been generally obeyed. A few of the old employees at the shops remained at work, but the great majority of the men quietly packed their tools when the whistle announced ten o'clock and walked out of the yards.

There was no disorder at any point and the striking men did not linger about the yards. Railroad officials reiterate their prediction that service will not be impaired on any of their lines. Union officials have little to say beyond the statement that the men have held together and generally obeyed the order.

All California shops, from, including Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento and Fresno, were promptly abandoned. The shops at Portland are not open on Saturdays and the strike order was observed by ninety emergency men.

At the Southern Pacific office in this city the work of checking up the shop employees at all points was taken up at once. The company expected to announce later today just how many men remained at work.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 30.—Four thousand men employed in the Illinois Central shops at Burnside walked out at 10 o'clock to-day obeying the strike order. Two-thirds of the police department here was held in reserve for fear of an outbreak.

There was no signal given when the hour arrived. As soon as the clocks showed 10 o'clock the employees began to walk out, groups of twenty and thirty men quitting together as they finished their individual tasks.

There was no demonstration. The village of Burnside, 15 miles south of here, is populated almost entirely by railway shomen. Nearly all the men who walked out went direct to their homes.

There were no strikebreakers at hand and although the company is reported to have a force of recruits in Chicago, the men thought they would not be taken to the works until tomorrow.

One hundred and fifty locomotives in course of repairs are in the yards and shops are more than 500 partly-repaired cars are in the yards. The first handicap to traffic is expected to-night when the engines are brought to the ash piles. Then men say there will be no one to handle them and the engines will not be ready for use tomorrow.

Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president of the Harriman lines, who will represent the Harriman lines in all negotiations looking to the ending of the strike, returned here from New York to-day. Mr. Kruttschnitt said that he had heard nothing from railroad officials in the south and west and that he would make no statement before Monday.

At New Orleans. New Orleans, La., Sept. 30.—At the shops of the Southern Pacific Railroad, 350 union employees affiliated with the federation obeyed the strike order at 10 o'clock to-day. The clerks employed in the freight office of the road will consider the strike situation at noon.

Five hundred employees of the Illinois Central shops at Harahan, just above New Orleans, quit work at 10 o'clock and marched to the city. This increases the number of strikers of the Illinois Central and Yazoo & Mississippi Valley to 2,400. No disorders of any kind have been reported.

At Oakland. Oakland, Cal., Sept. 30.—The shopmen at the West Oakland yards of the Southern Pacific, numbering 500, walked out this morning at 10 o'clock in obedience to the order to strike.

Situation at Omaha. Omaha, Neb., Sept. 30.—A majority of the workmen of the Union Pacific shops quit work at 10 o'clock to-day. There was no disorder. The Southern Pacific shops had been previously closed.

Guarding Plant. East St. Louis, Ill., Sept. 30.—The strike order was anticipated by a large group of Illinois Central shopmen who left their work at 9:30 o'clock to be followed later by their fellow workers. At 10 o'clock the remainder of the 500 employees here laid down their tools and left the shops. Guards were posted about the plant.

Over 1,200 Strike. Houston, Tex., Sept. 30.—Between 1,200 and 1,500 men of the Harriman lines in this section of Texas obeyed the strike call at 10 o'clock, quitting their work promptly at that time. There was no disorder. The Southern Pacific shops had been previously closed.

STILL GOES ON

COUNCIL COMMITTEE INQUIRES AS TO GRAFT

Witness Sworn Explains What His Sworn Statement to Mayor Means

(From Saturday's Daily.) There was another crowded attendance in the city council chamber of Victoria yesterday afternoon when the investigation into the alleged graft scandal, involving the names of an alderman and a city official in connection with the obtaining of the paving contract by the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company, was resumed.

The previous day's developments had no doubt stimulated interest even to the unconcerned, while to those immediately connected the interval meant accumulated excitement and ill-restrained impatience. It so happened, however, that yesterday was the day of revelations in regard to the inquiry. On the opening day the inquiry was allowed to wander from the issue but yesterday it jumped right on to it and stayed with it more or less.

Mayor Morley explained at the outset that the obligation he was previously under to observe the confidence of the writer of the allegations, now acknowledged to be W. E. Wilson, no longer bound him, as he had received the sanction of the writer to make his statement public. That statement, which has been the basis of hearing the witness' insinuations upon the names of Alderman H. M. Fullerton and City Solicitor McDiarmid, who were understood to be referred to in the letter, and incidentally of the whole council through the failure to produce the charges and name the accused in the first instance, was written, as was generally known, though never admitted till yesterday, by William E. Wilson, a former vice-president of the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company.

The statement, which is given in full below, purports to be the sum and substance of what Wilson knew about the obtaining of the paving contract while in the employ of the company. Although his worship was at some pains on Thursday to correct his first statement that no one was charged with wrong-doing in the matter, the reading of the statement to the court proved the intended implication of Ald. H. M. Fullerton and the city solicitor. While it made no specific charge against the informant, it referred to them as "holding out" for something, and otherwise insinuated that everything was not on the level with them. It spoke of "holding out" the city solicitor in a manner that seemed to justify that gentleman's counsel in demanding that the statement be produced.

Apart from the statement read, which was a copy of the original, the latter being produced later by request and identified by Wilson, the session was full of interest and not a little excitement. William E. Wilson, who might be described as the informant, since he was the person who furnished the statement upon which the investigation is based, was the first witness called.

At the hands of H. A. Maclean, K. C., who represented the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company, he was subjected to a grueling cross-examination. In reply to questions he denied that he had done any dirty work, and stated that he had never been asked to do any by the company which employed him. He did not think there was anything corrupt in what he had done in assisting the company to obtain the contract, and he was forced to the conclusion that if it had been dirty work he, as a pure man, would not have done it.

He denied emphatically that he ever attempted to corrupt a single alderman or a single city official. He was not aware that any corrupt practices had been engaged in. He certainly was not there to suggest such a thing and he was not desirous of having that suggested to him. He also denied that he had any motive in going to the mayor and giving the information. On this point he was closely pressed but he refused to say that either or the other of the aldermen or the city official had anything to do with it. He had been asked what he knew and he thought it right to tell the truth. The fact that he did not get a share in the \$10,000, alleged to have gone to O'Brien, had nothing to do with his action. In the words of Mr. Maclean, it was just a little helpful information for the mayor.

The only other witness examined yesterday was Mr. Ketsen, a prominent representative of the company, who acknowledged having had more to do with the contract than anyone else. His clear-cut evidence and convincing manner gave him a grip of the attention which neither the subtleties of counsel nor the veiled insinuations of the mayor could shake him from.

Wilson's Statement. The statement of W. E. Wilson follows: "Private and confidential. (Victoria, B. C., Sept. 22, 1911. A. J. Morley, Esq., Mayor of the City of Victoria, City."

"Dear Sir: As chief magistrate of the city of Victoria, I think that you should be made aware of the following facts relative to the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company and the contract they now have to do the street paving for the city as well as any future contract that they may endeavor to obtain. During the latter part of February of the first part of March, J. T. O'Brien mentioned to me that in view of the

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SCENE OF NAVAL AND MILITARY OPERATIONS ON THE MEDITERRANEAN

ADMIRAL BERESFORD WILL HASTEN HOME

Decides to Shorten Stay in Canada—Will Sail on October 20

Vancouver, Sept. 30.—Lord Charles Beresford, owing to the political situation by the declaration of hostilities between Italy and Turkey and the possibility of a European clash, decided to shorten his stay in Canada. Instead of leaving November 3, as originally planned, he decided to-day to book passage on the steamer sailing from Quebec on October 20. He expects to take a share in the debates in the House of Commons as naval matters are sure to occupy a great deal of attention.

CHANGES MADE BY THE GRAND TRUNK

Vice-Presidents Are Now in Charge of Various Departments of Railway

Montreal, Sept. 30.—Announcement is made of a complete reorganization of the executive domestic economy of the Grand Trunk railway. The old officers of vice-presidents have been arranged so that there are no longer first, second or third vice-presidents, but a number of vice-presidents, each in charge of a department. The official circles in the Grand Trunk Pacific are also somewhat changed. According to the reorganization the new official list will be as follows:

E. H. Fitzhugh, formerly vice-president of the Grand Trunk, becomes president of the Central Vermont, Central Vermont Transportation Company, Montreal, New England Railway, and Southern Counties Railway.

William Wainwright, formerly second vice-president of the Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific, becomes senior vice-president of the Grand Trunk and second vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

M. M. Reynolds, formerly third vice-president of the Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific, becomes vice-president of the Grand Trunk in charge of the accounting departments, and third vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Howard G. Kelley, formerly chief engineer of the Grand Trunk, becomes vice-president in charge of the construction, transportation and maintenance departments.

J. E. Dalrymple, formerly assistant freight traffic manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific, becomes vice-president of the Grand Trunk in charge of traffic, both passenger and freight.

R. S. Logan, formerly assistant to President Hays, becomes vice-president of the Grand Trunk in charge of land tax claims and mail departments.

RECEPTION TO NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Programme Arranged for Arrival of Duke of Connaught at Quebec on Oct. 13

London, Sept. 30.—The Duke of Connaught yesterday was received in audience by the King and kissed hands upon his appointment as governor-general of Canada. The following are among the Duke's suite who left Euston station to-day by the boat train for Liverpool en route for Canada by the steamer "Victorian": Capt. T. H. Rivers-Baker, Scots Guards; Capt. Buller, Rifle Brigade; and Capt. Worthington, Army Medical Corps.

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CUSTOMS REVENUE CONTINUES TO GROW

Returns for First Half of Fiscal Year Show Increase of \$5,746,784

Ottawa, Sept. 30.—Customs revenue of the Dominion for September totalled \$7,710,151, an increase of \$1,245,241 compared with last year. The first half of the fiscal year shows an increase in customs revenue of \$5,746,784. The trade and commerce department to-day formally handed over to the immigration branch of the interior department control of Chinese immigration. The department hands the business over to Immigration Superintendent Scott without an outstanding claim or an undecided case.

WITNESSES DENOUNCE COMPANIES' ACT

Declared to Be Deterrent to Commercial Development of Province

Vancouver, Sept. 30.—That the companies act, which taxes extra-provincial companies doing business in British Columbia, is a deterrent to the commercial development of the province, that the personal property tax is unbound in principle and should be abolished; that a higher rate of taxation should apply to crown-granted lands than to license-held properties, and that all taxes should be removed from outside capital seeking investment in British Columbia, were the feature of the evidence given before the provincial tax commission at its first session here yesterday.

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HOSTILITIES BETWEEN ITALY AND TURKEY OPEN

Italian Warships Bombard Seaport and Disable Turkish Torpedo Boat—The Porte Again Appeals to the Powers to Intervene

The first blow in the Turko-Italian war has been struck by Italy within twenty-four hours after the declaration of hostilities. Italian warships under the command of the Duke of Abruzzi have bombarded the Turkish seaport of Prevesa, destroying the government house and disabling a Turkish torpedo boat.

There has been no hostilities at Tripoli up to 9 o'clock this morning, but Italians are reported to have landed east of Tripoli. A large Italian cruiser is reported to have gone ashore in Tripoli harbor.

Turkey has asked the United States to take charge of Turkish subjects in Italy, but in the meantime Germany appears to have assumed the obligation.

The Turkish government is strengthening its military forces on the Grecian and Montenegrin frontiers. The Turkish parliament has been summoned to meet. Turkey has addressed another appeal to the powers, saying there is still time to prevent the evil effects of a conflict.

In Italy the declaration of war against Turkey has been received with enthusiasm in all parts of the country. The impression prevails in diplomatic quarters in Berlin that the conflict will be of short duration.

Prevesa Bombaraded. Salonica, Turkey, Sept. 30.—An Italian naval division to-day bombarded the seaport of Prevesa, destroying the government house and sinking a Turkish torpedo boat in the harbor.

Reported Shelling of Tripoli. Berlin, Sept. 30.—A news agency dispatch from Rome says that the bombardment of Tripoli began this morning. There is no confirmation of the statement from other sources.

Messages Suppressed. Malta, Sept. 30.—The cable lines to Tripoli are open this morning, but apparently messages from there are suppressed by the Italians, who are supposed to have taken possession of the wires.

May Land Troops To-day. Chlasso, Switzerland, Sept. 30.—A wireless message received in Italy from Rear-Admiral Aubrey in command at Tripoli, expressed the hope that the occupation of the Tripoli coast will be practically accomplished to-night.

The cruisers blockading Tripoli to-day captured several Turkish fishing boats suspected of being spies. The Cretons notified their representatives in Italy to-day that they did not intend to permit the opportunity afforded by the Tripoli affair to pass without obtaining the consent of the annex to Greece.

Awaiting Expiration of Time Limit. Rome, Sept. 30.—The Messenger announces that the government, acting under the provisions of international law, is allowing 24 hours to elapse before the summer treaty, and the bombardment of Tripoli. The 24-hour period expires at six o'clock this evening and a bombardment will begin that moment.

Transport Seized. A dispatch from Genoa says that the Turkish consular office has received instructions to go to Turin and withdraw the Turkish exhibits from the international exposition.

A news dispatch from Tripoli says that a boarding party from the Italian squadron just possession of the Turkish transport Derna at Tripoli. The transport, which still had on board a part of her cargo of war supplies, surrendered without resistance.

The dispatch adds that in the event of the bombardment of Tripoli, Italian and other foreigners including newspaper correspondents will be taken on board the vessels of the Italian fleet.

The Duke of Abruzzi commanded the Italian squadron which engaged the two Turkish torpedo boat destroyers off Prevesa yesterday.

Another Appeal to Powers. Constantinople, Sept. 30.—The Turkish government addressed another appeal to the Powers to-day expressing surprise at Italy's action in declaring war yesterday and saying that there is still time to prevent the disastrous and evil effects of a war which nothing in the attitude of the Turkish empire justifies.

The Porte appeals to the peaceful, humanitarian and friendly sentiments of the Powers to assist in convincing Italy of the conciliatory intentions of Turkey and so prevent the useless shedding of blood and grief to thousands of families.

The war office announces measures to make the rule of martial law more severe. Public meetings and alarmist publications are prohibited and movement calculated to effect public order will be immediately suppressed by force of arms. Sufficient troops are available within the Ottoman Empire to meet emergencies.

The committee of progress published the following: "Italy at last has unmasked her hostile designs on Tripoli. The Italian charge has headed a note to the Porte, demanding the occupation of Tripoli province yesterday. The Ottoman nation prefers honor to life and indignantly repels the Italian audacity."

"There will be war between the two countries and our nation will employ every means against the enemy. Tripoli will courageously defend itself. The Ottoman government will expel all Italians from Turkey and Italian schools and business houses will be closed."

