

Imperial Life Assurance Company, Of Canada.

The Annual General Meeting of the Company was held at its head office, in Toronto, on February 26, 1901. Among those present were Hon. Sir Mackenzie...

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Percentage. Includes Total Assets, Reserves for policies, Annual Premium Income, etc.

ABSTRACT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Table with 3 columns: Receipts, Disbursements, Balance. Includes Net Ledger Assets, By Claims under Policies, Net Assets, etc.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the above statements of Receipts and Disbursements and of Assets and Liabilities, with the books and vouchers of the Company, and certify the same to be correct...

The Company's existence, of the reserve to meet policies of assurance and annuities.

1897 \$ 38,426; 1898 190,761; 1899 441,112; 1900 897,488. Sir Oliver concluded by stating: 'On the whole, it is obvious that the progress and stability of the Company, the security it affords to its policyholders, and the public confidence in the Company...'

J. W. W. STEWART, PROVINCIAL MANAGER, Victoria and Vancouver.

Investigated Smuggling

Immigration Officer Ellis Paid a Visit to the Islands Last Week.

Many Japanese on the Island but Report Not Authenticated.

Early last week ranchers residing on Mayne and Saturna Islands advised the provincial government and the customs that numbers of Japanese were illegally entering the province from the American side via the cordwood camps on the islands, smuggling goods with them...

Rescued From A Hard Fate

Capt. Cantwell Saves Indian Boy on Lower Yukon from Death or Slavery.

An interesting story of the strange customs of the far north was brought by the Amer. Capt. Cantwell, of the revenue cutter Nunivik, late a tale to the effect that the landing of a boat-load on the Yukon delta had recently been killed and a companion of the one killed...

Ketchikan Miners Narrowly Escape in Wreck of Their Sail Boat.

The German and Russian barracks for the guards of their respective legations will be ready in a month. Mr. Rockhill, who attended for the first time a meeting of foreign envoys in an independent capacity, no business of importance was transacted.

COURT WILL RETURN.

Li Hing Chang Does Not Expect Any Further Trouble. Pekin, Feb. 25.—Li Hing Chang says he expects that the imperial court will return to Pekin as soon as notification has been received of the safe evacuation of the troops of the allies and their determination to strictly enforce the provisions of the immigration act at all points.

DENY IT.

No Truth That Morgan Secured Dominion Steel Company. Montreal, Feb. 25.—A report reached here to-day from Sydney, N.S., that the Morgan syndicate had secured a contract of the Dominion Steel Company's works at Sydney, N.S., officials of the company deny the truth of the report.

U. S. SENATE.

Debating the Questions of Philippines and Cuba. Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—The Army appropriation bill was under discussion in the Senate to-day and the Philippine amendment vesting in the president authority to shape the affairs of the island was reached. In addition...

MY LADY OF ORANGE.

'I will open the gates to a party of your men.' 'Ah!' Vitelli said, and he smiled. 'You may go,' cried Alva to the lieutenant. 'Is that all?' he asked sharply, turning to me. 'The rest comes from you, sir,' I answered, coolly. 'With a pardon you will be well paid,' he snarled. 'I should, of course, request that,' I said. 'For yourself and your men,' said Vitelli. 'They are good soldiers,' I answered. 'They would be more alive alive,' he snarled. 'You want more?' Alva asked sharply. 'I bowed. 'What do you ask?' 'There was a girl we lost—I began, Alva waved his hand carelessly. 'You may buy her tonight for a few dollars,' cried Vitelli, his face as cheap. 'I looked angrily at the coarse fat face, and I did not love Chiap'n Vitelli, though he had saved my life a little before. 'Is that all?' said Alva. 'Would such a service be overpaid, sir, with 7,000 crowns?' 'Seven thousand friends?' thundered Alva. 'By the eyes of God! Do you forget you are a traitor to the king and the church, and in my power?' 'Breuthe is not, sir,' said I. 'And if Breuthe were fastened by chains to hell I would break them! Am I to say a king's ransom to a heretic?' 'You shall be paid, rascal! you shall be paid! You shall repeat asking money?' 'I will send enough,' said Alva, with a short laugh. 'You may go. Vitelli give him his hire.' 'For the girl?' I asked. 'Fool, why should we harm you now?' said Alva, with a sneer. 'For the girl?' I said. 'He scrawled on a parchment and tossed it across the table to me. Vitelli took me out and gave me a bag of money. 'There, my clever fool,' said he, and laughed. 'Was I a fool? Ask Chiap'n Vitelli now. You will find him in—I know not where you will find him. He was a brave man, and he saved my life—the deed was better than the purpose. 'And the girl?' 'The woman's auction, fool. Listen and look. He pointed to a ring of yellow, smoky light in the midst of the camp, whence wild shouts and screams and evil laughter came. A drum beat loudly. The auction of women! That was the end of my story. 'There stood the women; some silent, some sobbing loudly, some with their hands buried in their faces, some standing still, dry-eyed, looking right on away and beyond, some praying, some laughing. God! I have heard much, but sometimes I hear those langas still. I fought for Alva once. 'Some fool mounted a little platform, while my eyes wandered over the group eagerly. 'Gentlemen of the sword, get ready your purses. Sweet little love birds are here to be sold to-night. Bring up the dark little fly, Pedro. 'A girl scarce 16 at most was dragged forward, and two fellows, each bearing a torch, stood on either side of her, so that the light fell full on her face. It was dully white, like the face of moon who have had to death. 'Here, gentlemen, a sweet object for your endeavors and your greed. The very Lily of Holland. Worth double to the honest merchant when he has kissed the rosy back to her cheeks.' He...

