

THE OPENING OF THE HOUSE

A Full Quota in the Senate on Opening Day for First Time in Ten Years.

Mr. Cowan Gives Notice of an Alien Labor Law and One Relating to Immigration.

Mr. McInnes Will Move for the Disallowance of the B. C. Southern Extension Act.

Ottawa, March 25.—In the senate for the first time in ten years there was present a full quota on the opening day.

Mr. Sifton was introduced this morning by Premier Laurier and Mr. Sutherland amid applause.

There seems to be some hitch about the court judgments in Winnipeg.

Mr. Bennett was introduced by Sir Charles Tupper and Hon. John Haggart.

A strong fight took place yesterday afternoon before the sub-committee of the House on the application of the Fisheries Act to the salmon fishery.

There is considerable mystification in the department of marine and fisheries in connection with the common problem among the British Columbia fishermen.

Mr. Cowan, Esq., has given notice today of asking for an increase of the substantial reduction should be made.

Mr. McInnes, of Vancouver Island, has given notice of motion for the disallowance of the British Columbia Southern Extension Act.

Mr. Tupper and members waited for the reading of the bill for the disallowance of the B. C. Southern Extension Act.

Mr. Fitzpatrick will introduce a bill for the second judge of the exchequer court, who will be a French Canadian.

The first parliamentary session of the new regime began 26 years ago.

Mr. Wright is one of the signatories of the school question.

The school question is no longer an issue of any force in the political arena.

The Minister says it will not cause any trouble at all.

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THE ALASKA CRAZE

Steamship Mexico Crowded as She Left Seattle for Land of the Midnight Sun.

Thousands of Dollars Left in the City by the Departing Fortune-Hunters.

Seattle, March 25.—J. F. Trowbridge, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, says that today's Mexico was the "biggest" ever sent out in the history of the Alaska business.

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STREAMS RISING RAPIDLY.

Chinook Winds Are Melting the Snow in Washington.

Spokane, Wash., March 26.—A warm chinook wind is cutting the snow banks and sending the water down in torrents.

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FIERCE FIGHTING AT FORT MALAXA

Creton Insurgents Dynamite Blockhouse at Malaxa in Face of a Rain of Shells.

Turkish Garrison Forced to Flee, but Very Few Escaping With Their Lives.

Blockhouse Is a Mass of Ruins—Crown Prince to Go to the Frontier.

Canea, March 25.—The insurgents made a determined attack upon the blockhouse or fort at Malaxa, outside of Suda, to-day.

At 6 a.m. the artillery opened fire on the Turkish blockhouse.

The shells fell either short or further beyond the insurgent forces.

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SUFFERING AT SEA

The Experiences of the Crew of the Wrecked Ship Androssa Were Something Terrible.

Men Worked at the Pumps Till They Dropped Down From Sheer Exhaustion.

Seattle, March 25.—The suffering of the crew of the wrecked ship Androssa, from San Francisco to England, a brief account of which was given in the dispatches yesterday, were something terrible.

On March 1, when the vessel was in Cape Horn, the first serious storm occurred.

In this storm the cargo shifted and the vessel was hove down on her beam ends, and for ten hours her main fore yards were dragging in the water.

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CUBAN EMBROGLIO.

Spanish Troops Leave Cuba for Service in the Philippine Islands.

Consul-General Lee Secures the Release of Many Americans Who Were Imprisoned.

Washington, March 25.—According to advices received at the state department, presumably from General Lee, there will soon follow a general withdrawal of Spanish forces from Cuba in order to satisfy the constant demands for additional troops for service in the Philippine islands.

There are said to be no troops at home that can be spared for duty abroad, and the army in Cuba is the only source of supply left for it to draw from.

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NEW STEAMSHIP LINE.

Japanese Line Established Between San Francisco and Yokohama.

San Francisco, March 25.—The Toyo Kisen Kaisha has perfected arrangements with the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and closed an agreement with the Southern Pacific relative to trans-continental business.

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For Infants and Children.