"Our committee will employ all its influence to cause these measures to be applied in a calm spirit towards the nation which has trodden under foot our most sacred rights."

"We beg the population to remain tranquil and leave to the government the duty of acting against the Italians, thus demonstrating that Ottomans are more civilized and equitable than Italians who drove their government to the present action."

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Engagement Off Prevesa. The principal newspapers use language of unmeasured violence against the Italian military forces on the Greek and Montenegrin frontiers. The official version of the engagement off Prevesa says that an Italian cruiser, accompanied by torpedo boats, attacked the Turkish torpedo boat destroyers as the latter were leaving Prevesa. One of the Turkish vessels found refuge in Prevesa harbor while the other was struck by several shots and ran ashore. The crew was saved.

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Will Defend Tripoli. The newspapers announce to-night that the minister of war, Mahmud, has advised the Ottoman cabinet by the strictest boycott of Italian products and at the same time to treat the Italians in Turkey as guests.

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Attacked Torpedo Boats. It is officially announced to-day that Italian warships this morning attacked two Turkish torpedo boats off the port of Durazzo, on the west coast of Albania.

Berlin, Sept. 30.—Italy to-day sent a circular note to the powers, explaining her reasons for the action against Turkey, expressing the hope that the steps taken by her would be confined to the occupation of Tripoli.

That the hostilities will be of short duration and more negotiations to fix the status of Tripoli will be begun soon, it is thought. It is also stated that Italy will endeavor to localize the hostilities.

The note closes with the assurance that the steps taken are in the interests of humanity and civilization and that no effort will be spared to protect the subjects of other nations in international exposition.

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INTIMATION THAT NONE WERE EVER PREFERRED

Tiffs Between Mayor and the Council Enliven Proceedings—Large Attendance

(From Friday's Daily.)
The interest aroused by the investigation scheduled to commence yesterday afternoon in the city council chamber of Victoria was reflected in the great crowd which filled the hall to overflowing and rendered the atmosphere anything but pleasant. It is an unpleasant investigation, however, and it may not be unbecoming that the circumstances should assume the predominant color tone.

Three valuable hours were devoted to the task of unravelling graft after which, having secured such information regarding the cost of promotion work by a private company, the commission adjourned to meet again this afternoon. The session proved to be most interesting, not perhaps so much on account of the evidence adduced, or on account of the allegations made—because, as a matter of fact, the evidence secured was rather beside the point; that is, the point from which it was proposed to start—and because the allegations which have been so freely heaped to the names of Ald. H. M. Fullerton and City Solicitor McDiarmid were never made.

In fact, no charges were made at all. Mayor Morley desired to correct the impression which he himself came out at the last meeting of the council to the effect that allegations involving the names of the gentlemen mentioned had been made to him in a sworn statement, and indicated that while he was in possession of certain information regarding the method by which the contract for the paving of the city by the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company was obtained, he did not wish it to be understood that any charge was being preferred against anybody, a change of front which rendered the position of the gentlemen referred to somewhat unsatisfactory on account of the gratuitous notoriety which the first announcement had given them.

As both Ald. H. M. Fullerton and the city solicitor had been subpoenaed against their names it was not unnatural that objections should be raised, especially in view of the fact that the mayor, speaking on behalf of the commission, declared to be known by the court what it was that had to be answered by the respective parties interested. They were gathered together to investigate, but what they were to investigate would not be divulged until it came out in the evidence.

His worship claimed that he had a perfect right to follow what course he pleased in conducting the investigation, and claimed that he had a perfect right to entertain the idea of counsel that he must conform to jurisprudence. This attitude was challenged as unfair and the investigation was dubbed "incrimination."

Ald. H. M. Fullerton and the city solicitor, through their solicitors and personally, insisted that the charges against them should be made known, but the mayor proved adamant and overruled every objection to the order of procedure. He was asked to consider an adjournment in order to give counsel an opportunity to apply to the court on behalf of his client, but met with a request with the same front.

Periodically the giving of evidence was interrupted by the protests of counsel and many a pretty little brush was engaged in by the mayor and opposing counsel. The result of yesterday's proceedings consisted in the elucidation of the methods of the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company in obtaining the contract for the paving of the city. It revealed the ordinary fact that promotion work was done in the way of scouting and sizing up the situation with a view to arriving at a basis for making a promising bid upon the work. There was no suggestion made of graft on the part of aldermen or city official. When the questions were put in the ordinary way they were answered in the negative. The principal witness examined was J. T. O'Brien, who had done considerable work for the company prior to the letting of the contract.

A. P. Luxton, K.C., appeared for the city solicitor; H. A. Maclean, K.C., for the Mayor; and J. T. O'Brien, K.C., for the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company; and Alexis Martin appeared for the city.

Mayor Morley called the court to order by reading the resolution of the council, upon the authority of which the investigation was being held. Having done so he intimated to Mr. Martin that he might then proceed with the evidence.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSION.

Toronto, Sept. 29.—The Methodist board of missions yesterday elected Rev. S. White local superintendent for British Columbia. The sum of \$2,635.17 is required for domestic missions. In Montreal, Halifax and Calgary were scheduled for the coming next year, but no action was taken.

CABINET MAKING AT THE CAPITAL

CONSERVATIVE LEADERS HOLD CONFERENCES

Proposal to Give Portfolio to Hon. R. Rogers is Not Popular

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—Sir James Whitney came to Ottawa yesterday on a summons from R. L. Borden and had a long conference with the latter at his house. Sir James carefully steered clear of all interviews and the closest secrecy is being observed as to the object of the conference. It was learned, however, that Sir James was called in consultation in regard to Ontario representation in the cabinet. He can have a portfolio if he so desires, but the probabilities are he will retain his present position and Hon. Frank Cochrane, who had principal charge of the Ontario Conservative campaign will come into the federal government.

Sir James Whitney contemplates bringing on the provincial elections in November, and assistance is asked from Mr. Borden in return for the vigorous work done for him by the provincial government.

Hon. Robert Rogers also arrived yesterday to push his claims for cabinet recognition. The general opinion among politicians here, however, is that Dr. Roche is more likely to get the Manitoba portfolio. Many leading Conservatives think the taking in of Rogers would attach a stigma to the new government in view of his political record.

Mr. Borden still remains at his home on Wurttemberg street, where he receives a large number of callers daily. Yesterday's Conservative arrivals in the city included Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Public Works, Manitoba; Dr. Roche, of Marquette; Mr. E. D. Monk and Senator Landry. The latter is spoken of as the next speaker of the senate. Around the offices of the ministers everything is in a state of transition.

Winding Up Business.

The announcement made by His Excellency Earl Grey that he will not sail for England until October 12th confirms the previous intimations that Dr. Roche is not to be impossible for the Laurier government to wind up its business and for the new government to come into office in the space of a few days. While an announcement is yet forthcoming, the members of the Laurier government will hand in their resignations some time between Tuesday, October 3, and Saturday, October 7. This will leave time for Mr. Borden to be formally summoned to form a ministry and to have his colleagues sworn in before the departure of His Excellency. Gosspil on Parliament Hill is confined to the late of the new cabinet, but nothing definite can yet be announced.

At Premier Laurier's office, the personal correspondence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, covering a period of fifteen years is being packed away in boxes and removed. The same thing is going on in the offices of the other ministers. Hon. Frank Oliver will arrive in Ottawa today.

May Sit for Soulanges.

A dispatch from Quebec predicts that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will resign Quebec East and that Hon. George E. Graham will take his place. Sir Wilfrid Laurier will retain Soulanges and will help Mr. Graham in his contest in Quebec. Sir Wilfrid cannot resign until the House meets and a new speaker is named.

Hon. Mr. Templeman interviewed. Claiming that he is not worrying over his defeat in Victoria, B. C., Hon. William Templeman, minister of inland revenue, arrived in the city yesterday from the Pacific Coast to put his resignation in order before retiring. "I am going to retire from politics now," said Mr. Templeman, "and I shall return to Victoria after a stay of several days here and devote my whole time to my newspaper, the Times, of that city."

"Have you been offered a seat in any other constituency?" Mr. Templeman was asked. "No, but if I cannot represent Victoria I do not want to represent any other place," was the answer.

Will Not Retire.

Winnipeg, Sept. 29.—Hon. Frank Oliver, who is here en route to Ottawa, denied emphatically the report published in some western papers to the effect that he is contemplating resigning his seat. He asserted that the story was nothing more than a development of the yellow journalism now prevalent in the west, adding that he had absolutely no thought of retiring from politics until beaten at the polls. He expressed himself well satisfied with the result in Alberta and Saskatchewan, but was disappointed that the party had made no net gain in Manitoba. Dr. Nelly and Mr. Champagne are also here on the way east.

GERMAN BANK FAILURE.

Berlin, Sept. 29.—There was a decided break in the market and Goettinger Bank suspended. The directors express the belief that the bank will be able to pay its depositors the \$750,000 due them. They say that the suspension was due to the difficult position of the money market. The bank's capital is \$500,000.



THE VACANT CHAIR

REV. DR. PATRICK DIES IN SCOTLAND

Principal of Manitoba Presbyterian College Passes Away

Glasgow, Scotland, Sept. 29.—Rev. William Patrick, principal of Manitoba Presbyterian College, Winnipeg, Canada, died yesterday at Kirkintolch, Scotland.

The late Dr. William Patrick was born in Glasgow on September 3, 1852. He studied arts in Glasgow University, 1885 until 1874, and divinity in the Free Church College from 1875 to 1878. He graduated as M.A. with first class honors in Philosophy. He was ordained minister at Kirkintolch, near Glasgow in December, 1878. In 1882 he accepted a call to St. Paul's, one of the largest and most prominent churches in Dundee. He received a degree of D.D. from the University of Glasgow. He left Dundee in 1900 amidst universal regret to take charge of Manitoba College, Winnipeg, after the death of the late Principal King, and the excellent work he accomplished in that capacity is well known. On leaving Dundee he was entertained at public functions, at which were present some of the leading Scotsmen of the day, including Prof. Rayner, Lord Overton, Prof. Geo. Adam Smith and Rev. Dr. Whyte.

From the time he became principal of Manitoba College the late Doctor Patrick was an outstanding figure in the Presbyterian church. He was one of the first to urge the union of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches, and was recognized as one of the leaders of the pro-Union forces in the General Assembly. He was a prominent member of the joint committee which decided on the basis of union for the proposed United Church.

The esteem in which he was held by his students of the college is shown by a tribute which appeared in the College Journal in 1889, and in which Dr. Patrick was eulogized as a man of exceptionally high attributes and by more than the average soundness of human nature among his students if they did not work with the doctor in ever-deepening harmony.

FREIGHT RATES INCREASED.

Chicago, Sept. 29.—Managers of transcontinental railroads announce a general increase in all class freight rates from Eastern points to the Pacific coast, in line with plans formulated at the time of the hearing by the interstate commerce commission of the recent mountain cases. The new rates are effective November 1. The increase will not affect commodity rates under which the greater part of the freight business is handled. Class rate shipments amount to about 5 per cent of the total traffic.

At present the first class rates from all points between New York and the Missouri river to the Pacific coast is \$3.30 per 100 pounds. Under the new schedule the rate from New York will be \$3.70; from Pittsburg, \$3.60; from

THANKSGIVING DAY

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—Thanksgiving day has been fixed for Monday, October 30.

STRIKE CALLED ON HARRIMAN LINES

MEN ORDERED TO QUIT WORK TO-MORROW

Chicago, Sept. 29.—The shopmen on the Harriman lines and the Illinois Central will go on strike at 10 o'clock to-morrow, according to a statement by J. W. Kline, president of the Blacksmiths' Union. The strike order was issued and the time set this morning after a conference with the five union presidents.

Through orders instructing 35,000 employees of the mechanical departments of the Harriman railroads, including the Illinois Central, to strike at 10 o'clock to-morrow, are ready for transmission to various points, there will be no strike, according to officials of the railroads concerned. The belief of the railroad managers that the men would quit strike is based on the fact that thousands of railroad men are already idle as a result of retrenchment by the Harriman roads and that the demands of the men do not call for any increase in wages.

The strike is called because the railroads yesterday for the third time flatly refused to recognize the federation of shop employees in the matter that they now deal with the individual unions comprised in the federation.

More Men Idle.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 29.—The strike of Illinois Central railroad employees to-day spread to the river front, where one hundred members of the New Orleans Freight Handlers' Union went out. This organization is local and has no connection with the Brotherhood of Railroad Freight Handlers, whose members struck here yesterday.

HIGH COMMISSIONERSHIP.

London, Sept. 29.—Numerous Canadians who are usually well informed have expressed the opinion that Sir Charles Hibbert, Tupper will succeed Lord Strathcona as Canada's representative here.

HALIFAX RETURNS.

Halifax, Sept. 29.—Yesterday was declaration day in Halifax county. The official returns are K. L. Borden, Conservative, 7,560; A. K. McLean, Liberal, 7,185; Blackledge, Liberal, 7,121; Crosby, Conservative, 7,098.

FOURTEEN MEN ENTOMBED IN MINE

Hope Entertained That Imprisoned Miners Will Be Rescued Alive

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 29.—A cable dispatch from Fairbanks, Alaska, received last night, stated that hope was entertained that the fourteen miners, mostly Russians, entombed in the Shakespear glacier gold mine, on Dome creek, were still alive. A drill was being taken to the claim to bore air holes to the chamber in which the men are imprisoned.

The miners are imprisoned 174 feet below the surface, and are separated from the world by only a bit of creek gravel, but the facilities for digging them out are not the best. The roof is liable to collapse and crush them. The men were imprisoned by a cave-in.

WEALTHY MAN DISAPPEARS.

Pasadena, Cal., Sept. 29.—Through letters and credit of drafts drawn on banks here and in New York, George Evison, the wealthy former resident of Beaver Dam, Wis., reported missing since July, has been traced to London. The police here are now making inquiries to learn whether the aged man cashed the drafts in London himself, or whether the money was turned over to the mysterious stranger who accompanied him when he disappeared from Pasadena three months ago.

Evison, the police learned yesterday, drew what funds he had on deposit here and transferred them to New York. He also obtained letters of credit in New York, but some difficulty arose in London when it was sought to cash them. The police have asked the authorities of Beaver Dam if Evison, who is 78 years of age, drew the money, said to amount to \$50,000, which he had on deposit there.

SETTLER'S CABIN BURNED.

Ukiah, Cal., Sept. 29.—Struggles between settlers and the L. E. White Lumber Company for the possession of rich lumber lands along the Alder creek reached a crisis again when H. S. Warren, a settler, was driven off a claim. Warren's cabin was razed and he was warned not to come back.

