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Chinese Horrors

Revolting Details Now Coming to Hand of the Murder of Missionaries.

Russian Government Declares It Does Not Intend to Annex Manchuria.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 2.—The London correspondent of the Tribune, writing on the Chinese situation, says: "The actual news from China is again very meagre this morning and there is not much fresh information to be gleaned with regard to the proposed withdrawal of the allied troops from Peking."

"The feeling in this country continues to be adverse to the plan of a general withdrawal of troops from the Chinese capital is carried out, it does not envy the fate of the unfortunate Europeans who are compelled to remain there."

"Military men here continue to be profoundly impressed with the reports which arrive of the conduct of the Japanese in the recent operations. The general testimony of competent witnesses who saw them at Tien-Tsin is that they were the best of all the contingents which formed the allied force there, and telegraphic accounts of their proceedings on the march to Peking confirm the opinion as to their admirable qualities."

"A distinguished retired officer, once famous in Indian warfare, said: 'The world has got to reckon with another great military power. Japan has a larger population than France, as much disciplined intelligence as Germany and at least as great a natural aptitude for soldiering among her people as any European nation. In science and knowledge her general staff is second to none, and in courage, patriotism and contempt for death, the rank and file of her army would certainly compare favorably with the conscript of the continent. Russia might overwhelm her by superior numbers, but in every other respect I look upon the Mikado's potential military force as superior to that of the Czar's.'"

"While the powers are debating the best steps to discover whether the government of China is in existence, that government gives startling proof of its existence by the capture of the German steamer 'Albatross' in the Yangtze valley. The announcement from Hongkong that an imperial commissioner has been appointed to proceed to Nanking and investigate the charges brought against Viceroy Liu Kun Yi is very significant."

"Concerning the Russian proposal, I can only repeat that the more it is looked at the less it is admired. The comments that continue to be made on it continue to be uncomplimentary. Russia will induce the allies to retire from Northern China to demonstrate their good faith, and to show that they will not be the while that she can herself come in again when a convenient opportunity arises. Meanwhile, as soon as the present difficulty is patched up, her influence with the government of which she will have become the patron and protector will be predominant. She will be ready to Covertly advise the Emperor, the Chinese war, to collect herself for the next advance and prepare to accumulate a great army in Siberia and swallow Manchuria and perhaps Pe Chih at leisure. Nevertheless, there is also a growing feeling that the Russian proposal, whatever it may be, the motives which inspired it may, after all, have to be accepted as the best alternative in the difficult position in which the powers are now placed. None of them like the prospect of remaining at Peking indefinitely, and the idea of beginning a campaign in pursuit of a disappearing Chinese government is even less attractive."

"The probability is that the British reply will intimating a willingness to retire from Peking at an early date, will point out that it is undesirable for the allies to withdraw their troops until some guarantee can be given for the conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement with the Chinese imperial authorities."

London, Sept. 4.—The absence of news regarding the actual situation of affairs at Peking continues as complete as the lack of authentic information regarding the attitude of the powers towards the proposals now before the concert.

Shanghai reports that an imperial edict, issued at Tai Yuan Fu, appoints Li Hung Chang, Yung Lu, Hsu Tung and the Emperor's minister and Prince Ching commissioners to negotiate peace. Four German warships arrived at Wou Sing on September 23rd.

The unmistakable condemnation of the proposal to immediately withdraw from Peking, which is voiced from all the foreign colonies in the Far East, is taken into account by the powers in the question which may be expected from the ministers when their views are obtainable. As already suggested, the Russian proposals are capable of modification and it is thought, in well informed circles, that Lord Salisbury is striving to conform them more closely to the terms of the edict formulated by the government at Washington.

According to a special dispatch from St. Petersburg dealing with the question of Manchuria, the Russian officials repudiate any intention to permanently occupy or annex Manchuria. The dispatch says that Russia will claim no territorial concessions provided the other powers refrain from so doing, and ex-

presses the hope that the question of indemnity can be settled by the co-operation of all the allied powers.

An Imperial City. Berlin, Sept. 4.—An official dispatch from Taku announces the receipt of a telegram from Peking, dated August 25th, saying the German troops have taken possession of a hill within the Imperial city. The dispatch says that 2,000 additional Italian troops have reached Taku. Message from Conger.

Washington, Sept. 4.—Minister Conger has been heard from again, his last advice being dated at Peking on August 30th. The state department decided to make no statement as to the contents of the message beyond the simple one that Mr. Conger's communication did not mark any material change in the situation in Peking.

It appears that whatever responses are to be made by the powers to the proposal to evacuate Peking are expected to be directed to the government of Russia, and not to our state department.

Details of Murders. Shanghai, Sept. 4.—Dispatches announcing that the American government refuses to agree to the withdrawal of troops from Peking before satisfaction for the outrages and the losses of its subjects shall have been given, have been received here and applauded by the entire foreign colony in Shanghai. Any other policy, according to the business men and missionaries with whom the Associated Press representative talked, would be a vital blow to the prestige of the foreigners and would weaken their status in China.

The masses of Chinamen now believe that the Chinese arms are victorious. The Chinese papers, printed in Shanghai, contain long accounts of alleged Chinese victories at Peking, Tien Tsin and Lung Chao, and the shops in the native quarters display for sale pictures of the Celestial army driving European soldiers into the sea at Taku, and cutting them to pieces at Tien Tsin. They also show pictures of foreign admirals being tortured in the presence of viceroys. Vice-Admiral Seymour is represented with his arms pinioned, kneeling before the throne. The people accept these reports and pictures as correct representations of the situation, and consider the reports of the English press merely foreign lies.

The European community continues to demand the destruction of Peking and the exemplary punishment of officials, deeming indemnity and paper promises of new treaties inadequate.

Undoubted information in detail of the massacres of foreigners daily inflames this sentiment. The Dowager Empress is living in Yamen at Tai Yuan Fu, in Shan Si province. Efforts have been made to get her to flee to the Yangtze valley, in the presence of the viceroys. Three were beheaded in the inner court, and others killed barbarously in the outer court yards. Their bodies were thrown to the dogs.

The Empress has ordered a commissioner to investigate the conduct of viceroys who made a compact with the foreign consuls and their degradation is expected. No investigation in the case of officials opposed to foreigners had been ordered.

The Associated Press representative learns from official sources the facts of the killing of several American women missionaries. At the request of the mission board details are withheld out of regard for the feelings of relatives of the murdered women, but other American consuls who have long antagonized the policy of sending women to isolated inland posts think it important that the facts should be known. The names of the victims are withheld. Two of these women were captured while attempting to leave the station where they were located, were led about the country naked, outraged and finally killed by a method too revolting to be described.

The fourteen English missionaries, including six women and four children, who were murdered at Chu Chau, in the province of Che Kiang, according to the story of a Spanish priest who escaped, were killed with halberds and ancient spears by the magistrate's bodyguard, and the naked bodies hanged from trees.

These incidents make a lenient policy unpopular in Shanghai, where all the victims have friends. Placeards appeared to-day in all public places exhorting foreigners to oppose a compromise with the government, and attacking Li Hung Chang, quoting the remark to Consul Goodnow credited to Earl Li that the foreigners in Peking, except the ministers, were of no account.

Work of the Empress Dowager. San Francisco, Sept. 4.—A refugee from Peking furnishes in the North China Daily News, received by the steamer Doric, an account of events in Peking which show the war of Boers on foreigners was approved by the Empress Dowager. The writer says: "On June 16th the Empress suddenly issued a decree summoning all the Manchurians, dukes, nobles and high officials of the six boards and nine ministers to be present in the palace. The suspicious part of this was that when all gathered at the palace those who were Manchurians were first called by the Empress Dowager to a secret audience, while all of Chinese descent were left in the waiting room."

After the Manchurians had ended their secret council and had come back to the waiting room, they were again called back, this time with those of Chinese descent, into the Empress Dowager's council room. When all had presented themselves before the Empress and the Emperor, they waited for her to speak.

She said: 'The foreign powers have browbeaten and persecuted us in such a manner that we cannot endure this any longer. We must therefore combine to fight all foreigners to the last, to save our place in the eyes of the world. All our Manchurians, dukes and

nobles and ministers, high and low, are unanimous in this determination for war to the knife, and I approve of their patriotic choice. I therefore give all you this announcement and expect all of you to do their duty to their country.'

The writer then goes on to say that Hsu Ching Chen, Chinese ex-minister to Russia, Marquis Tsing, late minister to Great Britain, and other nobles tried to influence the Empress to reverse her decision or at least to make a distinction between nations not making war on friendly nations. The Empress Dowager declared that in this war China would have Bo Xers, who were invulnerable to bullet and sword, on her side, and could not be conquered. The Emperor, who had maintained silence, finally explored the Empress to reconsider her decision, but she turned her back on him. Continuing, the writer says: "Four of the friendly Chinese ministers visited United States Minister Conger at the risk of their lives, explained the situation to him, and asked if an armistice could not be arranged. The minister of the German minister opened the eyes of the Imperial court. They saw things were now in danger of going beyond recall. The most prominent and active of the Manchurians party presented themselves at the palace on the 20th of June, the day after the murder of the German minister, and got the Empress Dowager to issue a decree to Yung Lu, as generalissimo of the grand army of the north, commanding him to bring in his army to Peking and then leaving Peking for Tien Tsin, destroy the foreigners there, and so on, until all were driven into the sea."

Just as the Empress Dowager was about to sign the decree, says the writer, the Emperor again besought her not to plunge the nation into war, but she treated him with contempt, and he left the council chamber weeping.

No Trouble at Swatow. Paris, Sept. 4.—The French consul at Canton, under yesterday's date, writes that the French gunboat Comete has arrived at Canton. He adds that her trip to Swatow, on the estuary of the river Kiang, had a good effect and has ended the troubles and agitation against foreigners which were spreading in the region north of Kowang Tung. The consul also reports that a missionary was attacked and wounded in the district of Fatkong, 10 kilometres from Canton.

London, Sept. 5.—Dispatches from Shanghai and Tien Tsin refer to the hopeless confusion and mismanagement of the Chinese telegraph system, which may probably account in part for the delay in getting news from Peking. Another reason for the delay, doubtless, is the anxiety of the Chinese authorities to procure the evacuation of the capital.

No effort is being spared by them to bring this about. Their idea is that should the foreign ministers in Peking be allowed free communication with their governments, the full extent of the anti-foreign outrages would be revealed and would lead the allies to decide to remain until retribution has been exacted.

All telegraph messages have to be conveyed by courier from Tai Nan Fu to Peking and probably all cipher dispatches are undelivered. A bridge is being built at Yang Tsun. The road gangs are working at both ends of the wrecked road.

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The majority of mission stations in Christian have been destroyed. Native Christians are abused, and natives in foreign employ in Canton have been threatened. A systematic looting of houses of English speaking Chinamen has taken place.

Several reform parties, who have headquarters in Hongkong and have been supported by funds from rich Chinese in the interior and in America, have refrained from aggressive action, believing the powers will effect the regeneration of the government. One powerful organization has distributed thousands of copies of a reform appeal in the British colonies. The memoranda has been signed by hundreds for presentation to the British minister imploring assistance of a reform government in establishing a capital and the re-election of enlightened Chinese officials to administer the government with foreign advisers.

These people are disheartened at the reported intention of the powers to withdraw from China. Different societies are combining to raise the standard of revolution and overthrow the corrupt government.

The practical cessation of trade with the north has thrown thousands of Chinese in each port out of employment. They are ready to join the rebels.

Botha at Lydenburg

General Buller Has Been Busy Reconnoitering the Boer Positions in Mountains.

Two Thousand More Burghers Have Joined Forces Which Hold the Pass.

(Associated Press.)

Crocodile River Valley, Transvaal, Sept. 2.—Buller to-day reconnoitered the Boer positions in the mountains overlooking Lydenburg.

Gen. Botha and two thousand burghers had joined the forces holding the pass.

The Boers opened with three "Long Toms," and fired continuously all day long. The British had a few casualties.

London, Sept. 2.—Lord Roberts, it is reported, has issued a proclamation formally annexing the Transvaal to the dominions of the British crown.

Gen. Christian, Dewet, according to the Daily Mail's Capetown advices, is reported to have appeared again along the railway near Winburg road.

Preparing for Flight. Pretoria, Sept. 2.—Messrs. Kruger and Steyn have gone to Barberton. It is believed that they are preparing for flight. The general opinion is that the war is now very near the end. But should the Boers construct strongholds in the bush or elsewhere and begin a system of raids, the British would require further large supplies of horses.

Gen. Buller has moved 14 miles north west along the Lydenburg road, and crossed Crocodile river to Badfontein. He found the Boers concentrating in the Crocodile mountains.

A force of Boers, under Commandant Theron, broke through the British lines and captured and burned a supply train at Klip River station, taking 35 prisoners. Boshan's Horse proceeded thither, recaptured all the prisoners and drove the Boers into the hills.

Col. Plummer disposed of a small commando under Commander Pretorius, east of Pinaars river, capturing 24 Boers, a number of wagons and a quantity of cattle.

Negotiations for Surrender. Pretoria, Aug. 30.—General Baden-Powell, three or four days ago, attacked General Grobelaar, near Warmbaths, and then prepared to bivouac for the night. As soon as it was dark Baden-Powell's whole force made a detour and at dawn was sixteen miles in Grobelaar's rear. Baden-Powell tapped the Boer telegraph line to Pietersburg and sent an urgent request for reinforcements. The Boer commandant wired that a train would leave immediately, whereupon Baden-Powell prepared to waylay the train, but the Boers learned of his presence. Baden-Powell then summoned Grobelaar's force to surrender.

The negotiations were proceeding when the British commander was last heard from.

Disheartened. Vlack Fontein, Aug. 31.—Reports received here show that the Boers are disheartened. General Botha, before his flight replied to the burghers, reminding them of their promise to make a last stand at Machadodorp, but they would not fight again, running away out of shame.

Capetown, Sept. 5.—The siege of Ladybrand has been raised after several desperate attempts to capture the town and its little garrison of 150 British troops.

The Boers who attacked Ladybrand are estimated to have numbered over 2,000 men. The British were summoned to surrender on September 2nd, but refused, and from that time on were subject to continual cannon and rifle fire. The burghers twice tried to rush the British position. Probably the approach of a relief force saved the little garrison.

