

Not Unlike Kruger

The Chinese Propose to Establish a New Capital at Tsian Fu.

Remarkable Statement by Representative in London—China Has Been Insulted.

Disturbances Near Canton—A Number of Villages Destroyed.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Sept. 21.—A cabinet meeting was held today. At its conclusion the following announcement was made:

"The government has reached a determination relative to the Chinese situation. It will be made public as soon as it can be communicated to the powers interested."

It is definitely known that three notes have been prepared, one in reply to the German proposition, one bearing upon the last Russian proposal and one relative to the communication from the Chinese government delivered by Minister Minister Conger with power to treat with Prince Ching in peace negotiations. These several communications, which set forth the position of the United States, will not be made public before tomorrow.

A New Capital.

New York, Sept. 21.—An Imperial decree has been received here, says the Pekin correspondent of the Herald, which announces the arrival of the Emperor and Empress Dowager at Tai Yuan Fu. The decree also commands the governor of Shan Si province to raise money to build a palace at Hsian Fu as the new intended capital.

Minister's Statement.

New York, Sept. 21.—A London dispatch to the Herald says: "Sir Chih Chen Lo Feng Luh, the Chinese minister to Great Britain, who asks the meaning of the reported bombardment of the Pei Tang and Lu Tai forts, declared that if the Imperial defences at the mouth of the Pei Ho had been riddled with shells by the allies, China should immediately declare war against the powers which participated in the assault. 'It is incomprehensible,' he continued, 'and constitutes a gratuitous insult to China.'"

Shelling Pei Tang Forts.

Berlin, Sept. 21.—A dispatch received here from Taku, dated to-day, says yesterday evening the Pei Tang forts opened fire on the Russian infantry camp, wounding 25 men. Since early this morning a German howitzer battery has been shelling the forts and town.

Chaffee's Dispatch.

Washington, Sept. 21.—The following dispatch, received yesterday at the war department from Gen. Chaffee, was made public to-day:

"Taku, (no date)—Adjutant-General, Washington: Pekin, Sept. 19.—The Rockhill Wilson expedition returned, object successfully accomplished; no casualties to our troops. Forsyth's squadron scouted northeast forty miles, and returned bringing in 14. The surrounding country daily growing less hostile and more peaceful so far as my expedition can determine the questions. (Signed) Chaffee."

The date of this cablegram, September 19th, shows that close communication has been established with the Chinese capital.

Disturbances Near Canton.

Paris, Sept. 21.—The French consul at Canton telegraphs yesterday that the Thursday, September 20th, that disorders have broken out at Sun Tai near Canton. Several villages have been destroyed and others besieged.

The first batch of troops sent by the viceroy proved powerless to subdue the disorder, and the foreign consuls made a most urgent request for the dispatch of a larger body of soldiers. The chancellor of the French consulate and the French gunboat *Avalanche* will accompany the forces.

Earl Li at Taku.

Tong Ku, Sept. 19, via Shanghai, Sept. 20.—Li Hung Chang arrived on Tuesday at the Taku anchorage, where he was visited by Rear-Admiral Remy and the Russian flag captain. He proceeded to Taku to-day. He was received with no special honors, and his presence attracted little notice. Only the Russian and the Japanese officers called on him, but later he had a long consultation with Vice-Admiral Alexieff on board a Russian war ship.

Earl Li, accompanied by a Russian guard of seven and his own escort, the latter unarmed but wearing the Imperial uniform, will proceed by special train to Tien Tsin, where a residence has been prepared for his occupancy.

London, Sept. 22.—Germany, it is believed throughout Europe, proposed her demand that anti-foreigners should be surrendered before negotiations commenced, with a view of delaying any general acceptance of her proposal until Field Marshal Count von Waldersee should arrive at Pekin.

A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Washington asserts that the United States government has politely de-

clined to agree to Germany's proposal on this very ground.

In any event, with Count von Waldersee and Li Hung Chang both journeying northward, matters must soon reach a crisis.

The manner of Earl Li's reception seems to be due to the suspicions existing in Shanghai regarding his close understanding with Russia. About four thousand Russian troops and all the principal officers met him at Chung Liang Chen, half-way to Tien Tsin. A long conference was held, at which no report of any other power was present. This remarkable friendship apparently exists at a time when two continents are ringing with the stories of massacres by the Russians in Amur.

The Moscow correspondent of the Standard, reverting to the subject of massacres this morning, says: "From a recent visit to the Amur region, I learn that massacres are the order of the day with the troops overrunning Manchuria. The orders are charged to Gen. Grodekoff, but it is quite certain that Emperor Nicholas must be ignorant of their nature. The same correspondent asserts that troops by the wholesale continue to pour into Manchuria."

Li Hung Chang, according to Shanghai dispatches, assumed the seals of the viceroy of China Li yesterday. His officers are busy raising 8,000 foreign drilled men and well armed veterans, who are now encamped at Yang Chow, and will proceed to Tien Tsin as Earl Li's body guard under command of Chang Kan Yung, who was the Chinese general at Kao Chou when the Germans seized that place.

It is reported that Liu Kun Ki, viceroy of Nankin, alarmed at the prospects of the German fleet ascending the Yangtze River, is placing obstructions in the channel below the Kiang Yin forts and sending troops to the northeast of Kang Su, for fear the Germans may land troops there to attack the Sing Kian Fu.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post expresses the opinion that Germany's policy may yet lead to a rising in Central China.

The Standard has a Taku telegram, asserting that, as a means of averting punishment, the acting governor of Pao Ting Fu has posted a proclamation, ordering the suppression of the Boxers.

Telegraphing from Pekin on September 21st, Dr. Morrison says: "Gen. Chaffee has received orders from the United States to cease his preparations for wintering his troops in Pekin. This is interpreted to mean that the United States is contemplating a withdrawal of her troops, the abandonment of her interests in Pekin and the transferring to another power of the protection of the numerous converts who reached the American missions and survived the siege. The withdrawal of the German legation is capable of explanation, but a misgiving is felt that the United States also proposes to withdraw her legation."

Decision of United States Ministers.

Washington, Sept. 21.—An official communication, coming through diplomatic channels, was brought to the attention of the state department to-day, giving information as to the condition in the Yangtze River valley, and also giving detailed and fully authenticated instances of atrocities in the province of Hunan against Christian missionaries. The account is given by one of the missionaries who escaped, and who makes the report through officials of the government now forwarding it to Washington. In one case it is stated that a missionary had his eyes burned out, then a portion of his body was cut off and a red-hot staff was driven through his back. Concerning conditions in the Yangtze River valley, the report states that the viceroys there have exercised most pacific influences, despite orders to the contrary from Pekin.

It appears that the Pekin government ordered the viceroys to assemble a large army and march it to the north. But as the viceroys were opposed to anti-foreign crusade, the order was not executed.

The United States government has made full and complete answers to the various important inquiries which have been addressed to it by the powers relating to the Chinese trouble. Moreover, it has gone farther and has made a disclosure of all of its purposes. This action was taken after the cabinet meeting to-day. At 3.30 o'clock, Mr. Wu called, by appointment, upon Acting Secretary Hill, and was handed a memorandum embodying the response of the United States government to the request of Prince Ching, that Mr. Conger or some other person be immediately empowered to begin negotiations with the Chinese authorities for a final settlement. The minister came away with a dissatisfied expression on his face.

Next came M. Thiebaut, the French charge. A few minutes' conversation sufficed to impart to him orally an answer to his own verbal inquiry.

Baron Sternberg, the German charge, who had been notified of the readiness of the state department to make answer to the German note, called and was given that answer. He hastened away to cable it to his government.

The department then sent the answer to the Russian inquiry, forwarded by messenger, and wired cablegrams containing the substance of the answers to its diplomatic representatives abroad. Thus closed one of the most interesting and important phases of the Chinese entanglement.

The state department absolutely refused to make any statement as to the nature of the answers, taking the ground that to do so would be a violation of the diplomatic proprieties. However, as it was circulated that all of these answers will have reached their destinations abroad by to-morrow, it was promised that the text of the communications would be given to the press to-morrow afternoon.

With all this, it is known that the

German proposal, that negotiations with China be deferred until the Chinese responsible for the Pekin outrages have been surrendered to the allies, has failed of approval by the United States. The impression has been conveyed that such a demand that cannot be offensive, but it is believed that the United States government cannot recognize the principle that a country may be called upon to surrender its own people to a foreign power for punishment. This judgment does not rest on the idea of ultimate punishment of the offenders when they are properly identified, but it does not believe that the pursuit of this object should put a stop to all negotiations.

The idea of a commission to adjust the difficulties with China is again brought forward, and it is suggested that such a commission on the part of the United States may either form part of a joint international commission, which it is proposed will be appointed for this purpose, or, in the event of the failure of the effort to secure joint action, then the members can go directly to work on China for a settlement. The names of Minister Conger, Gen. James H. Wilson and Mr. Rockhill are mentioned in this connection.

It is believed that the outcome, from a military point of view, of the action will be the withdrawal of all but one regiment of the United States troops from China to Manila, where they can be held ready to return in an emergency. Gen. Chaffee will probably remain in China as commander of the forces there, which will be simply regarded as a legion guard.

One fact concerning the United States forces, which is learned officially, was that they contained no new propositions; they simply clean away the debris of unanswered inquiries.

At Tien Tsin.

Tien Tsin, Sept. 20, via Shanghai, Sept. 21.—Li Hung Chang has arrived and is domiciled in his own yamen under a Cossack guard. His reception here was a repetition of his reception at Tong Ku. Only the Russian and Japanese officials called on him, those of the other nations not taking part in it.

Agree With Germany.

Berlin, Sept. 20.—The German foreign office has received replies from Italy, Austria and France, agreeing without reserve to Germany's China proposal.

A Shanghai dispatch under date of to-day, says that the German warship *Bertha*, with Count von Waldersee, the commander-in-chief of the allied forces in China, on board her, arrived at Wosung. She will go to Kiao Chiu to-morrow.

Fort Occupied.

Vienna, Sept. 21.—An official dispatch from the commander of the Austrian squadron in Chinese waters says: "A small Austrian detachment has occupied the south fort at Pei Tang, in conjunction with German and Russian troops, and the Austrian and German flags have been hoisted. The Russians captured two guns. The Austrian losses were a naval cadet killed and 14 wounded."

Success of Allies.

Pekin, Sept. 17, via Taku, Sept. 20.—

General James H. Wilson, the United States commander, took Heita Chu this morning. No details of the affair have been received, but British officials have received a dispatch announcing that the arsenals were taken according to arrangement.

It is expected that Gen. Wilson will move on San Hai Tien and destroy the Chinese arsenals there.

The Germans moved westward to-day, and it is doubtful if they co-operated in the taking of Pei Tai Chu. The Japanese scouts report that the surrounding country is free of the enemy.

No word has been received from the 6th United States cavalry, which is operating in the northeast.

As announced by the Associated Press dispatch from Pekin, under date of Sunday, 16th, via Taku, Sept. 20th, Gen. Wilson, with 600 British and 800 American troops and six guns, marched westward that day and the Germans were to move on the following day, to co-operate in taking Pei Tai Chu, where the enemy was supposed to be in force. Gen. Wilson, it was decided, would attack from the west and the Germans from the east. The dispatch also said that Gen. Wilson would then take the San Hai Tien arsenal.