The settlers, who already have petitioned Secretary of the Interior Walter L. Fisher, admit that they await with fear the next move of gun men imported into the territory. Efforts to persuade women to leave the clearing and let their husbands fight it out alone have proved futile. They will not do so.

Officials of the lumber company maintain that the disputed land belongs to them and that they have paid for all of it from one to three times.

RECORD TRIP.

London, Sept. 29.—The steamer Empress of Ireland arrived at Liverpool last night after a record voyage of five days, eighteen hours.

THE PORTE'S REPLY TO ULTIMATUM UNSATISFACTORY

Turks Make Another Effort to Secure Intervention of the Powers—Blockade by Italian Fleet Will Begin Immediately.

Rome, Sept. 29.—Italy has declared war on Turkey. The official announcement was made late this afternoon. It declared that the two countries were in a state of war beginning at half-past two o'clock on the afternoon of Friday, September 29th.

This is the hour at which the Italian ultimatum to Turkey expired and followed a session of the cabinet at which the Turkish reply was considered and found unsatisfactory.

Though every indication pointed to this action by the royal government, there was always a possibility that the good offices of other governments would be successful in avoiding hostilities, and when the final decision of the cabinet was announced the excitement throughout the city was intense.

Throughout the earlier hours of the day the papers had issued special editions announcing that the Italian fleet was moving in plain sight of the coast of Tripoli and intimating that war might be declared at any moment.

The minister of foreign affairs, Signor di San Giuliano received the Turkish reply from the Turkish ambassador this morning and immediately went to a conference with his associates in the ministry. It is understood that the Ottoman government completely conceded Italy's economic claims in Tripoli, but evaded a direct answer demanded by the government which had set forth in its ultimatum that Turkey must say that she would not resist the proposed occupation of Tripoli and Cyrene.

Instead the Porte sent a conciliatory note suggesting further delay. It was known that at the same time, Turkey transmitted a note to the powers in which it is assumed that she represented herself as the injured party and by inference, at least, sought their intervention.

The royal government decided to stand absolutely by the ultimatum, and in the absence of the reply called for, to declare Italy and Turkey in a state of war, from the hour that the ultimatum of 24 hours expired.

The minister of marine is believed to have sent wireless orders to the Italian fleet off Tripoli to act immediately. This action followed a meeting of the cabinet at 11 o'clock at which it was decided to proceed with the measures previously determined upon.

Italy will provide for the safety of Italians and all other foreigners in Tripoli and Cyrene, using to this end all the means at his disposal. The blockade of the entire coast of Tripoli and Cyrenalea will be undertaken immediately, and a notification of this act will be sent to all neutral powers.

The trouble between Turkey and Italy, which culminated this afternoon in a declaration of war at Rome, dates back to 1878, when with the making of the treaty concluding the Russo-Turkish war, the powers are understood to have agreed to permit Italy, a "pacific penetration of Tripoli."

Turkey claims that this has been respected, ever since. Italy has colonized Tripoli, and her interests in the African province are very great. She has asserted, however, that her subjects have been mistreated by the Ottoman authorities, and constantly discriminated against.

Turkey's Reply to Italy.

Constantinople, Sept. 29.—The Turkish reply to the ultimatum of Italy, which demanded assurances that there will be no resistance to the Italian military occupation of Tripoli and Cyrene, was communicated to the Italian charge d'affaires Signor di Martino, at 6:30 o'clock to-day.

The message was couched in friendly terms and expressed surprise at the action of Italy in view of the cordial relations existing between the two countries. It pointed out that Italian interests in Tripoli had not been interfered with and expressed the hope that Italy would desist from her contemplated measures. Assurance was given of Turkey's desire for a settlement of the matters pending between the two countries.

The reply also stated that Italian subjects in the Ottoman Empire were exposed to no danger, as the authorities afforded them protection and added that the Turkish military measures had been suspended during the period of the negotiations for a settlement of the differences.

The reply was determined on at a cabinet council which continued at the palace from late yesterday until early to-day.

Upon receiving the communication the Italian charge d'affaires telegraphed to Rome. The impression in diplomatic circles

is that the note will not be satisfactory to Italy. The Turkish squadron has left Beirut and is returning to Constantinople. Every precaution has been taken to preserve order in the capital and throughout the provinces. Parliament called.

Warships Ready For Action.

Chiasso, Switzerland, Sept. 29. (On the Italian frontier)—The Italian fleet has been ordered to maintain a close blockade of the Tripolitan coast and prevent even by force the landing of further reinforcements. Secret instructions have been given for the distribution of ships along the Albanian, Macedonian and Syrian coasts the moment action is begun, to prevent any attempt by Turkey to attack the Italian coast through privateers, which will be easy from the Albanian coast which is on the east side of the Adriatic Sea, and is but a few hours sail to the Italian side, which is quite undefended. The ships have been asked to defend not only Italians but all foreigners in the Ottoman territory landing forces if necessary, or taking fugitives aboard.

The expedition consists of a complete army corps which will be used in its entirety if necessary. It will be commanded by General C. Caneva, who has formed his staff with General Breiccola and General Pecori, each in command of a division and with General Casteldelfino of the general staff. His instructions are that the occupation of Tripoli and Cyrene shall be conducted with the least possible delay, but with prudence to avoid heavy foreign complications and unnecessary bloodshed.

Admiral Aubrey, in command of the Italian vessels in the waters off Tripoli, has been instructed when the orders to begin the occupation is issued, to embark immediately the few Italians who may be left there and any foreigners wishing to leave. These, it is thought, will number about 100.

Urged to Start Revolution.

Chiasso, Switzerland, Sept. 29.—The Albanians are importuning General Garibaldi to take advantage of the situation and organize another Albanian revolution in Turkey.

Berlin, Sept. 29.—The leading morning newspapers for the most part refrain from commenting on the Tripoli situation. The Morning Post, however, bitterly attacks Italy's action, which it calls "robber foray."

The Italian government has kept Germany as completely in the dark as she could for fear that Germany might do something to hinder her actions. Germany is trying to do what she can to keep the two nations from hostilities.

Europeans Leave Tripoli.

Tripoli, Tripoli, Sept. 29.—This city, which is threatened with a hostile occupation, was desolate early this morning. Nearly all of the Europeans last night left on orders of the Italian consul and this morning the streets were deserted, except for squads of Turkish soldiers, who were enthusiastic over the situation.

The Arabs have held mass meetings in all the mosques and taken a solemn oath of unity and allegiance to the Turkish flag, even to the last drop of blood.

The Turkish transport Derna has discharged 2,000 tons of stores and 13,000 Mauser rifles.

Turkey's Appeal.

London, Sept. 29.—The news that Italy has occupied Tripoli is expected here at any moment. The foreign office presented a scene of great activity this afternoon as a result of the Turkish-Italian crisis. The foreign secretary, Sir Edward Grey, held separate conferences with the Italian ambassador and the Turkish ambassador, Tewfik Pasha.

It is understood that the Turkish cabinet at last night's meeting framed a second appeal to the powers to use their influence to prevent war. The diplomats here are strong in the belief that no tender of good offices on the part of other countries can avail to alter Italy's programme.

Prof. Richard Norton, director of the American archaeological mission at Cyrene, North Africa, in an interview to-day, said the Italians will have a hard task in occupying Tripoli. There are no roads to the interior and little water, and it would be impossible for Italian troops to advance against an enemy accustomed to the country. There are thousands of Arab-born fighters, said Prof. Norton, ready to assist the Turks and the combined forces would be likely to give the Italians a surprise.

U. S. Urged to Act.

New York, N. Y., Sept. 29.—The former American ambassador to Turkey, Oscar S. Strauss, to-day sent a telegram to Secretary Knox at Washington urging that the United States should exercise its right under the convention of the pacific settlement of international disputes to preserve peace and prevent a possible state of war between the Mohammedan and Christian nations of the world.

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THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

The News-Advertiser of Vancouver is very sanguine that all differences respecting provincial rights as debatable in conflict with the federal government's claims will be amicably settled. It anticipates this especially with respect to the semblance of a conflict of opinion as to some property rights at Point Grey, where the new provincial university is to be founded, and it says that the new government may reasonably be expected to assist rather than obstruct the provincial enterprise. Were it not for the somewhat childish habit the Vancouver organ has of running in an undertone through all its discussion of the relation of federal to provincial administrations the theory that differences between these two could exist only because of party differences we might place some confidence in its optimism. The suggestion that the province has been embarrassed in securing its alleged rights because it happened to have a Tory administration during the Laurier regime is one of those frequent evidences of the firm belief of the organ that a single party in power throughout Canada can settle all these differences amicably to the party and somewhat irrespective of actual rights in the cases called in question. We sincerely hope that all the claims which Premier McBride has urged against the federal government can be settled upon this theory and with such ease. It would take many complications out of the arena of dispute as between the province and the Dominion, and would, in addition, very much increase the wealth and power of the province.

To begin with, there is the question of "Better Terms," to which the Times made reference a few days ago. We have been assured by one of Premier McBride's lick-spittle papers that the better terms for which the Premier so earnestly contended would be granted now without a murmur. We were even told that this would be "driving another nail in the coffin of Liberalism" in Canada. If these predictions—already amounting to promises—are not simply thermalized atmosphere we are, indeed, at the commencement of a new era.

There are several other questions which were in an unsettled status when the Liberal administration went out of power. One of these is the "claims" of the Indians of British Columbia to certain rights in the lands of the provinces and which Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he would submit to the arbitration of the courts. Premier McBride says the Indian have no claim; we may now presume that Premier Borden will agree with him. Thus will two questions be amicably settled. The two greatest constitutional lawyers in Canada, being both of the same political party, will meet and agree that certain things are so, and there you are. How are you going to help yourself?

In our willingness to be optimistic in these matters we are, unfortunately, somewhat restrained by the fact that there are certain inalienable rights inhering to the Dominion and, in respect to some matters still in dispute between Ottawa and Victoria we cannot see that the mere advent to power of a new government breaks down all the difficulties in these legal complications. Whatever we may think of Mr. R. L. Borden as a politician and statesman, we do not accept the theory that he will extravagantly despise all federal rights in an endeavor to satisfy the avaricious demands of those provincial political leeches who now think that all they have to do is to ask for the delivery of the blood. We think the trust reposed in Mr. Borden by the people of Canada will steady him up if he needs any bracing. The people of Canada have voted Mr. Borden into power, and if he pursues the same theory of party spoliation as obtains in this province he will not last out a term.

CONSERVATIVE TRIBUTE.

Now that the flag-waving campaign and the species of hysteria which it produced have accomplished the desired end, some of the more honest of Conservative newspapers are inclined to be candid in their printed opinions. The following is from the Ottawa Journal, which first supported and then opposed reciprocity: "No political leader ever went down to defeat more gallantly than Sir Wilfrid Laurier did this month. At the age of 70 he made a campaign which for vigor, eloquence and courage was a marvel. That sometimes his good temper failed him, as it had never before done, was no wonder, in view of the peculiarly harassing nature of the contest in him. Subjected on the one hand to attack because of being insufficiently British in sympathy, he was assailed on the other by the charge that he was aiming to butcher French-Canadian youth in British wars; and both extremes joined to denounce him

as aiming to risk Canadian autonomy by his reciprocity proposition. Human nature would need to be angelic to be free from restiveness under such mixed prodding as all that. "Mistaken in his indifference to the British sentiment of Canada, incompetent in big business questions such as the G. T. Pacific and the Quebec bridge, and deaf to criticisms of the management of government departments, Sir Wilfrid Laurier nevertheless ranked and still ranks as a great Canadian and a great man. His grasp of constitutional principles, his breadth of mind, his eloquence, courage and kindness, his personal shrewdness and picturesqueness have justly made him a notable figure on the world's stage."

In regard to the defeated Ministers the Journal says:—"A good thing for Canada it would be if the eight Liberal Cabinet Ministers who fell in Thursday's battle could be in this Parliament in place of lesser men of their party. The exceptional ability and the great Parliamentary experience of Mr. Fielding, Mr. Graham and Mr. Fisher were very valuable assets to Canadian public life. Sir Frederick Borden, an unusually well-read and valuable knowledge and keen interest in military affairs. Messrs. Paterson, Templeman, King and Bureau each had qualifications to be especially useful in Parliament. The new House is the worse of the absence of such experienced public men so long as a sufficient majority on the other side insures a new executive regime on the hill."

"The absence of Mr. Fielding and Mr. Graham must be particularly deplored. Both were of the finest type of Canadian public men. We doubt if Mr. Graham was much in sympathy with the reciprocity idea. He said comparatively little about it. That his heart is in the right place was illustrated by his splendid saying at the banquet of the Ottawa Board of Trade this year: "The Empire is my country; Canada is my home." Mr. Graham in office showed himself unspooled by power; he retained the confidence of the country in his honesty, fairness and ability, and he increased its liking for himself personally by his good temper and kindly humor.

"Mr. Fielding, similarly, leaves office with the absolute confidence in his integrity and personal clean ideals of the people of Canada. His political acumen was great; his first real mistake in fifteen years was the reciprocity proposition. To that we fancy he was predisposed by his long training in free trade ideas. We do not believe that prior to the opening of the debate in Parliament he ever dreamed that the reciprocity proposition could be supposed likely to seriously affect this country's political destiny. Mr. Fielding is a loyal Canadian."

"We do not suppose for an instant that any Minister or any Liberal who entered the recent contest on the reciprocity platform had any idea that the proposition was dangerous either to Canadian business independence or to British connection. The mistake was of judgment, not of any design to affect existing political conditions, though such, we believe (and the majority of the people of Canada have shown themselves to believe) would have been the lamentable result."

BERESFORD'S POLITICS.

The luncheon of the Canadian Club tendered to Right Honorable Admiral Lord Charles Beresford on Thursday was a thoughtful provision for the members of the club to have an opportunity to meet, entertain and hear so distinguished a visitor. It is primarily for the cultivation of such opportunities that the Canadian Clubs exist, and it is right that no distinguished personage should be permitted to visit the city for a length of time sufficient to make such an affair a success without being constrained to accept the hospitality of the Victoria chapter of the association. Such occasions afford more than courteous opportunity to meet distinguished people; they aid in the free interchange of thought, without which there can be no intellectual progress. These clubs are composed of a membership composite in political affiliations, as the case should be in order to make them representatively Canadian, and it has been the understood rule of their gatherings that the discussion of political questions of a party nature should be eschewed.

While the honorable lord who was the guest of the Victoria Club on Thursday seemed to recognize the impropriety of a British visitor, and especially a British parliamentarian, giving expression to his political views during the progress of an electoral campaign, we are somewhat at a loss to understand how the defeat of one government and the enthronement of another could exonerate so distinguished and sensitive a guest to the amenities of the club fetes after an election had passed. In only his first position he exhibited better taste than some of the members of his own political party who have recently visited Canada.