Treated as Rebels. New York, Sept. 5.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says: "Lord Roberts's annexation of the Transvaal is generally regarded at home and in South Africa as an indication that the war is practically over. The Stock Exchange take this view. The effect of the proclamation will be to cause Transvaal burghers, now in arms, to be treated as rebels and forfeit belligerent rights. It is hoped that by this means the hopelessness of resistance will be speedily brought home to the Boers. But the experience of Orange River Colony is not encouraging."

Trooper Wounded. Ottawa, Sept. 5.—Sir Alfred Milner cables from Capetown announcing the serious wounding of Pte. C. C. M. Waite, of Virden, Man., (Strathcona's Horse), at Sudfontein, on September 1st.

PASSAGE OF PUGILISM. New York, Sept. 1.—The Horton law is dead. At Broadway Athletic Club last night, after the Gans-Hawkins fight, this passage of pugilism was signalled by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" by the crowd. It is estimated that since the passage of the law in 1890 335 fights have taken place in the state, the majority in Greater New York. The total receipts were \$2,805,000. The Erne-McGovern fight drew the biggest crowd, and the Corbett-McCoy had the largest receipts, about \$400,000.

For any case of nervousness, sleeplessness, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, or any ailment, the only nerve medicine for sale in the market.

ROSSLAND CELEBRATION. (Associated Press.) Rossland, Sept. 3.—In more ways than one it could be said of to-day that it was the finest celebration of Labor Day yet held in the city. There was hardly a cloud in the sky and yet the heat was tempered by a breeze from the north. The crowds on the streets were good tempered and watched the various events and listened to the music of the bands. The boats were a great success. The procession gave a very vivid idea of the strength of the union element of the city. The speeches, made by Mayor Goodeve, Chris. Foley, James Wilks and Arthur Ferris, were appreciated by listeners, who interrupted the speakers only by applause. Then came the sports, driving contests, firemen's contests and foot and bicycle races.

VISITING MARITIME PROVINCES. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Sept. 4.—Hon. Messrs. Fielding and Patterson left to-day for the Maritime provinces to open the political campaign there on Thursday. Hon. A. G. Blair will join them at Amherst the same day.

Railway Disaster

Thirteen Passengers Killed and Over Thirty Injured in a Collision.

Train Loaded With Excursionists Dashed Into a Milk Train—List of Dead.

(Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Sept. 2.—A rear end collision between an excursion train and a milk train occurred on the Bethlehem branch of the Philadelphia & Reading railway this morning at Hatfield, Penn., 27 miles north of this city.

The wrecked train consisted of ten day coaches and was the first section of a large excursion made up of people of Bethlehem, Allentown and surrounding towns to Atlantic City. This section carried only those persons who lived in Bethlehem and Allentown, and left the Union depot, Bethlehem, at 8:05 p.m., 35 minutes behind the milk train.

The latter train consisted of two milk cars and two passenger coaches.

At 6:50 a milk train drew up at the milk platform at Hatfield and in less than two minutes a special excursion train, running at the rate of 35 miles an hour, crashed into the rear of the milk train. The locomotive plow d through the two passenger coaches and crushed them as if they were egg shells.

The milk car, immediately in front, was also badly wrecked, and four persons on the passenger car of the milk train were almost instantly killed.

The excursion train was a picture of indescribable horror. The locomotive was a mass of bent and broken iron and firmly held the bodies of its engineer and fireman beneath its great weight. Beneath the engine six of the twelve cars were a mass of wreckage. As soon as the crash came a terrible cry arose from the smashed cars, and those who had not been injured quickly crawled or jumped from the cars and went to the assistance of the injured.

Repairing Railway. St. Petersburg, Sept. 4.—The following dispatch has been received at the war office from Gen. Linévitch:

"Peking, Aug. 21.—The railroad from Yang Tsun to Peking is totally wrecked. Masters of the road have been ordered to re-construct it. A bridge is being built at Yang Tsun. The road gangs are working at both ends of the wrecked road."

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THE DOMINION CAMPAIGN.

From one end of Canada to the other the political leaders and stalwarts are donning their armor for the great national fight. In many places the campaign is already well under way; in British Columbia a few days will probably see the two sides drawn up in order of battle. The contest will be a memorable one and far-reaching in its effects. It is understood the Conservatives will strive to keep local issues prominently before the people and the great national questions in the background because of the stand their leaders have taken in regard to measures bearing on the unity and integrity of the Empire. It would never do in a loyal country like British Columbia for Conservative candidates to adopt the policy of the Tupperites and tell the people that if selected as the rulers of Canada their first act would be to abolish the preference now accorded to British goods; that Laurier is too English for Colonel Prior or Mr. Earle, or whoever the candidates may be; in effect, that we shall act the selfish part of accepting all the benefits of British connection and shut the goods of the 'Mother Land out of our markets just as we do those of countries from which we get nothing and which place all obstacles possible in the way of our entering their markets, and if these doings should prove an offence in the eyes of Britons, why 'business is business, and if these business-like acts are bad for British connection, so much the worse for British connection.' But, apart altogether from the duty we owe and the obligations we are under to Great Britain for the benefits we derive from the army and navy in times of peace and in times of war, and from the finest consular and diplomatic service in the world, the reduction in the rate of duty on British imports has been of great material benefit to the trade of this province. Merchants can now buy many lines of goods cheaper, and the public generally derives the benefit. For these reasons during the coming conflict the purely local questions shall not be made the chief ones. Liberals could well afford to meet their opponents on such issues if it were desirable. It seems a small, contemptible business, but it is eminently worthy of the men and of the party, for the representatives of a province like British Columbia to be continually on their knees like mendicants before the Dominion government begging for larger expenditures. It is not true to say the other provinces pursue such tactics; at least if they do there is no evidence of it in the newspapers. The members undoubtedly do their best to secure all necessary public works and no reasonable requests from any part of the Dominion are refused. If Conservative candidates in British Columbia desire to institute comparisons of expenditures under this and former governments we have no doubt the Liberals will supply them with plenty of material to exercise their manipulating ingenuity upon. The only sectional appeals that are being made come from Sir Charles Tupper and his friends. Under the advice, apparently, of the proprietor of the Montreal Star, Sir Charles has told the people of Quebec that Laurier is too English for him; that he proposes to tax them \$40,000,000 a year to assist in the maintenance of the British army and navy, and a lot of other stuff equally preposterous. Before the elections in 1896 it was the Remedial Order that was looked to to do the trick; this time the French-Canadians are to be tempted with new bait, although the flavor of it is very much as of old. Then the appeal was made to religious prejudice; this time it is to assumed race antipathies. Sir Charles Tupper and his blind guides made a mistake then, and it will be found they are wrong again. The French-Canadians are just as patriotic and as devoted to British institutions as their brethren of other descent in the Dominion. They know they enjoy as great liberty as it is possible to find in any quarter of the globe, and they realize that when the leader they love and follow with a devotion that has no parallel in the history of political parties—except possibly in the loyalty of the Scotch electors to Gladstone—tells them they have nothing to look forward to in this world that will bring them greater material blessings than their present political condition they believe him implicitly. Those competent to form a fairly reliable estimate predict that great as is the present majority for the government from Quebec, it will be even larger when the pending conflict is over. The Tory policy of meeting out the same treatment to the Mother Country as is dealt out to stranger nations is not only mean and selfish. It would be bad for business, and it is dangerous, as the following from the Monetary Times, a perfectly independent journal, clearly and ably points out: "A political issue in which one party asserts in effect that, commercially, we are not getting fair treatment from England, is not without its perils. There is much in the past to emphasize this fact. Can you create such a belief and fix it in the minds of even a considerable minority, without creating discontent? Would such discontent be free from danger? How often have false impressions of this kind led to the undoing of nations? The exaggerated pretensions of the Boers have led to the ruin of the Republics of South Africa, and will cause their very

name to be blotted out. The Boers, of China, are playing the extreme patriotic game at the imminent peril of the nation. It is not possible to tell Canadians that they are in danger of being taxed \$40,000,000 a year for Imperial purposes, as they are being told, without serious mischief being wrought. Such a plan of political campaign is to be regretted; it ought to be abandoned with the least possible delay."

TRULY LOYAL.

We hasten to assure our esteemed morning contemporary that we do not regard it as at all probable that Colonel Prior and Mr. Earle regard Sir Wilfrid Laurier as too British for them. Not by any manner of means. We know exactly what will take place when the trouble begins. Mr. Earle will not say much, but Colonel Prior will be overtaken with terrible paroxysms of glibity, and even the most unregenerate Grit, confronted by his sturdy figure and general John Bull ensemble, will be unable to doubt his sincerity. But that will be merely part of the plan of campaign. Conservatives will pose in like manner all over the country where it is considered advisable to do so. It is the attitude of the leaders of the party that is worthy of condemnation by all who have the welfare of this country and of the Empire at heart. We have no desire to disparage the abilities of Colonel Prior or to suggest that he is not worthy of the honor of being considered one of the leaders of the great Conservative party. But surely if he had any influence in the councils of the organization of which he does not appear to be a shining light he would not be a consenting party to the promulgation of the campaign document which condemns the leader of the Liberal party for offering the Mother Country assistance in the South African war, nor would he endorse the statement of Sir Charles Tupper that Sir Wilfrid Laurier "is too English for me." But are we to assume from the remarks of our contemporary that Colonel Prior and Mr. Earle are really going to take their stand upon a "Canada First" platform? Not that they love Britain less than they did in the old days when the party signed the annexation manifests and when they said that if British connection were endangered by their so-called National Policy so much the worse for British connection, but that they now love Canada more. Surely our contemporary is speaking without authority in this matter. Perhaps we shall be told next that the Colonel is engaged in organizing an Independence Club or an Annexation Association, a work in which some of the other prominent members of his party have had experience and which they would not hesitate about entering upon again if they say a prospect of attaining power through such instrumentalities. There are many far-seeing men who consider it would be to the material advantage of Canada to throw in her fortunes with the United States, and it may be that those who profess to love their country more than the unregenerate Grits have been dreaming dreams of such a consummation. No pronouncement from a party capable of appealing to the country on the Remedial Order, as was done in 1896, or upon the "Laurier is too English for me" cry, as will be done in 1906, would surprise anyone. But the Canadian people want neither independence nor annexation. They recognize that their material interests have been placed on a perfectly satisfactory footing since the advent of the Liberal government. The policy of the party that announced its determination to pursue a certain course regardless of what the effect might be on British connection proved a dismal failure. It was going to cover the land with tall chimneys of factories and line the pockets of the farmers with banknotes, and yet after nearly nineteen years of power there was stagnation in all lines and the country did not even retain the natural increase of its population. In the first four years of the Liberal administration the increase of trade has been more than double what it was during the nineteen years the Conservatives were in power, and the prospects are that these conditions will continue to prevail. There is no reasonable doubt that the preferential tariff and the general lessening of the burdens of taxation had a great deal to do with bringing about this state of affairs, yet we are told that if Sir Charles Tupper and Colonel Prior are returned to power this preference shall be abolished and that we shall revert to the old state of affairs which proved so disastrous an experiment for the country, for the reason that while these gentlemen do not love Britain less, yet they love Canada more.

lief that they are fighting for their freedom and political liberty. Even the conspiracy against the life of the British general and his officers did not call down upon the heads of those actively engaged in it the punishment that would surely have followed the discovery of such a plot by any of the other great nations of Europe. Cordua broke his parole, which is regarded as a sacred pledge amongst all military men, and aggravated his offence by conspiring with Botha to murder officers and carry off their general. Now we are told by continental critics that the execution of this man was a crime against civilization, and the newspapers in some of the great cities have been worked up into a fine frenzy over it. The New York Times argues that the court-martial, or whatever the name of the tribunal that tried the prisoners, would have been justified in executing the whole lot as a measure of protection against such conspiracies in the future. It has been said that the Boers have no real conception of the binding nature of an oath and this is borne out by the celerity with which many of them returned to the fighting lines after they had given up their arms and announced their determination to return to their homes. These are the tactics which have to be met in South Africa. Is the present state of affairs to be allowed to continue and hundreds of lives to be sacrificed because the men who despise British methods and will return to their work of slaughter as often as they have the opportunity have been dealt with with a leniency which they do not understand, are unable to appreciate, and probably ascribe to weakness? Perhaps it has been concluded that the day of grace has passed away, that a magnanimity which has been beyond burger comprehension is no longer to be exercised and that the time has arrived when those who have made it their business to foment conspiracies and uprisings shall be taught their true position. Measures which may seem harsh, and which all Britons would regret, may be necessary now to bring home to the Boers, the lesson they should have been taught many years ago.

The Liberals of Yale-Cariboo have entered upon the campaign with a vim which presages success. The retirement of Mr. Bostock will be a serious loss to the party, but his work lives, as he has made the constituency, a safe Liberal seat. Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, if he decides to oppose Mr. Galliber, will give another intimation that his political career is at an end.

There will be general regret in all parts of British Columbia at the temporary difficulties in which Mr. Hewitt Bostock has become involved. The member for Yale-Cariboo has proved himself a public-spirited gentleman and it is pleasing to know that the period of suspension of his public activities is likely to be very short. The annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Association of fire chiefs will be held at Spokane, Wash., on October 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th. Fully fifty fire chiefs will be in attendance, and their deliberations will undoubtedly be of the most interesting interest. The officers of the association are as follows: President, Thomas Deany, chief of the Victoria fire department, who is also the senior chief on the membership list; secretary, H. W. Bringham, ex-chief of the Seattle fire department; treasurer, Chief Poyns, of Tacoma, besides there are a large number of vice-presidents. 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Situation Unchanged

Great Britain Is Sending Another Brigade From India to China.

Japan Acting in Harmony With the United States-Powers and Pekin.

(Associated Press.)

London, Sept. 6.—What is now designated in some quarters as an attempt to establish a "Russian Monroe doctrine" in Asia seems doomed to modification, hence the prospects of the continued concord of the powers are believed to be improved. It is thought the announcement of the names of the four plenipotentiaries appointed by Imperial edict as Chinese peace commissioners will furnish Russia with a plausible reason to join in the American demand for the appointment of a more permanent commission, and also give Russia ground for delaying the withdrawal of her troops from Pekin until the Chinese Imperial party shows a more conciliatory disposition.