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ELLIGENCE.

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TURN IN BED.

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A CHEERFUL OUTLOOK.

No man who has the interest of Canada at heart, no true citizen who will look at matters calmly and dispassionately, can fail to discover ample reason for rejoicing at the outlook in the Dominion to-day. The Laurier government has been in office sufficiently long to enable the people to form an accurate idea of its ability to administer the affairs of the country, its earnest endeavor to prove faithful to the trust imposed in it and its determination to follow a wise, statesmanlike course in matters with which it is required to deal.

ranted in any other proposition that may in the future be submitted to the city? When that is settled the bonus is settled.

IMMIGRATION AGENTS.

The visit of Messrs. Devlin and Jury, the first being immigration agent to Ireland and the latter to the north of England, and especially the address delivered by the latter gentleman to the workmen of the Trades and Labor Council, has impressed us with the good judgment shown by Hon. Mr. Sifton in making appointments. Mr. Devlin is a clever young Irish Canadian, who has already won his spurs as a forcible speaker, and an earnest and sincere advocate of everything that tends to the expansion and progress of his native country.

A workingman who knows the condition of Canadian workingmen, who is intimately acquainted with the country, its needs and the opportunities it offers to the immigrant, ought to be an immigration agent, "the right man in the right place." Such is Mr. A. F. Jury. With his colleague, Mr. Devlin, he is, we feel assured, convinced that his first thought must be the quality rather than the quantity of immigrants he will be instrumental in sending to Canada.

condition of the finances, brought down ever, it will require a statement of the present time to verify the extraordinary prophecies which the finance minister has made. The deficit anticipated for 1897-8 is augmented by an increase all round in the salaries of officials. This increase will amount to about \$20,000. This seems to us to be a most indefensible thing at the present time.

THE CROW'S NEST PASS RAILWAY.

The following resolutions were passed unanimously at a recent meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade: "Whereas it is in the interests of Canada that the Crow's Nest Pass railway be constructed with all reasonable dispatch, in order that the great mineral resources of southern British Columbia may be fully developed, that coal in abundance, at low rates, may be furnished for the smelting of ores within the borders of that province, and that the interests of manufacturers and agriculturists may be secured the great and growing trade of that country:

erosity of this province is prepared to concede. The dissolution of the British Columbia charter, a drastic remedy proposed by Mr. McInnes, would simplify the situation; and if that remedy can be justified on grounds of public policy, British Columbia will be in a position to act generously with a Crow's Nest Pass railway having its terminus at the Pacific Coast.

VANCOUVER SMELTER SCHEME.

The price that Vancouver will pay for a smelter of 500 tons capacity is free water and exemption from taxation for ten years. There is to be no money bonus. The World fears that the city will have to make an expenditure of \$75,000 to provide the facilities for supplying the water, and as the quantity that will be used is not specified, the real cost to the city of the proposed exemption cannot be calculated.

INCREASE OF SALARIES.

The Colonist being "in on it" with the government distorts the estimates, to make the "sundry small additions" amount to only \$2,000, and says that it is prepared to believe that this increase is indefensible. Those who take the trouble to examine the estimates will agree that the Colonist's calculations are indefensible because they are purposely inaccurate.

weeks ago. He pointed out that the legislature of Quebec transacted a tremendous amount of business in six weeks. The speaker might have gone further. The legislatures of Ontario, Manitoba and Nova Scotia have been prorogued weeks ago, although they were not opened until after the opening of the British Columbia legislature.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Mr. Helmecken materially assisted in the good work by adding an anti-Japanese clause. The legislature should not get weary in well-doing. Let the members remain unsatisfied until they succeed in inserting anti-Chinese and anti-Japanese clauses in the Water Clauses Act and in the Companies Act.

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that is worth knowing. The Colonist man will never ask the Full Court to tell him the meaning of a phrase so simple and yet so full of meaning, if he understands it better than the Court. We reprint from the London Globe two letters on "The Dangers of Fish Food," one written by a gentleman named C. Wood and a reply thereto by Mr. Robert Ward.