The Times could heartily appreciate anything said by Admiral Lord Beresford respecting the British navy; he was quite in his element when discussing a matter with which he is familiar and in the councils of which he shares a part. His strictures on what he called the bungling of the Imperial authorities are only indirectly our business, and he must be held accountable only to his colleagues for what he said respecting these alleged blunders. We fancy that most Canadians, especially Canadians of this western province, will be inclined to agree with what he said in regard to the fortifications and naval base at Victoria, and most Western Canadians will be glad to share his optimism as to what should and what he says it is proposed to do at Esquimalt.

We think, however, without any disrespect to the noble lord, that when he

left the discussion of such matters as he is familiar with, and may be presumed to speak upon with authority, and entered into the relative merits of free trade and protection that he—perhaps unwittingly—violated the traditions of the club and—probably quite unintentionally—displayed a lack of true British respect for the fine feelings of his hosts. Fortunately, the noble lord spoke quite informally and his address was more in the nature of a friendly chat than an attempt at dogmatism, and he thoughtfully qualified it all with the remark that he was but expressing his personal views on these intensely practical political differences in Canada at the present time.

Since Lord Beresford's views have been reported in the press, we think they are matters upon which views divergent from his own may properly be expressed, and we think that his blunt statement that the commencement of prosperity in Canada dated from the introduction of the National Policy in 1878 is open to question. It is true only of the industrial development and progress of the Dominion. Every Canadian knows that the more general prosperity of the country began after the immigration policy of the late government had had a sufficient time in which to demonstrate its wisdom and the country began to feel the impetus, which always follows increase of population, in respect to its commercial progress.

Lord Beresford's reference to Germany is open to the same criticism, as the prosperity of which that country boasts at the present time is purely an industrial prosperity. Even as a member of the Tariff Reform party in the United Kingdom—which the noble lord confessed he was—he should know that the prosperity of any nation cannot always depend upon or be maintained by its industries. There is no more prosperous nation on earth than the Americans if their prosperity is to be measured by their industrial achievements and the wealth resulting from industrial pursuits. Yet in the United States, after only a comparatively few years of such prosperity, there is a universal recognition of the basic principle of national prosperity as inherent in its agricultural productivity and the commerce resulting from this. Both in Germany and the United States the supreme effort of the wisest men of the nations is how to secure for the agriculturists a fair share of the general prosperity now exclusively confined to the industrial pursuits.

Nor did Lord Beresford refer to the modern history of free trade in the United Kingdom. He did not disclose the illuminating fact that four hundred million pounds of the Imperial debt of the United Kingdom has been paid off since the adoption of its present free trade policy. We are quite aware that Tariff Reformers will say that this would have happened anyway, but Free Traders will answer that it would not, and they would have history at their support. We fear also that the noble lord who said he "would carry back to England a message of hope for the Tariff Reform party" does not understand the attitude of the offspring of that party in Canada as it has been defined by Mr. R. L. Borden since he has become premier-elect. As for Imperial or increased British preference, he should tell the British people that Mr. Borden has said it is now the duty of the British people to bring forward some scheme that will be acceptable to Canadians, especially the new government, before he calls upon his immediate countrymen to rejoice with him over so equivocal a victory.

CARELESSNESS AND FIRES.

The Monetary Times in commenting on the frequent and heavy losses from fires in Canada calls for a more thorough education of the public in respect to the indifference and carelessness in personal habits which often results in expensive conflagrations and incidentally levy a heavy toll of life. There can be little doubt that carelessness and incendiarism are the two chief explanations of most fires. Hot ashes in wooden boxes, children permitted to play with matches among combustible materials, lighting fires with kerosene, careless handling of gasoline and neglected chimneys constitute the chief text of jury findings when they find out anything at all.

The remedy for these dangers is the education of the people, and it may be said that this is applicable most particularly in the case of children. These should be frequently instructed in the dangers of fires and of meddling with anything likely to make a blaze. Habits of caution in this regard cultured during the formative period of mental development are the only safeguards against carelessness in adult years.

While it is imperative that the laws governing the erection of buildings should be strict and the inspection of plans and structures thorough, not even these precautions are effective against carelessness in the use or storage of inflammable material. Most of the accidental calamities that afflict the human race would be anticipated by devoting proper attention to the education of the young and the painful affliction and loss by unnecessary fires is not the least of these.

ON WAY TO CANADA.

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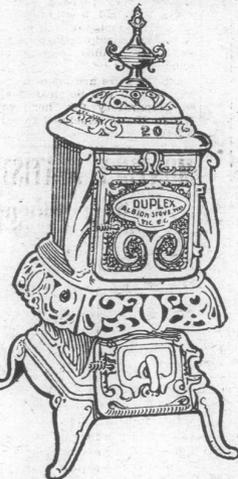
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The body is constructed of heavy planished steel, the fire pot, grate and base of selected cast-iron, and is lined throughout with good detachable linings. The ash-pan—a most important item—is made of heavy sheet metal, is extra deep and easy to get at. Anyone who has used local coal to any extent will readily realize the advantage of this feature—not found in most Eastern-made heaters where hard coal is used.

The Duplex reversible grate is another feature worthy of note. It is made like the grate in a high grade range, and can be instantly adjusted to suit the fuel you wish to use. It is fitted with a new draft apparatus that can be easily adjusted, also with hot blast tube.

In appearance this heater is as handsome as you can desire. It is well proportioned, has a moderate amount of high grade nickel work and the iron parts have a very smooth finish, making it easy to clean.

Handsome Table Linens, Runners, Doylies, Etc.

- CIRCULAR DOYLIES, with scalloped edges, 6 in. in diameter and neatly embroidered. Price, each.50¢
10 in. in diameter, each.1.00
18 in. in diameter, each.3.00
24 in. in diameter, each.3.75
TRAY CLOTHS, with scalloped edges and embroidered, size 18x27 in. Prices ranging from \$3.75 down to.1.50
CARVING CLOTHS, neatly embroidered, 20x54 in. Prices ranging from \$7.50 down to.4.50
PILLOW SLIPS, made of pure linen and neatly embroidered. Per pair, \$3.50 and \$2.50
LINEN SHEETS, hemstitched, size 90x70. Price, per pair, ranging from \$15.00 down to.8.75
EMBROIDERED CUSHION COVERS, finished with wide frill. Price, each, \$3, \$2.50, \$1.75 and.1.00
LINEN TABLE DAMASK, in various patterns, including shamrock, spots and scroll borders, tulip and rose patterns, etc. A splendid quality. Per yard, \$2, \$1.75 and.1.50
LINEN SQUARES, size 36x36, made of pure Irish linens, hemstitched and embroidered. Price, each, \$4.75, \$3.75, \$4.50 and.1.75
Size 45x45, as the above, \$6, \$4.50, \$3.75 and.2.75
Size 54x54. Price, each, \$7.50, \$5.50, \$4.50, \$4.00 and.3.75
NAPKINS to match our damask table linens, size 24x24. Per dozen, \$4.50, \$4, \$3.75

Women's and Children's Underwear in Natural Wool

A consignment of these goods has just arrived, and we believe that no better value can be purchased than these garments represent. They are warm, durable and—what is perhaps more important—they are most comfortable, being made of soft wool, and have a beautiful soft finish that will not irritate the most sensitive skin.

- WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR, made of natural wool; have soft finish. Vests have long or short sleeves, and drawers are ankle length. Price, per garment, \$1.35 and.1.25
WOMEN'S COMBINATIONS, have long sleeves, are ankle length. Very convenient; soft finish. Per garment, \$2.50 and.2.25
CHILDREN'S COMBINATIONS, ranging, according to size, from \$1.90 a garment down to.1.50
CHILDREN'S VESTS of very superior quality, ranging in price from \$1.00 a garment down to.60¢

Special in Children's Cashmere Hose

CHILDREN'S CASHMERE HOSE—This is one of the best and most attractive lines of Children's Hose that we have ever handled, consequently we strongly recommend them. The personal guarantee of David Spencer, Limited, is behind every pair that we sell. Your choice from a variety of colors, including sky blue, pink, brown, black, cardinal and cream; all fast colors. Price, per pair.25¢

Men's Hats in the Latest Shapes—Prices Moderate

Here you will find a choice assortment of Hats in all the newest and most dresy blocks, the products of such famous firms as Stetson's, Pelham's and Stern's.

There is a style and a price to please any man—no matter how hard he may be to please—and we are confident that you will appreciate this showing.

- STETSON'S STIFF HATS, made of fine fur felt, in all the newest and most fashionable shapes, very flexible, light and comfortable. Price.5.00
PELHAM BLOCK STIFF HATS, our special, made in all staple blocks. Very comfortable and exceptional value at, each.2.50
SPENCER'S STIFF HATS, in very stylish blocks, about ten dozen of these hats go on sale at, each.1.50
SOFT CRUSH FEDORA AND TELESCOPE HATS, made of high grade felts, chevots and knap felts; in Pelham's and Stern's make. Ranging in price from \$4 down to.1.75

Men's Sox at Easy Prices Tuesday

- BLACK CASHMERE SOX, made of imported British pure wool, silk spliced toes and heels; black only. Regular 35¢ value. Pair.25¢
BLACK WORSTED SOX, British make, card of mending wool with each pair. Special, per pair, 50¢, 35¢ and.25¢
IMPORTED HEATHER MIXTURE SOX, made of pure wool, in medium weight, suitable for fall and winter wear. Per pair, 50¢ and.35¢

DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED

JOHN DAY GUILTY

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In arguments... present was giv... for the accused, h... conflict between th... Canadian crimina... which there had b... charged against D... witness who was... England to give... told of the deal b... Day, could not be... by tried by a civi... naval authorities t... he held that if R... ed by the crimina... caused by the con... From Mr. Head... jectors to eviden... that his objection... court stenograph... Henderson asked... and was refused.

The trial was... Sept. 19, for the... spector W. R. Da... police department... witness called Sat... sors that he knew... Frederick Bullock... ago. In January... been convicted for... for \$300 and sent... Bullock had accep... was sentenced in... Alfred Bullock. T... Bullock positively... since his arrival... Bullock had accep... Dominion hotel a... identify him posit... to live down ha... had said to him, f... you are here, I d... don't identify m... Davis couldn't; he... Inspector Davis... had never commi... size and he had... Bullock had been... Toronto as Alber... he called himself... After, earl... had been examin... business on Quee... if he stated und... never been in To... three months at... selling the truth... in court and the... identified him wit... convicted and sen... for forgery.

In cross exami... though he had n... many years he ha... identity. If the... Bullock would h... The defence... boatman of Esqui... the launching bus... Buck said he had... Day to deliver ce... cles to Victoria... the consignments... boxes like those... yellow mark, nor... similar to those... not applied to h... tions bond Day... George Hensha... was called again... in regard to a sta... in the office of th... way company. T... signed the staten... claimed to admit... navy stores goin... Machinery, dep... to get out of the... at the time of t... he had not signe... four men were... questions written... was there about t... May 19th. He h... thing about pain... into the Machines... and they had tol... want to hear any... In rebuttal the... LAN... VICTORIA L... DISTRICT... Take notice that... & Tradin' Compan... vor, B. C., number... ply for permission... ing described land... nary named in the... Lot 724 near the... Island, B. C., whic... one mile and a h... south coast, thenc... north coast of th... thence south 25.09... THE VANCOUVER... ING COMPANY... WILLIAM BENJ... September 12th, 19... LAN... VICTORIA L... DISTRICT... Take notice that... of Vancouver, B. C... to apply for perm... following described... at a post planted... line of Lot 724, abo... south coast of th... north coast of th... 30 chains, thenc... east 25 chains, th... WILLIAM BENJ... September 12th, 19... ENGLI TSHWOMAN... Box 55, Times.

JOHN DAY IS FOUND GUILTY OF CHARGE

BULLOCK IDENTIFIED AS TORONTO FORGER

First of Navy Yard Trials Completed Saturday—Sentence Handed Down To-day

(From Monday's Daily.) John Day, charged with receiving candles and paint to the value of \$470 the property of the naval authorities...

Judge Lampman held that the evidence of both Bullock and Reid had been supported by other witnesses, and Day had produced no evidence to show he came honestly by the candles...

From Mr. Henderson's frequent objections to evidence and his requests that his objections be noted by the court stenographer...

The trial was adjourned Tuesday Sept. 19, for the appearance of Inspector W. R. Davis, of the Toronto police department...

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Northwestern Badly Damaged When Telegraph Line Breaks

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ERNA AND ELLA PART OF TURKEY'S FLEET

Two Well Known Steamships Now Transports—Have Been Renamed

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FALLS TO HIS DEATH

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FAITHFUL SERVICE GETS HIM OFFICE

CAPT. NEUROTSOS MADE MARINE SUPERINTENDENT

Will Be Assistant to Capt. Troup—Shipping Men Congratulate Popular Skipper

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Advertisement for 'CRUSHED TO DEATH', reporting on the death of S. J. Kelly, Young Apprentice, Instantly Killed While Operating a Freight Elevator.

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CAPT. C. D. NEUROTSOS Master of the C. P. R. Steamer Princess Royal, who has been appointed to the position of Marine Superintendent of the B. C. Coast Service.

that he will not forget the "good old ship" during his days ashore. Capt. Neurotsos went to sea in 1882, sailing from London in one of the ships operated by Messrs. Shaw and Saville, of the British India Steam Navigation Co. After being sailort for sixteen years, the new marine superintendent came out to Victoria in the steamship Garonne from England via the Straits of Magellan. He joined the Canadian Pacific when they took over the Canadian Navigation Company, as first officer on the ill-fated steamer Islander. Since that time he has been master of other ships and received different promotions until he took command of the Royal. While on the Princess he won the hearts of every officer and man and it is with deep regret that the men see him cast off his line to sail through a new sphere of duty. With the fleet of the B. C. Coast Service rapidly increasing it has been deemed advisable by the directors of the company to appoint an assistant to Capt. J. W. Troup. For many years Capt. Troup has discharged the duties of his office in a most capable manner, but the work now warrants an assistant. In Capt. Neurotsos, Capt. Troup has an excellent assistant. On different occasions the advice of Capt. Neurotsos has been sought by shipping men, he being appointed as one of the nautical assessors for the recent sitting of the admiralty court.

Advertisement for 'Cyrus H. Bowes', a chemist, providing contact information and services.