According to a dispatch from Shanghai it is reported there that Prince Tuan (the father of the heir apparent and reported leader of the extreme anti-foreign movement at the palace) is hiding within easy reach of Pekin, awaiting the result of the present conference of the powers.

The rumors emanating from Shanghai that the expedition, which it is said will shortly start for Pao Ting Fu, about 40 miles southwest of Tien Tsin, will go to Tiao Ting Yuan Fu, about 300 miles southwest of Tien Tsin, capital of the province of Shan Si, where the Dowager Empress, the Emperor and the court are sojourning, can be dismissed as fantastic. The allied forces are in no way equipped for such a crusade.

The Boxers are still active in Shan Tung province. One official dispatch from Tsin Tau reports that 500 Boxers attacked a patrol of German marines near Lan Tsun on September 5th, with the result that 40 Boxers were killed and the Germans suffered no loss.

Punishing Boxers.

Taku, Sept. 4.—An expedition will shortly start for Pao Ting Fu, clearing the villages en route, which were the seat of the first Boxer outrages in the province of Chi Li.

The Russians intend to repair the railway through to Pekin.

It is reliably asserted that native soldiers, acting under the orders of Li Hung Chang, are exterminating the Boxers in the provinces of Hu Nan and Chi Li.

Germany's Reply.

Washington, Sept. 6.—The attitude of the German government on the Russian proposal to withdraw the troops from Pekin has been made known to the United States, and is to the effect that Germany considers it necessary to retain her forces in Pekin.

From Chaffee.

Washington, Sept. 6.—The war department today received the following: "Taku (no date), Adjutant-General Washington, Pekin, Aug. 28.—The officers and soldiers of the China relief expedition send thanks to the president and secretary of war for message of congratulations. Formal entry of palace grounds was made today at 3 o'clock, a salute of 21 guns being fired at the south and north gates. Troops of all nations participated, the United States by a battalion 350 strong, composed of details from each organization, were present at the taking of the city. The palace is vacant with the exception of about 300 servants. Danish cable, Shanghai to Taku, is open for business; connect with our wire. (Signed) Chaffee."

Boxers Executed.

Tien Tsin, Aug. 30.—Four prominent Boxers were executed in Tien Tsin today. The French shot two and the Japanese beheaded the others. The executions have had a good moral effect.

London, Sept. 6.—The dispatch from Sir Alfred Gaselee, which shows that the situation in Pekin was unchanged on August 20th, is the only Chinese news this morning.

The cancellation of the order holding back the 4th Indian brigade is regarded as important. It shows that whatever the outcome of the Russian policy, the British government is determined to have sufficient troops on the spot adequate to protect British interests.

Considerable significance is attached to the statement by the withdrawal of the ministers and not of the troops to Tien Tsin. It is believed that the powers might agree to such a modification of the original Russian proposal.

The Times's Vienna correspondent discussing the situation, declares that Japan has a strong disposition to act in harmony with the United States in the Chinese question.

A dispatch from Shanghai announces that German troops will land there today (Thursday). Curiously enough, they will be located in the barracks adjoining the residence of Li Hung Chang.

United States Consul Goodnow, according to the Daily News, says there never was any necessity for landing troops at Shanghai.

According to a Hongkong dispatch, dated yesterday, Canton is more disturbed. Native shops dealing in foreign goods have been looted and sinister ru-

mors prevail. The German cruiser Schwabe has gone to Amoy.

In Forbidden City.

London, Sept. 6.—The British admiral has issued Vice-Admiral Seymour's detailed report of the experiences of the first Pekin relief expedition. It is good reading, but embraces nothing not previously known.

More Troops.

Shanghai, Sept. 4.—About 1,500 more British Indian troops and 1,000 camp followers have landed at this port.

The Negotiations.

Washington, Sept. 5.—Within the last twenty-four hours the United States government has received from its representatives at the foreign capitals much material information in regard to the attitude of the powers on the Russian proposal to evacuate Pekin.

It is stated authoritatively that if there was at any time a prospect of a serious international clash, this has been very largely, if not entirely, removed by the harmonious character of the communications the several governments are making. The exact nature of the response is not made public by the state department, for there are yet some replies to be transmitted, and until all of them are in, the negotiations are considered in such an incomplete form that they will not be made public.

It is said, however, that the answers go much beyond the tentative character of those heretofore referred to and are of a conclusive nature, so far as showing the purpose of the governments, although they may not be regarded as conclusive as to the particular proposition advanced by Russia.

The satisfactory progress of negotiations along these lines has had the effect of directing attention to the personality of the envoys who probably will represent the powers in China in the final settlement. The impression prevails here that Mr. Conger is eminently fitted for such a task on the part of the United States.

Mr. Rockhill's name is mentioned as an alternative in case Mr. Conger does not care to remain in Pekin to participate in the settlement.

If the present state of affairs is protracted until the arrival there of Field Marshal Count von Werdersee, which should occur in about ten days or a fortnight, it is not to be doubted that the government of Germany will endeavor to have all the negotiations with the Chinese government conducted through that officer as a representative not of Germany alone, but of all the powers.

The German foreign office appears to be active in furthering the negotiations and quite a number of messages have passed between Washington and Berlin. Those persons mostly to have a correct understanding of Germany's attitude look for the suggestion of a compromise or middle course, which will be neither an acceptance nor a rejection of the Russian proposal, but will be such a satisfactory middle ground that all the powers, including Russia, can agree to it.

In another diplomatic quarter the strong belief is expressed that the requisite compromise will be found by China's re-establishment of a government and naming peace commissioners. Official intimations have been received at Washington that steps are now being taken towards the appointment of such a peace commission, including Li Hung Chang, the viceroys of Nankin and Wu Chang, and Prince Chang, whose reports also have named Yang Ku and Hsi Tung in place of the two pacific viceroys. But while there is doubt as to the personnel of the commission, it is quite generally accepted among officials that some such a move on the part of China has matured and will take form in Washington very soon.

In that event, it is believed by diplomats that the entire status of the negotiations between the powers might be changed and that Russia no longer would feel impelled to insist upon the withdrawal of her minister and troops from Pekin, as all these matters would be the subject for the commission itself to deal with.

It is pointed out also that in the six days since the Russian-American notes were given to the world, the sentiment has been growing steadily in favor of continuing the presence of the troops at Pekin.

In view of the declarations made in the United States reply to Russia, some question has arisen as to the course open to this country in its compromise or change in the present diplomatic status.

Petition From Minister.

London, Sept. 5.—The Chinese minister here admits the correctness, in general, of a cable sent to him, according to Shanghai advices, by Li Hung Chang, in which the latter is quoted as saying: "Our Petersburg minister has persuaded Russia to leave Pekin. You are useless if you cannot persuade England!" The minister says he has sent a powerful memorial to Lord Salisbury.

THREE MONTHS

For Obtaining Credit by False Representations From Proprietor of London Hotel.

New York, Sept. 6.—Gordon Bresseau, alias Dessauer, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment in the London county sessions for obtaining credit by false representations from the proprietor of Hotel Victoria, according to a dispatch to the World from London.

Bresseau had posed as a French count and entertained largely at the hotel's expense. When arrested he said he had lost \$20,000,000 by the recent failure of an American firm. At the police station he said he was a surgeon from New York. Afterwards in court he said he was vice-president of a surety company in Chicago.

Bresseau gained notoriety in the United States last April by forging bills of large denominations and by his attentions to Miss Helen Bertram, of the Bostonians. Miss Bertram was prostrated when she learned that Bresseau was a forger.

Candidate Nominated

Mr. Hewitt Bostock Will Not Contest the Constituency of Yale-Cariboo.

Mr. W. A. Galliher, of Nelson, Chosen Liberal Standard-Bearer.

(Special to the Times.)

Revelstoke, Sept. 5.—The Liberal convention for Yale-Cariboo which met at 10 a.m. in Uddell's hall, W. M. Lawrence, president of the Revelstoke Liberal Association, in the chair.

There were about fifty present. On the convention being called to order most of the delegates held the proxies of others who were prevented, owing to the enormous distances to be travelled, from being present. On the platform with the chairman were J. C. McLagan, Geo. R. Maxwell, M.P., and Senator Templeman. Hewitt Bostock, M.P. for the district, was not present, being detained by private business.

The convention, after a speech by the chairman welcoming the delegates, at once proceeded to business by appointing a credential committee.

The credential committee reported the following delegates: West Yale—James C. Shields, John Shields, Rossland—Smith Curtis, J. M. Martin, D. Sinclair, R. McGee, J. M. Trail Creek—N. Burns, Col. Topping, East Yale—L. Rabbitt, Jas. Crozier, F. H. Latimer, S. O. Smith, J. C. Campbell, A. C. Carno, Fred Billings, C. F. Costerton, H. W. Wright.

North Yale—J. D. Swanson, F. J. Deane, H. A. Thomson, A. McLean, Alex. McIntyre, M. P. Gordon, A. Howson, J. A. Smith, P. Buckner, J. J. Langstaff, J. N. Doyle, D. M. Rae, J. Dallas alternate.

Slocan—G. O. Buchanan, D. P. Kane, S. Fawcett, D. C. McGregor, John Buckley, Alex. Crawford, M. L. Grimmett, W. P. Lawson, W. P. Gordon, A. W. Goodenough, Alternates, H. Byers, D. Clarke, F. Fitch.

D. C. McGregor, of Kaslo, was appointed permanent chairman, and J. A. Smith, of Revelstoke, permanent secretary.

Smith Curtis nominated Hewitt Bostock in a highly complimentary speech, seconded by Dr. Sinclair of Rossland. The motion being put was carried unanimously, the entire convention rising to its feet and cheering the result with great enthusiasm.

A motion was carried authorizing the chairman to thank Mr. Bostock, and the convention then adjourned until two o'clock, to receive his reply.

Revelstoke, Sept. 6.—When the Yale-Cariboo Liberal convention resumed after the adjournment of yesterday, a number of resolutions were unanimously adopted, the most important probably being those affirming unbounded faith in the principles of Liberalism and heartily endorsing the policy of Sir Wilfrid's government, congratulating the government on the extraordinary advance made in the restoration of the Empire as a result of the preferential tariff and sending the Canadian contingents to South Africa, asking for an equitable adjustment of the tariff on the products of the lead industry, and emphasizing the need of cabinet representation.

At this stage the chairman read the following reply to the telegram tendering Mr. Bostock the nomination:

"I appreciate most deeply the generous and unannounced expression of the convention. I regret exceedingly that my desire to meet their views cannot prevail over circumstances which make it impossible for me to accept."

"HEWITT BOSTOCK"

A Liberal association with the following officers was then formed: Hon. president, H. Bostock; president, W. M. Lawrence; vice-presidents, J. M. Martin, S. S. Taylor, S. Henderson; secretary-treasurer, A. McRae; executive, presidents of local associations.

It was 8 o'clock p.m. before the convention had the preliminary work completed and resolutions had been carried and was ready to proceed to the nomination, delegates being bound to abide by the decision arrived at.

R. W. Gregor, Rossland, moved, and S. S. Taylor, Nelson, seconded, that W. A. Galliher, of Nelson, be chosen as the candidate. There was no other nomination, and the choice of Mr. Galliher was made unanimous amid great enthusiasm.

Speeches followed by the candidate, Senator Templeman, J. C. McLagan, Smith Curtis and G. A. Maxwell, the latter especially delivering a telling and effective address.

The convention, which had been most harmonious throughout, concluded about 10 p.m., having given three cheers for Mr. Galliher and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and singing "God Save the Queen."

A BIG DEAL.

(Associated Press.) Denver, Colo., Sept. 6.—Martin Robinson, agent for the Armon-Haviland Co. of Chicago, in an interview last night said that he and his associates had just closed the first part of a deal involving \$20,000,000 that is to be invested in Colorado gold mines by the Packers and London partners. He declined to divulge the names of the properties until all mines on which he had an option should have been transferred. His principals in the negotiations were the Armon-Haviland Co. of Chicago, and Hayes & Co., of London.

TOBACCO DAMAGED.

(Associated Press.) Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 6.—Rains and high winds have done serious damage to the banana and tobacco plantations on the north side of the island.

CANADIANS WOUNDED.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Sept. 6.—The following cablegrams arrived this morning: "Capetown, Sept. 5.—76. Hope, C. Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, slightly wounded, at Warmabaths on 3rd September. (Signed) Milner."

"Bedfontein, Sept. 6.—The following casualties were reported near Bedfontein on September 4th: Lord Strathcona's Horse, severely wounded, 95; Pte. A. C. Garner, left shoulder and right thigh; missing, 335; Sergt. L. A. Logan; 297; Pte. A. Jones; AS4 U. Cruikshanks; 465; Sergt. J. Brothers. (Signed) General Natal Army."

The People's Party

Convention Held at Toronto Last Evening, When Platform Was Adopted.

A Visitor's Impressions—News Notes From All Parts of Canada.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Sept. 6.—Dr. Barnardo, of London, England, the famous reclamer of the young, is in the city. When interviewed he expressed himself as being surprised at the evidence of prosperity existing in the Dominion, as compared with his visit of seven years ago. He stated that the stock of Canadians had gone up to the top notch in England within the past year, adding that it was a great thing to be a Canadian in London nowadays.

The annual meeting of the General Sunday School and Epworth League Board of the Methodist Church of Canada was held here yesterday. The annual report of the general secretary, Rev. A. C. Crews, showed the work of the Sunday schools and Epworth League in a prosperous condition. Before the conclusion it was decided to hold a Dominion Epworth League convention in Toronto next fall.

The People's Party of Canada was formally launched last evening at a convention attended by 27 voting delegates. The convention adopted a platform of six planks: 1, direct legislation; 2, proportional representation; 3, public ownership of railways and other public services; 4, compulsory arbitration of disputes; 5, a national bank; 6, government banking; 7, public employment for the unemployed. The executive was instructed to put candidates in the field at the forthcoming election wherever practicable. Prohibition got twelve votes out of the 27, and was consequently shelved.

Yesterday was farmers' day, and 65,000 persons attended the exhibition.

Kingston, Sept. 6.—Gunner Pratt and Drivers Davis and Arquette, of "A" Battery, deserted yesterday. They are supposed to have gone to Montreal, and will likely be arrested there.