New York, Sept. 22.—There are signs of a revival of public interest in England in the China questions, says the Tribune's London correspondent. The most noteworthy is the sharpness with which Russia is attacked by the press for duplicity in dealing with the powers and for the inhumanity in her method of warfare. These criticisms may not be well grounded, but the fact that the English journals, after a long period of apathy and indifference, are uniting in a general assault upon Russia is highly significant. It indicates a return to the normal conditions of English opinion of foreign affairs, which is nothing if not critical. Keen observers explain this sudden access of spirit as the natural result of the close of the war in South Africa. The exchange of posts by British ministers in the Far East is not accepted in diplomatic circles as due entirely to Sir Claude Macdonald's impaired health. There is a general impression among well informed men here that Lord Salisbury is now coming strongly to the front, and that Russia and Germany will speedily be reminded that the British policy in China has been transformed by the close of hostilities in South Africa. That the powers and the Imperial government have not been in earnest in their negotiations but have been playing for position in a great diplomatic game which will now open in earnest. Russian troops will remain in Pekin, Count von Waldersee is close at hand, and the question to be settled is whether the Emperor shall be allowed to return to the Forbidden City and resume her despotism any after being more responsible than any of her mandarins for the reign of terror and bloodshed.

The Attack on Pei Tang Forts.

Taku, Sept. 20.—Four thousand Russians, three thousand Germans and one thousand French troops, with a detach-

ment of Austrian marines, began the attack upon the Pei Tang forts at daylight. The attack was answered briskly from the forts, the bombardment continuing until noon, but it was noticed that the forts did not reply after 10 o'clock.

The allies sent forward at noon to discover the reason of the cessation of the firing of the forts, and found them deserted, there being only four dead Chinamen without the walls. The allies were much chagrined, as they believed they had the place completely surrounded, making escape impossible; yet over three thousand men got away in broad daylight.

The Russian artillery fire proved ineffective and the forts were badly damaged.

The British and Italian commanders had decided to join in the attack but their troops had not arrived in time.

The entire line between Tien Tsin and Taku shows reinforcements were heading for the forts.

Three members of the allied forces were killed and fifty wounded, through an explosion of mines laid along their line of march.

Remy's Report.

Washington, Sept. 28.—The navy department has received the following cablegram from Admiral Remy:

"Taku, Sept. 21.—A force of Russians, Germans and Austrians advanced on the Pei Tang forts last night. Fire was opened by the Chinese and kept up all night at intervals. The forts were evacuated at 9 o'clock this morning. The Europeans hoisted their colors over the forts at 11. Twenty-five Russians and Germans are reported to have been blown up by a mine. Information from Commander Wise, who followed the troops into the forts, reports only five Chinese killed. (Signed) Remy."

Reviewed by New Commander.

Shanghai, Sept. 22.—Court von Waldersee reviewed 5,000 foreign troops to-day. The Bengal Lancers furnished a field march's escort. The troops marched past in the following order: German, French, volunteers (composed of British, Americans, French, Japanese and Germans), Bengal Lancers and other Indian troops.

To Be Issued To-morrow.

Washington, Sept. 22.—The state department has decided to defer until tomorrow the publication of the answer of the United States to the various powers relative to the Chinese situation.

International Losses.

Berlin, Sept. 22.—A dispatch received here from Tien Tsin gives the loss of the allies at the capture of the Pei Tang forts: 20 men, including seven German and three Chinese, the dispatch adds, escaped in boats.

SITUATION AT GALVESTON.

Exodus from the City is Falling Off—Conditions Improving.

(Associated Press.)

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 21.—The conditions at Galveston continue to rapidly improve. Everyone is so busy that there is little time to mourn over losses. The number of patients in the various hospitals is much smaller than would have been expected considering the number of dead. This is due to the fact that few, who were entirely helpless, succeeded in escaping alive.

The number of people leaving the city is decreasing, and there is no longer any necessity for sick and injured to go elsewhere for medical treatment.

Commander Selfridge, lighthouse inspector, gives official notice that all buoys at the entrance of Galveston harbor are in position.

Galveston, Sept. 21.—The first train since the storm arrived at 6.15 a. m. over the temporary bridge. Trains are now running regularly, more coming in than going away. The building of the temporary bridge 2 1/2 miles long, was a remarkable achievement of engineering. Martial law ended at noon.

NANAIMO NEWS.

The Annual Exhibition—Increase in Number of Entries.

(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, Sept. 21.—The seventh annual exhibition of the Nanaimo District Agricultural and Horticultural Society was opened yesterday afternoon. The exhibits included all kinds of farm, field and dairy produce, poultry, pigeons and canaries, flowers and ferns, bread and pastry, ladies' work, drawing, painting and penmanship. The exhibits were at least 20 per cent. more than in any previous year. There was only one opinion expressed by all who were present, and that was that the exhibition was excellent in every department. The exhibition of live stock takes place to-day.

Mrs. Agnes Gilbert, wife of H. Gilbert, died at Wellington yesterday, aged 47.

Arthur James Godfrey and Maggie Beck, daughter of James Beck, were married at the Presbyterian manse on Wednesday evening, Rev. W. B. Cumming officiating.

JOINING INTERESTS.

Reported Combine of American Telegraph, Telephone and Cable Companies.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 20.—In its forthcoming issue the Electric Review will say that American telephone and telegraph companies, which now includes the American Bell Telephone Company, the Telephone, Telegraph & Cable Company, the Western Union Telegraph Company, and the Postal Telegraph-Cable Co., will, according to persons in position to know, be consolidated into one big company, to be known as the National Telephone & Telegraph Co. It is said the consolidation will be accomplished before the end of the present year.

Premier at Montreal

Conservative Organ Admits the Demonstration Was a Great Success.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Able Reply to Statement by Sir C. Tupper.

He Deals at Length With the Tactics of the Opposition.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Sept. 21.—The Laurier demonstration in Montreal last evening is described by the Gazette, Conservative organ, this morning, as a great success. There were about 12,000 at the meeting. In his speech, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the demonstration was the largest ever seen in Montreal. The Premier spoke in French.

Another demonstration for English speeches will be held in a few days.

Premier Laurier reviewed what the government had accomplished during its term of office. He condemned those who were importing again the school question into politics. He justified British preference, which Sir Charles Tupper is attacking. The Conservatives never could get preference from Britain with a protective tariff. What has the government done? asked the Premier. It has made this country more prosperous than it has ever been before. There is more work; there is more pay; there is less anxiety; there is more comfort; there is more happiness—not only for the workmen but for women and children who are depending upon them. The Conservatives could not deny this, and they had no policy to bring in opposition to what the government had done. They had no principles and no resources, but appealed to one prejudice in one province and another in another. There was the dangerous question of cretinism to be continued, on which the Conservatives' committee prepared a pamphlet written in French and another in English. In one they blamed the government for sending the contingents at all; in the other they blamed them for hesitating to send them over for a single moment. Sir Charles Tupper had repudiated the notorious pamphlet No. 2, but in spite of his disavowal it was still being circulated in the campaign against the government, and he had a right to challenge it at the bar of public opinion, a bar he himself faced without fear and without reproach, for he had everywhere the same policy. For his part, he believed the cause of England was just and meant the advance of civilization.

In reply to Tupper's statement that he (Laurier) was too British, the Premier said: "I am a British subject and I accept all the responsibility of all duties together with the privileges of the position. I have accepted the privileges and in the name of British liberty I claim all the right of that high position. I accept also its obligations, but above all, I am a Canadian."

Messrs. Fielding, Tarte and Bernier spoke. The procession through the streets surpassed anything ever seen in Montreal.

Another Report.

Montreal, Sept. 21.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier opened the Quebec political campaign by a speech in Sobner Park, this city, last evening. A conservative estimate of the number of people is placed at between ten and fifteen thousand. The Premier defied the opposition leaders to point out one single engagement that the government had failed to fulfil during upon what had been done by it as regards the tariff, the school question, the labor question and other questions of equal importance to the Dominion. He felt confident that the electorate of the Dominion would sustain the party at the polls.

Hon. W. S. Fielding also addressed the meeting and contrasted the prosperity of the Dominion of the last four years under Liberal rule, with that of 1892 to 1896 with the Conservatives in power. Speaking of the outlook for the Maritime provinces, Mr. Fielding expressed confidence that the Liberals would gain a number of seats.

FLOOD IN TEXAS.

(Associated Press.)

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 21.—Trinity river rose 20 feet during the night on account of 12 hours rain. Three persons are reported drowned. Hundreds of families were driven from their houses in the lower portion of the city.

MR. AND MRS. MCCOY.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 21.—The action for absolute divorce begun by Norman Selby, better known as "Kid McCoy," a prize fighter, was dismissed by agreement when the case was called by Justice Bischoff to-day. Mrs. McCoy's counter suit was withdrawn at the same time.

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Chinese Are Defiant

Report That Prince Tuan Is Now Grand Secretary to the Emperor.

Germany Demanded His Punishment, As Head of the Boxers.

The Anti-Foreign Element Is Apparently Again Coming Into Favor.

(Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 24.—The proposition of the United States on China, as made public in the notes of yesterday, is receiving the earnest consideration of the powers and the representatives here. It is looked upon as a sort of turning point in the negotiations, in which the alignment of the several countries will be determined and their programmes framed. There has been no word, however, from any of the governments concerning their view of the American position, and it is expected that some days will elapse before a new move is made.

Just in Time. (New York, Sept. 24.—Gen. Yamaguchi has stated in an interview that Pekin was relieved only in order to save the legations, says a dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Taku. English plans, with complete instructions regarding the seizure of the Chinese officers' quarters translated into Chinese. Twenty thousand Japanese troops are now at Taku. A French priest has arrived from over the western hills. With 70 Chinese Christians and guns made from iron bedsteads, the first shots from which killed 20 Boxers, he held out until 20 days ago when he escaped from Yank Chikou. Four days' march from Taku.

Empress's Secretary. (New York, Sept. 24.—A dispatch to the Herald from Shanghai says: "Prince Tuan is declared by Tao Tai Sheng to have been appointed grand secretary to the Emperor, a position enabling him to control all communications to and from the throne. This constitutes a defiance of Germany's demand. The Tao Tai of Shanghai, who signed for the viceroys the friendly agreement with the foreign consuls, has been removed by Imperial edict, his successor being strongly anti-foreign and having urged the Chinese government to repudiate the foreign debt. An unofficial protest was made by United States Consul Goodnow to the viceroy. This protest is considered a defiance of Germany's demand for the punishment of Prince Tuan as the head of the Boxers. The Chinese are greatly excited over the appointment."

The Washington correspondent of the Herald, commenting on the above dispatch, says: "Considerable interest was taken by American officials and Minister Wu in the announcement that Prince Tuan had been appointed secretary in defiance of Germany, and that the anti-foreign element is in control. "No confirmation of the appointment has been received in Washington, and both at the state department and Chinese legation there was a disposition to doubt the report. Should official confirmation come the authorities say that it will have an important bearing upon the attitude of all the powers, as Prince Tuan is regarded as one of the officials responsible for the anti-foreign outrages."

Minister Wu said that he was inclined to doubt the report. "In my time," he said, "a prince of the royal blood has not occupied the office of grand secretary. The position is not now important. It is a sinecure. Before the present dynasty entered into power the grand secretaryship was a very important post, all of the communications to the Emperor passing through the hands of the incumbent. The privy council is now the important body and I could very well believe a report that Prince Tuan had been appointed to membership in that body. But I do not think the report that he has been made grand secretary is true."