CANADA WILL STRIKE BA

Cowan's Alien Labor Bill will be reported by Government and Pass as a Private Measure.

Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick Introduces his Bill Providing for Adoption of Provincial Lists.

Auditor-General's Report—Turns—Two Tricky Senators Quite Introduced.

Ottawa, March 29.—The auditor-general's report was distributed today, showing that on the 7th of July, 1906, before the late government report, the treasury board overruled the report and paid Davis & Sons their claims on the Cornwall canal.

A SMELTER.

A proposition to erect and operate a complete smelting and refining plant, with a capacity of from three hundred to four hundred tons per day, has been made by Mr. W. Schover, who represents a syndicate of Portland and Utah capitalists, to the mayor and council of Victoria. Briefly stated the proposal is that buildings and plant costing \$450,000 will be established here for a cash bonus of \$150,000, payable as to \$75,000 upon completion of the buildings and as to the balance in six months thereafter.

THE ESTIMATES.

The provincial revenue and expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1898, which were presented to the house yesterday, will not be satisfactory reading to those who had been led to expect that an equilibrium would next year be established between the income and the outgo at the provincial treasury. For the year beginning on the 1st of July next Mr. Turner estimates that the receipts will be \$1,288,080.45, and the expenditure \$1,566,765.10, or a deficit of \$278,675.65.

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There could be no mistake about the views of the majority of the members yesterday when the house went into committee to consider Mr. Adams' Alien Labor Bill. The only member who had the temerity to follow the Colonist's advice was Mr. Bryden. He attempted to discuss the bill, but the only argument he could advance against anti-Chinese legislation was that the Chinese and Caucasians were made by the same being, consequently the former should not be discriminated against.

Mr. H. C. Beeton was treated rather shabbily by his old partner in the house yesterday. Mr. Turner must surely have had some strong personal motives for asking the house to refuse the petition. His sense of public duty would never urge him to take such a course.

Mr. Speaker Higgins very properly took the premier to task for trying to place the responsibility for the delay in transacting public business on the shoulders of those presenting petitions. The speaker pointed out that if the business had been expeditiously conducted the members could have gone home two

bones, muscles and tissues. If it impure it cannot properly sustain these parts. If made pure, rich, red and vital like Hood's Sarsaparilla, it carries health instead of disease, and repairs the worn, nervous system as nothing else can. This nervous prostration, hysteria, neuralgia, heart palpitation, are cured by

WAGES OF ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES.

Wages of additional employees in fifteen new provincial police... \$5,672. Additional attendants at lunatic asylum... 700. Sundry small additions to salaries of permanent officials... 2,000.

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1896. 1897. Civil government... \$146,500 \$121,138. Administration of Justice... 134,838 156,362. Total... \$281,338 \$277,498.

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POLITICAL CRISIS ENDED.

Strain Caused by the Refusal of the Reichstag to Vote the Naval Demands.

London, March 26.—A dispatch to the Times from Berlin says it is believed there that the political crisis brought about by the refusal of the budget committee of the Reichstag to meet the financial demands of the government has ended. The government has decided to refrain from pressing its demands for credit at present in the hope that these will be voted next year.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

No change is noted in the appended price list save potatoes, the price of which is raised to 1 1/2c. per pound. Potatoes at present are very scarce, and the present price will no doubt prevail until the new potatoes come in. Hops and beef are still scarce, and their prices have consequently suffered no reduction.