Calgary, Sept. 6.—The Liberals of Haldimand and Monk counties have nominated A. T. Thompson, barrister of this place, to oppose Hon. Dr. Montague at the next general elections.

Sunderland, P. E. I., Sept. 6.—The Liberal-Conservative Party of Prince Edward Island, to oppose the Liberal member, Mr. Bell, who succeeded John Yeo, recently appointed to the Senate.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 6.—Hon. Messrs. Patterson and Fielding reached here last night, and this evening commenced a political tour through the province.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 6.—The Grand Priory of Knight Templars of Canada met in their annual convention here yesterday afternoon. Supreme Master J. V. Ellis, M. P. of St. John, N. B., now Senator Ellis, presided.

SECRETARY HAY'S REPLY

To the Miners of Porcupine Country Who Complain of Being Brought Under Dominion Laws.

(Associated Press.)

Seattle, Sept. 6.—The miners of Porcupine district, in Alaska, have received assurance that the government foregoes no part of its right and power to protect its citizens in the Porcupine Creek region, whether they be temporarily within American or British jurisdiction, in the full enjoyment of all rights and privileges which they had before the status vivand was concluded, and to see that their freedom of access and exit with their goods is not unreasonably impeded.

This announcement from Mr. Hay is the result of a petition to President McKinley from 140 American miners in the Porcupine country, who complained of being brought within the territory and under the laws of the Dominion of Canada, and especially protested against the location of the boundary line along the Klehini river by which American miners were forced to enter British territory in carrying supplies to their camps.

Secretary Hay discussed the whole matter at considerable length and assured the miners that the modus vivand is merely a temporary proposition.

LAUNDRY COMBINE.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—As a result of the consolidation of 22 of the largest laundry concerns in the city into one corporation, prices have been advanced all along the line. The capitalization of the big combine is \$2,000,000.

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MESSAGE FROM ANDREE.

A Small Buoy Found by the Harbor Master of Vardoe.

(Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 6.—The harbor master of Vardoe, the most northeasterly Norwegian port of the Arctic ocean, has sent to the Herald the following: "Vardoe, Sept. 5.—A bottle from Andree, containing a note numbered 143, has been found four miles east of Vardoe."

Andree took with him on his balloon voyage in 1897 twelve dispatch buoys, each consisting of a sphere of cork coated with paint and protected by a network of copper wire. At the upper portion was a copper stopper inscribed with the words "Andree's Polar expedition, 1897," and a number. This stopper closed a cavity in the cork to receive a tube in which the document or message were to be enclosed.

COTTON SHORTAGE.

May Result in the Closing of Many Lancashire Mills.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 6.—A London cablegram to Herald says that the prospective delay and shortage of the new American crop has brought the cotton manufacturers of the United Kingdom face to face with what is pronounced the most serious conditions which they have had to weather since the exports of cotton from the United States were stopped during the civil war.

A meeting of the masters will be held in Manchester on Friday to consider an indefinite shut down of the mills. The total supply does not exceed 150,000 bales. Only half of this is said to be usable. The continuance of the stock may be judged from the fact that the average weekly consumption of the Lancashire mills is 58,000 bales.

REPORT DENIED.

No Truth in Statement That Sir Charles Warren is Coming to Canada.

(Associated Press.)

London, Sept. 6.—Lieut-General Sir Charles Warren and the British war office officials say there is no truth in the statement emanating from Montreal that Gen. Warren is to succeed Lieut-General Lord William F. Seymour in the command of British troops in Canada.

BOLOMEN ANNIHILATED.

Washington, Sept. 6.—The following cablegram has been received at the war department from Gen. MacArthur:

"Manila, Sept. 5.—A detachment of 27 men, under Lieut. Leback, on August 31 were attacked near Carmen by 120 Bolomen. The latter were nearly annihilated, over 100 of them being killed. Our loss was as previously reported. The movement in the interior is now in progress."

PAINTER'S SUICIDE.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 6.—Harry Sumford, a painter, 45 years old, who had been missing since Monday, was found hanging in a neighbor's barn today. The man had bought a new rope for this purpose. His feet touched the floor, showing the act was deliberate.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

The Full Court is sitting to-day hearing the appeal in Eastman v. Pemberton. The question is as to the validity of two assignments for the benefit of creditors, which the execution creditors claim are invalid as being not according to the act. The defendant, who is sheriff for the County of Yale, had some objections in his hands, but considered he was bound by the assignment. L. P. Duff for appellant and A. E. McPhillips for respondent.

When the court met this afternoon an adjournment was taken until to-morrow morning, on account of the noise caused by cutting steel rails.

Unless proper accommodation is provided the Full Court proceedings may be continued in Vancouver.

Mr. Justice Drake held Chambers this morning, and disposed of a few applications. In B. C. Land & Investment Agency v. Wulff, Mr. Barnard, on behalf of the plaintiffs, moved for an injunction restraining the defendant, Wulff, of the Dawson hotel, from transferring the liquor license to William Jensen. The plaintiffs are the owners of the hotel property and under an agreement of lease with Wulff they say he has agreed not to dispose of the license, but as a matter of fact a temporary transfer has been made to Mr. Jensen at Wulff's request. The injunction was granted.

The Full court sat this forenoon, there being present only Judges Walkem, Drake and Irving. Chief Justice McCall will be down to-night, and business will be proceeded with to-morrow. Leave was granted to set down for this court appeals in Lovell v. Brackman, and McKinn v. Wellman.

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President In Prison

Story of How Vice-President Narroguin, of Colombia, Gained Power.

He Seized San Clemente and Shut Him Up at Valleta.

New York, Sept. 6.—Benito Zalamea, United States vice-consul at Bogota, who has reached here with dispatches to Secretary Hay from Chas. Burdette Hart, the minister of the United States to Colombia, brings news of the real state of affairs in that country which has been concealed by the orders of the usurping president. Some time ago news was received that President San Clemente had resigned and that Vice-President Narroguin had succeeded him. This news was sent by cable by Narroguin to the Colombian representatives all over the world, with instructions to transmit it to the various governments. Minister Hart was asked to send fuller information to Washington.

It now appears that Narroguin did not peacefully succeed San Clemente but seized him, together with Gen. Palacio, the secretary of state, and put them in prison at Valleta. The coup d'etat took place on July 31st. Mr. Zalamea saw President San Clemente in prison. The President told him that he would not give in nor recognize the new order of things.

Narroguin is conducting himself in a manner little short of a military dictator. Several of the governors of the different states and other agents of the legitimate government have refused to recognize Narroguin. Mr. Zalamea says, and it is not improbable that an effort will be made to overthrow him.

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.

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Something entirely new and interesting. Read what you are to do. You may get \$200 cash. Our contest is to see who can make the largest list of names (or kinds) of birds from the following list of letters: W D D O C K Q U I A P R T A R I O C E S P N I E L V E B R I D M W A D T L

We will recognize as a bird anything belonging to the feathered tribe, whether it be a Hen, Crow, Slinger or any other kind. You can use any letters as many times as you like. It appears in the list of letters above for instance Woodcock, Crows, Snow Bird, etc. To be eligible you can make a list of 25 or more different names of birds, we will give absolutely FREE a beautiful Prize valued \$200.00. BIG PRIZES AWARDED DAILY.

When you are awarded this prize, all you do is to send us a stamped, addressed envelope, then if you are awarded this prize you can if you desire get the prize by becoming a subscriber to the "Woman's World." We shall award a prize to the person who sends the name of 25 Birds, and our gifts will be as follows: For the best list received each day, a Gold Watch; for the second best solution each day, a Silver Watch; for the third best solution each day, a Gold Pen; for the next best solution a Gold Piece; and for all other correct solutions, Prizes of Good Value. These prizes will be awarded daily, you will not have to wait a long time in uncertainty before you know your name is in. You may use any letters in our plan, it makes no difference whether we get your solution late or early in the day, all you need is to post this card to us, and on the day it reaches us, if your list is the best, YOU SHALL HAVE THE GOLD WATCH or Silver Watch, or the beautiful Tea Set, and so on. We guarantee that we will award you a prize, and it is absolutely no opportunity for deception on our part—we cannot afford it. We want to get 1,000,000 well satisfied subscribers, and for that reason we don't want you to send any money until you know exactly what prize you have gained by answering the puzzles. As soon after 4 p. m. each day as possible, the examiners will judge the lists to the best of their ability, and will designate the prizes. We will write you at once notifying you what prize has been awarded you, then if you are fully satisfied you can send your subscription to the "Woman's World" and your prize will go by return of post carefully packed. To a person of narrow ideas it seems impossible that we should be able to make such a gigantic offer, but we have the money, brains and reputation, we know exactly what we are doing, and if we can legitimately gain a million subscribers by this grand idea, we know that this million of well pleased subscribers can be induced to recommend the "Woman's World" to all friends, and thus building up our circulation still further. We are willing to spend \$5,000.00 in this contest, and when this money is spent we reserve the right to publish a notification that the contest has been discontinued. Don't delay until it is too late. The contest will continue until January 1st, 1901.

We give a Bonus Prize of \$50 independent of all others to the person who sends in the list first up in the best and handsomest manner. Our Committee will decide and award prizes daily, but the special \$50 prize will be awarded in March, 1901. Any bird's name found in the dictionaries accepted.

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DEFENDING OUR FORTRESS

Esquimalt Forts Withstand an Attack by Land and Sea.

Lieut.-Col. McKay Makes a Skillful Advance on Rod Hill.

An Instructive System of Manoeuvres and the Lessons It Taught.

The siege of Esquimalt, an episode that will live in the military annals of the province, terminated last evening shortly before 11 o'clock, when the mimic investment to which the fortress has been subjected was raised and the naval base of the North Pacific was relieved. The action, which practically lasted from daybreak until midnight yesterday, was unattended by loss of life, and the most serious attack of the day occurred at noon and at the evening when the bugles sounded "pick-up" and the whole brigade became simultaneously engaged in an onslaught on beef and potatoes. But the lessons of the manoeuvres will never fade from the memory of those who took part in them, and the operations will have the most important instructional effect upon the different corps which were detailed for the duty.

The whole scheme has been described in these columns so recently that it is necessary now to refer to them but briefly. The plan was to give to the different regiments, both regular and militia, practical tuition in the performance of duties which would inevitably fall upon them should Britain's station on the North Pacific ever be threatened by an armed force. Every portion of

C. R., under Col. McKay, had effected a landing there. It was from this position, as it afterwards proved, that the greatest danger had to be apprehended. Advancing from Albert Head, this invading force came in touch with the outposts of the garrison several miles from Rod Hill. A detached sentry of the Sixth was first overpowered, the man having in his possession a liberal number of rounds of ammunition, which afterwards became useful. Some distance nearer the fort a scouting party from the fortress was surrounded and compelled to surrender and fall in behind their captors. They were now nearing the position, and the little force moved with the greatest caution until they could discern ahead the sentries at the hill. Col. McKay, instead of assaulting the position from the front, executed a flank movement, and before the garrison had recovered from its surprise four volleys had been poured into them.

While strictly speaking this post, with its powerful searchlights, had fallen into the enemy's hands, the original programme was carried out later in the evening of employing Rod Hill as a garrison post. Repeated attempts were made by a tug boat, acting as a torpedo boat, to pass the mine field, but the never sleeping eye of the searchlights, sweeping the waters, located the craft and compelled it to desist. One of the torpedo boats acting as a patrol also scoured the sea for the enemy.

Thus ended the siege of Esquimalt, which while only of one day's duration, has formed a most valuable means of instructing the troops in the improvement and poorly understood problems of defence.

The Forces Engaged.

While the manoeuvres proper did not begin until Monday, the men were under canvas all day Sunday as well. It was midnight on Sunday when the Fifth marched in. They found that

Ackroyd and Lieut. Worsnop, 32 men. In addition to these there was 1 C. O., 3 majors, 2 surgeons, 4 captains, 7 lieutenants, 4 staff sergeants and 213 rank and file.

There were in all on parade 841 men of all ranks, under command of Lieut.-Col. Grant, R. E., and distributed as follows:

Warrant N.Co.'s Officers, Off. & Men.	
Royal Garrison Artillery	4
Royal Engineers	4
Army Services Corps	1
Royal Army Service Corps	3
A Co., 3rd R. C. R.	2
5th Regt. C. A.	18
6th Batt. Rifles	16
Total	44

During the forenoon on Monday the Sixth Rifles drilled in outpost duties, and in the afternoon and evening patrolled the coast line.

Of the Fifth Regiment, Nos. 1 and 2 manned 6 field guns and fired 40 rounds; No. 5 Company, under Major Hibben, engaged in submarine mining, and Nos. 3, 4 and 6 manned the batteries at Macaulay Point. Cos. 1 and 2 deserve special praise, as they dragged three of the guns from Work Point to this hill and had them in position at 8.15 a.m.

Sunday in Camp.

A prettier sight than that presented by Macaulay Plains on Sunday would be hard to imagine. Looking from the bluffs above the Point the tented field appeared in the foreground, the troops drawn up in a hollow square lower down the slope, and beyond the sea as placid as glass made a complete picture. Thousands visited the camp and the soldier brothers, sons and sweethearts were kept busily employed in exhibiting the mysteries of the encampment to their friends in muff. At 3 o'clock a drum-beat services were conducted by Rev. C. Ensor Sharpe, the chaplain of the Fifth, who in a very brief and manly address drew a parallel between the obligations of a Christian and that of a soldier. "Onward Christian Soldiers" and other martial airs were played, the parade being concluded with the singing of the National Anthem, led by the band. At the conclusion of the service the band of the Fifth gave a sacred concert, and later in the day at seven the band of the Sixth gave a programme.

With the Attacking Force.

The chief interest of the manoeuvres centered about the operations on Rod Hill, which the public were unable to see. A rattle of musketry about 3 o'clock told that an engagement was in progress there, but it was not until some time later that the particulars of the fight were available.

Early in the forenoon "A" Company, 3rd R. C. R., under command of Lieut.-Col. McKay and Lieut. Clarke, proceeded by tug boat to Albert Head under sealed orders. Landing here the orders were opened, when, as was anticipated, it was learned that the little force was to march from that point along the Metehosin road. A start was made immediately and by mid-day the assaulting force had advanced to a point where it was no longer safe to follow the beaten road.