"In referring to statements that Prince Ching is a cousin of the Emperor, the Chinese minister said: 'They are incorrect. Prince Ching is only a distant relative of the Emperor.' "It is not believed that the appointment of Prince Tuan as grand secretary would change this government's intention of entering into negotiations, as it proposes to make the punishment of the responsible authors of the outrages a matter of negotiation."

MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

(Associated Press.) Hamilton, Ont., Sept. 24.—Miss Griffin, of Dundas, was shot and killed last night while driving with George Pearson, of Hamilton. According to Pearson's story they were passed by a rig from which two shots were fired, and one of these struck Miss Griffin in the head. He carried her into a farm house, where she died.

WATER FALLING.

(Associated Press.) Calcutta, Sept. 24.—The floods that followed the recent tremendous rains, inundating the country for miles, are now slowly subsiding.

FLOODS IN TEXAS.

Town of Brownwood Has Been Badly Damaged—Eight Persons Drowned.

(Associated Press.) Dallas, Tex., Sept. 24.—City Marshal Dwyer, of Dallas, Tex., at 1 p. m. to-day telephoned as follows: "The disaster at Brownwood is reported here to-day as being a very serious one. Eight persons have been drowned and part of the town badly wrecked by water. The town is entirely cut off by water and mail. "No lives have been lost near Dublin, but the property damage is large." A bulletin from Temple at 1 p. m. says: "Can't hear a word from Brownwood county. The wires are gone and traffic is suspended by immense damage to the road."

Theft of Ore.

Order Issued by Management Leads to Closing of Mine. (Associated Press.) Victor, Colo., Sept. 24.—As a result of an obnoxious order designed by the management to stop the theft of valuable ore, Stratton's Independence mine was closed down to-day. The superintendent says the order will not be revoked under any circumstances. Six other large companies have issued a similar order. The order provides that all workmen must change their clothes, both going on and off shift, and pass naked before watchmen from one dressing room to another. The superintendent of Stratton's Independence says the camp has lost \$5,000 to \$15,000 per month through the peculations of workmen.

No Change In Situation

Reports From the Districts in Pennsylvania Where Miners Are on Strike.

There May Be Further Trouble in Schuylkill Region—Threats by Strikers.

(Associated Press.) Hazleton, Pa., Sept. 24.—The entire Hazleton region was reported quiet this morning. The Sandy Run mine was tied up for the first time and the Eckley colliery was working with about the same force as on Saturday, notwithstanding the strong efforts made by the strikers to keep all the men from going into the mine. The Latimer mines were reported to be tied up, but the mine officials there said their colliery was working as usual with only fifty men short out of 1,100.

To-day was expected to witness either a big break among the strikers or the going out of a large additional number of mine workers but neither happened. Reports were received here from most of the mining towns that there were no big gains or losses on either side.

Anxious to Work. Shendandoh, Pa., Sept. 24.—There was great excitement here last night, and the strikers made assertions that may lead to trouble to-day when attempts are made to open the mines in the Schuylkill region. Boats were made that any miners who should go to work this morning would not return to their homes alive. The aim of the Reading Co. officials is to break the force of the strike in the anthracite coal region by getting a fair supply to the market. The trouble as it now stands has cut off 85 per cent. of the product of all the mines. The Reading Co.'s allotment is 21 per cent., and this can be filled with the collieries only on part time. With the aid of the military it is intended to push work as every mine if possible, but this can hardly be accomplished. At the beginning of the trouble, the officials assumed that because the strikers had few grievances, excepting in the matter of wages, they could continue to operate their mines. The action of the rioters here, and a change of sentiment among some of the miners, have cast doubt on this point, but it is well known that many of the miners in the Schuylkill region want to continue at work. A majority who do not belong to the union may be kept from going to their employment to-day by the dread of assault.

Troops on the March. Hazleton, Pa., Sept. 24.—Battalion F., Eighth Regiment, arrived at McAdoo, the nearest point in Schuylkill county to Hazleton, early this morning. Lieut.-Col. Hutchinson, in command, said he was ordered to make a demonstration by marching his men through the town, and the surrounding territory. Each man carried 20 rounds of ammunition. The troops were received by the inhabitants with evidences of enmity. Many jeered at them. One woman, after the troops had passed, shouted to a group of men: "If you don't shoot some of those fellows you are no good."

Edward G. McGeehan, the burgess of the town, declared the action of General Oorin in sending soldiers there was an outrage, as the town was peaceable. "I shall not be responsible for any overt act committed in this town while the troops are here," he said.

THE BURMESE.

When parents are past their prime their children pray them to "nobo-sat," which means that they should be at the children's charge for the remainder of their lives, as the children had first been at their parents'. The turning point is not marked by any formality, but a child approaching parents on a solemn occasion adopts the gesture of veneration. The aged are not idle—they preserve a great elasticity of mind and interest in things; they study their religious book and occupy themselves with their grandchildren. When they are too old to go pilgrimages with the others they keep the house and tell their beads alone. The old people wear plainer clothes than the young, and, according to old Burmese fashion, less of it. The human dignity of the aged is of a kind that apparel cannot add to. Steeped in the spirit of Buddhism, the aged never yield to anger. Wanting neither for necessities nor honor, the pathos of their senescent old age is purely that of years. A peaceful end is their lot—Max Ferrars, in Burma.

A WORD TO MOTHERS.

Mothers of children affected with croup or a severe cold need not hesitate to administer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It contains no opiate nor narcotic in any form and may be given as confidently to the babe as to an adult. The great success that has attended its use in the treatment of colds and croup has won for it the approval and praise it has received throughout the United States and in many foreign lands. For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

The British Cabinet

Many Rumors Are Current in London Regarding Changes in the Ministry.

Mr. Goschen, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Will Probably Resign.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain Is Likely to Be the Next Minister of War.

(Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 24.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: "Lord Salisbury's manifesto is remarkable for the manifestation of style and argumentative force. It contrasts strongly with Mr. Chamberlain's Birmingham speech, which is open to criticism for faults of taste. Mr. Chamberlain evidently aimed, however, at drawing the fire of the radicals and setting them talking about South Africa, and in this way hoped to swell the Unionist majorities.

"The air is heavy in the political clubs with rumors of cabinet changes. Mr. Goschen's retirement from the admiralty is now regarded as a foregone conclusion since his health is broken, and he is weary of official responsibilities and cannot be induced to remain at his post. Lord Salisbury, who considers old age a poor excuse for retirement, is reported to be greatly annoyed by Mr. Goschen's determination to abandon office, but will be forced to find a successor for the admiralty.

"Lord Lansdowne's tenure of the war office, will also be short, but he will not leave the cabinet. Lord Salisbury's relations with Lord Lansdowne are most intimate, and he is not convinced that any change in the war office is required. The well informed who know what is going on behind the scenes, assert that Lord Salisbury, when forced to admit that the logic of the situation required a new head for the war office since military re-organization is heralded as the first work of the next parliament, will transfer Lord Lansdowne to the foreign office. This result has been predicted by leading members of the diplomatic service who have reasoned from the continuity of the two statesmen that Lord Salisbury will be likely to choose Lord Lansdowne as his successor in the foreign office.

"This transfer would leave Mr. Balfour leader of the Commons, where the old Tories are not ready to take orders from Mr. Chamberlain. The succession of the war office is generally conceded to Mr. Chamberlain on the ground that he is the only minister with sufficient force of character and administrative ability to carry out such a far-reaching re-organization in the military system. Reformers, however, are over zealous when they assume that the emergency requires the services of Mr. Chamberlain at the war office, with Lord Roberts, as commander-in-chief and Lord Kitchener of the staff. The British army must be in a bad way if the concentration of so much talent is indispensable.

"One of the freshest rumors in the air points to another field of activity for Mr. Chamberlain. This is the report that Sir Michael Hicks Beach will succeed Mr. Goschen. If this rumor be well founded Mr. Chamberlain may become Chancellor of the Exchequer, and leave Sir Alfred Milner to work out the settlement of South Africa. This solution would delight military men, who know that Mr. Chamberlain cannot be controlled from abroad, and possibly it would tend to promote a reconciliation of the whole race in South Africa, where the Dutch are bitterly prejudiced against him. If Mr. Chamberlain does not take the war office George Wyndham may succeed Lord Lansdowne. He has earned promotion by his debating skill, and is

Clean Bread

Can't be made by foul hands and clean, pure blood can't be made by a foul stomach. The blood is made by the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition.



When these organs are diseased they contaminate every drop of blood made from the food they eat and this contamination is carried through the whole body. It may settle in the liver, kidneys, heart or lungs but the root of the disease is in the stomach. Cure the stomach and you cure the disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the organs of digestion and nutrition perfectly and permanently. It purifies the blood, and so by curing the cause of disease, cures many forms of disease in organs remote from the stomach. "For the past six years I have had torpid liver and indigestion and tried many and patent medicines but I could not get a cure," writes Mrs. Simon Suggs of Clyde, Selkirk Parish, Ia. "Three months ago I thought I would try Dr. R. V. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and I received a good result in a week, and today I am perfectly well. I feel as if my bowels were coated tongue, specks before the eyes, bad taste in the mouth, tired feeling, a feeling of dread or fear, headache, yellow skin, etc. These symptoms did not all appear at once. I had been suffering for some time with indigestion and I had been told that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Pleasant Pellets would cure me. I bought a box and it did me good."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness and sick headache.

the most promising among the younger men on the Conservative side. "The retirement of Viscount Cross, the Duke of Devonshire and Lord James is also strongly hinted at from many sources of information. Lord Salisbury, unless all signs fail, will be forced to reconstruct his cabinet after the elections. His superannuated colleagues have not learned the secret of perennial youth, nor has he himself found it in his chemical laboratory at Hatfield. He is described by those by who have recently seen him as more communicative than before, as harassed and wearied with public life and as hard to part from his colleagues or do anything but brood in silence about perplexities and Chinese complications. There is, however, no lack of either power or skill in his appeal to the constituents."

THE HOSPITAL WON.

Hull-Baer Debate at Nanaimo Ended on Saturday Evening—Mr. Hull Now in Victoria.

Among the prominent people now staying in the city is Mr. Moses Hull, of Buffalo, New York. Mr. Hull is at the head of the publishing house of Moses Hull & Co., in Buffalo, the author of a number of books dealing with spiritualism and one of the greatest lecturers among the members of the creed first visited the Pacific Coast, and he says that he was surprised to find that spiritualism had obtained such a firm hold here, knowing that there had been no strong lecturer on the subject in this section of the world. At Seattle he found a large membership, and in Nanaimo there are a large number of believers in the doctrine. Mr. Hull arrived yesterday from the latter city, where for several days past he has been engaged in a debate with Rev. W. W. Baer, of the Wallace street Methodist church. The debate, about which much has been said and written, closed on Saturday evening, and W. W. Baer, M.P.P., who acted as referee, said after due consideration the judges had come to the conclusion that it would be impossible to say who was ahead, but in their opinion they thought that the Woman's Auxiliary of the Nanaimo hospital could claim that honor, as they were something over \$700 in cash, hard cash to the good. Mr. Hull is highly pleased with the way his opponent treated him in the debate. He says that at first the Methodist clergyman was inclined to use ridicule and sarcasm, but that at the latter end his arguments could not have been more fair nor clothed in better language.