- Wheat, per ton... \$35 to \$37.50. Barley, per ton... \$28 to \$30. Middlings, per ton... \$29 to \$32. Bran, per ton... \$18.00 to \$20.00. Ground feed, per ton... \$20.00 to \$28.00. Corn, whole... \$25 to \$28. Corn, cracked... \$26 to \$29. Oatmeal, per 10 pounds... \$45 to \$48. Rolled oats (O. or N. W.)... \$1.00. Rolled oats (B. & K.) 7lb. sacks... \$1.00. Potatoes per lb... 1 1/2c. Cabbage... \$2.00 to \$3. Cauliflower, per ton... \$12 to \$15. Hay, baled, per ton... \$13 to \$15. Straw, per bale... \$1.50. Onions per lb... 4c. to 5c. Potatoes... \$1.50. Lemons (California) per lb... 25c. to 35c. Apples, Eastern, per lb... 20c. to 25c. Oranges, navel, per doz... 50c. to 60c. Oranges, Cal. seedlings... 25c. to 30c. Fish—salmon, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Halibut... 10c. to 12c. Fish—small... 8c. to 10c. Smoked hampers, per lb... 10c. Smoked kippers, per lb... 10c. Eggs, Island, fresh, per doz... 20c. to 25c. Butter, Manitoa... 20c. Butter, Delta creamery, per lb... 20c. Butter, fresh... 25c. to 30c. Cheese, Cheddar... 15c. to 20c. Ham, American, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Ham, Canadian, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Bacon, American, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Bacon, rolled, per lb... 12c. to 14c. Bacon, long clear, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Bacon, Canadian, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Shoulders... 12c. to 14c. Lard... 12c. to 14c. Sides, per lb... 14c. to 15c. Meats—beef, per lb... 8c. to 10c. Veal... 10c. to 12c. Mutton, per lb... 10c. to 12c. Mutton (whole)... 10c. to 12c. Pork, fresh, per lb... 9c. to 12c. Pork sides, per lb... 8c. to 10c. Chickens, per pair... \$1.00 to \$1.50.

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CAUSE OF THE WORKINGMEN

Mr. A. F. Jury Delivers a Lengthy Address to Workingmen Last Night.

A Large Crowd of Representative Wage Earners Listen to the Immigration Agent.

His Solution of the Labor Question and Some Stories With a Point.

A public meeting, which was attended by a large, representative audience of workingmen, was held yesterday evening in the Sir William Wallace Society's hall...

Mr. Forster began by saying that in the last few years very little had been done in reference to the labor question and the question of wages and hours...

Then there is the Chinese question, that like the poor, is always with us. The local house had accumulated much money in regard to this question, and hereafter the people would have to look to the Dominion parliament for action in the matter...

Mr. R. Macpherson, M.P., was the next speaker. He was sorry, although he said he never liked to make that excuse, to say that he was unprepared to speak. He was glad to see such a gathering of workingmen...

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and Labor Council in the centres of population always voiced the wishes of the working men in urban districts, and it was to them the duty of obtaining satisfactory labor legislation fell, as well as the work of endeavoring to secure the repeal of obnoxious laws. This council, as it existed in the same city...

In regard to securing immigrants for this country, he said he favored using the labor organizations of England to that end, and was strong in his disapproval of the indiscriminate dumping of resolutions in this Dominion...

Politicians are always accused of neglecting the interests of the provinces, but this could not be done with the labor question. There is but one labor question wherever man sells his hire. Capital has and will continue for some time to come to employ labor...

The speaker then dwelt for some time on the evolution of the British working man, following his history from the time when, under control of the barons, he slaved in serfdom...

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not think it was capable of curing smallpox. It and the reforms incident to it would be a permanent institution in any civilized country. He then told a parabolical story illustrative of the doctrines of single tax...

Here is another example. Suppose two men go to the theatre, getting two seats side by side. One man is dressed in broadcloth, wearing a plug hat and a top hat...

Mr. Jury spoke of socialism and advised all who wished to make good, socialists to stick to the trades and labor council, for even in Great Britain, he said, they were not doing so well...

Speaking of the condition of the workingman in Great Britain, he said that the secretaries of the various workingmen's societies throughout Great Britain reported monthly to the labor secretary of the Imperial Board...

Mr. Jury then told of his trip to Chinatown, which he visited yesterday evening. As he studied the Chinese question and looked carefully into the reports of the committee on the question, he said, the sociological and anthropological reports were the most interesting...