Ahead of them on the main road an outpost of almost fifty men were posted, while all the cross roads and paths were patrolled by two companies of the Sixth Rifles, under an Imperial officer. Probably one hundred men in all disputed the advance, part of the force being stationed at the lagoon while the others guarded every avenue of advance. With an attacking body miserably small, consisting of little more than forty men, Col. McKay had to negotiate the country before him, invested as it was by a hostile force. A council of war was held between the two officers, who had previously, through their scouts, obtained a fairly accurate idea of the disposition of the defending outposts. A company was divided into two, the order of the colonel being that his subaltern, if successful in piercing the investing force, was to effect a junction with the other half company under his own command, at the hill overlooking the Rod Hill batteries at 2.50.

Then the difficult portion of the advance began. For several hundred yards the men crawled on their hands and knees through the woods, fearful lest the breaking of a twig should betray their presence. This was soon passed, however, and nothing lay between them and Rod Hill but two or three isolated sentries and a non-commissioned officer's taken prisoners, and fell in rear of the company.

Promptly at ten minutes to three, having broken through the screen, the two forces again united, Lieut. Clarke bringing up a detachment of prisoners to swell the procession. In a few minutes the hill was mounted and 400 yards below them lay the batteries held by only a small force. Four smart volleys poured into the fort apprised the surprised garrison of their presence.

Held by a superior force and assisted by the batteries, the fort was of course impossible of capture, but the advance of the force to the point mentioned was most skillfully performed and reflected great credit on the Canadian regulars and the commanding officer.

The Lessons.

The entire system of operations proved, among other things, that the defence of Esquimalt would involve a much more extensive system of outposts than was the case yesterday. Part of the woods belonging to private parties would have to be included in the general scheme if the forts at Rod Hill are to enjoy immunity from surprise.

The tactics pursued were most instructive, especially to the Sixth Rifles, who, under their new organization, are to be employed largely as outposts and patrols. It is hoped that next year the work will be further rehearsed, and that a longer time will be set apart for it.

The readiness with which the men adapted themselves to camp life and the practical experience they acquired in field work are two of the most noteworthy features of the mobilization. All the officers speak of the manoeuvres with the greatest degree of satisfaction.

Notes.

The officers of the two regiments from Victoria and Vancouver messed together in a large marquee, which was also used as an ante-room for the entertainment of visitors. The president of the mess for the camp was Surgeon-Major Robertson of Vancouver, and the vice-

president Surgeon-Major Hart of Victoria.

The Sixth Rifles marched out of camp shortly before midnight last night and embarked for Vancouver.

Graciously Received

By the Governor-General and Countess of Minto Last Evening.

The Legislative Assembly Hall Presented a Brilliant Appearance.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The assembly hall in the noble pile across the bay, which until recently rang with the animated debates of legislators, was last evening the scene of a far different assemblage. The apartment in itself notably ornate, certainly presented a brilliant appearance, the occasion being the public full-dress reception by the Governor-General and Countess of Minto. Representative Victorians attended in fair numbers and were most graciously received by the vice-regal party, who by pleasant intercourse contributed to the general unalloyed pleasure.

Shortly before the inauguration of the function, a large number assembled near the main entrance to the stately buildings, which were lighted from base to dome, the illuminations affording a beautiful spectacle. The guard of honor was composed of regulars of the Royal Engineers, Royal Artillery, and Fifth Regiment. The Governor-General and Lady Minto were seated on the Speaker's dais and there received most cordially the large number who were presented to them.

Many handsome gowns worn by the ladies, the dress suits of the gentlemen, and the brilliant uniforms of the officers with their martial splendor, commingled in making the scene one not easily forgotten by the votaries of Victoria society.

After the formal presentation the Governor-General and Lady Minto mingled with the various groups of guests, and before the proceedings were terminated all partook of a dainty repast.

The following were presented by the A. D. C. during the evening:

Mr. James R. Anderson, Mrs. James R. Anderson, F. Victor Austin, Mr. G. T. Alexander, Mr. S. Baxter, Canon Beaudin, Rev. W. D. Barber, Mr. D. Burroughs, Mr. C. S. H. Baker, Mr. W. H. Barton, Mrs. Baiss, Miss Baiss, Miss Gladys Baiss.

Mr. Richard E. Cooper, Mrs. Richard E. Cooper, Bishop of Columbia, Mrs. Cridge, Miss Cridge, Miss Cressie, Mr. Lindley Cressie, Bishop Crigge, Mr. Fred J. Claxton, Mrs. Claxton, Mr. Charles E. Clarke, Sir Henry Pellet Crease.

Hon. Edgar Dewdney, Mrs. Dewdney, Mr. F. Napier Denison, Mr. Justice Tyrwhitt Drake, Major Dupont, Miss Dunsmeuir, Miss Tyrwhitt Drake.

Mr. Thomas Earle, Mrs. Thos. Earle, Miss Earle, Mr. G. E. Elliott, R.E.; Hon. D. M. Eberts, Mrs. D. M. Eberts, Mr. and Mrs. F. Elworthy, Mr. Frank H. Eaton.

Mr. E. H. Fletcher, Mrs. Everard H. Fletcher, Mrs. Chester Fairman Lee, Miss Fenner, Mr. Donald Fraser, Miss Fraser.

Mr. H. M. Grahame, Lieut.-Col. F. B. Gregory, Mr. B. Gordon, Mrs. B. Gordon, Mrs. J. L. Godson, Albert T. Godard, Miss Godard, Miss Muriel Godard, Mr. Benard G. Goward, R. E. Gosnell, Mr. Arthur Sinclair-Gore, Mr. Arch. J. C. Galletly.

Mayor Hayward, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Gordon Hunter, Mrs. Gordon Hunter, Mr. Roub Harvey, Miss Harvey, Mrs. C. A. Holland, Staff-Surgeon P. B. Handyside, R.N.

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Miss Macdonald, Captain Mitchell, A. R. Milne, C.M.G.; Mr. S. Macleure, Mrs. S. Macleure, E. B. McKay, C. P. Moore, Mr. Roderick Mackenzie, Hon. Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Albert E. McPhillips, Miss McIntyre, Lieut. W. M. Marston, R.N.; Mrs. Acher Martin, Mr. T. R. McInnes, Mrs. S. P. Moody, Mrs. Wm. McNeill, Miss Munzie.

Dr. Newcombe, Miss Nason, Miss Roberta Nason, Mrs. Edward C. Neufelder, Miss Perrin, Miss Patton, Mr. Edward B. Paul, Mr. Robert B. Powell, Mr. W. R. Parsons, R.N.; Mrs. E. O. Powell, Lieut.-Col. Prior, Mrs. Prior, Miss Prior, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Prentice.

Mr. E. Byrnes Reed, Capt. Mallcott Richardson, Mr. Sydney A. Roberts.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tiarks, Hon. J. H. Turner, Mrs. J. H. Turner.

Mr. Vowell.

Hon. W. O. Wells and Mrs. Wells, Mr. S. Y. Wootton, Mrs. Stephen Y. Wootton, Mrs. Wynne, R. A. Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. E. E. Wootton, Lieut.-Col. R. Wolfenden, Dr. Alfred T. Watt.

Mr. Frederick E. Young, Mr. Charles A. Yorke.



LIEUT.-COL. GREGORY, Com. Fifth Regiment, C.A.

News From South Africa

Corporal O'Dell, Times Correspondent, Writes Another Letter.

Reported That Dickinson Has Obtained a Commission in Cape Mounted Rifles.

With the Royal Canadians, Springs, near Johannesburg, July 23rd, 1906.—Since my last letter to the Times our numerical strength has been considerably increased by several details arriving from the south to rejoin the regiment. All those at or above Bloemfontein are being sent up to us, and those below that point to Capetown.

There is a report in camp to-day that the Staffordshire Regiment (militia) will shortly relieve us. Stebbings rejoined us the day before yesterday, and is looking very well. He left the regiment at Windburg. Dickinson, it is reported, has obtained a commission in the Cape Mounted Rifles, and is at present in England. Wood, who has been laid up with a swollen knee for some ten days, is now much better.

The following is a list of the Victorians killed and the whereabouts of the others:

Lieut. Blanchard, Rhenoster, died of wounds.

Sergt. Northcott, Cape, not expected to rejoin; Sergt. Scott, Paardeberg, killed.

Corp. O'Dell, Springs, signaller.

Privates Anderson, Springs, duty man; Andrews, England, wounded; Paardeberg; Beach, England, wounded; Paardeberg; Brethour, Springs, duty man; Cartery, England, physically unfit; Court, Springs, signaller; Cornwall, Springs, duty man; Dickinson, England; Dixon, England, invalided; Finch-Simley, England, wounded; Paardeberg; Gumble, England; invalided; Jones, England, invalided; Leoman, Springfontein, O. R. Colony, in hospital, sick; Mandrell, Paardeberg, killed; Neill, Capetown, sick; Roberts, Springs, telegraph orderly; Somers, Paardeberg, killed; Stebbings, Springs, duty man; Stewart, Capetown, physically unfit; Smithurst, Springs,

sick in hospital, progressing favorably; Todd, Paardeberg, killed; Wood, Springs, duty man.

Carter and Stewart came no further than Bloemfontein.

Since my last letter we have been issued warm khaki trousers, one shirt, one pair of socks, boots, mess tins and tobacco. SEYMOUR HASTINGS O'DELL.

Another letter from Corp. O'Dell, dated two days later, says that it was expected that 600 of the Canadians would have Capetown for England about August 12th. The baggage, tents and packs left at Bloemfontein had been forwarded to Capetown.

DONATION FROM DEASE RIVER

Received From Far Away Patriot in Aid of Widow and Orphan Fund.

Major Hayward has received the following self-explanatory letter from James Porter of Cassiar:

Telegraph Creek, Cassiar, B.C., 15th Aug. 1906.

His Worship Charles Hayward, Mayor of Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir—Pray do me for troubling you, but as I have just received a small donation of \$10 for the relief fund for the support of the widows and children of our countrymen who have fallen in the war with the Boers from a friend of mine, Mr. Amos Everson, who is stationed at the mouth of McName creek, on the Dease river, I am anxious to have the money placed at once where it is intended, hence my appeal for your aid in the matter.

In his letter to me, Mr. Everson modestly says: "It will give bread to some of the needy ones for a little while."

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Thanking you in anticipation, I am faith fully yours,

JAMES PORTER, Cassiar.

P. S.—Please find the ten dollars enclosed.

KING WILL BE EXECUTED.

(Associated Press.)

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—Alex. King, who had trouble with Herbert Davenport over the floating of a scow near the White Horse rapids, shot and killed Davenport, was tried and sentenced to be executed on October 2nd, by Justice Craig at Dawson City. An order-in-council has been passed allowing the law to take its course, and King will be hanged at Dawson on the day appointed for the execution.



LIEUT.-COL. A. GRANT, R.E., Com. at Work Point.

the brigade was employed in the rehearsal of defensive tactics with the single exception of the company of Canadian regulars, which later in the day by an adroit attack on Rod Hill covered themselves with distinction, and proved that unceasing vigilance alone in matter military as well as civil is the price of safety.

To the defending forces a task of great difficulty was given when the small number of troops at the disposal of Col. Grant is taken into consideration. With a force of little over 800 men, with six field pieces, and with several batteries of six-inch guns, he was obliged to repel a supposed attack which might be launched from four different quarters. He had first of all to detach a force of engineers to destroy the bridges over Victoria harbor, for early in the day the enemy had effected a landing, and had taken possession of the city proper. The Engineers, under Lieut. Elliot, promptly blew up the bridges at Point Ellice, and also the railway bridge, thus minimizing the danger from that quarter, as the enemy's shipping was busily engaged in menacing Esquimalt harbor, and unable to give any attention to the transportation of forces from the city. The Gorge and Craigflower bridge came under the operation of the patrols from Rod Hill, and were regarded as impracticable. Safety from this quarter was therefore assured early in the day.

But there still remained the possibility of a direct assault from sea on Macaulay or on Rod Hill. To prevent surprise from this source the Sixth Battalion was organized into a patrol, extending like a screen along the shore line, from Hospital Point to the navy yard. During the day their duties were not onerous, as they had the assistance of six field guns, manned by Nos. 1 and 2 companies, Fifth Regiment, C. A., besides the batteries at Macaulay and the quick firing battery at Duntze Head.

At Rod Hill a field force, consisting of the fortress detachment R. E., and two companies of the Sixth Rifles, were placed for the protection of the batteries there. At 11 o'clock the garrison was further augmented by the dispatch of two additional companies from the Sixth Rifles. This was rendered necessary by the disquieting news received from Albert Head that of the enemy, represented by "A" Company, 3rd R.

Captain and Quartermaster Hall had, with the assistance of four men from the Fifth and 10 from "A" Company, 3rd R.C.R., erected all the tents, had field kitchens built and otherwise arranged for the comfort of the men. Hot coffee awaited the men, too, and the sleep of the just when the tired men crept into their blankets.

The regiment paraded 266 strong, the force, in addition to band, buglers and seven staff officers, consisting of the following:

- No. 1 Company—Major Munroe, 3 officers, 33 non-commissioned officers and men.
- No. 2 Company—Capt. Foulkes, 3 officers, 33 non-commissioned officers and men.
- No. 3 Company—Capt. McConnan, 2 officers, 37 non-commissioned officers and men.
- No. 4 Company—Lieut. Grahame, 1 officer, 25 non-commissioned officers and men.
- No. 5 Company—Major Hibben, 1 officer, 41 non-commissioned officers and men.
- No. 6 Company—Capt. Drake, 2 officers, 40 non-commissioned officers and men.

There were in all on parade 17 officers, 17 warrant officers and sergeants, 30 bandmen and trumpeters and 201 rank and file.

The regimental staff consisted of Lieut.-Col. Gregory in command, Major Williams second in command, Lieut. R. H. Pooley, adjutant; Capt. Hall, quartermaster; Capt. Lamppan, paymaster; Surgeon-Major Hart and Rev. C. Ensor Sharpe, chaplain.

The Sixth Battalion, Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles, was under command of Lieut.-Col. Worsnop. The regiment arrived on Sunday morning on the Ribbet and marched into camp to the glare of the excellent bugle band of the regiment.