Mr. Hull left last night in A. O. U. and will deliver two more lectures in the city, after which he will leave for Vancouver to deliver a series of lectures. The lecture last evening was well attended and the remarks of the talented speaker were attentively listened to. Mr. Hull is favorably impressed with the scenic beauties of the Pacific Coast and thoroughly enjoys the climate. He expects to visit this section again in the near future.

CHAIR STOCK.

Furniture parts of all kinds, especially chair stock, is in great demand in British Columbia, and there is practically no limit to the amount of business that could be done were there factories in Canada which could supply material in the quantities and of the patterns required. Many inquiries for chair stock have been made at the Forestry exhibit at the Paris exposition, and it has been necessary to say to all inquiries that at the present time a certain and regular supply of chair stock out to patterns cannot be got from Canada. There is no lack of material, but existing mills and factories can do little more than fill orders from customers in America. European manufacturers of furniture complain that although occasional orders for chair stock can be filled in Canada, the uncertainty of a continuance of the supply make it impossible for them to accept large orders for furniture before they have the material actually in hand. A few British manufacturers have got over the difficulty by establishing factories of their own in Canada. The following quotation from a letter recently received illustrates the difficulty experienced by British manufacturers of furniture: "We stand in very good relationship with practically the whole of the chair manufacturers of this country, and are convinced that if we can only find the right firm on your side we can really do a valuable business in this stock. Up to the present our efforts have been singularly barren of results."

A BIRD STORY.

The faculty of imitating sounds and songs not their own must be more frequent in birds than is generally supposed. I remember the spring of 1879, in a little copse on the side of the Frauenberg at Fulda, hearing several blackbirds sing a fragment of the well known "Du bist verrückt mein kind." They all sang the same first few notes, breaking off with exactly the same quavering, hesitating sound, beginning over and over again. I tried to find out how they had acquired this habit from their usual natural repertoire, but could not, until an old lady explained to me that the blackbirds on the Frauenberg must have learned the air from a tame bird belonging to a soldier, which had been taught by him to warble this tune. I saw this blackbird in a cage hanging over the cottage door, but I did not hear it. I have observed another instance of this faculty of acquisition this year in the Parus de Montsouris, in Paris. We have been interested in noticing one particularly good-voiced bird singing quite differently from his fellows. It seemed sometimes as we listened in the quiet of the early dawn or late evening as if the bird were trying to invent a new song; it may be he was only imitating. Anyway, your attention was called to the performance of this particular bird by the difference from the usual blackbird's song.—The Spectator.

The French warship Avalanche, which has been investigating the killing of Christians in the Summer district, near Canton, reports that the crews of eight pirate junks, by the connivance of influential persons ashore, have sought to destroy all the Christians in the Canton delta.

Back From Behring Sea

H. M. S. Pheasant Brings First News Budget from the Sealing Fleet.

Bad Weather and Small Catches the Report of All-No Seizures.

Through the return of H. M. S. Pheasant on Saturday evening the Times is enabled to publish to-day the first news received this season from the Behring Sea sealing fleet, apart from one or two letters which arrived from schooners soon after their departure North. The Pheasant, together with H. M. S. Icarus, which was to leave for Esquimaux about three days after the former had sailed, was engaged in a patrol of Behring Sea throughout the hunting season. She left Ounalaska on the return on the 12th inst., and therefore brings the latest intelligence from the sealing fleet that could possibly be obtained. She reports in brief that there have been no seizures made during the season now practically over, that the weather throughout has been stormy and very unfavorable to sealing, and that in consequence all the catches of the schooners are small. No accidents to any of the fleet were reported to her, and, as for the loss of the schooner Minnie at the entrance to Unimak Pass, she had not heard of this until after her arrival home. Nearly all the fleet were sighted on different occasions, but none were found within the prescribed three-day boundary line. Only six were boarded by the officers of the Pheasant, and of these alone could the navigating officer of the ship furnish a statement of their catches, no record having been kept of the others of the fleet.

The Aurora was the first boarded. She was one of those supposed to be on her way to Copper Island. She was reported on July 31st in lat. 54.17, long. 166.33 W., but had not yet commenced to hunt. In about the same locality the other vessels of the fleet were met. The Beatrice, one of Captain Grant's schooners, was boarded on August 16th. She had 55 skins. Two days later the Favorable, Dora Siewerd and Umbria were overhauled, the first mentioned with a catch of 119 skins and the others with 117 and 99 pelts respectively. On August 18th the Triumph was overtaken. She was the only other boarded by the Pheasant's crew, and so far as the officers know, ranked top liner up to that date with a catch of 211 skins.

During the week prior to the Pheasant's departure, Behring Sea was very rough and the officers consider it doubtful if sealers would be able to lower their boats at all. The weather has been disagreeable all through the season, the sea having on very few days been fine enough to permit of successful operations. Around Ounalaska it was different at times, but here the sealers had no hunting to do. The Pheasant came to an anchorage in Esquimaux Bay just as the big gale of Saturday evening was raging strongest, and had a very narrow escape from blowing ashore. In fact it is stated that she did touch ground on the far side of the harbor, but backing off immediately sustained no injury. She has lost considerable paint, as a result of her cruise, but otherwise is none the worse for the long and monotonous voyage. Rumor has it that on the expiration of the ship's commission, the third or fourth put in on this station, she will be sent home.

Captain Smith states that when he left Behring Sea the sealing season was about over and he thought a number of the schooners would have started for Victoria at the time he left.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Justice Irving is to-day hearing the motion for judgment in Bank of B. C. v. Oppenheimer, tried before him lately in Vancouver. The action is for about \$8,000 on notes given by the old Westminister & Vancouver, Tramway Co., Ltd. W. E. Oliver appears for the plaintiffs and E. V. Bodwell, Q. C., and L. G. McPhillips, Q. C., for the defendants.

A WONDERFUL CURE OF DIARRHOEA.

A Prominent Virginia Editor Had Almost Given Up, but Was Brought Back to Perfect Health by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy—Read His Editorial.

From the Times, Hillsdale, Va. I suffered with diarrhoea for a long time and thought I was past being cured. I had spent much time and money and suffered so much misery that I had almost decided to give up all hopes of recovery and await the result, but noticing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and also some testimonials stating how some wonderful cures had been wrought by this remedy, I decided to try it. After taking a few doses I was entirely well of that trouble, and I wish to say further to my readers and fellow sufferers that I am a hale and hearty man to-day and feel as well as I ever did in my life.—O. R. Moore. Sold by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria.

HOW KAFFIRS SMOKE.

The Kimberly Kaffirs are extremely fond of cigars, but they smoke with the lighted end in their mouths. When this peculiarity was first mentioned to me I supposed that my informant was cracking a somewhat vacuous joke; but to my amazement I saw numerous instances of the reality in the compound. The native first lighted his cigar by the ordinary method, then turning it round he deftly arranged the hot glowing end in his mouth, and, tucking away his tongue in his cheek, proceeded to inspire and expire the fumes, very gradually consuming the whole of the cigar. The smokers assured me that the process was warm, comforting, delicious, and far superior to the usual mode. On subsequent trial I found that the knack is less difficult to acquire than might be supposed.—Exchange.

ENGLISH WAR MEDALS.

When the distribution of the Waterloo medal was made to officers and men, it was no wonder that the veterans who fought through the several actions of the Peninsula war should desire to have a similar distinction. "Whole columns of correspondence set forth in the names of journals the grievances of veterans who had played their part on the bloody battle of Corunna, Talavera, Busaco and Salamanca, and to whom had been denied the heroes of Waterloo. It was the Duke of Wellington, aide de camp to Wellington, who in 1814, and on the 1st of June, 1847, Queen Victoria "fully repaired the omission of her predecessors by conferring the long and anxiously coveted." Her Majesty issued from the Horse Guards—ran the command that a medal should be struck to record the services of her veterans in 1793 and ending in 1814, and that should be conferred upon every officer, non-commissioned officer, and soldier of her army who was present at any battle or siege, to commemorate who were engaged in the general or superior operations of the several armies and corps of troops engaged, in conformity with the regulations of the service at the time, and in general and other officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers who were engaged in their sovereign's gracious recollection of their services are each to apply." etc. This was well and proper, but so long as which Her Majesty was anxious to award (for it was now 32 years since Waterloo) and the appeal was to the pre-Waterloo men and there were veterans who, when engaged in the Peninsula war, had been in the Guards, could not remember what particular actions they had been engaged in. Cassell's Magazine.

Sporting News

LACROSSE.

AGAIN VICTORIOUS. For the second time this season the Seattle lacrosse team has succumbed to the superior prowess of the local intermediates, the match in the Caledonia grounds on Saturday afternoon resulting in a score of 5 to 1. The weather was decidedly unfavorable, but the sturdy young stick handlers had given out that they intended to play despite the most unfavorable demonstrations by the elements and in consequence there was a good attendance.

The match was commenced promptly at 3 o'clock. Colin Blain officiating with the whistle. During the first portion of the game both teams played well, but finally an opportunity was afforded the Victoria lads and was quickly taken advantage of. Proctor securing the score. In two minutes the Victoria lads had scored again, and in consequence there was a good attendance.

Naturally the team from over the line comprising in mind the great days of '76, were spurred on to great efforts, and were met by their opponents. Their fleet runner, Paris, would often tear down the field like a meteor, but he invariably encountered Lorimer, Milne or Simpson, who would the sphere back to the Seattle territory. Finally McDonald scored Victoria's fifth goal, having received the ball from Lorimer.

Seattle's only goal was notable in that it was scored in the shortest game of the season. London was the scorer, and the time was half a minute, and a mile hand. No further goals were scored, but Kennedy, of the visitors, will carry as a souvenir of the match a crooked finger, having received a blow on this member which broke it, compelling him to retire. McDonald also retired, evening up matters.

For the visiting aggregation, Kennedy, Murphy and Van Stone distinguished themselves, while all the local team played well. Colin Blain was unimpeachable as a referee. The umpires were G. White, R. Lorimer, and the time keepers G. Sulder and H. Frank.

THE WHEEL.

ROVERS' ANNUAL MEET. The Rovers' Cycling Club, of Kamloops, holds its annual race meet this week, in connection with the fair at the Island Capital. The events will be: Open—Novelty quarter mile, 2 mile lap, and mile hand cap; K. R. C. O. championships and boys and girls' races complete the programme. The Kamloops club is endeavoring to get some of the Coast riders to attend the meet.

THE CANADIAN WON.

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 22.—The six-day paced bicycle race of the Coliseum track between Archie McEachern, of Canada, Burns Pierce, of Fall River, Mass., and Henry Smith, of this city, ended to-day with a score of 212 miles, 50 laps, 161 yards for McEachern, to 212 miles, 1 lap, 10 yards for Pierce. Smith was away in the rear. Records were lowered on every hand.

BROKE ALL RECORDS.

Cambridge, Mass., Sept. 22.—Harry Elkes won the second series of three races with Johnny Nelson at Charles River park to-day, breaking all records from 40 to 100 miles. Elkes covered the 50 miles in 1:22:22 2/5.

BASEBALL.

VICTORIANS WON.

Victory again "perched" upon the bats of the Victoria legal baseball team at the Terminal City on Saturday. The contest climaxed were not exactly roses, but during the two hours of play the rain held over. There was a large attendance and proportionate enthusiasm. The heavy Victoria batter, W. Duck, had the misfortune to collide with the Vancouver second baseman early in the game and receive a gash on the head, which required a "series" of a physician.