HUNDREDS SWEEP TO WATERY DEATH

BREAKING DAM FREES MILLIONS OF GALLONS

Flood Which Recalls That at Johnstown Sweeps Down Valley in Same State

Coudersport, Pa., Oct. 2.—With a roar heard for miles, the great dam of the Bayless Pulp and Paper Company, at Austin, Pa., 14 miles from here, went out at 2.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Forty bodies had been seen floating from the ruins when darkness came, and it is estimated that fully 400 more persons are unaccounted for and are believed to be dead.

The dam, which was 530 feet long and 49 feet high, was 32 feet thick at the base, and held back more than 500,000,000 gallons of water. For the first time since its construction, two years ago, the water was running over the top Saturday, and many people went out from Austin, a mile and a half away, to see it. They were horrified when a section about 20 feet wide gave way on the west side. A great volume of water poured through the hole, and the alarm was quickly sounded. People ran for their lives to the nearby hills, but some were caught in the flood and whirled down the valley. A moment later another break occurred, this time on the east side. It was greater, and permitted the bulk of the mass of water behind to rush in a volume toward the lowlands.

Harry Davis, a locomotive engineer of this place, reached a telephone and modified the operator at the exchange. She called as many persons as possible, but the time was short. The rising flood tore down the little valley, carrying death on its crest.

Hundreds of women and children—the men were at work—were caught in their homes and drowned or crushed before they knew what had happened. Houses went down before the mighty rush of water, and pipes, bent and broken, released their dangerous contents. Before the water had passed on its terrible course through the town a dozen fires were burning in as many places, and the cries of the injured and imprisoned persons joined in the terrific thunder of the flood.

Much of the debris lodged against the shops of the Buffalo and Susquehanna railroad, and there the fire raged fiercest. Many men were caught here, and it is believed few, if any, escaped with their lives.

The course of the flood was through the business centre of the little village. A majority of the buildings were of wood, and these which were not immediately wrecked by the torrent were soon in flames.

So sudden was the onslaught of the water that many persons had no time to flee to the hills, but others received the warning, and believing there was a fire, hastened to the centre of the town, only to be caught in the flood and swept away.

The flood passed quickly, leaving desolation in its wake. Houses had been crushed and tossed about like toys, while hundreds of bodies had been carried down on the crest of the surging torrent.

With the passage of the water, those who had fled to the hills hastened to return to their ruined homes in search of relatives and friends. Here and there bodies had been cast along the path of the torrent, and about 40 bodies were recovered in a short time. Some of them had been so badly battered by the tossing debris that they were beyond recognition, while others had been carried along with no apparent injury.

Many were caught in burning buildings, and it will be days before the extent of the calamity will be known. It is believed that no fewer than 400 persons perished, and some estimates are higher.

The catastrophe paralleled in many respects the destruction by flood of Johnstown, Pa., in 1889, in which more than 2,800 lives were lost. The extent of the loss of life and the destruction of property cannot be known for several days.

The property loss surely will be several million dollars. Within an hour of the first general knowledge of the calamity, special trains bearing physicians, nurses and food supplies were on the way to the scene. Hundreds of automobiles bearing rescuers all tolled over the mountain roads to lend aid. The food supply of the town and immediate aid to the survivors was urgent.

Hundreds of those who escaped were seriously injured in the collapse of their homes and the panic of the rush for safety. Temporary hospitals were fitted up in nearby farmhouses and improvised structures fashioned from the wreckage. The Red Cross also made preparations for immediate aid to survivors. The intense heat of the fire sweeping from the natural gas mains made it impossible for survivors to visit the scene of destruction for many hours. Looters were among the first on the ground, and Governor Tener dispatched a large force of state police to the town to protect the victims.

KOOTENAY GROWERS' UNION.

Nelson, Sept. 30.—R. T. Hicks, manager of James Johnston's ranch, has been appointed permanent manager of the Kootenay Growers' Union. During the summer the union marketed about \$5,000 worth of small fruits. The prices received for strawberries were considered good, the average net return to the union being \$2.25 per crate. Higher prices were realized for shipments from some growers for exceptionally high grade consignments. The union now has a membership of 150. There were sixty-eight shippers of small fruit during the past season.

At sea level an object 100 feet high is visible about 13 miles. If 500 feet high it is visible nearly 30 miles.

THINKING THEMES

BY DR. FRANK CRANE.

There is a woman I know who is an expert in one of the most important arts within the range of human accomplishment—the Art of Getting Along With Folks. It is well to be wise and pretty, it is well to be free and strong, it is well to live your own life, it is well to strive and to conquer, but the small but blessed group of them that can just get along with everybody deserves some praise.

We abuse them, we call them blarneyers, shifty and gifted in side-stepping. From the downright heights of our opinions and principles and ideals we pooh-pooh them. But they are none the less the most comfortable people in the world to live with. When we are irritable, they know the trick of stroking our fur the right way. When we are glum they know the sweet secret of silence. When we state a pugnacious opinion and bristle up to prove it, and are spilling for a fight, they find some remarkable originality in our crazy notion, that flatters us into calm. They don't do as we advise them, but they are most deft in explanations why they could not. They have a keen nose for avoiding sore subjects of conversation. They know when to laugh and when to look sympathetic. Many a family bliss has been prevented by their acute sense of social smoke. They can see trouble coming a mile away, and guide us all down a by-lane. They are human lubricants. They are the gifted ones who can manage human bees and never get stung. They may lie a little—but still, "blessed are the Peace Makers."

ESTIMATES VARY OF NUMBER OUT ON STRIKE

Harriman System Men Obey the Call More in East Than on Pacific

Chicago, Oct. 2.—The threatened strike of the shopmen on the Harriman lines to enforce recognition of the newly organized federation of shop workers became a reality Saturday. The number of men who quit in the fifteen states affected was estimated at between twenty thousand and thirty thousand by the union men, although Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president of the Harriman lines, said the number was much smaller. Reports from most of the points indicate that the men walked out without demonstrations, and no rioting was reported. Traffic was continued with interruption, and the railroad heads say that the shopman's strike, even if it extends, will not interfere with trains.

The response to the strike order was general throughout the Middle West and in the South. The men had received notices from the international presidents of the five crafts directly involved, and when the hour came they laid down their tools and left. At New Orleans, where the strike already had extended from a strike of the Illinois Central clerks, and the men have been out several days, two men received jail sentences for violation of a federal injunction restraining them from interfering with the company's property. In the Far West, it is said by railroad officials, only a small percentage of the workmen responded to the strike call.

Vice-President Kruttschnitt issued this statement:

"At many of the intermediate points on the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific shop forces were laid off to reduce working time and effect a reduction of expenses. At other points no men at all went out, and at some points only one or two. At the general shops, so far as heard from, the situation was as follows:

"Omaha general shops, 29 per cent. At Sacramento, 25 per cent. At Oakland, 11 per cent. Train schedules on all lines are normal and the maintenance and repair schedules will in no manner be interfered with."

The men involved are divided into the following groups, according to union leaders: Machinists, 1,000; boiler-makers, 4,000; blacksmiths, 3,000; carmen, 11,000; clerks, 1,000; miscellaneous workmen, 1,000.

W. L. Parks, vice-president and general manager of the Illinois Central, issued a circular to employees of the road to-night, characterizing the demands of the men as radical, relating to the story of the negotiations and charging that the contracts between the men and the unions have not been abrogated by the necessary thirty days' notice.

From Pacific Coast End.

San Francisco, Oct. 2.—Comparison of reports from the shops of the Harriman system indicate that the strike order affecting the federated shop employees was more generally obeyed in the east than on the Pacific coast. In the district in the jurisdiction of E. E. Calvin, vice-president and general manager of the Southern Pacific company, approximately 10,000 men are employed in the shops, and a statement issued from the office of the general manager said that a fraction less than 50 per cent of these men obeyed the strike order. Mr. Calvin's jurisdiction extends to Ashland, Ore., on the north, to Sparks, Nev., on the east, and to El Paso on the south. The statement applies to all shopmen embraced in this territory.

In San Francisco the strike order was more generally obeyed than in any other of the large shops on the coast, practically every man walking out. At Oakland about 1,200 men are employed,

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Beautiful Gowns

Of our exhibit of Gowns much was said in our favor when we gave up our French Rooms to their exclusive display last Friday afternoon. Those who were not fortunate to view the exposition have yet time to see this department in its prime. Foreign designers are represented, and the influence of Paris crops out on dozens of models. Such materials and colors, such exquisite ideas, both plain and decorative. In every instance these gowns are EXCLUSIVE, nobody can have one like yours.



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of this number about 400 being unorganized repair men. Nine hundred and twenty-one men walked out, mostly machinists and boiler-makers. Of the car repairers about 12 per cent went out. The switchmen quit work for an hour, but went back again.

In contradiction to the statement of the railroad officers, President Roguin, of the Federated Shop Employees in this city, asserted that the situation was more than satisfactory to the strikers and that it exceeded expectations. He said that here 99 per cent of the men went out and that the night force would not report for work on Monday night. In Sacramento, where are situated the largest shops of the Harriman lines in the west, only 400 of more than 2,000 men employed went out. The labor leaders expressed the belief that their number would be greatly increased by Monday. In the strike of 1894 the men employed in Sacramento went out almost to a man.

Superintendent H. V. Platt of the Southern Pacific, said that between 250 and 300 men remained at work in the Los Angeles shops, and that these were sufficient to do the work necessary to enable the road to transact business.

DISMEMBERMENT OF TURKEY PREDICTED

Turkish Businessmen Take Gloomy Views of the Outlook

New York, Oct. 2.—The view which Turkish business men take of the trouble between their country and Italy is indicated in a pessimistic statement given out here by Dr. Vahan Cardashian, counsellor of the Ottoman chamber of commerce in America, of which the Turkish ambassador is president.

"The gradual dismemberment of Turkey may be expected now," said Mr. Cardashian. "Everything in the European political situation seems to indicate a coalition of the powers against Turkey. Now that Italy has sheared off our last outlying possession, I expect that Turkish territory will be steadily invaded until the country ceases to appear on the map."

"Gradually encroaching European spheres of influence hem Turkey in on every side. Austria is eagerly awaiting for the opportunity to seize Salonika, on the Adriatic. Germany has an outpost on the Aegean sea. Russia is prepared to assimilate Armenia, while France's interest in Syria and Britain's possession of Cyprus complete the circle."

"No traditional or historic European precedent can excuse or justify Italy's claim to a protectorate over Tripoli."

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF TELEPHONES

New Westminster Board of Trade Will Confer With Other Bodies in District

New Westminster, Sept. 30.—That government ownership of a telephone system throughout the province would be a desirable state of affairs was the firm opinion of the New Westminster board of trade, and at the regular meeting two delegates were appointed to act with delegates from other boards of trade throughout the district. The matter was brought up by two delegates from the South Vancouver board of trade, Messrs. Harrison and Elliott. In South Vancouver, it was pointed out, the district was divided into sections, and subscribers were compelled to pay an extra toll to converse with the other sections of South Vancouver and with Vancouver city. Numerous complaints have been received from other municipalities, and it was considered advisable to appoint a committee to gather information and see if any improvement could be obtained. Vice-president Goulet and Mr. A. W. McLeod, chairman of the committee, were appointed to act as a special committee.

Messrs. Small, Richardson and Lusby were appointed a special committee to attend the session of the Provincial

Tax Commission, which sits in this city October 2.

In order to hasten the work of dredging the Fraser river, the navigation committee have been requested to compile a comprehensive report of the condition of affairs in the river. They will be empowered to incur a reasonable expense, and will seek the assistance of the government for the assistance of an engineer. The information will be placed in the hands of J. D. Taylor, the member-elect for the Federal House, before he leaves for the re-assembling of parliament.

VANCOUVER ASSIZES.

Vancouver, Sept. 30.—Unless there is an epidemic of crime between the date of writing and October 9, this fall's criminal assize will be a comparatively light one. Last spring there were six indictments for murder. At the coming assize there are about two cases, although there are two other capital charges. One of the two men who will face the murder charge is John T. Cannell, an old man, who is alleged to have figured in the tragedy in Hastings townsite on June 30. He is charged with shooting a logger. A Japanese by the name of Ishii is also charged with murder. He is said to have killed another Japanese in the neighborhood of Port Essington.

The list of cases which will be heard at the assize is as follows: Robert Allan, forgery and false pretences; Z. E. Lew, procuring; Elton Pilate, shooting with intent; Ed. Rogers, attempt to steal; R. Hoolie, alias Oly, rape; Henry McLean, wounding; Honor Woods, attempt at suicide; John T. Cannell, murder; Nanakat, attempted rape; Ishii, murder; Mu Hung, procuring; Faithful et al., rape; Sticking assault.

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BELLEROPHON ARRIVES WITHOUT NEW RECORD

Makes Fast Passage From Yokohama—Capt. Collister Thinks Boat May Float

(From Friday's Daily.)

Although it was expected by shipmen of this port that the big Blue Funnel liner Bellerophon, Capt. Collister, would either smash or come close to the record of the Proteuslaus between Yokohama and this port, it was learned upon the arrival of the steamship at the Outer Docks this morning that she had failed in the attempt.

Despite the fact that the weather was exceptionally fine and the Bellerophon could do nothing with the record established by the newer addition to the fleet, the Holt vessel did her best to reduce the time and her officers now candidly admit that they have found their best in speed.

While the Bellerophon did not hang up a new record she made a very smart passage across, averaging over thirteen knots. Her time for the trip was slightly under thirteen days and nearly fifteen hours slower than her best time, the Proteuslaus. Some how or another the men aboard the Bellerophon do not wish to see the present record holder maintain his elevated position for any length of time.

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Mr. Morley—At this stage, certainly.

Mr. Lutton pointed out that under the provisions of the Municipal Clauses act, if an inquiry was started in connection with any matter, the person alleged to be incriminated was entitled to know what he had to answer.

In reply to this Mayor Morley witnessed and proceeded with the inquiry.

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Mr. Lutton, however, got out the first word and held the floor. He pointed out that his client had received information to attend the investigation on the strength of allegations which had been made against his name by the individual who had communicated his knowledge to the mayor, who in turn had communicated it to the two aldermen sitting on the commission with him, and upon which the investigation was based.

He wanted to know what the allegations were. It was not exactly orthodox to first hold an investigation and then ask a gentleman to answer allegations of which he knew nothing.

I think, as the legal representative of my client, I am entitled to a copy of these allegations. Outside of the letter intimating his connection with the charges and the summons to attend to the court my client has received no information as to what he is expected to answer," said Mr. Lutton.

H. A. Maclean indicated that while he would argue along the same line he would go further and say that the committee were not certain powers conferred upon it by council. The scope of these powers was strictly limited by the resolution of the council which referred to the allegations. How were they going to tell the commission was going outside of its powers unless they were allowed to know what the allegations were? He submitted, therefore, that it was absolutely necessary that the outset of the proceedings to furnish them with the details of the allegations. Somebody had made them and the mayor was in possession of them.