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Discussing The Speech Debate on the Address Continued in the Provincial Legislature.

Hon. W. C. Wells Delivers a Forceful and Telling Speech.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS. Yesterday was uneventful in the legislature. The continuation of the debate on the address took up the whole afternoon, and it will be continued to-day.

The debate on the address will probably be brought to a conclusion to-day. The house met at 2 o'clock and after prayers by Rev. W. D. Barber, the following petitions were presented.

By Mr. Hunter, from J. H. Sankler and others, for a private bill to incorporate the Midway and Vernon Railway Company.

By Mr. Melnick, from E. V. Bodwell and others, for a private bill to incorporate the Victoria Terminal Railway Company.

By Mr. Melnick, from the corporation of the city of Victoria, for a private bill to validate the Victoria Terminal Railway by-law, No. 826, and to authorize the leasing of certain city property.

By Mr. Melnick, from the Arrowhead and Kootenay Railway Company, for a private bill to amend their Corporate Act.

By Mr. Melnick, from Stephen Henderson and others, for a private bill to incorporate the Granby Consolidated Smelting and Mining Company.

The following petition was received: From Robert Irvine and others, for a private bill to incorporate the Crawford Bay Railway Company.

The following returns were presented by the Hon. Mr. Pringle: Return under section 3 of section 2 of chapter 157 of the Revised Statutes (Probate Recognition).

Return under section 61 of the Small Debts Act, chapter 55, R. S. B. C.

learning and agricultural opportunities, were sufficient to support a large population, and supply half the continent with salmon, herring and halibut.

Mr. Phillips, after alluding in fitting terms to the demise of the Queen and complimenting the mover and second of the address, criticized the leader of the opposition for deserting his post after objecting to the adjournment of the house on Thursday to Monday.

He said he was elected to the legislature with the understanding that he would support a policy looking to the government ownership of railways, a policy of advancement towards the most desirable end, as soon as the circumstances of the province would warrant it.

He defended the government from the charge of partisanship. Appearances had been made with a view to efficiency regardless of party.

He felt satisfied that when the government brought down the bill, it was not a breach of public confidence on their part to attend to the present house on party lines.

Mr. Neill, Albert, regretted that some members of the government had taken occasion to explain in more detail the measures outlined in the speech from the throne.

Mr. Clifford, Cassiar, in resuming the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, challenged the statement of the member for North Nanaimo, that the government had discharged public officials with no other reason than that they were Liberals.

It would be welcome news to his constituents to learn that the government was taking steps to secure a reduction of freight rates.

Mr. Clifford paid a high tribute to the mover and seconder of the address, and spoke feelingly of the universal regret manifested by every British subject on the death of the Queen.

Mr. Clifford remarked that the facilities for that industry in Cassiar were unparalled. While the mountains were destined to become the treasure house of the world, the valleys were unequalled for their fertility, and might be utilized for agriculture and fruit growing.

He would like to ask the member for North Nanaimo for a definition of the term "Turnerism," which he was so fond of casting about the house.

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Mr. Hunter (Cariboo) in complimenting the mover and seconder of the address in reply to the speech from the throne, said that on two occasions he had had the honor of moving the address in reply, and each time he had been assured by the Hon. the Finance Minister that his speech was the finest ever heard within the walls of the legislature.

He considered the Klitmaat & Yukon railway was so conspicuously in the interests of the Dominion that the Dominion government should give it substantial aid.

been for the timely rescue of the honorable member for Alberni, he would have been compelled to contain himself with simply a flat denial of them which might not be satisfactory to the house.