The game resulted in a score of 26 to 9 in favor of the Victoria lawyers' team. The great success of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy in the treatment of bowel complaints has made it standard over the greater part of the civilized world. For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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WAR MEDALS.

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Reply to Germany

Why the United States Declines to Agree With Latest Proposal.

Earl Li and Prince Ching Accepted as Negotiators--Von Waldersee's Mission.

Washington, Sept. 22--The state department tonight made public the text of the notes addressed by it to the governments of Germany, Russia and China...

Big News

ROSS. VICTORIOUS.

Time this season the Ross has succumbed to the ice of the local interior...

WHEEL.

ANNUAL MEET.

The Victoria Cycling Club, of Kamloops, meet this week, in the fair at the Inland...

ADIAN WOMEN.

Sept. 22--The six days' score of the Ottawa track meet...

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Sept. 22--Harry Elkes ties of three races with Charles River park...

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End of the First Week

Find a Number of the Striking Miners Anxious to Return to Work.

It is Expected That Many Colliers Will Resume Operations To-Day.

Philadelphia, Sept. 22--The end of the first week of the strike in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania...

MANY LIVES LOST.

A Number of Vessels Foundered on the Great Banks During the Gale Last Week.

LOVED THE SAME GIRL.

Two Italians Quarrelled and One Is Now Dead.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22--Alfred Costner and Pasquale Omasure, two Italians...

CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH.

London, Sept. 22--Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, opening the Birmingham...

TRAIN ROBBER AT WORK.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 22--Four masked men held up the express car on the St. Louis Portland "Flyer" on the Chicago...

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Chinese Correspondence.--Cablegram from Prince Ching, dated at Peking, September 21st...

Foreign troops having entered Peking and their Majesties the Emperor Dowager and Emperor having gone west...

Handed to the Chinese minister by the Acting Secretary of State, September 21st. Memorandum in response to Mr. Wu's communication, September 17th, 1900...

The government of the United States accepts the plenipotentiary authority of Earl Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching...

Memorandum handed to Mr. Adee by the Russian charge d'affaires, Mr. Dewolant, September 17th. (Translation.)

1. Has the federal government the intention to transfer the residence of the legation from Peking to Tien-Tsin?

2. Are the full powers of Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang recognized as sufficient by the federal government?

3. Is the federal government prepared to charge its representatives to enter without delay upon the preliminary negotiations with the plenipotentiaries of the Emperor of China?

Memorandum in reply to the Russian charges. Memorandum dated September 17th.

1. The government of the United States has no present intention to withdraw its legation from Peking.

2. The government of the United States accepts the plenipotentiaries authority of Earl Li and Prince Ching as prima facie sufficient for the preliminary negotiations looking toward the return of the Imperial Chinese government and to the resumption of Chinese authority at Peking...

3. To these ends the United States minister in Peking will be authorized to enter into relations with Earl Li and Prince Ching as the immediate representatives of the Chinese Empire.

Waldersee's Task.

Berlin, Sept. 22--Count von Sgoyeny-Marich, the Austrian ambassador, in an interview to-day with a representative of the Associated Press, said:

"There is an erroneous opinion in the press about Count von Waldersee's mission. A number of important tasks are awaiting him. Above all, he must force China to the allied powers' peace conditions...

"Regarding the statement that von Waldersee will act as chief diplomatic representative for the powers, if it ever was intended, it has been abandoned. It is possible the powers may jointly appoint one plenipotentiary for the settlement of their joint demands...

"All of this von Waldersee must enforce, and also Germany's own special demands. How each of the powers' separate demands will be regulated and enforced is a different matter. The powers mean to adhere to the motto, 'No further land acquisition.' But it will probably become necessary for each power to occupy some province or important post, of which the taxes will be retained until each is reimbursed for its war outlay...

The Lokal Anzeiger prints a special dispatch from Shanghai, saying von Waldersee, after his arrival at Peking, will occupy the imperial palace, remove the dragon flag and hoist his own flag, thereby proving to the Chinese, who now regard the allied troops as merely tolerated, that the allied forces are really masters.

The inspired Post prints an article which says: "The possibility is here considered that China will refuse Germany's demand to give up the clefts; that forced measures must be employed, and above all, the occupation of a number of most important provinces."

Britain Has Not Repelled.

London, Sept. 22--Lord Salisbury has not yet answered the German proposal, nor has he even discussed its terms with his advisers...

The driest spot on earth--says Professor David Fairchild--at Paris, were in Paris. It is on the coast, about 5 deg. south of the equator, and in spite of the nearness of the ocean, is dryer than the Atakama desert of Chile...

KIDNEY DUTY.--It is the particular function of the kidneys to filter out poisons which pass through them into the blood. When the kidneys are diseased, they are unable to do this, and poisons accumulate in the blood...

Be On the Safe Side.

and place this investment on the same level as the consols. (Hear, hear.) This purchase is another step towards the attainment of the object which we steadfastly kept before us of having the whole of our reserve fund invested in British government securities...

ago. When he bought his shares eight years ago the dividend was 40s. per share, although they were not doing so well...

LOSSES BY FIRE.

Large Increase Over Corresponding Months of Last Year--Table of Figures.

According to the latest issue of Fire and Water the possibilities seem to be that, unless there is a great lessening of fire loss in this country before the end of the year, some of the insurance offices will be forced to go to the wall...

Building Up Reserve Fund

General Meeting of the Bank of British North America in London.

The Chairman Tells of Business of the Year--Buying Government Securities.

A general meeting of the proprietors of the Bank of British North America was held at the offices of the corporation, 3 Cleme's lane, E. C., on Tuesday, September 4th, Mr. E. A. Hoare presiding...

The secretary, Mr. A. G. Wallis, having read the usual notice.

The chairman said: As I shall have occasion in the course of my remarks to refer to the various matters mentioned in the report, I will not now occupy your time by reading it in detail, but proceed at once to the consideration of the business sheet; and in doing so it will be convenient to compare the figures at June 30th, 1900, with those at December 31st, 1899...

Trade in the Dominion,

but more particularly to the large amount of notes which have been required for the purchase of gold dust and other purposes at our recently established northern branches. (Hear, hear.) Bills payable and other liabilities show an increase of £153,000. You will have observed both from the report and from the balance sheet that we have subscribed £2,500 to the fund for the relief of the sufferers by the conflagration in Ottawa...

It is expected that many colliers will resume operations to-day.

Philadelphia, Sept. 22--The end of the first week of the strike in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania, has arrived, and things are now waiting signs of a desire on the part of some of the strikers to return to work.

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THE FEDERAL CAMPAIGN.

In 1896 Sir Wilfrid Laurier addressed in the city of Montreal one of the greatest concourses of people that had ever assembled to hear a Canadian public man. That meeting was a great personal triumph for the Premier and a precursor of the victory which speedily followed.

After the lapse of four years of Liberal rule the country was never in a more prosperous condition, the farmers are living in fatness after a great many lean years, the manufacturers are running their plants night and day to keep pace with the orders that are pouring in, and the exodus of the flower of the young men of the country to the United States has stopped.

THE MINERS' STRIKE.

Within the last few weeks it was noted with a note of jubilation in nearly all American papers that coal was being shipped to Europe and that further evidence had been furnished of the imminence of American industrial supremacy.

ervation of law and order, in this case there seems to be a determination to commit no act which shall alienate the sympathy of the community, for that would be fatal to the slight chance they have of gaining victory.

END OF THE WAR.

The government of the late South African Republic has been dissolved, its armies are defeated, scattered or taken prisoners, and Kruger has decided that for the sake of his health it will be well for him to take a trip to Europe.

VICTORIA HARBOR.

At the time of the agitation for the improvement of the harbor in accordance with plans prepared by Mr. Sorby it was decided that certain borings should be made for the purpose of proving the feasibility of the work.

CHINESE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The government has not lost much time in implementing its promise to appoint a commission to examine into the Chinese question in this province in all its bearings and to present its findings to the House of Commons.

STILL A STRETCHER.

Sir Charles Tupper has evidently lost none of the elasticity of imagination which gained him the name of the Great Stretcher in bygone days.

Mr. Chamberlain was at one time alleged by Sir Charles to favor his scheme, but in 1896 the Colonial Secretary spoke as follows, and he has never revised his opinion: "It is a very startling proposal for a free trade country, and I say that in its present form it is a proposal which it is impossible for us to adopt."

These reasons were undoubtedly in the mind of Lord Salisbury when he refused to receive the deputation from the Chamber of Commerce.

DEVELOPING THE PROVINCE.

Evidently the word has been passed to the faithful that the chief charge against the government during the coming campaign is to be the cry that it has done nothing to develop the resources of British Columbia.

It is necessary that this province should be opened up by railways, and there is every inducement to the government to aid such undertakings, because the monetary returns to the treasury will be sure to more than recoup the country for any reasonable expenditure in that direction.

This outbreak of oratory, judged from the initial stages, promises to develop no new or startling facts.

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It would be interesting to know just what kind of accommodation the men who have complained against the treatment they received at the quarantine station looked for in such a place.

The statement of the Mail and Empire that two Ontario senators—Sir Frank Smith and Dr. Sullivan—had forfeited their seats by being absent for two sessions, is not correct.

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FLOODS IN INDIA.

Calcutta, Sept. 22.—The deluge continues and the country is inundated for miles. Already 20 natives have been drowned and thousands are homeless.

SYNAGOGUE DESTROYED.

Constantinople, Sept. 22.—A fire in the Hass Keui (Khas Ke) destroyed 150 residences, forty shops and a synagogue.

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Imperial Politics

Mr. Herbert Gladstone Admits that the Liberals Will Be Defeated.

There is a Division in the Party Regarding the South African War.

Salisbury Attacked for Bringing on the Elections at the Present Time.

London, Sept. 22.—The political campaign has commenced in earnest. Only another week remains before polling begins, and it will be only a little over five weeks before the new parliament assembles.

The Conservatives confine their energies to a defence of the war in South Africa and of its management, while the Liberals attempt to ignore it, concentrating their attacks upon the failure of the Conservatives to fulfil the promises of beneficial home legislation.

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On one point, however, the Liberals are all united, and that is the unfairness of Lord Salisbury bringing about a dissolution at the present moment when the register of 1898 is expiring, so that all who were not registered over two years ago are disenfranchised.

Let the Matter Rest, but the Earl of Sandwich strikes a much franker note in renouncing his adherence to the government and returning to the ranks of Liberals because "Home Rule is dead."

A miniature bomb has been thrown into the Conservative camp by the Morning Leader, Liberal, which publishes a lengthy story showing that the wife, sons and daughter of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, held almost all the shares of the firm of Hoskins Sons, contractors to the admiralty.

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How greatly the British government profits by death can be judged by the Returns of Estate Duties for 1899-1900 just issued.

Lord Llandaff is airing a curious grievance. The advertisement columns recently contained the announcement of the birth of a child to Countess Llandaff.

Boer Convoy Routed

Methuen Makes a Big Haul of Cattle, Sheep and Ammunition.

Twenty-Eight Burglers Captured—Enemy Driven From Position at Vryheid.

The Report of the Death of Theron Has Been Confirmed.

London, Sept. 21.—Further reports from Lord Roberts say the Boers who remain in the field include a few irreconcilables, but that the majority are fighting under compulsion.

Gen. Delarey, it is added, holds three hundred burglers as prisoners in his laager.

Ottawa, Sept. 21.—A cable was received here to-day from Col. Otter stating that 14 officers, including himself, and about 300 non-commissioned officers and men have elected to remain in service in South Africa.