Mayor Morley replied that he desired to be understood that they were there for what was strictly to be understood as an inquiry into certain alleged irregularities.

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ed that he never interviewed the city solicitor nor anyone connected with the city hall in connection with the matter was observed.

Mr. Maclean—I understand that one of the allegations against Ald. H. M. Fullerton is that he gave some instructions about applying for an injunction to restrain the city from awarding a certain contract to the Worswick Paving Company.

Mayor Morley objected to this line of examination. It would all come out in the proper place, he said.

This judicial reply brought Mr. Lutton to his feet in a hurry. He said: "I understand that the contract was more or less negotiated by yourself (Mayor Morley) and Ald. Gleason, and it seems to me that you will both have to take your places in the witness box and give evidence to this inquiry. It also seems to me to be rather a unique position for a court to do not show witnesses, but to have accusers, later you have to act as witnesses, and finally I have no doubt you will insist on acting as the judges also."

Mayor Morley—Let me correct you, Mr. Aikman.

Mr. Lutton—My name is not Aikman.

A general litter ran round the room. Mayor Morley was informed of the identity of counsel.

After apologizing for his faux pas Mayor Morley again stated that there were no charges in the contract, but charges, however, might result from the inquiry.

Mr. Lutton—But your worship may be a witness at the inquiry.

Mr. Morley—No, sir. I am not a witness at the inquiry.

Ald. Gleason formally denied that he negotiated the contract.

Mr. Lutton—I understand that the preliminary work in connection with the contract was done by the committee, of which the mayor and Ald. Gleason were members.

Mayor Morley (after consulting with his colleagues on the bench)—It was considered by the committee of the whole.

Another break in the proceedings occurred at this point by the interruption of Alderman Okell, who declared that what the mayor had said was not right.

Ald. Humber supplemented the objection by declaring that what the mayor had said was not right.

Rising in his seat, Alderman Okell said: "As a member of the Victoria council I want to see fair play, and we are not getting it (loud cries of hear, hear)."

On being invited to give his testimony in the witness box Ald. Okell took his stand and resumed as follows: "His worship the mayor made a statement before the aldermen in council that he had in his possession an affidavit sworn to impeaching an alderman of the city of Victoria and also one of the city officials and he wanted the committee to consider the matter with him. I then said: 'If you have any charges to make you should come out with them and be prepared to defend them and to prove them.' (Hear, hear). I claim here that the people are not getting a square deal in this matter." (Applauding.)

Mr. Lutton—Did the mayor say that there was an affidavit?

Ald. Okell—He did.

Mr. Lutton—Then I ask that that affidavit be produced.

Mr. Martin—I am not in possession of it.

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An adjournment was not granted.

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Witness replied that it was drawn to meet the Westholme Hotel.

Mayor Morley—Was not the \$10,000 note to be payment for the services of O'Brien?

Witness—No, sir.

Q.—You swear that?

A.—I do.

In reply to Mr. Lutton witness stated that he never interviewed the city solicitor nor anyone connected with the city hall in connection with the matter was observed.

so far as to induce him to come back to Victoria with him. He had told Hill that the price he would bid was so high that if he cared to submit a bid it would be a "cinch."

On being questioned closely as to the arrangement come between himself and Mr. Hill witness became diffident and said that he had no definite agreement; they only had a verbal talk.

Mr. Martin wanted to know the substance of the talk, however, and the witness thought that that amounted to saying rather closely into his ear that he had no definite agreement; they only had a verbal talk.

Witness could not state what the terms of the agreement was, however, and explained that his ability to do so was accounted for by the fact that the city had altered its paving programme three times. They never got down to the point where he did not keep books he was not in a position to say how much he got from Hill. It was a very flexible arrangement and was on the yardage basis.

Witness never saw the other bid, but he was in connection with his work for Hill. He also stated specifically that he was never in the employ of the C. M. R. Co. His arrangements were entirely with Mr. Hill.

Mr. Martin then endeavored to ascertain how much money he got from Hill but could not secure the information. Ald. Langley took up the running and suggested in eliciting the fact that while no definite figure was agreed upon ten cents a yard was mentioned.

All thought of such a figure was lost sight of, however, when it became known that a number of the other bid companies intended to bid for the work, the competition forcing the price of the C. M. R. down to the lowest possible margin. At that time the agreement between him and Hill was called off and it was put up to him either to go through with the work and be game enough to take what was coming to him or quit.

In regard to his personal agreement with Simpson, witness stated on \$800,000 Simpson would get \$12,000. On being asked his qualifications for earning this sum witness replied that he was a "general good fellow."

Ald. Langley in other words, his honor was worth that sum to the city, in your opinion.

Mr. Martin then devoted his attention to elucidating the matter of the \$5,000 note. Witness explained that it was not a personal matter and was not intended as compensation for his services to the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company. He had received about \$700 from Hill as expense money, half of which he had given to Wilson as his share. He admitted that the \$10,000 note was shown to Wilson before it was destroyed.

Just before the commission adjourned for the day Mr. Maclean protested against Mr. Martin having three examinations-in-chief instead of one, and when the mayor sided with the city's counsel Mr. Maclean again jockeyed sarcastically with the dignitaries, stating that the lawyers were allowed to "object" in an ordinary court of law and begging to be excused for his unfamiliarity with the new methods. Shortly after five o'clock the session closed.

Last evening Ald. Humber posted a notice of motion on the bulletin board calling upon the mayor to make the charges known to the council, so that in the event of the second session of the investigation passing off without any charges being made some lively talk will be heard at the council meeting scheduled for to-night.

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SENT TO JAIL

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For stealing some articles at the North Star mine at Kimberley Joseph Gauthier was given six months. He was brought into Nelson by Constable Barnes.

On a charge of threatening to kill, W. R. Watkins was sent up for trial by J. S. T. Alexander, stipendiary magistrate at Rosland, to pay fines of \$10 and costs each with one month's imprisonment in default. The accused did not have the necessary cash and were brought in to the provincial jail by T. H. Long, chief of police of the Golden City.

VERNON FAIR.

Vernon, Sept. 28.—Vernon's annual fall fair was officially opened by Hon. Price Ellison, Minister of Agriculture for British Columbia. While in point of numbers the exhibition did not have such a large entry as last year, this was compensated for by the high class of fruit, poultry and, in fact, nearly all the exhibits in the various classes. Despite the backward nature of the season the fruit exhibit—the real backbone of the district—was particularly fine. Such novelties as an extensive exhibit of tobacco plants and a display of cigars made from tobacco grown in the Okanagan district also attracted much attention.

In opening the exhibition, Hon. Price Ellison congratulated the president and directors upon the splendid class of the commercial fruit exhibit. This, he said, showed the hearty conditions of the Okanagan's most important industry. Mr. Winklow, the provincial horticulturist, had said that the Okanagan people knew how to grow good fruit, and how to pack it. Mr. Ellison regretted that the number of exhibits was not larger and hoped that steps would be taken to establish a central show for the Okanagan, which might be held in alternate years at the principal towns in the valley. Such a show would bring thousands of visitors to the district, and he hoped that something would be done in this direction in the near future.

MODEL BAKERIES FOR SPRING RIDGE FIRM

One of the most modern bakeries in the city is now in course of construction at the corner of Fernwood road and Gladstone avenue, in the rapidly developing district of Spring Ridge. The owners of the new block, Rennie & Taylor, have been in business in Victoria for a dozen years and for the past nine on that location, but the wonderful progress of the district has necessitated the firm keeping pace with it, and having five delivery wagons at work, some idea of their expanding trade may be realised.

While continuing to carry on business they are remodeling the whole premises, and building a substantial block in which, while at the present time it will be limited to two stores, the outer walls have been made sufficiently strong to enable two more stores to be added as business warrants. Parfitt Brothers are the contractors, and are constructing a capital business and residential block.

On the ground floor two new ovens are being installed capable of baking a batch of bread every forty minutes, and are of the best quality variety, and are of the best quality variety, and are of the best quality variety.

Connected with the bakehouse floor by an elevator is a mixing room, where the "sponge" and dough will be prepared, and here entirely modern machinery is being added, including dough-dividers, mixer, and sifter, from the shops of the Fletcher Machinery Company, Toronto. The firm has ordered a cart of bread-making machinery, including black ash, birch, and maple for the floors and tables, as the local soft woods are not so durable for a business like a bakery. The store itself will be the bakeries are finished.

Steel troughs are replacing the old wooden troughs, and adjoining the mixing room is a storehouse capable of housing a very large quantity of flour. The portion of the building not required for business is to be rented for apartments.

A driveway, with elevators, has been constructed from Fernwood road, and close to this approach are the stables, where the firm have many serviceable horses for delivery work. Their whole object has been to secure an up-to-date bakery, clean and wholesome, and close to this approach are the stables, where the firm have many serviceable horses for delivery work.

Mr. Justice Morrison Holds Criminal Court Monday, Hearing Nanaimo List

(From Friday's Daily.)

The October assizes, which open here Monday next, will be presided over by Mr. Justice Morrison, who will have with him a bench including the navy yard cases, two trials sent down from Nanaimo and one set over from last assize from Prince Rupert.

The list of cases contains the trials of C. J. V. Spratt, president of the Victoria Machinery Depot, charged with having stolen in his possession, and the similar charge against William Houston, superintendent of the Victoria Machinery Depot. Frederick Bullock, the informant in the navy yard case, is to be tried for alleged attempted extortion. It being a minor case, it is expected that Bullock attempted to extort money from C. J. V. Spratt. Bonnycastle Dale, of Spokane, has also been sent to the assizes on five charges of abnormal behaviour, but it is doubtful if the crown will be ready to go on with these trials at the October assize. The accused was committed from the police court but a few days ago.

From Nanaimo the trial of a man named Morner, who is accused of carnal knowledge, and the trial of one Marshall for arson, are listed for hearing before Mr. Justice Morrison here, and the set-over trial from the last assize, that of Nicholas charged with rape, removed here from the Prince Rupert jurisdiction, is also listed. A trial for theft against one James C. Clement, his defence at the preliminary hearing, is the other case on the Victoria docket.

Mr. Justice Murphy will take the Vancouver assize, where there is the largest list of any centre in the province; and Mr. Justice Gregory goes to Kamloops, and Mr. Justice Clement takes the Fernie, Nelson and Greenwood list.

Harold B. Robertson is appointed to appear for the crown at the Victoria assize, and W. Macdonald, K. C., for the crown at Vancouver. Other assignments of counsel are: Clinton, Mr. A. M. White-side; New Westminster, Norman; Kelowna, Mr. C. Kamloops, J. Fulton, K. C.; Vernon, Mr. A. M. Harper; Nelson, Mr. Moffett; and Revelstoke, Mr. C. E. Gillan.

BRANCH RAILWAYS IN SASKATCHEWAN

Six Hundred Miles of New Canadian Pacific Track Being Laid

Winnipeg, Sept. 28.—According to an announcement made in Winnipeg by C. P. R. officials, there will be a great many new branches opened through Saskatchewan for 1912. In that province the company has under construction about 600 miles of track and surveys are still out on 316 miles.

The largest line nearing completion is from Regina to Colonsay, 133 miles. From Outlook to Kerrobert, a stretch of over 100 miles, is nearing completion and will form the middle of the Moose Jaw-Macklin branch, the other sections being already in operation. The whole branch will be 287 miles long and will be an outlet for Centre Saskatchewan to Winnipeg, Minnesota and the south.

Branches are reaching out southeast and northwest from Swift Current. The former part is 36 miles long and the latter 52. A branch of 55 miles is being laid from Estevan to connect with the Weyburn-Lethbridge branch at Forward. The service on the Regina-Pulvey branch is promised for an early date.

METHODIST MISSION WORK.

Report on Appropriations Adopted By Board.

Toronto, Sept. 28.—At the session of the Methodist mission board considerable discussion occurred over the recommendation that a certain class of missionaries, for instance, those whose work amongst the Indians was made very difficult and detrimental by hygienic conditions, should be granted a furlough once in seven years. Rev. A. M. Sanford, Vancouver, B.C., proved that in special cases this was not sufficient. His recommendation in his contention by several others. The meeting recommended that the matter of furlough should be left to the committee and made more elastic.

The report of the foreign department was read and the estimations on appropriations received as follows: For mission work in Japan, estimated \$103,000, reduced to \$59,000; in West China, \$20,000; in India, \$20,000; in the Philippines, \$211,000; amongst Chinese in British Columbia, estimated \$9,000, reduced to \$7,000; amongst Japanese in British Columbia, estimated \$7,000, reduced to \$5,000; Indian missions, including schools, estimated \$116,000, reduced to \$105,000. The report was read clause by clause and apoted.

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ALLEGED SWINDLER AGAIN IN CUSTODY

Promoter Who Escaped From Hospital Is Rearrested In Oregon

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 30.—Dr. John Grant Lyman, society man, arrested early in September charged with fraudulent misuse of the mails in connection with a Panama land deal, was rearrested at Lakeview, Ore., following a sensational escape from an Oakland hospital on the night of September 22.

Arrested in company with Lyman is J. M. Thorne, a nurse in the hospital where Lyman was confined.

When Lyman first escaped it was believed that he had escaped his guard, a deputy sheriff named C. M. Courtwright, and Courtwright asserted that he was taken ill after dining with Lyman. Later, however, Courtwright confessed that he had accompanied Lyman and Thorne on a joy ride in Oakland and that Lyman and the nurse had escaped him. Marshall Elliott soon obtained evidence that Lyman was travelling northward in an automobile, and several deputy marshals were posted along the border between California and Oregon.

Lyman was arrested first September 8, and he made a break for liberty a day or so later while he was returning to the Alameda county jail in custody of a deputy marshal after having been in court. In boarding a street car he sprained his ankle badly and was taken to a hospital, from whence he escaped the second time.

DESPONDENT MAN ENDS HIS LIFE

Boy Finds Body of Missing Stonemason Hanging From Tree

Vancouver, Sept. 30.—A sad case of what would appear to be suicide was discovered at Collinswood, five miles out of town, Thursday, when a boy named James Macdonald came across the body of a man hanging from a tree in the bush at the corner of Westminster road and Green road. From the appearance of the body it is supposed that it must have been hanging there for two or three days.

The body was identified by Constable Lee of South Vancouver as that of Adam Nestmann, a stonemason, who resides on No. One road, Collinswood East, and has been missing for some days. He leaves a wife and four children.