- The force mustered 254 men all told, as follows:
- "A" Company (New Westminster), Lieut. Dockrill and Grant, 32 men.
 - "B" Company (New Westminster), Capt. Henderson, 50 men.
 - "C" Company (Vancouver), Captain Boulthée, 27 men.
 - "D" Company (Vancouver), Capt. Tite and Lieut. Tate, 34 men.
 - "E" Company (Vancouver), Lieut. Boyd, 29 men.
 - "F" Company (Vancouver), Lieut.



LIEUT.-COL. WORSNOP, Com. Sixth Rifles.

SHOT TWO MEN.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 5.—Martin Wellman, a lawyer's clerk, in a drunken frenzy before daybreak to-day, shot James Allen and John Kane. The former will die. Wellman had to be clubbed into unconsciousness before he would surrender to the police, who effected his arrest.

The action of Currier's Little Liver Pills is pleasant, mild and natural. They gently stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels, but do not purge. They are sure to please. Try them.

Welcomed To Victoria

Lord and Lady Minto Tendered a Formal Reception on Saturday Evening.

Addresses Presented to His Excellency by City and Board of Trade.

Lord and Lady Minto, who have taken their temporary residence in this city, have given a magnificent reception to the members of this city on Saturday evening. The proceedings, which have been heretofore outlined, were in every respect in keeping with the fair name of this city and the importance of the function marking the visit to Victoria of the Governor-General of Canada and Countess of Minto. The city was prettily decorated and the streets handsomely illuminated for the occasion, and the drill hall, where the distinguished visitors were received, was crowded to the doors.

Six o'clock was the hour set for the procession to leave the city hall, and some little time afterwards the Governor-General's party, in an equipage drawn by four white horses, drove up to the main entrance and the occupants were here met by Mayor Hayward and welcomed to the city. Just outside the hall two companies of the Fifth Regiment with members of the Veterans' Association acting as a guard of honor, had lined up, and as the party arrived presented arms, the band playing the Na-

and devotion of the people of this city to the crown and sovereign, and to those institutions that, while they are the envy of less favored peoples, are the pride of every free-born citizen of the British Empire throughout the world.

Nor have they ever failed to hold in the highest estimation and regard those traditions, co-existent with the life and history of the nation, that are peculiar to the British people, and that have been handed down from generation to generation through a long line of splendid ancestry, replete with illustrious examples of heroism and self-sacrifice for the weal, the prestige and progress of the Anglo-Saxon race.

In common with every other portion of this Dominion and of every dependency of the Empire, the residents of this capital city of the province of British Columbia have aptly learned the significance of the relation the country of their birth, or of their adoption, bears to the Motherland, and the intrinsic value of the benefits and privileges which that relation has so signally and so long conferred upon them.

Situated on the seaboard, at the extreme western limit of this Dominion, and, therefore, occupying an exposed position in the event of international complications, they have not been unmindful of the fact that, joined to the defenses this country might be able to provide, are the watchful eye and the strong right arm of Britain. They realize, moreover, that to that bond they owe whatever of civil and religious liberty they enjoy, the priceless heritage of freedom, justice and toleration. And when these pillars of national pride and strength so recently suffered violent assault in South Africa at the hands of an ambitious and ruthless oligarchy and a misguided people, was it any wonder that it evoked here, as elsewhere, a patriotism as ardent and intense as could have been displayed under the dome of St. Paul's, and within the very precincts of the throne, a fealty that found expression in contributions to the Mansion House Fund, the Canadian Patriotic Fund, and in other ways no less striking and significant, but mostly not-



Major Bennet, Adj. Lt.-Col. Worsnop, Major Whyte. Standing, left to right—Capt. J. Reynolds, Tite, Capt. J. Duff Stuart, Lieut. Dockrill, Lieut. W. A. Johnson, Lieut. Worsnop, Capt. Boulbee, Lieut. Grant, Lieut. Tait, Lieut. Ackroyd, Lieut. Boyd, Capt. Alex. Henderson.

Officers of the Sixth Rifles.

We are more than pleased, therefore, to know that Your Excellency's visit to the Coast at this time will be sufficiently long to enable you to form an accurate impression of the salubrious climate, scenic beauty, and marvelous resources of this great province, and we trust that it may be the occasion of many delightful memories that shall continue to be a source of gratification and pleasure to you throughout your lives.

Signed on behalf of the municipal council and citizens of Victoria, and the corporate seal affixed, at Victoria, British Columbia, on the thirty-first day of August, Anno Domini, nineteen hundred.

(L.S.) CHAS. HAYWARD, Mayor.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, Clerk of the Municipal Council.

His Excellency, as he rose to reply to the address, was accorded very warm applause. Although as Governor-General of Canada this was his first visit to Victoria, he was not unfamiliar with Canada and Canadian institutions, for fifteen years ago he had been in the country. He felt sure all were impressed with the glorious character of British institutions, and it was gratifying to realize in this far-off part of the earth that this fact was appreciated, that the people knew what it meant to live under the best form of government on earth. Referring to the practical evidence of the loyalty and patriotism of Canada's sons in South Africa, His Excellency sincerely hoped that the end of the struggle was near at hand, but whatever happened events only seemed to engender the more strongly that feeling of friendship and unity between all subjects of the Queen from all ranks. He observed on all sides evidence of quiet prosperity in Canada since he was here 15 years ago, and referred to the wonderful development of the northern country. In this connection he mentioned the trip he had just taken to Dawson, which was beset with great difficulties a few years ago, but now an easy undertaking. Owing to the length of time spent in the north, he regretted having to make a shorter stay in Victoria than they had intended. On their return East they would carry with them the dearest memories of Western Canadian patriotism and hospitality. On resuming his seat His Excellency's remarks were loudly applauded. The orchestra and choir started up "The Maple Leaf Forever," and an excellent solo was rendered by Mrs. Janion. Then His Worship Mayor Hayward introduced L. G. McQuade, vice-president, and F. C. Elworthy, secretary, of the B. O. Board of

Trade, to His Excellency. The latter read the following address: To His Excellency, the Right Honorable Sir Gilbert John Elliot, Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund, of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; Baron Minto, of Minto, County of Roxburgh, in the Peerage of Great Britain; Bachelor of Nova Scotia, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael, and Saint George, etc., etc., Governor-General of Canada. May it please Your Excellency:—

We the members of the British Columbia Board of Trade, desire to express to Your Excellency as Her Majesty's representative our devoted loyalty to Her Most Gracious Majesty.

We beg to tender to Your Excellency and to Lady Minto a most cordial welcome to the capital of this the most western province of the Dominion, and to assure you of the genuine gratification and pleasure which your visit affords us. Your Excellency's visit occasions us the greater satisfaction from the knowledge that the intimacy with the conditions of other parts of Canada which Your Excellency acquired in previous years, and while serving with Her Majesty's forces in the Northwest, will, in the high office you now occupy, lend a keener interest to your personal observation of the limitless resources and attractions of British Columbia and its rightful claim to that attention which shall place it in the foremost rank as an integral part of the Dominion.

It is particularly gratifying to this board that Your Excellency has visited the northern limits of British Columbia and to personally become familiar with the conditions prevailing there. As the volume of northern trade extends with the opening up of the Atlin and Yukon country, the urgency of an early adjustment of the Alaska boundary question is impressed more and more forcibly on this board.

This board observes with pleasure that the importance of this subject in relation to the trade of the Dominion was recognized at the Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire held in London in June last, and it heartily endorses the resolution which was unanimously passed by that congress, viz.:

"That it is of vital importance to British Columbia and Canadian trade on the Pacific Coast to press forward a settlement of the Alaska boundary question; and this congress, while recognizing the endeavors of Her Majesty's government to effect an adjustment would urge the desirability of renewed efforts in order to accomplish that object."

Pending the settlement of the Alaska

boundary question, it is earnestly to be desired that an all-Canadian route to the Atlin and Yukon districts, be speedily inaugurated and completed.

It is felt that the settlement of the Alaska boundary question and the completion of a British Pacific cable would mark a new era in the development of the com-

mercial interests of the Empire on the Pacific.

This board has a lively appreciation of the immense benefits which will accrue to this province and the Dominion from an extension of Canadian trade with South and Central America, Australia, the Pacific Islands, and the Far East, for which British Columbia is the natural outlet.

This board is sensible of the immediate necessity of finding markets for our raw materials, as the wealth of this province in base and precious metals and coal, as well as in lumber and fish, is so immense, that the prosperity of the country is dependent on the procurement of markets for those products, and we anxiously look for further action from the Dominion government in this direction.

Although certain influences have affected the mining industry in British Columbia during the past year and many mines have been closed down, it is a signal evidence of the immense mineral resources of the province, that the output has exceeded that of previous years; and it is also gratifying to note that the returns of the lumbering industry show a material increase.

At the same time it is keenly felt that while this province contributes so largely to the revenues of Canada, a fair proportionate assistance has not hitherto been received from the government towards opening up that natural wealth which has been so bountifully bestowed on both the Island and Mainland, and in consequence not only the progress of British Columbia but the whole Dominion is retarded.

In order that Your Excellency may have an opportunity, if you should desire, of viewing the condition of this province in its commercial aspect, we beg leave to tender you herewith a copy of the annual report of this board.

In conclusion we would repeat our cordial and respectful welcome to Your Excellency and to Lady Minto, and we trust your visit to this portion of the Dominion will be remembered with pleasure.

We have the honor to subscribe ourselves, Your Excellency's most obedient and humble servants.

Signed on behalf of the members of the British Columbia Board of Trade, this thirty-first day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

W. A. WARD, President.

F. ELWORTHY, Secretary.

In reply, His Excellency expressed his regret at not having had an opportunity of visiting Atlin, of which country he had heard much. He was deeply interested in the Pacific cable project and in conclusion promised his sympathetic con-

sideration of all subjects referred to in the address.

As His Excellency took his seat Miss Claudia Hall, a little daughter of Mr. Richard Hall, M.P.P., presented Her Excellency with a handsome bouquet, which the latter graciously received, kissing the pretty donor.

The band then played a sprightly air and the proceedings were terminated with the singing of "God Save the Queen."

Leaving the drill hall the party was driven to Beacon Hill where the Messrs. Hitt Bros. gave a splendid display of fireworks, which was followed by a concert programme provided by the Fifth Regiment band. The night was a perfect one for both events, and the park, which had been artistically decorated by the members of the fire department, appeared at its best.

One or two runaways occurred when the fireworks were first set off, but fortunately no one sustained injury.

ESQUIMALT ROAD MATTERS.

Electors Select H. Pike for Position of Road Foreman—Other Questions.

An adjourned meeting of the electors of Highland road district was held at Colwood school house on Saturday. There was a good attendance. J. S. Annet occupied the chair, and Jos. Shaw acted as secretary.

The committee appointed at the previous meeting to interview the members reported as follows: That the only member they succeeded in interviewing was W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., who explained that the foreman elected would be accepted by the Chief Commissioner, and would be entirely under his control, the members having no voice in the matter; also that an official will be appointed by the department to see that the work was properly carried out, his fees not to be deducted from the appropriation for the district; and further, that the Chief Commissioner will upon the receipt of a report from the foreman, allot

crossing favorably; Wood, Springs, came no further have been issued one shirt, one pair tins and tobacco. KINGS O'DELL.

Corp. O'Dell, dated that it was expected adians would leave about August tents and parcels had been forwarded

DEASE RIVER. Away Patriot in Aid Orphan Fund.

received the following letter from Cassiar, B.C., 15th Aug., 1900.

Hayward, Mayor for troubling you, received a small donation fund for the and children of our fallen in the war friend of mine, Mr. Justice Craig, at the creek, on the Dease, to have the money it is intended, hence in the matter. Mr. Everson modest-bread to some of the receipt. I am faith-

AMES PORTER, Cassiar, ten dollars enclosed. J. P.

EXECUTED. (nd Press.) Alex. King, who had Davenport over ow near the White nd killed Davenport, need to be executed Justice Craig, at order-in-council has the law to take its l be hanged at Daw-

national Anthem. Leaving their carriage, the party were ushered into the main lobby of the hall by His Worship the Mayor, where were assembled the Aldermen, the Lieut.-Governor, Admiral Beaman, the Bishops, Chief Justice McColl, members of the Privy Council, Senators, Puisne Judges, members of the House of Commons, Premier Dunsmuir and members of the Executive Council, Speaker Booth and members of the Provincial Parliament, ex-members of the House of Commons, representatives of the Army and Navy and Militia, United States Consul Smith, Chairman and members of the Board of School Trustees, officers of the British Columbia Board of Trade, and civic officials.

The Countess of Minto was received in the Mayor's parlors by Mrs. Hayward, who entertained her during her brief stay of the party at the city hall.

The procession being formed the line of march to the drill hall was via Douglas, Fort, Government, Belleville and Menzies streets. Within the drill hall appropriate decorations had been provided, and at the rear of the hall an immense stage had been erected, where members of the large choir and orchestra under the leadership of Mr. F. Victor Austin, the Fifth Regiment band and others found seating accommodation. Immediately in front of this on a platform, simply but very prettily decorated with flowers and bunting, provision was made for His Excellency and Lady Minto. They passed through a guard of honor on going to their places, and the band played "God Save the Queen." Mayor Hayward opened the proceedings, reading the following address:

To the Right Honorable Sir Gilbert John Elliot, Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund, of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; Baron Minto, of Minto, County of Roxburgh, in the Peerage of Great Britain; Baronet of Nova Scotia; Knight Grand Cross of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, etc., etc., Governor-General of Canada, etc., etc.

May it please Your Excellency:—

We the undersigned, on behalf of the municipal council and citizens of Victoria, British Columbia, desire to extend to Your Excellency a most cordial welcome on this the occasion of your first visit to this city as the representative in Canada of Her Majesty the Queen.

On former occasions when we have been honored by the presence of the vice-regal representative we have esteemed it a privilege and pleasure to be able to convey to him the assurance of the heartfelt loyalty

able in the offering of brave young lives of citizens and sons to vindicate, upon a foreign soil, the honor of the flag they loved so well. There they have shown themselves, we are proud to know, not unworthy to be ranked as peers of the veteran forces of Her Majesty's standing army, and some of them have already yielded, for themselves and those they leave behind them, their last full measure of devotion, attesting with their blood, and exhibiting to the world an irrefutable proof of the solidarity and indissoluble unity of the component parts of the Empire.