Vancouverite Returning.

Montreal, Sept. 21.—Among the returning Canadian invalids on the Dominion liner Camborne, which sailed from Liverpool yesterday for Quebec, is Pte. George Hutchings, of Vancouver.

Beira, Portuguese, East Africa, Sept. 21.—Guiseir, the German-American, who murdered British Consul J. E. McMaster in July last, has been sentenced to 22 years' deportation to the west coast of Africa.

London, Sept. 22.—The following dispatch has been received from Lord Roberts: "Pretoria, Friday, Sept. 21.—Methuen completely routed a Boer convoy at Hart river, west of Kalksdorp, and recaptured a fifteen pounder lost at Colenso. He also captured 26 wagons, 8,000 cattle, 4,000 sheep, 20,000 rounds of ammunition and 25 prisoners."

Hildyard occupied Vryheid on September 19th, turning out the Boers from a strong position. The British casualties were few.

Clerk has captured a Holland-American belonging to Theron's scouts, and confirms the reports of Theron's death."

RESULT OF A FEUD.

Two Men Are Dead and Their Murderers Have Made Their Escape.

Warsaw, Ky., Sept. 22.—An old dispute between John Connor and his nephew, Martin Devereux, and John Sisson and his son, culminated when John Sisson drew a pistol and began firing at Devereux, who was advancing towards him.

On the occasion of the new cabinet, the discussion in the House of Commons, the Marquis of Lansdowne will retire, and also that Mr. Chamberlain will then have Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief and Lord Kitchener as adjutant-general.

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Archbishop Ryan Will Meet the Presidents of Two Coal Companies.

Over Five Thousand Additional Miners Joined the Ranks of Strikers To-Day.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 21.—The Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company has decided to raise the wages of its employees ten per cent. It is understood, from advices received from Philadelphia, that the advance will begin immediately from this morning. The effect of it upon the strike movement will be far-reaching. It is believed that when the increase of wages is made known, all the company's miners will return to work, and the five mines at present closed will resume. What this will mean in the matter of coal supply is apparent from the capacity of Philadelphia and Reading mines. It is estimated, can easily supply within ten per cent. of coal necessary for the requirements of eastern cities.

In making the ten per cent. advance in wages the officials of the Reading Company do not take the ground that it is a submission to the strikers, but that it is a concession to the public. The employees of this company are paid on what is known as the sliding scale.

Report Denied.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 21.—A denial was made to-day by General Manager Henderson that the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. had increased the wages of mine employees ten per cent. Mr. Henderson said: "The men are making really about twenty per cent. more money, but there is no change in the rate of wages. The men are working longer hours and consequently are making more money."

Situation at Hazelton.

Hazelton, Sept. 21.—There were no developments in the strike situation hereabouts this morning. The whole Hazelton district was reported quiet. The strikers reported at headquarters success in making a considerable number of workmen from going into the mines.

Several mine superintendents reported an increasing number of men at work. Probably the greatest gain made by any concern was at the G. B. Karkle & Co. mines. They reported many additional men working in their collieries, but would not give figures.

John Markle, managing partner of G. B. Karkle & Co., said to-day that his employees were beginning to realize that they were being hoodwinked and made tools of by the labor leaders now here. He added that it was safe to say that nearly all his men would return to the mines during the next few days.

As a result of the strike, a large number of people continue to leave these regions each day. This is especially true of the foreign element. Every day a settlement of the strike it is not possible to learn that such is the case here. All his lieutenants deny knowledge of his whereabouts.

Woming Valley.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Sept. 21.—There is very little change in the strike situation in the Wyoming Valley this morning. The colliery of the West End Coal Co. suffered another reduction in its force to-day, but the mines are still in operation. All the other mines in the district are idle.

Question of Contracts.

New York, Sept. 21.—Grover D. Curtis, of the firm of Curtis & Blaisdell, one of the largest retailing coal firms in the country, said yesterday that 95 per cent. of the firms who made contracts with large consumers were protected by a clause invariably insisted upon that all agreements should be void in case of a strike. The other five per cent., Mr. Curtis added, would probably be upheld by the courts in pleading "usage of the trade." That was a point, however, Mr. Curtis said, which would undoubtedly be tested as an outcome of the strike.

The Pennsylvania Company has already forwarded circulars to its patrons informing them that all contracts will be discontinued under the strike clause. Hardly a ton of coal is being released by the railroads, and the stores which they now have, it is declared, will be held for future contingencies.

Watchman Shot.

Shamokin, Sept. 21.—Evans Davis, watchman at Hickory Ridge colliery, was shot early this morning by an unknown person as he was patrolling through the collieries. The bullet entered his left side, inflicting a serious, if not fatal, wound. Davis saw a man running toward the engine house and before he fell to the ground from exhaustion he fired six shots at him, but none of the bullets apparently took effect. The colliery is in an isolated place and Davis was compelled to crawl a mile on his hands and knees for aid.

The strike situation is unchanged here. Everything is quiet and the collieries still remain closed down. The men are encouraged by the large number of Schuylkill County miners going on strike this morning.

A Conference.

Philadelphia, Sept. 21.—Archbishop Ryan today termed the report that President R. M. Oliphant, of the Delaware & Hudson Co., and President W. H. Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Co., had consented to confer with him on the mine workers' strike.

More Men Idle.

Philadelphia, Sept. 21.—General Superintendent Luther, of Pottsville, to-day telegraphed President Harris, of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co., that five more of the 24 collieries of the company were affected by the

strike this morning. From five thousand to ten thousand men joined the strikers. This action on the part of mine workers was the reason of a meeting held last night at Shenandoah. Twenty-nine collieries of the Reading Company are still working. The collieries closed to-day are bunched in the Mahanoy valley.

Statement by Operators.

Wilkesbarre, Sept. 21.—The coal operators issued this statement to-day: "All the Reading collieries in Schuylkill region are working; the Cameron and Hickory Ridge collieries, of the Pennsylvania Railway collieries, of the Pennsylvania Railway collieries, of the same company, are also in operation, and the Lehigh collieries in the Mahanoy region are working full handed. The reports sent out from Hazelton that the operators will surrender rather than lose a big winter's trade is misleading. The operators have made up their minds that they will not recognize the Miners' Union if a pound of coal is not mined all winter. The issue is not so much a question of wages as it is the recognition of the Union. The operators of the anthracite region can never consent to have a lot of bituminous men run their business. In the first place the bituminous men know nothing about the conditions governing the anthracite trade, and in the second place it would mean ruin of the anthracite interests if the soft coal men were in a position to dominate the anthracite trade."

Shenandoah, Pa., Sept. 21.—Two persons were killed and seven wounded by a sheriff's posse which fired on a crowd of riotous men near here this afternoon. Sheriff Toole and Deputy O'Donnell and Brennan were called to Shenandoah to-day to suppress the mobs that threatened mine workers and colliery property.

At quitting time the three sheriffs and a small posse whom the sheriff had summoned on the ground went to the Ingham Ridge colliery of the Reading Company, to escort the working miners to their homes. The colliery is located a short distance east of Shenandoah. The workmen left for home shortly after 4 o'clock. They walked up the middle of East Centre street and reached the Lehigh Valley railroad. Here had gathered a large crowd of Poles, Slavs and Hungarians—men, women and children—who lined both sides of the street.

A shot rang out from a saloon. This was followed by a shower of stones. Many of the crowd had picked up sticks and stones and were acting in a threatening manner. Seeing this, the sheriff, who had previously cautioned his men to keep cool and not to use their firearms, commanded them to fire. The order was obeyed, with terrible results. The crowd pursued the sheriff and his posse to the Ferguson house, where they took refuge.

Following is a list of killed and wounded: Killed—Mike Yuckavage, shot in the eye, and a little girl, name unknown, shot in the back of the neck. Wounded so far as could be learned—Edward Coyte, aged about 50 years, bullet wound near the heart. He was sitting on his stoop; Michael Scanlan, shot in the arm; Anthony Skarnacz, shot in the left wrist; John Wudiczyk, aged 40 years, shot in the hand; married; Mike Sazitzka, shot in the left shoulder; Anthony Axzlawage, shot in the left side, seriously.

Among those who were injured by the rioters were the following: George Bedding, of Ringtown, ugly gash in right forehead, caused by a brick; Robert Edwards, aged 65 years, injured seriously by stones; Charles Ramland, aged 35, injured on the neck and head by stones.

Superintendent Adam Boyd, Inside Foreman Forley, and Breaker Bosses James and William Mitchell, of Indian Ridge colliery, at 8:30 o'clock this afternoon were returning home from work when they were met at the Lehigh Valley station by a mob with sticks and stones. The mine officials drew revolvers and fired. The mob became furious after one of their number was shot, and attempted to close in on the officials. They ran up Lloyd street and occupied a stable, where they were imprisoned for two hours. The mob threatened to burn the stable down, but Sheriff Toole with 20 deputies arrived and dispersed them, and the mine officials returned to their homes.

Asked for Troops.

Philadelphia, Sept. 21.—Sheriff Toole, of Schuylkill County, to-day sent a telegram to Adjutant-General Stewart asking for troops as a result of a clash between marching strikers and coal and iron police at Shenandoah this afternoon. The sheriff's message was delivered to the adjutant-general a few minutes after his arrival in the city from Harrisburg. General Stewart at once communicated with Sheriff Toole by telephone. After a brief conversation the adjutant-general returned to Harrisburg on the train leaving here at 8:50 to-night.

Called Out.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 21.—At midnight the Fourth, Eighth and Twelfth Regiments, the Governor's troop, and Battery "C" were called out, with Gen. Gobin in command.

Shenandoah, Pa., Sept. 22.—All was quiet here up to 9 a.m. Troops began arriving at daylight and soon about 2,500 soldiers were on the ground. The saloons were all closed and martial law prevailed. The collieries were idle, having been closed by the Reading Company at the request of the sheriff in order to avert trouble.

It developed this morning that only one person, Mike Yuckavage, was killed outright in last evening's shooting here. Annie Rogers recovered consciousness some hours after the bullet struck her in the back of the neck, and was on a fair way to ultimately getting well.

Following the scenes of turmoil and riot of yesterday, everything was quiet to-day. The town council appointed over 300 special policemen to serve during the night, and in consequence everything passed off peaceably. No crowds were permitted to congregate on any of the streets.

Edward Clarke, who was shot below the heart, had a remarkable escape, the bullet having been extracted and the wound improving to-day. He had come into the street to take his children out of the way when he received the wound.

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the shooting, were all selected from the best citizens of Shenandoah.

Hazelton, Pa., Sept. 22.—Calmness prevailed throughout the Lehigh region this morning. No disturbances of any moment were reported in any part of the district. There was still a tension of public mind, but the sending of troops to Shenandoah, 45 miles from here, generally regarded as settling matters to a crisis and the situation here has somewhat been relieved.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 22.—Now that troops are in the field an uncertainty is growing among the miners here as to their future. From Forest City, where the Hillside Coal and Iron Company has two big mines, the news comes this morning that many men are dissatisfied with the present status of the strike and have announced their intention to go back to work on Monday. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company's men, too, are showing restlessness to-day, and a break may come in their ranks very soon as the company, through General Superintendent Logan, again announces to-day that as soon as the men go back to work their demands as company employees exclusively will be taken up and considered. The Pennsylvania Coal Company makes a similar statement, and other companies are ready to do the same. The position of the companies in their decided announcement that they will not deal with their employees through the union man workers' organization, together with the bringing of the militia into service, has set the strikers thinking and they realize that the battle is apparently going against them. The strikers, which operated all the week, are still going. No disorder has broken out anywhere in this region. The men are peaceable and are remaining away from the mines.