The man left his home on Monday last, leaving a note to his wife saying that she would find his body hanging near the house. She notified the South Vancouver police and gave them the note. The police have been endeavoring to trace the missing man during the whole of the week. Nestmann, it is said, has been worrying over some real estate transactions, and this, it is thought, unhinged his mind.

VANCOUVER MAYORALTY.

Vancouver, Sept. 29.—With the announcement to-day that James Findlay, president of the Vancouver Conservative Association and civic license commissioner, will run for mayor in January, five possible candidates for the honor have been suggested. Some weeks ago Ald. James Ramsay, representative of Ward One and acting mayor in the absence of the mayor, stated that it was his intention, in response to the invitation of many friends to offer himself as a candidate for both view and street streets were to be let for the work of paving.

ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

Kamloops, Sept. 29.—The Kamloops Orchestral Society, a new musical organization formed, has started out on an initial membership drive, among which are the following instruments: Piano, violin, cello, clarinet, flute, French horn, cornets and slide trombone. The following officers were elected: President, W. H. Herbert; vice-president, Dr. O'Neil; secretary and treasurer, R. Marcus; and Misses Noble, Stewart and Biggs and Messrs. Lacy and Munn on the committee.

ENGINEERS INVESTIGATE.

Cranbrook, Sept. 29.—The engineers appointed by the commission on conservation of the water power resources of the Dominion, who have been in Cranbrook for a few days, have been investigating the districts south of the railway belt, and expect to be in the vicinity of Cranbrook for some little time. They will keep working until prevented by weather conditions. The party is composed of A. V. F. White of Toronto, and with him are G. H. Ferguson and D. C. Jennings.

MINER KILLED.

Cumberland, Sept. 29.—Guiseppe Laugi was killed in No. 7 mine a few days ago by a fall of rock. The man was engaged timbering when the rock fell on him, breaking his neck. Coroner Abrams empaneled a jury and after viewing the body an inquest was held as to how deceased came to his death. The jury, after hearing the evidence returned a verdict of accidental death.

AND THE INQUIRY STILL GOES ON

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city of Victoria having decided to pave a considerable area of streets it might be profitable to send to the J. P. Hill Paving Co. of Spokane, Wash., Chicago bonds for a representative, O'Brien stating that for a large contract two or three cents a yard would be a fair percentage to collect for promotion, and he offered me 50 per cent if I would assist him. I accepted the proposition and O'Brien sent word to Spokane and Mr. W. J. Kappes shortly after arrived in Victoria but only stayed a few days.

"Very shortly after this A. J. Hill, W. J. Kappes and Frank Allen, attorney for Hill people in Spokane, arrived. This was just previous to, or at the time that bids were called for on some 300,000 yards of pavement. This letting was knocked out by the court's deciding that the mayor and aldermen were not legally elected.

"Hill and O'Brien told me that if the work had been let that it was a cinch for Hill Fullerton was lined up fine, but for me not to mention anything to Fullerton as he had requested that I be kept in the dark as to his connection with Hill or O'Brien. At the time I questioned O'Brien further about the two cents a yard commission and he said it was all right and further that he would be allowed expenses until such time as the work was really let. This turned out to be a fact, for O'Brien received during the next six weeks from the Hill people \$700, half of which he paid me.

"Very soon after the court's decision on election being void, Hill, Kappes and Allen left town without placing a bid. O'Brien saying they had inside information that all tenders would remain unopened and they did not want to expose any figures. A day or so after this the tenders were opened. After a discussion in the council I believe it was decided to let at once View Street and some portion of Fort Street.

"On March 14 I received from O'Brien, Spokane, the telegram marked 'A', translated: 'What was done View-Fort street bids? Send me Colonist daily for week.'

"I replied: 'Bids before council Friday next with recommendation National Pav. get work.'

"On March 15 O'Brien wired from Spokane as follows: 'See Herb. Urge him have recommendation repeated because any bids were advertised by collector and engineer. Bids on View-Fort be returned if it is litigation award. Anyway get Peters got re-stating order on legislation act that specifically cuts out power award contract.'

"On receipt of the foregoing message I called on Herb Fullerton and showed him the message 'B'. His first remark was that O'Brien was a darn fool for showing his hand and mentioning his name in a telegram. Then Fullerton asked me to keep the fact that he was helping Hill under my hat and above all I was not to mention it to anyone.

"Fullerton talked freely and said the best way would be to throw the work to Worwick and thus keep out another competitor in the National Paving Co. Meaning that, if I went to Hill, he would mean they would have a foothold in Victoria. Then when the big job came off Hill would have both the Worwick and the National Paving Co. on the ground to fight.

"On March 16 I received the telegram 'C' from O'Brien: 'W. E. Wilson, care W. & J. Wilson, Victoria, B. C.'

"Absolutely necessary secure to-day or Friday, restraining order. Engage Peters for some other good man. Secure it on ground that legislative act does not allow council enter into any new contract. This action will take fight off council. Mail copy National Paving Bid in detail. Be there Thursday.

"I answered both messages after consulting an attorney as requested, as follows—(In code): 'Peters says investigation impossible. Herb thinks best help Worwick get both streets. This keeps others getting foothold. This important.'

"Apparently H. M. Fullerton made a bid in his presence Hill asked me if I were to let the View-Fort street were to be let to the Worwick Paving Company.

"About this time Fullerton asked me why O'Brien had sent for 'Simmy' to handle the city solicitor, remarking that it was a bad error, as he could handle him better without 'Simmy.'

"A day or so after this O'Brien returned from Spokane and I asked him why 'Simmy' had been requested for and he explained that he came from the same town in the east and was the only person that McD. would do business with. O'Brien further stating that he had surely put Hill in right with Fullerton and McDermid, and if he never did any more the 2 cents a yard was earned.

"During the last part of March or the early part of April A. J. Hill, Rawstein arrived intent on figuring on the \$600,000 yards of paving at that time advertised. Hill sent for me. On arriving in his room I met Rawstein, and in his presence Hill asked me if Mr. Fullerton was the biggest man in the council. I answered, yes; physically, but he wanted to know if Fullerton was in my opinion controlled the council. I said No, there were aldermen that no person could control.

"From this time till the bids were in A. J. Hill managed the campaign, I inquired for him as to some of the aldermen, and others.

"After the opening of the bids and until the work was let there was considerable lobbying. On May 5 I received the following letter: 'W. E. Wilson, Esq., Victoria Paving: Dear sir: I want you from this date on to keep in touch with the city engineer, particularly the city engineer, city attorney, and city assessors. The steps needed on many streets to put them in proper legal shape. I attached a copy of a statement made by Hill, which says that the original bid was cancelled. The council have ordered the engineer to report on, and which reports he promises will all be in before the council within the next 30 days. He has a large staff working on these reports. It will be your duty to see some of

that staff daily, and keep crowding this through. Then see that the city attorney prepares a proper order for the engineer ordering same to be advertised for protest period, and see that immediately they are out, the assessor and engineer report same to the council as being out, and that the city attorney then prepares the necessary bylaw, as you understand that in these particular streets, we cannot go to work until the bylaw has been passed, although provisional contract has been signed for same.

"I herewith also attach another list, properly headed, as showing streets which cannot be worked on until the sewers have been voted on by the people about May 15 to 20. When the bond issue passes, you want to be in shape to advise as to the name of each street which is then ready to go ahead with and report whether the necessary bylaw is passed and all the legal steps taken. This will mean that from time to time you will have to keep in constant touch with our Attorney Maclean, to keep him going punchy about May 15 to 20.

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INFLUX OF INVESTORS FROM MIDDLE WEST

Many Realty Dealers Doing Almost All Their Business With Mainland Buyers

Judging by reports the influx of investors from the middle west, who yearly come into the city in great numbers in the fall, has commenced. Many real estate dealers state that the majority of their sales during the past week or so have been made to buyers from the Prairie provinces, and it speaks well for the reputation of the island that scores of investors from the other side of the mountains have taken up property in and around Victoria without having seen it.

Although owing to the time of year the market is slack the dealers are not kicking, but on the contrary state that under the circumstances business is very good and that indications point towards a steady and progressive movement throughout the fall months. The Globe Realty Company is one of several which has done practically all its recent business with investors from the mainland and from Calgary in particular. The firm is very enthusiastic over the prospects and expects an influx of buyers from now on until February at least.

With regard to local business the Island Investment Company reports a considerable demand for residential property at not too high a price. The district of Oak Bay seems to be receiving particular attention from buyers of this kind of property. In the subdivision on the corner of Oak Bay avenue and Foul Bay road alone the Island Investment Company last week put through sales aggregating in value about \$50,000, chiefly in single lots, ranging in price from \$500 to \$900.

The Northwest Real Estate Company and the B. C. Sales Company are other firms which have been doing almost all their business with outside buyers in the past week or so. Yesterday the former sold 41 acres in the vicinity of Cobble Hill to a man from Medicine Hat for a large amount. The buyer has no objection to the property, and at the valuation of the dealer and on the fine reputation of the southern island districts. The latter firm recently completed the sale of a corner on Vancouver and Fairfield roads for \$8,000 and a 6-acre piece in the Lost Lake district for \$8,000. This firm also reports a great demand for fairly cheap residential property, and in proof of the statement mentioned in the report on the subdivision lots are selling very rapidly.

Several sales of considerable size have been put through during the last two or three days, among them, a pair of Monk & Monteth's, of a double corner on Sincove street for \$14,000, and another by F. Landsberg, of the Empire Realty Company, of 30 feet on Douglas street for \$20,000, and one in the neighborhood of Sincove street, formerly owned by Dr. Fraser, for in the neighborhood of \$2,000. Other sales completed recently are:

Empire Realty Company, west half of lot 574 on Yates street, formerly owned by Meams & Fuller, \$10,500; lot 16, corner Craigflower and Burleigh, \$1,000; 3 lots on Carroll street, \$2,000; house and lot, 1000, 1000, house and lot, Grant street, \$4,000.

Monk & Monteth, lot on Belleville street, near Pendray's, soap works, \$7,000; three-cornered lot, Montreal street, \$7,000; five lots in Government House, to different buyers, for prices ranging from \$800 to \$950; two lots on Oswego street, \$17,000.

Moore & Johnston, two lots, Speed avenue, \$1,400; lot, Forbes street, \$600; lot, Garden City street, \$300; house and lot, Grant street, \$4,000.

T. P. McConnell, lot on Linden avenue, \$2,000; lot on Linden avenue, \$1,900.

Monk & Monteth also report the sale of an extremely large tract of land on the northern part of Vancouver Island and acreage at Cadboro Bay, as well as two lots in Shoal Bay park subdivision for \$1,650.

Mr. L. Powers, acting for a Vancouver firm, has bought the property known as Langford lodge, on the Goldstream road, consisting of about fifty acres. It is the intention of the company to develop it into a high class summer resort. The deal was put through by John T. Deaville.

LIFE SAVING SOCIETY

Proposal to Organize Branch Here—Preliminary Meeting Called.

A meeting has been arranged at the Balmoral hotel for Tuesday next to discuss the advisability of forming a branch of the Royal Life Saving Society in Victoria. This organization, which seeks to promote life-saving by means of training the public in the methods of rescue and resuscitation, directing public opinion along the lines of taking greater interest in the art of swimming, and promoting the use of life jackets. The society has a widespread influence in different parts of the British Empire, and last year awarded over eleven thousand proficiency certificates to members. The idea is to form a society for the province having its headquarters here. The local representative, P. R. Pomfret, will be glad to receive communications at P. O. Box 317 from persons interested in the movement. The assistance of bodies like swimming clubs, athletic organizations, and the heads of schools, as well as the Boy Scouts, and the police force will be welcomed by the promoters of the catering.

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AUTO FALLS OVER BLUFF

Car Smashed to Pieces—Two Occupants Narrowly Escape Death.

Marine, Cal., Sept. 30.—E. J. Robertson, a merchant of Portland, Ore., and his wife, who left the northern city a few days ago to motor to Oakland, narrowly escaped death on Thursday when their machine went over a 200-foot bluff near here and was smashed to pieces at the bottom. Robert and Grace were thrown out when the car left the road, landing in thick brush which saved them from serious injury. The machine, Robertson said, turned over five times before approaching the bottom of the hill. The accident occurred at a sharp turn.

F. J. Staepole, K. C., has obtained a ruling in chambers from Chief Justice MacArthur for the dismissal of the action Pemberton v. Cropper as it stands, on the ground that the required one month's notice of intention to prosecute, necessary pursuant to order 6, has not been given, nothing having been done for one year.

A business meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at 7 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Williscroft, the president of the Union, presided, and was very heartily welcomed after her long absence. A poem was read by Mrs. Williscroft, and the meeting closed at 8:30, from 3 to 5:30, when gifts of all kinds will be most welcome. In the evening a musical programme will be given. Refreshments will be served and the attendance of friends is hoped for.

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One thousand leaflets were distributed by the Political Equality League on election day in this city. The ladies who distributed the literature report that much interest was shown by voters in the small publications, so far as the only propaganda literature issued by the Victoria League. Arrangements are being made by the League to hold a promenade concert in the Alexandra ballroom on October 18. A short play entitled "How the Vote Was Won," will be given during the concert by local actors, who are being coached by their part by Miss Eugenie Fox, an elocutionist and a recent arrival in Victoria. It is expected that in the course of a few weeks the office rooms of the League, 606 Yates street, will be thrown open during the day to working girls of the city. Quantities of literature will be provided and the room made as attractive as possible. Girls who are in the habit of taking their lunches in town will be able to spend the noon hour there. News has been received that Mrs. Pankhurst will come to America on October 17 and will deliver a series of lectures on Woman Suffrage in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and other large cities of the east. She will arrive in Toronto about the middle of December, and may possibly pay a visit to the Pacific Coast.

THE McNAMARA CASE

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 30.—A special venire of 12 possible jurors for the trial over the McNamara brothers was sworn yesterday by Judge Bordwell. This is the first move in winnowing out venire lists for twelve men who will decide whether or not the McNamaras are guilty of conspiracy to commit murder by blowing up the Los Angeles Times building October 1, 1910, as charged. "The names of the veniremen were kept secret. The preliminary call for jurors was made by Judge Bordwell in order that he might facilitate the work of the attorneys on October 1. The judge intends to listen to all ordinary excuses of the veniremen before the case actually begins, so that those who have legitimate reasons for seeking to be excused from jury duty may be eliminated from the list of those who will be examined by the attorneys. Still affirming that they had reached no decision as to a possible motion for a change of judges to preside at the trial, the attorneys for the accused men concluded another lengthy conference yesterday. The cost of the McNamara case, and that he was taking a quiet retreat to the long-legal struggle ahead of him. His deputies maintained silence as to their chiefs' whereabouts.