Coming among us, as Your Excellency does, at the present time, when these facts are so vividly before the public mind, it would be superfluous on our part to add any further assurance of the cordiality of the welcome your presence cannot fail to inspire.

And since the horizon of international affairs appears to be overcast with threatening clouds, and it seems as yet uncertain what the end shall be, it is a matter of congratulation that, in a time so critical the Imperial authorities should have selected one whose solidarity instincts and training, combined with his other personal qualities, and intimate acquaintance with this country, so eminently fit him for the exalted station and office of Governor-General of this Dominion, and qualify him to take a deep and influential interest in the important affairs appertaining to national security and defence.

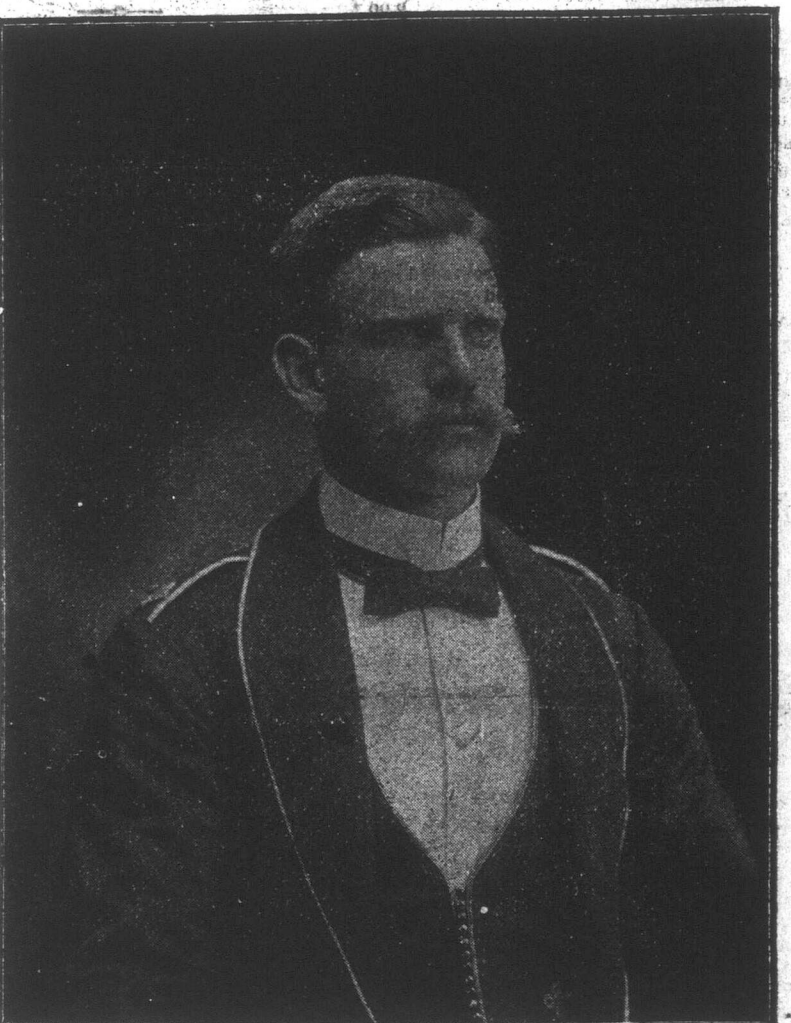
It is also a matter of particular gratification that Your Excellency is accompanied at this time by Her Excellency the Countess of Minto, whose gracious manner and charming courtesy have won for her already an affectionate and abiding esteem in the hearts of the people of Canada. To Her Excellency, also, and the other members of your family, we beg to extend a welcome no less warm and sincere than to yourself.

It affords us an additional pleasure to note Your Excellency's desire to become personally acquainted with the actual conditions of every section, however remote, of this country, so clearly manifested in your trip to the interior of the Yukon, from which you have just returned; and we would congratulate Your Excellency upon the fact of your being the first Governor-General who has visited that territory, where, notwithstanding its arctic position and climate, so many have gone in the hope of winning a substantial amount of the precious metal in which that district abounds, and where so many avenues have recently been opened up for the extension of speculative and commercial enterprise.

We may be permitted also to proffer our felicitations to Lady Minto upon sharing with you the experiences of the journey.



LIEUT.-COL. M'KAY, Com. "A" Co., 3rd R. C. R.



LIEUT. CLARKE, "A" Co., 3rd R.C.R.



SENGT.-MAJOR MULCAHY, Fifth Regiment, C.A.

work to be done in each district, and that the pay of foreman would be the same as formerly; also that it was too late to be deducted from the appropriation for the district; and further, that the Chief Commissioner will upon the receipt of a report from the foreman, allot

The foregoing explanations being satisfactory to the electors, nominations and voting for road foreman was proceeded with, resulting as follows: H. Pike, 17; Wm. J. Wale, 10; Chas. Weir, 10.

A. Maltravers was public spirited enough to preside at the poll throughout the afternoon.

An informal discussion took place while the election was being proceeded with about road matters in general. Mr. Wale brought before the meeting the state of the railway trestle under which the road passed at the bottom of the Four-mile hill, and advocated a level crossing. Others thought a level crossing dangerous, but it was the general opinion of the meeting that the trestle was not a legal height, it being necessary for the driver to dismount when passing under with a load of hay. Should a runaway occur coming down the hill the driver's life would be in danger, and something should be done in the matter before an accident occurred.

BOUNDARY OF COLOMBIA

Has Been Advanced to the Negro River—Venezuelans Accept Decision.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 5.—Francis B. Loomis, United States minister to Venezuela, who has just arrived from Caracas, said yesterday: "Just before I sailed I learned that the joint commission of Colombians and Venezuelans, appointed by the Queen of Spain to decide boundary line between Colombia and Venezuela, has completed its task and advanced the boundary line to the Negro river. This gives to Colombia a slice of Venezuela, which reduces the size of the latter nearly one-eighth. The land in question is barren country. The decision of the commission was, it is said, received acceptably by the Venezuelans."

Mr. Loomis says the talk of war between Colombia and Venezuela is groundless.

DEATH OF HON. A. SEWELL.

(Associated Press.)

Bath, Me., Sept. 5.—Hon. A. Sewell, Democratic nominee for vice-president in 1896, died at 8.30 a.m. to-day as the result of a stroke of apoplexy several days ago.

Consideration Of Revenue

Takes Up Greater Part of the Time at Meeting of the Council.

Retail and Wholesale License Provokes Discussion—No Bicycle Tax.

The session of the City Council last evening was to have been a short one and not a time it looked as though there would not be a quorum, but shortly after 7 o'clock the members began dropping in and when His Worship arrived the meeting was called to order. The following aldermen were present: Ald. Hall, Cooley, Yates, Stewart, Brydon, Cameron and Kinsman.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, and an explanation was given as to why there had been no sessions on Monday or Tuesday evenings received. Before the business of the session was taken up Mayor Hayward announced that he wished to place on record his recognition of the services rendered by the citizens in the reception recently rendered Lord and Lady Minto, and in particular by the members of the City band, the Fifth Regiment band, Mr. F. Victor Austin, the choir and amateur orchestra; Mrs. Jamon, for a solo; the B. C. Electric Light Co., the Times, the Colonist, the police and fire departments, the civic officials and Messrs. Hitt Bros. who probably not generally known, he thought that the letter (Messrs. Hitt Bros.) had provided the pyrotechnic display on this occasion, at their own cost and charges. Such, however, was the case. They had waited in vain and expressed their disappointment regarding the fireworks exhibitions of the earlier season, and had offered to provide the display of last week gratuitously. It was all the more noteworthy because of its excellence, in which Lord Minto had himself commented most favorably.

Then read the following letter from His Excellency:

"Dear Mr. Mayor:—I was so very sorry not to have had an opportunity of speaking to you last night, and am now sending you a very small remembrance of our delightful visit to Victoria, which I hope you will accept from Lady Minto and myself. I feel that I have not at all sufficiently thanked you for all the trouble you have taken on our behalf, and I hope you will let our citizens know how sincere we appreciated their magnificent reception.

"Believe me, dear Mr. Mayor,

"Yours very truly,

"HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR, VICTORIA."

The present, consisting of a handsome scarf pin, was then passed around and called forth expressions of admiration. It was a fine specimen of the jeweller's art, being an initial "M" surrounded by a number of small Scottish thistles. The reading and disposition of the following communications were then taken up:

A. L. Jarvis, secretary of the department of agriculture, acknowledged the receipt of the communication from the council regarding the enforcement of precautions against the bubonic plague, and pointing out what steps the government was taking in this regard.

The communication was filed.

I. Braverman asked that the sidewalk which had been taken up early in the year be relaid along Kingston street, between St. John and Montreal streets. Referred to streets, sewers and bridges committee.

H. O. Truro protested against an increase of \$5 in his tax bill, and asserted that at any rate he was unable to pay taxes. Filed.

R. L. Fraser, M. D., of the Isolation hospital, invited the council to visit that institution with a view to authorizing certain improvements. The communication was received and a day for the visit will be arranged.

J. L. Raymer, water commissioner, reported that it would cost \$80 at least to put water connections into Mrs. Shank's house, while the revenue therefrom would be 60 cents per month.

Messrs. Cooley, Williams and Cameron favored undertaking the work, and it was decided to go on with it as soon as the department could do so.

Sanitary Inspector Wilson wrote regarding Chinese wash-house on Hillside Extension, reporting that the building was unfit for its purpose, and recommending that it should be destroyed.

Ald. Stewart thought that they should be cautious in the matter, and that nothing should be done until the city solicitor reported on the legal position, as it was outside of the fire limits. Referred to the solicitor.

E. C. Johnston, market superintendent, reported the collection of \$145.90 as market fees, and recommending that as STOS had been collected from the market stalls in the past four years, some additional stalls should be erected. Referred to the market committee for report.

Two bundles of tenders were then laid upon the table. These were all yet sealed. Those for police clothing were referred to the purchasing agent and the finance committee, while those for the hauling of coal and the supply of wood for the pumping station were opened.

The were as follows:

From F. H. Lindsay, of 55 Third street, for hauling the coals from the E.

& N. railway station, \$1 per long ton. For providing and delivering cordwood, 100 cords, at the rate of \$3.50 per cord. From Peter Hansen, for hauling the coal at 95 cents per ton.

From Josiah Bull, for cordwood, to be delivered, 100 cords at \$2.90.

It was suggested by Ald. Cameron that the tenders should not be accepted at present and the matter went over.

A report from the committee was presented regarding the wiring of the street lighting and fire alarm systems. These systems needed separate inspection and repairs, as the breaks in either case, through a storm, might be expected to occur at the same time. It was moved that the charge of the fire alarm system be vested in the fire department and that for this Mr. Hutchison be retained in an advisory position only, but that he should have sole control of the wires of the lighting system. Adopted.

The report of the finance committee was next adopted, recommending the payment of accounts for the past month to the extent of \$2,923.52.

Ald. Yates moved: "That a special committee be appointed to confer with the city solicitor to enquire into and report as to what would be an equitable adjustment between the corporation of the city of Victoria and the owners of property on Broad street, of the cost of extending the said street."

After some discussion the motion was carried, Ald. Yates, Cameron and Brydon were appointed as a committee.

The council then went into committee of the whole to resume consideration of the revenue by-law. The bicycle tax was first reached. Regarding this section, Ald. Brydon enquired how a part of a street could be set apart for bicyclists. It might be necessary to take building materials over it, and how then? The whole of the street was for the whole of the people, and so he was opposed to the imposition of this tax.

Ald. Hall agreed with Ald. Brydon. Ald. Stewart thought that they should consider the matter. They had received a petition of 270 names on it, favoring the tax, and another of 210 names against it. He believed in better roads and if the tax were to be thrown into the general revenue fund and the streets well kept it would be a good thing.

Ald. Yates supported the tax and detailed the proposition of the bicyclists. The only thing was that the tax was too small; \$2 would be more effective.

Ald. Cooley contended that it would be but a bone of contention if the section were passed.

Ald. Brydon opined that they had not the power, and again asked how would they keep others off the strip? He did not object to the \$1, but he did object to the principle of such an impost.

To Ald. Yates's question, the city solicitor answered that they had power in the act to set apart this strip for a special use.

Ald. Cameron believed in good roads, but opposed roads of this sort. The section showed defects in details, the penalties of which not being provided for, nor children's velocipedes. He would oppose this and also the proposition to tax carriages, whether they belonged to the rich or the poor.

The section was then struck out, Messrs. Yates and Stewart alone voting in its favor.

The next section provided that all taxes should be due and payable on the 10th of January in each and every year. In regard to the license fees clause, Ald. Yates enquired why in the case of restaurant-keepers distinction was made against whiskey. These people were to be allowed to sell ale, wine or porter, but why could a hungry man not have a glass of whiskey with his meal?

Ald. Kinsman was of the opinion that whiskey would spoil the meal, while Ald. Yates was of the opinion that it would rather add to the relish, and when the former said that saloon keepers would be turned into proprietors of restaurants the latter remarked that as matters stood now many people went to saloons for their lunches.

This section was, however, adopted without amendment.

Quite a discussion arose over the business tax. It was proposed to make this uniform and only \$10.

Ald. Stewart complained that this tax was only found here. It did not exist in the rest of the province, nor in Manitoba. It was sometimes quite a hardship. Houses with branches in different places found it burdensome, and sometimes it prevented the establishment of their branches in this city, especially in the case of the \$100 tax for wholesalers.

Ald. Cameron explained that last year the council had almost decided to do away with it. He contended that it had the effect of driving people away, or at any rate keeping them from opening up businesses here. At one time nearly 100 houses paid this tax in Victoria, but from various causes they had dwindled down to about a score. He believed it to be a bad law. The people were against it, and its very impracticability was its condemnation.

Ald. Yates moved an amendment imposing the tax on each separate line of business. This caused another debate, in which Solicitor Bradburn explained that by such a system in the city of Ottawa it was attempted to attack the departmental stores.

The mayor asked if the amendment would interfere with a butcher selling vegetables, and was informed that it would.

The amendment was then defeated, and the section imposing a \$10 tax all around carried.

On motion the committee arose, reported progress and the council adjourned.

LA GRIPPE VICTIMS.