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Canada's Aristocracy

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To-Day's Proceedings.

Ottawa, Sept. 22.—The secretary of the Trades and Labor Congress received a telegram to-day from J. H. Hawthornthwaite, labor organizer, British Columbia, stating that if Ralph Smith ran in Nanaimo he would be elected. Another telegram was received last evening by Mr. Smith from the miners, saying: "We are all with you."

Several resolutions, one asking for an investigation by the government into the alleged frauds regarding the naturalization process, and another asking for the nationality and place of residence of men employed on public works in the West, were passed. Governments and corporations were requested to pay their men weekly instead of monthly. The congress has finished its business.

BRITISH POLICY.

Attacked by Liberal Leaders in Election Manifestoes.

London, Sept. 22.—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Liberal leader in the House of Commons, and Sir William Vernon Harcourt, in their election addresses, denounced the "unprecedented precipitancy of a dissolution in order to smother a hasty judgment on an incomplete register of voters."

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The Conservatives give the successful war the first place in their campaign.

BARGE SUNK.

Four Persons Are Reported to Be Missing.

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Passage Clear.

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Local News.

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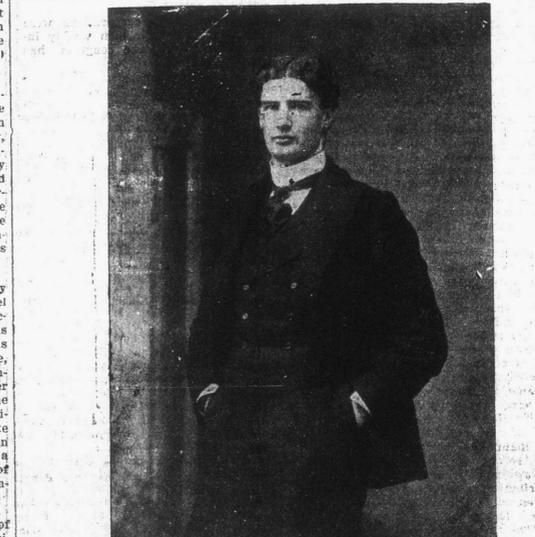


Photo by Skene Lowe. P. T. W. GAMBLE. Who returned from South Africa on Friday night.

P. T. W. Gamble, a recent arrival from Cape Town, estimates the number of miners now at work at that camp and at Golvain Bay at 2,000.

C. W. Munro, M.P.P. for Chilliwack, came down on the Islander last evening and is registered at the Dominion.

H. Clark, of Otter Point, and F. G. Maruan, of Dublin, are among those staying at the New England.

Mrs. George R. Raymond, of the Hotel Wilson, Nanaimo, is staying at the Deliard.

Among the arrivals at the Dominion yesterday was T. J. P. Jones, a well known resident of Nanaimo.

F. T. Griffin, land commissioner of the C. P. R., is at the Deliard. Mr. Griffin succeeded Mr. L. A. Hamilton as land commissioner on the first of the month.

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Will Meet Shaughnessy

Board of Trade Council Will Confer With the C. P. R. President.

Provincial Government Will Be Asked to Increase Report Appropriation.

Including Vice-President McQuade there were but five members of the Board of Trade Council present at the meeting this afternoon. The other members were Messrs. Mara, Fraser, Leiser and Captain Cox. There was little business of importance transacted with the exception of appointing the whole council a committee to wait upon Mr. Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., when he arrived here, and see if better freight service could not be had, and also the appointment of a committee to call on the provincial secretary and see if an additional appropriation could not be obtained for compiling and distributing the report of the Board of Trade.

When the meeting was called to order the minutes of the meeting of August 10th were read and accepted.

The standing committee on deep sea fisheries submitted the following report:

We, the standing committee on fisheries, beg to report that at a meeting held on September 17th Mr. Charles Todd was elected chairman. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas this committee is informed that no official information can be secured from the Dominion government regarding the deep sea fishing banks of the British Columbia coast;

"And whereas the government of the United States has caused investigations to be conducted by the fish commission stationer Albatross whereby extensive fishing grounds have been located on the coast of Alaska and the Pacific Coast of the United States, such grounds being now utilized by a fleet of American fishing vessels from San Francisco and Puget Sound;

"Therefore resolved that the council be requested to impress upon the Dominion government the desirability of steps being at once taken to secure a similar survey of the Western Canadian coast as that undertaken by the American government in the S. S. Albatross."

On motion the report of the committee was received.

A communication was received from the Good Roads Association, asking the board to send a delegate to attend a convention for the purpose of discussing the question of good roads. The convention would soon be held at Kamloops.

It was suggested that Mr. Ker be sent as a delegate.

In regard to the tramway extension, Mr. Ker wrote that there should be no effort spared to press this forward, but there was no further report to be made in the matter.

A letter was read from the Pan-American exhibition, to be held at Buffalo, urging the board to take steps to impress the government with the advantages that would accrue from having the province well represented there. The resources of British Columbia would create a favorable impression in that section of the country, and the government could not do better than to expend at least \$20,000 in sending a good exhibit to Buffalo.

The communication was tabled.

After several minor communications were disposed of, the secretary informed the members that the annual report of the board was in the hands of the printers, and would soon be ready for delivery. A discussion followed as to the grant given by the provincial government in compiling this report. The sum is \$100, and all the members of the council thought that this should be increased.

Mr. Mara said that he had noticed when he was in London that the London office relied almost entirely on the Board of Trade reports from Victoria and Vancouver for information as to British Columbia. In fact they were the only documents of any kind to be found in that office, and therefore he thought that the government should liberally assist the boards of both cities in issuing and distributing these annual reports.

The other members agreed with Mr. Mara and the council will call upon the provincial government and ask for a further contribution.

The president suggested that as President Shaughnessy, of the C. P. R., would shortly visit the city it would be advisable to meet him and see if some arrangement could not be made so that freight would be handled more promptly. The present service of three times a week was very unsatisfactory, and it would be much better if the Islander returned to her old schedule. An impression seemed to have gone forth that the change in the running of the Islander was made at the suggestion of the Board of Trade; but such was not the case. The matter had never been brought before the board for action.

The other members also expressed dissatisfaction with the way freight was handled at present, and it was finally decided that the whole council should wait upon Mr. Shaughnessy when he arrived here and confer with him in regard to better service.

The council then adjourned.

COWICHAN EXHIBITION.

The Horse and Cattle Show at Duncan Promises Well for This Season.

Among the agricultural exhibitions which annually take place on the Island the one at Cowichan ranks second to none. The annual horse and cattle show will open there on Friday, September 28th, and continue for two days. The exhibit this year promises to be better than ever before. In addition to the agricultural and fine arts exhibits there will be a number of sporting features in connection with the exhibition of more than ordinary interest. There will be bicycle races and other sports on the closing day of the fair, and good music will be provided both days.

The Victoria Hunt Club is considering the advisability of taking their horses to Duncan on the closing day of the fair

and there taking part in a hunt. It is highly probable that they will carry out this proposal.

The E. & N. Railway Company has made a rate of \$1 for the round trip, and should the weather prove favorable a large number of people will be sure to visit Duncan on the dates above mentioned.

IS NOT A FRENCHMAN.

A Roseland Music Teacher Annoyed at Being Identified With French Martyr.

Registered at the Dominion last evening was a man and his wife who had just been released from quarantine. There was nothing remarkable in this circumstance, for there were many people in the city last evening who had spent the past fourteen days at William Head; but of this man perhaps more had been written than of any of the other passengers.

The name on the register was J. L. Dreyfous, and how he ever came to be identified with the French martyr, whose name is altogether different, is one of the things that is puzzling the gentleman. Prof. Dreyfous is a resident of Roseland, and there he practices the profession of musical instructor. Naturally, the statement that he was related to the man who served weary years as a prisoner on Devil's Island, a statement which has been sent broadcast over the land, is annoying to him. In fact it is making life a burden to him, for he is modest and unassuming. His charming spouse, too, shrinks from the curious gaze of the people who turn and stare after them as they pass on the streets. The couple are thankful that they will soon be installed in their pleasant home in Roseland, where they are so well known that they will be safe from further annoyance.

The Best of Advice

TO THOSE WHO FEEL SICK, WEAK OR DEPRESSED.

Miss Belle Cohoon, of White Rock Mills, N. S., Tells How She Regained Health, and Advises Others to Follow Her Example.

From the Acadien, Wolfville, N. S.

At White Rock Mills, within sound of the noisy swish of the Gasperau river, is a pretty little cottage.

In this cottage there dwells with her parents Miss Belle Cohoon, a very bright and attractive young lady who takes a lively interest in all the church and society work of the little village. A short time ago an Acadien representative called upon Miss Cohoon for the purpose of ascertaining her opinion of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—which remedy he had been informed she had been using. He was very cordially received and found both Miss Cohoon and her mother most enthusiastic and ardent friends of this great Canadian remedy which is now so universally used throughout the world.

We give below in essentially her own words Miss Cohoon's story: "Three years ago this spring my health was very much run down. I had not been feeling well for some time and when spring opened up and the weather became warmer my condition became worse. The least exertion exhausted me and was followed by an awful feeling of weakness and a rapid palpitation of the heart. I seemed to lose my ambition, and a feeling of languor and sluggishness took its place. My appetite failed me and my sleep at night was disturbed and restless. In fact I was in a very sorry condition. I suffered in this way for some time. Then I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and they soon began to work a change for the better. My strength and spirits improved wonderfully, and the old feeling of tiredness began to leave me. My appetite returned and my weight increased steadily. By the time I had used less than half a dozen boxes I felt stronger than I had done for years. Since that time whenever I feel the need of a medicine I promptly use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. It has always brought me speedy relief, and in future when ailing I shall never use anything but these pills and strongly advise others to follow my example."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills create new blood, build up the nerves, and thus drive disease from the system. In hundreds of cases they have cured after all other medicines have failed, thus establishing the claim that they are a marvel among the triumphs of modern medical science. The genuine Pink Pills are sold only in boxes bearing the full trade mark, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." Protect yourself from impostors by refusing any pill that does not bear the registered trade mark around the box.

GUARDING AGAINST PLAGUE.

Quebec, Sept. 22.—The Allan liner Buenos Ayrean, from Glasgow to Montreal, is detained at Grosse Ile quarantine station undergoing thorough inspection on account of the prevalence of bubonic plague at the former port, and the desire of the authorities to prevent any likelihood of disease spreading to Canada.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—The civic board of health have refused to allow the Donaldson liner "Alcaid," from Glasgow, to land here, because the steamer failed to stop at Grosse Ile quarantine station and undergo the required inspection on account of the prevalence of bubonic plague in Glasgow.

PILL-OSOPHY

There are pills and pills—but Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills at 10 cents a vital lead in demand. The sale here on the phenomenal.

Sluggish liver, constipation, or irregular bowels, are the precursors of many physical disorders.

These little wonders remove the cause. They are entirely safe. They act on the liver and bowels without disturbance to the system, diet or occupation. They never gripe. They act pleasantly. 40 cents a bottle. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

THEY WANT GOOD ROADS.

Heavy Rains Makes Hard Hauling in the Cariboo Country.