Officers commanding companies will forward to Lieut. A. F. Robertson, before the 6th corp, the names of the men they have selected to take this course. All acting ranks will be cancelled at the completion of the school. P. T. STERN, Acting Adjutant.

EFFECTS MAY BE FAR REACHING

Lord Charles Beresford on Struggle Between Italy and Turkey

Vancouver, Sept. 30.—"I sincerely hope, in the interests of the world's peace, that means will be found to reach a compromise and thus save the national honor of both countries," said Lord Charles Beresford yesterday, in discussing the Russo-Italian crisis over Tripoli. "As a naval power Turkey is far inferior to Italy. I don't think any conflict between them would be characterized by any engagements at sea. With its formidable fleet Italy would have no difficulty in disposing of the obsolete Turkish warships if they should happen to meet in the Mediterranean. The relations between the two powers is that it might have far-reaching consequences and destroy the relations between Christians and Mohammedans of the world over, especially if the followers of the prophet made it a jihad or religious war. This would mean a struggle between the Christian and Mohammedan. Under such conditions Great Britain would become involved as she is a seafaring power on millions of people professing the Mohammedan religion and displaying a fanatical zeal that the average Christian does not realize. I have always maintained that when nations prepare to scrap that the English-speaking nations should go together and say in effect: 'You must postpone your fighting for another week.'"

"This delay would enable statesmanship to negotiate a settlement. In the past we have many illustrations to show that if the thinking nations had had time to act war would have been averted. I have always believed that the United States would never have declared war against Spain if a week or two had been devoted to thinking it over. The danger of a sudden attack of hostilities through the power of the democracy is now more acute than ever. In times of peace democracy is always shouting peace and disarmament, but let anything occur to seemingly injure an nation's honor and the democracy proves to be no more inflammable than any other class. I made that statement in a debate in the House of Commons, and it was cheered by the labor members. Democrats are characterized by an uncontrollable rush of sentiment. I can cite two recent examples, the first one relating to the destruction of the battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana. Thinking that the United States did not want war, it was the democracy, and the democracy forced the issue. Diplomatic action and debate would have averted hostilities."

"The other instance I have in mind is the Doggerbank affair during the Russo-Japanese war, when Russian warships passing through the North Sea during a fog mistook English fishing vessels for Japanese craft and, firing upon them, killed many innocent British subjects. If the democracy had had its way war would have been declared against Russia next day. The sentiment of the people and the press was decidedly for war. Happily the situation was tided over by cooler heads and means were found by diplomatic action to reach a settlement without impairing the national honor of either country."

STEPS INTO WATER—DROWNS

Gust Lindeman Meets Death in a Mysterious Manner, Returning From National Meeting.

With the arrival here of T. Sorenson, provincial constable at Quatsno, news has been received of the strange drowning of Gust Lindeman, a Swede, who for the past six years has been engaged in trapping on the west coast of this island. With a party of friends he was returning to Quatsno after attending a meeting and was showing his companions the way to their boat at the landing. He walked along the dock with lantern in hand and his comrades saw him gain the end of the pier and step into the water. Lindeman sank at once, and although a careful search has been made his body has not yet been discovered. No one is able to account for the accident.

NEW BRITISH TORPEDO

Said to Be Effective at Range of 10,000 Yards.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 29.—The British navy is equipped with a torpedo said to be effective at 10,000 yards or nearly three times the range of the most powerful projectile now in use in the United States navy. This information is brought back to Washington by an American naval expert, who recently discussed developments in gunnery, torpedo craft and other matters with the British and American navies.

FIRE DESTROYS MILL

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 30.—Fire destroyed the Phoenix Mill in Ballard last night, causing a loss of \$40,000. The mill is owned by William and James L. Eastley. The fire caused a general alarm on account of the valuable properties adjoining. The absence of wind aided the fire department in confining the fire, which was under control early this morning.

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OPENING EXERCISES AT GEORGE JAY SCHOOL

Institution Commences Second Year Under Favorable Auspices

The attendance at the commencement exercises at the George Jay school Friday afternoon was exceptional; the visitors and pupils crowding the splendid auditorium to its utmost capacity. As the occasion was practically the first anniversary of the opening of this school, the exercises were marked by special enthusiasm.

The principal, Henry B. McLean, presided, and on the platform were George Jay, Rev. W. Stevenson, E. B. Paul, city superintendent of schools; Miss Boorman and J. G. Brown. The principal feature of the day was the presentation of the special prize for the student passing the High School entrance examination with the highest marks, and as Reginald Rigby was second in the Victoria schools, he carried off the prize given by Chairman Jay, the Fireside edition of the works of Charles Dickens. In presenting Mr. Jay said he hoped this award would but be the earnest of future success.

There were eleven successful candidates for the High School entrance: Francis Moore, Hermie Lyons, Nora Moore, Vina Fawcett, Enda Finland, George Hampton, Reginald Rigby, Percy Willis, W. Stubbs, D. Staples and A. Wood. They received some good advice from Mrs. Jenkins, who hoped they went forward they would not be ashamed of the small things of life, upon which the greater depended.

Mr. Paul, who distributed these certificates, hoped there would grow up an esprit de corps among them as they passed into the High school, and that in being loyal to their new institution they would not forget the George Jay school, in which the preliminary work was done.

Miss Boorman, who has charge of the instruction in needlework in the schools, presented to Winifred Spouse, Hilda Maehin and Gertrude Keatings their prizes won in the recent needlework competitions at the provincial exhibition. She was able to convey the congratulations of the judge, a Vancouver lady, who specially commended the children's work. Fourteen prizes had been won by the schools, six in the senior grade, four in the intermediate class, and four in the Junior class.

Address were given by Rev. W. Stevenson and J. G. Brown. The former said the large part of the success of a public school, as of any institution in which a large number of units meet to make up the whole, consisted in the creation of a spirit of esprit de corps, and he was sure it existed in that school, which he understood had over 360 pupils on the rolls.

Mr. Brown gave some advice in singing, and said the school, while not first, had had a high percentage of marks at the annual competition. Among the principal items was a piano solo from "Candle Keefe," and several choruses were excellently rendered by the scholars as well as certain vocal exercises which reflected credit on the instructors.

EXODUS FROM DAWSON NOW IN FULL SWING

River Steamers Carrying Many People to Coast Towns—Survey Party Quits

Dawson, Y. T., Sept. 30.—The big annual exodus is now in full swing. Every boat has a full load of passengers bound for outside points for their winter vacation. Lower river boats arriving here say that the last steamer from Fairbanks and other camps claimed \$23,900, and the city offered \$4,900. The matter will stand until the city officials decide just how much of the owner's land will be required. In order to make a quick transfer, Mr. Davie has offered to relinquish his legal costs which the city would have to pay if the award were accepted.

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W.C.T.U. POUND PARTY

The W.C.T.U. home committee gratefully acknowledge the following donations, being the proceeds of the pound party held at the home last Tuesday:

Mrs. McTavish, rolled oats and wheat flakes; Mrs. Crawford, 2 lbs. tea; Mrs. W. F. Cullum, rolled oats; Mrs. Swaley, bacon and biscuits; Mrs. J. B. Martin, starch and flakes; Mrs. D. Spencer, \$5, box soap; Mrs. Evans, \$1; Mrs. Hoff, rice; Mrs. Pike, sugar; Mrs. A. C. Pike, raisins; Mrs. Kenry, raisins; Mrs. J. Cochrane, soap; Mrs. Tite, crackers; Mrs. Allen, tea; Rev. E. J. Thompson, \$1; Mrs. Shakespeare, \$4.65; Mrs. J. Frank, cake, butter; Mrs. McIntyre, 1 sack flour; Mrs. Parsons, box pears; Mrs. Brak, cake; Mrs. J. T. Reid, \$5; Mrs. W. Grant, \$5; Mrs. Argue, sugar; Mrs. Keyworth, cocoa, sandalwood and pie; Mrs. Ricketts, tea; Mrs. Dilworth, rolled oats, wheat flakes; Mrs. C. Kinney, toilet soap, wheat flakes; Mrs. H. Grant, 3 lbs. cream of wheat; Mrs. McKinnon, tea; Mrs. Pickard, butter, soap and pear line; Mrs. Vigellus, \$1; Mrs. Pumphrey, \$1; Mrs. Jenkins, 50c; A. Friend, \$1; A. Friend, \$1; A. Friend, 50c; Hon. J. S. Helmecken, \$5; Mrs. McTaggart, \$2; Miss McTaggart, \$1; Mrs. Cochrane, \$1; Mrs. Richards, \$1; Mrs. McLeod, breakfast food; A. Friend, 25c; A. Friend, 25c; A. Friend, crackers and biscuits; Mrs. Chapman, \$1; Mrs. Mitchell, tea; Mrs. E. Logan, tapioca; Mrs. Christie, \$1; Mrs. Holling, tea and cocoa; Mrs. H. Norman, fruit and soap; Mrs. Loney, \$1; Mrs. Creech, tea; Mrs. G. Grant, tea; Mrs. Copeland, tomatoes; Mrs. Watkins, \$1; Mrs. McCulloch, \$4; Mrs. W. C. Wilson, box pears, 3 pks. wheat flakes; Mrs. Scowcroft, tea, coffee; Mrs. F. Grant, sack of potatoes; Mrs. McCutchie, sack of flour; Mrs. Carrie, sack of flour, 2 lbs. tea; Mrs. A. Humber, sack of flour, jar of marmalade; Mrs. Andrews, tea; Mrs. W. H. Brown, Dallas road, 1 lb. tea; Mrs. A. Lee, pumpkin, tomatoes, cake, cream; Mrs. Rockett, sack of sugar, box of crackers; Mrs. Dempster, sack of sugar; A. Friend, tea; Mrs. McArthur, 2 lbs. butter; Mrs. E. Engh, cocoa, cornstarch, raisins, breakfast food; Mrs. W. Munie, sack of potatoes; Mrs. Dr. E. Hall, sack of sugar; Mrs. W. J. Hanna, oatmeal, raisins; Mrs. T. Brooker, 4 boxes of soap; Mrs. L. Goodacre, sack of flour; Mrs. Wilkerson, 2 jars of jelly; Mrs. Lake, 4 tins of corn; Mrs. Preston, sack of sugar; Mrs. Faranan, sack of sugar; Mrs. G. A. Richardson, panache flour; Mrs. Pendry, box of soap; Mrs. Nicholas, vegetables; A. Friend, bacon; Harrison & McDonald, 4 baskets prunes.

SIR W. WHYTE RETIRES

Winnipeg, Sept. 30.—Sir Wm. Whyte retired last night as vice-president of the Canadian Pacific railway in Winnipeg, with jurisdiction over all western lines, and the curtain rings down on one of the most progressive railway men in America. He leaves Sunday to attend a meeting of the board of directors in Montreal, to which he was recently appointed.

There is much speculation as to his successor. It was stated that at the board meeting four vice-presidents will be named. G. W. Boscawen, fourth vice-president of Montreal, will be promoted to Winnipeg as chief executive in the west. G. J. Bury, general manager at Winnipeg; W. R. Melnes, freight traffic manager; G. J. Boscawen, freight traffic manager, both of Montreal, and R. Marpole, of Vancouver, will be the four vice-presidents.

METHODIST CLERGYMEN

Prominent Devises Arrive At Montreal on Way to Conference at Toronto.

Montreal, Sept. 30.—Among the passengers who landed from the Empress of Britain yesterday afternoon was a group of prominent Methodist clergymen who are coming to the Methodist Episcopal conference which is being held in Toronto next week. Among them are Rev. T. E. Westerdale of Bolton, England; Dr. Fitcham, of Melbourne, Australia; Rev. H. Hecart, of Paris, France; and Rev. George Smith, who is accompanied by Lady Smith.

Rev. Mr. Westerdale is known in England as one of the most prominent clergymen in the Methodist connection, was an engineer employed by P. F. Hogan, and was working at Hogan's camp, Macdonald Creek, Howe Sound, when the accident occurred. From the evidence it appears that the deceased was engaged in the moving of a donkey engine when in some manner a log flew up and hit him on the head, fracturing the skull. Mr. Hogan immediately procured medical assistance, and although the doctor pronounced the case to be hopeless, chartered a tug and brought the injured man directly to the city, where he was taken to the General Hospital. The deceased only survived a few hours.

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ROUTINE MATTERS BEFORE COUNCIL

Expenditure on Charity Sooke Lake Expropriations—Oak Bay Makes Move

The city council Friday night submitted reports to the city council showing that the charitable expenditure of the city for the year 1911 has amounted to \$31,380, made up as follows: Royal Jubilee hospital, \$10,000; Home for Indigent Widows, \$8,000; Children's Aid Society, \$4,500; Home for Aged and Infirm Women, \$2,500; charitable aid fund, \$2,500; Anti-Tuberculosis Society, \$2,500, and various other small amounts, making a total of \$39,880.

The report was handed in as a result of the recent resolution presented to the council by the mayor which, if passed, would provide for a maintenance fund for indigent widows and women having children to support.

No appeal will be taken against the award recently made in connection with the expropriation value of 58 acres of land, being lot 484, Malahat district, which the city proposed to take in connection with the Sooke water supply plans. The decision is reached owing to the city finding there is no necessity to take as much land as was at first thought necessary. F. E. Pemberton, acting for the owner, Mr. Davie; Mr. Coles, acting for the city, with Judge Lammman as referee, valued the land at \$23,900. Mr. Davie claimed \$23,900, and the city offered \$4,900. The matter will stand until the city officials decide just how much of the owner's land will be required. In order to make a quick transfer, Mr. Davie has offered to relinquish his legal costs which the city would have to pay if the award were accepted.

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A gas lighted beacon has been established by the government of Canada on the north side of the eastern entrance to Houston Stewart channel, on the first prominent point on Moresby Island to the eastward of Langford point, Queen Charlotte Islands; lat. N., 52 deg. 3 min. 30 sec.; long. W., 131 deg. 45 sec.

The beacon consists of a steel cylindrical tank standing on a steel framework and surmounted by a lantern, the whole painted black. The light is a white light, automatically occulted at short intervals. It is elevated 51 feet above high water mark and should be visible 12 miles over a sea of 210 deg. from S. through W. to N. 30 deg. E. The illuminant is acetylene, generated automatically. The light is unwatched.

The beacon stands near the east end of Flat rock. It consists of a steel cylindrical tank standing on a steel framework and surmounted by a lantern, the whole painted red. The light is a white light, automatically occulted at short intervals. It is elevated 80 feet above high water mark and should be visible 14 miles all round the horizon except where obscured by the high land of Anthony Island. The illuminant is acetylene, generated automatically. The light is unwatched.

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