Will in Thousands of Cases Have to Fight Cataract Unless Dr. Agnew's Cataractal Powder is Used to Prevent the Spowing of the Seed.

The wife of a prominent physician of Toronto was a victim of Cataract in its worst form. She tried almost every treatment known in the world of medicine without receiving any lasting benefit. Hearing of the almost miraculous cures made with Dr. Agnew's Cataractal Powder, she procured it, persevered in its use for eight months, and was fully restored, and all symptoms of the dreaded disease eradicated from her system. She says: "After years of suffering I rejoice to be freed."

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The public works department at Ottawa says direct telegraphic communication with Dawson will be procured early in October.

Big Blaze At Atlin

A Forty Thousand Dollar Fire There, With Narrow Escape of Town.

Messrs. Heney Complete Their Contract—The Geological Boundary Survey.

Steamer Amur which arrived on Saturday night from the North brought the intelligence that the town of Atlin narrowly escaped being wiped out by fire on Sunday, August 26th. The news preceded the steamer, as Mr. W. Marchant, customs appraiser, who has been North adjusting difficulties in the department at White Horse, Bennett and Atlin, and Mr. Heney, brother of the big White Pass railway contractor, left the steamer at Oyster Harbor and reached the city early Saturday evening with the intelligence.

Mr. Marchant brought with him the telegram received by Customs Officer Busby, of Skagway, from Gold Commissioner Graham, describing the conflagration, and as these sparse details are all that are available, the dispatch is herewith printed. It is as follows:

Atlin, B. C., Aug. 27.

Ten buildings burnt, loss about forty thousand; little or no insurance. Sufferers: B. C. A. Anderson, Bose, Broder, Fetherstonhaugh, Nickerson, Hirschfeld. No other buildings of importance burned. No one injured. Citizens worked like Trojans to save the town.

J. D. GRAHAM.

In response to an inquiry from Mr. Busby, Mr. Graham said that the government buildings were injured.

The Amur had considerable gold aboard here. She carried forty passengers, among whom, in addition to the two mentioned, was Dr. Montzambert, of the Dominion quarantine department, who has been on an official visit to Dawson; and H. C. Schwarz, S. Morphy & Co., who has been to Dawson on a business trip, and J. H. Frank, also from a commercial errand to Dawson. The other passengers were:

Mrs. (Capt.) Meyers and the Misses Meyers, P. A. Heney, F. N. James, Miss Russell, A. McMillery, Mrs. Mead, Fred. Krieger, J. V. Brown, Mrs. T. C. Henley, R. Denniston, D. W. Campbell, Mrs. Eastings and child, F. M. Richardson, S. G. Robinson, D. C. Mackenzie, Sgt. F. B. Hardy, C. H. Krieger, Jas. Waldie, Jas. Downing, W. Loveless, A. E. Ritzwally, E. W. Guhin, Chas. Wolter, Fred. Loveless, Miss Hastings, H. C. Schwarz, S. Morphy, E. Mead, Mrs. C. H. Krieger, C. J. McGovern, John Kennedy, Mrs. W. French, C. D. Talmege and Geo. Jones.

A correspondent of the Times who has been down the river gives the following description of late happenings there:

"A traveller from Victoria to the metropolis of the Yukon is naturally filled with astonishment at the enormous volume of trade created by the placers of the Klondike. Here is a splendid fleet of ships from Victoria, Vancouver and the Sound ports crowded with passengers and freight with machinery and merchandise of all kinds. Here is a railway 104 miles long, built through almost insurmountable mountains, traversing the whole length without a single local industry; here is a country without timber or agricultural resources; here are stores in Dawson of enormous proportion, carrying the most costly goods, here is a large population scattered over the creeks, streams and rivers, tributary to the Yukon, all of which are directly dependent upon the gold-bearing reefs of a few miles of territory within the Arctic circle; a railway that cost nearly \$5,000,000; a fleet of ships that may be estimated at \$2,000,000; capital invested in trade little short of \$3,000,000, and machinery, tools, etc., used in the placer industry itself perhaps worth \$1,000,000, and all for the purpose of washing out gold dust that has lain buried for centuries. Yet the 60 millions of dollars taken from mother earth has already justified the expenditure, and the countless millions yet to come will more than justify far greater outlay in the future.

"What illustrious energy, what tireless industry, what daring speculation, what splendid self-sacrifice, what crushing disappointments, what fairy dreams have all been enacted and realized in the land of the Arzonants! And what to the Yukon is strewn with the unwritten records of many a wanton crime, many a life unnecessarily sacrificed.

"Outside the townsite of Bennett is a cairn of stones erected in 1897 by some miners over a poor fellow who, having twice lost his boat and goods in the whirling rapid between Lake Linderman and Lake Bennett, climbed up the bank and then shot himself. A sad ending to what might have been.

"One aspect of the Northern trade fills me with great pleasure, viz., the fact that our Victoria merchants are securing the major portion of it. Vancouver is doing excellently well, and indeed Canadian traders can account for 85 per cent. of the commerce of the Yukon. I think we may generously overlook the snappish capriciousness of the Seattle merchants and the bilious vituperation of the Seattle Press.

"There is one universally demanded convenience from Canadian enterprise, and that is a thoroughly up-to-date passenger boat. From all sides in every town, in every hotel, the question was asked: Why don't the C. F. N. put on a first-class passenger boat? True, the Amur and Danube are most excellent sea-going boats, and very suitable for freight carriers, but the Seattle boats are in the main more adapted for passenger traffic. S. H. Graves, president of the White Pass & Yukon railway, told me that their company would solve the problem unless private enterprise came to the rescue.

"Whilst at Bennett I met Mr. White-Fraser, of Capt. Deaville's geological survey party, who were commissioned by the Dominion government to arrange

the boundary between British Columbia and the Yukon territory. He had found the route impracticable via Bennett, and was then heading for the Wafon trail, via Skagway and Haines Mission. Captain Rank left Skagway on August 25th to take up his work in the Porcupine district. Mr. Justice Martin, ex-Lieut. Governor McInnes, Mr. R. Cassidy and Mr. W. G. Macdonald arrived in Skagway on the 27th.

The contractor for the White Pass & Yukon railway, Mr. J. Heney, finally completed his contract which was accepted by the company on August 23rd. Truly a most wonderful undertaking."

Depreciates In Value

Klondike Gold Drops a Dollar—Important Resolutions of Board of Trade.

A Party of Indians Meet Horrible Death Between Icebergs—Other News.

Klondike gold dust as a medium of currency has dropped a dollar an ounce, according to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. The current price paid for commercial gold for two years past has been \$16. Now it is taken at \$15.

The new standard was fixed at a recent meeting of the Dawson Board of Trade, when it was decided that such a step was necessary in view of the persistent adulteration of the dust with black sand. During the first year following the discovery of the Klondike, its product was accepted by the merchants and trades people of the camp at \$17 per ounce.

The rate named by the Board of Trade is in no sense compulsory, though the general business public of Dawson has adopted the standard. Formal resolutions were passed by the board as follows:

"Whereas, There is continuous adulteration of commercial gold dust, reducing its value per ounce; and

"Whereas, Much of the gold dust is of less value than \$16 per ounce, even when not adulterated; and

"Whereas, The value of gold dust now in general circulation is nearer \$15 per ounce than \$16 per ounce; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Board of Trade of Dawson that the commercial rate at which gold dust circulates should be changed from \$16 to \$15 per ounce."

Special correspondence to the Post-Intelligencer from Skagway, under date of August 26th, says: The news of an awful fate that befell three Indian children a few days ago at the mouth of Glacier bay, leading to the great Muir glacier, 100 miles west of here, is brought by T. J. Munley. He is the manager of a cannery at Dundas, not far from the scene of the accident. A party of six Indians in a canoe, two bucks, a squaw and the three children, were caught between two giant icebergs while on their way across the water. The glaciers, each as large above water as a huge steamship, ground the canoe to splinters. The older Indians escaped on one of the bergs, but two of the little ones dropped between the bergs to a chilly grave in the waters. The other child, a girl, perhaps eight years old, got upon a berg by herself and was subjected to an awful fate of having to remain there while it drifted off among countless other bergs and carried her to what is considered certain death. The older Indians were rescued by passing boats. The berg which carried off the little castaway is supposed to have in time turned, as the bergs often do, and to then have thrown the child into the freezing waters.

The body of Otto Nelson, which was found several weeks ago floating against a tree on the Dalton trail, still sits there in the cold, blank vigil of death. The office of United States commissioner at Haines, nearest the place the body lies, has been abolished of late, and the commissioner at Skagway holds he has no jurisdiction. It is thought perhaps the Porcupine city commissioner has jurisdiction.

Major Primrose, of the N. W. M. P., will make his headquarters in White Horse as soon as the necessary buildings have been put up. In addition to the police barracks there will be a court house and jail built just south of the town.

The post office department has decided to establish a mail route in Alaska between Tanana and Pevee. The distance is 150 miles, and four round trips will be made between December 1st and April 30th, 1901, carriers leaving Tanana about December 1st, January 15th, March 1st and April 1st. The schedule time each way is not to exceed fifteen days. There has been no regular mail between these places before, but the development of the country now demands communication. Pevee is the only post office of the United States within the Arctic circle, and the decision of the department brings it into touch with civilization. It was established about a year ago, but has not as yet had any regular postal service.

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, Hillside, 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 hope 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 cured and I wish to say to those 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

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Labor Day At Nanaimo

The Celebrations in the Coal City Were, as Usual, a Decided Success.

Prize Winners in the Procession and Sports-Speeches in the Evening.

(Special to the Times.) Nanaimo, Sept. 4.—Nanaimo prides itself on being a labor centre, and in past years Labor Day has been the day of all days in the coal mining metropolis of British Columbia.

The parade left the Crescent at 10:30, and following the regular line of march arrived at the railway station at 11:15, just in time for the special train from Victoria.

In the procession, following the Nanaimo Silver Cornet band, came the floats of the New Vancouver Coal Company, one representing the interior of a mine, another showing the blacksmith and machine shops, and a third displaying the laborers in which the woodworkers were engaged.

Following the coal-mining float marched a number of the members of the Miners and Mine Laborers' Protective Association, and after the other two floats came the Artisans' Club, composed of members of the Carpenters and Machinists' Association in the employ of the New Vancouver Coal Company.

Following the parade, the guests of the Trades and Labor Council were entertained at an elaborate luncheon at the Windsor, and then came the sports of the day at the Orfeonian grounds.

Baseball match, Victoria vs. Nanaimo—Former won by a score of 17 to 4. 100 yards race for boys under 12—McKinnon, 1; Nicholson, 2. 100 yards for boys under 16—Marshall, 1; McKinnon, 2.

400 yards professional—W. Good, 1; F. Robinson, 2. 440 yards miners' race—William Reilly, 1; J. Thomas, 2. 100 yards race—W. Gibbons, 1; J. Lucier, 2.

Three-legged race—Topp and Avery, 1; Peck and Williams, 2. Girls under 12 years of age—Margaret Hughes, 1; Irene Charman, 2. Fat man's race, 100 yards—William Miller, 1; C. Baker, 2. Merchants' Employees' Association, 440 yards—F. Robinson, 1; H. Johnston, 2; R. Harford, 3.

Cigarmakers' race, with conditions—H. Peters, 1; J. Hill, 2. Sports' team race—Nanaimo Lacrosse Club, 7; Nanaimo Baseball Club, 2. Blacksmiths' race—Ross, 1; Maitle, 2.

The printers' backward race was won by William Cullin, and William Wilson, 2. Union team race—A. and J. McGregor, of the Artisans' Club, 1; Johnston and Robinson, of the Merchants' Employees' Association, 2; Chalmers and Oulligan, Miners' Union, 3.

more moderate than when he made his debut in the city during the fishermen's strike on the Fraser. He spoke of the discontent that was existing among the working classes at the present time. He asked the workmen to educate themselves up to a point to protect themselves and advised unity of action.

Mr. MacClain was followed by Mr. Hawthorthwaite, who differed from the previous speaker on many points, and then Mr. Maxwell, of Vancouver, made one of his characteristic speeches, which was received with loud applause. Mr. Andrew Hamilton then made a short speech and Mr. Ralph Smith wound up the evening's speaking with a talk on the labor cause, that was frequently interrupted with applause.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

(Associated Press.) Durham, Ont., Sept. 4.—Liberals of South Grey have again nominated Dr. Landerkin, sitting member, as candidate at the forthcoming general elections.

Toronto, Sept. 4.—The fifth annual meeting of the Boys' Brigade of Canada was held last evening. The report of the brigade secretary pointed out that the past year had been successful. The brigade now includes nearly a hundred companies in various parts of the Dominion, with a total membership of about 4,000.

John Rankin, collector of customs at Bowmanville, from 1871 to 1888, is dead here, aged 85. He was at one time a prominent Conservative politician and sat for North Trent in parliament immediately following Confederation, resigning in 1871.

Clathara, Sept. 4.—Robert O'Hara, local master in chancery, died here yesterday morning, aged 77 years.

Sarnia, Sept. 4.—Chas. Mackenzie, M.P.P., and brother of the late Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, is dead. He had been in ill health for some time.

Perth, Ont., Sept. 4.—Willie Publow, son of G. G. Publow, cheese inspector of this town, was drowned while playing on saw logs at Allen's saw mill yesterday. Deceased was 7 years old.

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—The ten months old daughter of Osias Auger, of Tetreauville, near here, was choked on Monday by a piece of carrot becoming lodged in the throat.

Kingston, Sept. 5.—After several ballots had been taken at this morning's session of the Ontario Synod, Archdeacon Mills, of Montreal, was elected coadjutor bishop of Ontario.

Toronto, Sept. 5.—Wm. Macdonald, Q. C. member of the firm of Kerr, Macdonald, Davidson & Patterson, chief legal agent of the Liberal party in Canada, died last evening of Bright's disease, aged 55.

The Evening News (Independent Conservative) publishes an interview with George Taylor, Conservative whip for Eastern Ontario, to the effect that the Liberals are in a bad condition in Eastern Ontario and Quebec, and are holding off the announcement of the dissolution on that account.

Merrillville, Sept. 5.—North Leeds and Greenville Conservatives have chosen J. L. Lawell, of Smith's Falls, to oppose T. Frost, sitting Liberal member, at the general elections.

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