He referred to the lateness in passing the estimates of the last session, owing to which there was a very serious delay in proceeding with the various works over the province, but he ventured to say that at no time in the administration of the department had such an almost incredible amount of work been accomplished with a comparatively short season.

The climatic conditions prevailing in some parts of the province, notably the Coast districts, made it difficult to cope with or satisfactorily process the timber exports during the winter season, the result being that it had to be deferred, but in any case, where the timber exports were not delayed had been suffered, and to which his attention had been called, prompt action had invariably been taken in response to the complaints that were made.

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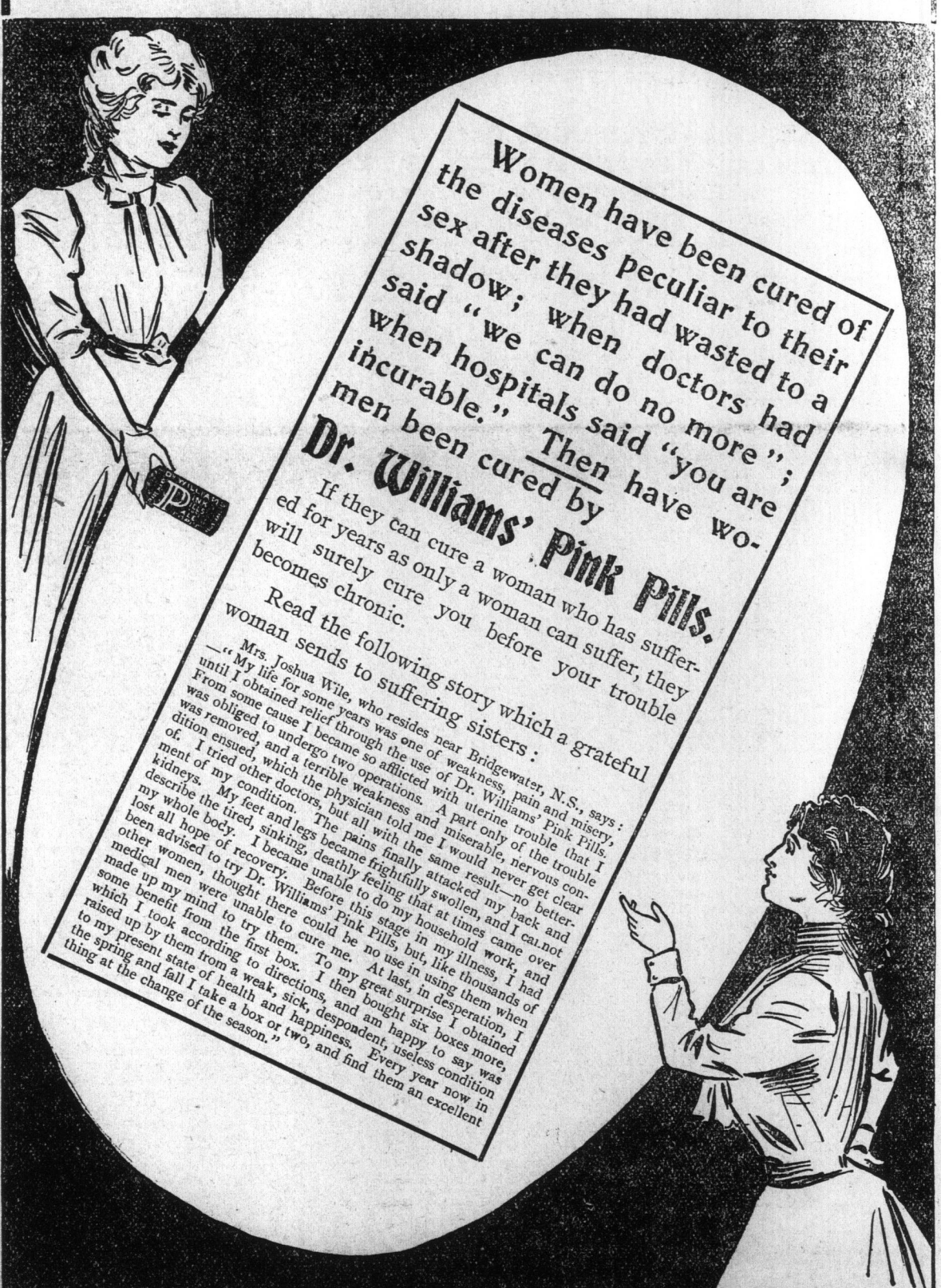
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