R. T. Ward is among the guests staying at the Diard. Mr. Ward is down on a business trip connected with the War Horse mine in the Horsefly camp, which he is managing for a Victoria company. He says that there are no new developments there, and that the mine is taking out on an average about \$1,000 per day. Another clean-up will soon be made on the Cariboo property, which is owned by the C. P. R., in a short time, and this time about \$200,000 will be taken out. It will be remembered that in July, when the last clean-up was made, \$135,000 was the result. This was shipped in one brick.

The people in the Cariboo country are suffering for the lack of good roads, and it is impossible for them to bring freight in except by pack trains. This is owing to the heavy rains which have fallen both last year and this, and is very deep and the highways are simply impassable.

Banquet Last Evening

Local Branch of Stonecutters' Association Heartily Welcome Distinguished Visitor.

Pleasure and Good Fellowship the Key Note to the Festivities—Speeches.

The Victoria Cafe was the scene of hearty enjoyment and thorough good fellowship last evening. The occasion was a banquet tendered to James F. McHugh, secretary-treasurer of the Stonecutters' Association of North America, by the local branch. This pleasurable event was to have taken place a fortnight ago, but an adventitious circumstance, the quarantining of the passengers of the Walla Walla, among whom was Mr. McHugh, prevented.

About a score of the local members sat around a festive board, which was laden with tempting delicacies, and it would be a libel on the health and spirits of those present to say that the subjects on the table for negotiation were not partaken of with satisfying vigor.

The president of the local branch, H. Rudge, presided at the head of the table, on his right being the guest of honor, Mr. McHugh. On his left was James Tagg, vice-president of the Trades and Labor Council, who represented that body in the absence of the president, William Wilson.

After the toasts to the Queen and the President of the United States, the chairman proposed "Our Guest" in an excellent, telling speech. He pointed out that the impetus of Mr. McHugh's visit, and extended to that gentleman a hearty welcome to this city.

In reply, Mr. McHugh delivered an eloquent and instructive address. After expressing his pleasure at being in Victoria, he outlined the history of the great organization, which was now so potent a factor in the country. Down through the ages there existed stonecutters' unions. Not, perhaps, as constitutionally welded together as at present, but nevertheless there was unanimity of action and aim, which was certainly unionism. In ancient Egypt the stonecutters, those responsible for the rearing of the great monuments to man's constructive ability, were bound together by a common tie, and through this fact existed a union among them. In the building of Solomon's Temple, one of the greatest wonders of the world has ever seen, the evidence of unionism among the men was patent to all acquainted with the Scriptures. Continuing through ancient and medieval and modern history, the speaker finally detailed the various points in connection with the organization of the Stonecutters' Association of America in 1834. Since then the parent association had branched out to the north, south, east and west, and now there was a membership list bearing 20,000 names. These branches were all closely affiliated with the main organization and each other, and ruled by the principle that in union there was strength, their effectiveness as an institution with beneficent aims was increased.

Mr. McHugh's remarks were received with enthusiasm.

The toast of the Trades and Labor Council was responded to in a happy manner by James Tagg, the vice-president of the local branch.

W. McKay, the promoter and still one of the foremost members of the local branch, and an ardent champion of the cause of labor, was called upon by the chairman, and delivered an excellent speech. After expressing his pleasure at being present to unite with the others in extending a hearty welcome to Mr. McHugh, Mr. McKay highly eulogized the far-seeing and business methods of the distinguished visitor, who had done much toward placing the organization in the high position it occupied at the present day. Mr. McKay's remarks were listened to with much attention and frequently punctured with applause.

During the evening solos were rendered by Messrs. G. F. Watson, H. Firth and others, while A. S. Hay was another of the many who contributed to the evening's entertainment. The proceedings terminated by "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem. The members of the local branch are loud in their praise of the excellent manner in which the arrangements were carried out, particularly on the part of the proprietor of the cafe, Mr. Greenwood.

THOSE WORRYING PILES!—One application of Dr. Agnew's Ointment will give you comfort. Applied every night for three to six nights and a cure is effected in the most stubborn cases of Piles, Bleeding, or Itching Piles. Dr. Agnew's Ointment cures Hemorrhoids and all itching and burning skin diseases. It acts like magic. 35 cents a bottle. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—15.

Interesting To Shooters

Gazette Contains Important Announcement Regarding Cock Pheasants and Quail.

They May Be Shot After October 1st—Incorporation of Companies.

The official Gazette issued yesterday contains an announcement which will be of the greatest interest to sportsmen. It is that the government, by an order-in-council, dated September 19th, has ordered that the disabilities as to the shooting of cock pheasants and quail be removed with respect to North and South Victoria, Esquimalt and Cowichan electoral districts, Vancouver Island, for the months of October, November and December, 1900; and that it shall be lawful to shoot cock pheasants and quail within these districts during the months of October, November and December, 1900.

It shall be lawful to shoot cock pheasants on the Lower Mainland, except within the township of Chilliwack, for a period of one month extending from October 15th to November 14th.

The power to do this is acquired by the government under section 24 of the Game Protection Act, 1900.

The Gazette also announces the appointment of Hon. W. O. Wells, chief commissioner of lands and works, to be acting provincial secretary and minister of education during the absence of Hon. J. D. Prentice from the city; also Donald C. Kurze, of the City of Kaslo, to be deputy registrar of the Supreme court, and deputy registrar of the County court of Kootenay holden at Kaslo.

P. Douglas Hope, of Moyle, has been appointed a deputy mining recorder for the district known as the vicinity of Moyle, in the Fort Steele mining division, with sub-recording office at Moyle.

Edward Elwell, of Kimberley, is appointed deputy mining recorder for the district known as the vicinity of Kimberley, in the same division.

The regulations and form of application for an examination of candidates for the Civil Service of India, to be held in August, 1900, can be seen at the office of the provincial secretary.

The following companies have been incorporated: Kamloops Irrigation and Power Company, Ltd., of Kamloops, capital \$150,000; Quatsino Mining and Reduction Company, Ltd., capital \$300,000; Safety Powder Company, Ltd., capital \$50,000; Vancouver Mount Sicker Syndicate, Ltd., capital \$30,000.

Licenses to carry on business have been granted to the following extra-provincial companies: Condon Claims, Ltd., of England, capital £20,000; Highland (Kootenay, British Columbia) Mining Company, Ltd., of England, capital £40,000.

The council of public instruction has created the tract of land included within the unincorporated boundaries a school district, under the title of Arrowhead school district:

"All that tract of land embraced within the circumference of a circle whose centre is the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway branch line at Arrowhead, and whose radius is a distance of three (3) miles from such centre."

Also, the following tract of land under the title of Savanna school district:

"Commencing at a point at which the Canadian Pacific Railway crosses the eastern boundary of the West Yale electoral district; thence due south five (5) miles; thence due west eight (8) miles; thence due north eight (8) miles; thence due east eight (8) miles; and thence due south three (3) miles to the point of commencement."

Home From Africa

Another of the Gallant Quota From Victoria Returned Last Evening.

Pte. Gamble Welcomed in Royal Manner—Government Street Illuminated.

Last evening Private Clarke W. Gamble, one of the First Canadian contingent, returned home, and received a right royal welcome. His arrival was expected, as he had sailed from England shortly after Privates Finch-Smiles, Jones and Carter. He remained, however a few days at Toronto en route.

Immediately upon leaving the Islander he was surrounded by his friends, who cheered him enthusiastically. He wore the famous khaki, which since Paardeberg, has become associated with all that is martial and heroic. He was in the best of spirits. The city was brilliantly illuminated in honor of his return; and to those to whom the gala appearance of Government street at first appeared inexplicable, it soon became perfectly plain when they were aware that another of the gallant band was home again.

The illuminated design with the word "Welcome," and "God Save the Queen," on the corners of Yates and Government streets enhanced the general gay appearance of this city's main artery, and was indicative of the best wishes of the citizens as well as their patriotism.

Escorted by his friends Pte. Gamble was driven to the residence of Mr. Keefer on Pemberton road, which was ablaze with light, and other decorative and illuminative effects. Large Chinese lanterns were placed at points of vantage on the grounds, which were thrown open to the many who assembled to welcome the Victorian from the front. The Fifth Regiment band enlivened the proceedings by military music.

Pte. Gamble was in the memorable engagement at Paardeberg, and participated in the great charge, which it is said resulted in the surrender of the so-called Lion of Africa, General Cronje.

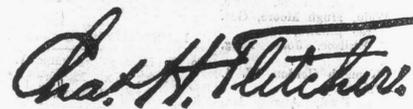
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He was invalided subsequent to the battle of Taba N'chu on May 2nd, having contracted enteric fever. He entered the hospital at Winburg, and was afterwards transferred to the Cape, and then to England. He was met at Vancouver by his father F. C. Gamble, C.E.

Gloucester, Sept. 21.—There was another death from bubonic plague and an additional case of the disease reported here to-day.

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Provincial News.

SANDON.

A Catholic church is being erected here. The old city council of Sandon has resigned.

ROSSLAND.

Albert Westfall, a diamond drill operator, employed in the War Eagle mine, was killed yesterday afternoon by being struck when the skip was coming down the shaft.

GREENWOOD.

Mrs. C. Scott Galloway and family left for Victoria the past week, where the boys will continue their studies in the High School.

KAMLOOPS.

Sir C. Hibbert Tupper, Hon. R. McBride, Captain Tatlow, M.P., Mayor Garden, of Vancouver, Auley Morrison, M.P., and J. C. Brown, M.P., have intimated their intention at being present at the exhibition next week.

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A wedding took place on Monday afternoon at the residence of John G. Devlin, Hendry street. The contracting parties were Miss Agnes Lily Watson, a sister of Mrs. Devlin, and Joseph O'Donnell, late of Glasgow, Scotland.

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The funeral of Albert La Coursiere, a Frenchman, who died at the General Hospital on Saturday afternoon, took place at 8:30 o'clock on Monday morning from the Catholic church, Father Ferland officiating.

FERDIE.

A. McPhail, who has been master mechanic for the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company ever since active operations commenced at the Coal Creek mines, has handed in his resignation.

NELSON.

Howard Guest, the brakeman who was badly injured in the collision which happened a few weeks ago near Bonnington Falls, is rapidly recovering. The problem of properly re-eligating the city was solved at the meeting of the council on Monday night.

TRAIL.

A very pleasant reception was tendered the Rev. Mr. Fye on Friday evening in the Methodist church, about 100 of his friends being present.

bone. The accident will lay him up for several weeks. St. Andrew's Episcopal church was the scene of a brilliant wedding on Wednesday morning.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

It is understood that Harry Matheson, formerly of the local Canadian Pacific Railway freight department, has accepted a responsible position in California with the Railway Freight Association.

The wife of a local hotel-keeper had, according to the Columbian, an exciting time of it on Sunday, as she was walking in from Sapperton on Front street, with her little girl.

GREENWOOD.

Monday's delayed Imperial limited train arrived from Ottawa two weeks ago, who will hereafter be associated with others in the direction of affairs at the Lewis College, in this city.

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The funeral of the late Edward Nicolls took place from the family residence, 1120 Seaton street, yesterday afternoon.

During the past week or ten days there has been noticed on the waters of Burrard Inlet and on False Creek a curious craft, which has attracted much attention from the few who have seen it.

A World reporter was invited to take a cruise on the odd vessel, but contented himself with securing a description of it.

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