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ANNUAL ESTIMATES

Minister of Finance Yesterday Presented the Estimates for the Ensuing Year.

Salaries of Civil Servants Are Increased - The Estimates for Roads and Bridges.

Hon. J. H. Turner, the minister of finance, yesterday presented through a message from the Lieutenant-Governor the estimates of revenue and expenditure for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1898.

The estimate for timber royalties and licenses less grants was \$50,000. This year it is \$55,000. Timber leases last year were estimated at \$30,000; this year at \$45,000. Mining receipts last year at \$40,000; this year at \$100,000. Last year the income tax was estimated at \$200,000 and this year at \$100,000.

The total estimated receipts last year was \$1,468,789.45; and this year \$1,568,765.10. The estimated expenditure on public debt is about \$10,000 more than last year, but a material reduction has been made in civil government (salaries), as last year's estimates under this head were \$146,500 and this year \$121,336.

Under the head of civil government (salaries) some material changes are outlined. The chief clerk in the provincial secretary's department gets an increase of \$5 a month. The chief clerk in the provincial secretary's department gets an increase from \$95 to \$105 a month. The clerk's salary in the department of justice for last year was \$90. The chief clerk of the treasury also had his salary increased from \$102 to \$110.

The salaries of the auditor and the clerk in the audit office have been increased from \$120 to \$130, and from \$85.50 to \$100 respectively. The agricultural department is provided with an additional clerk at a salary of \$80 per month, and the inspector of animals had his salary increased from \$95 to \$100 a month.

In the lands and works department a clerk is to be added at a salary of \$85 per month, and some of the other salaries are to be increased. The chief clerk and stenographer in the attorney-general's department is to get an increase from \$95 to \$105 per month.

The salary of the registrar of titles in the Victoria registry office is to be increased from \$157.50 to \$175 per month. The same officer at New Westminster gets an increase from \$139 to \$150. The salary of the registrar is to be increased from \$157.50 to \$175. The office of registrar at Kamloops is to be evidently done away with, as no provision for his salary is made in the estimates.

Under the head of "Roads and Bridges" the estimates show an increase of \$10,000. The estimates for roads and bridges for the year ending June 30th, 1898, are: Dominion of Canada, \$342,889. Land sales, including ar. \$70,000. 100,000. Land Revenue, 6,000. 6,000. Timber royalty and licenses, 55,000. 50,000. Rents, exclusive of land, 200. 200. Survey fees, 100,000. 100,000. Timber leases, 30,000. 30,000. Fractions, 30,000. 30,000. Mining receipts, general, 40,000. 45,000. Licenses, 200,000. 200,000. Marriage licenses, 250. 250. Real property tax, 12,000. 12,000. Wild land, 40,000. 40,000. Income tax, 100,000. 100,000. Stamps, 6,000. 6,000. Mineral tax, 75,000. 75,000. Revenue services, 500. 500. Fines, forfeitures and small debt court fees, 15,000. 10,000. Law stamps, 12,000. 12,000. Registry fees, 1,000. 1,000. Bureau of mines, 1,000. 1,000. Asylum for the insane, 2,500. 2,500. Provincial house, 500. 500. Prisons office receipts, 18,000. 18,000. Sale of government property, 1,000. 1,000. Reimbursements in aid, 6,000. 6,000. Interest on investment, 200. 200. Sinking funds, 15,000. 15,000. Chinese restriction, 20,000. 20,000. Salt Consolidated, 8,000. 8,000. Chutes, 100. 100. Sui generis duties, 10,000. 10,000. Miscellaneous receipts, 10,000. 8,000. Estimated cash balance, June 30, 1897, 285,000. Total, \$1,573,080. EXPENDITURE, 1897-8. 1898-7. Public debt, \$281,804. 271,805. Civil government (salaries), 121,336. 146,500. Administration of Justice (salaries), 158,382. 131,838. Public institutions (maintenance), 92,840. 48,590. Hospitals and Asylums, 48,770. 45,000. Administration of Justice (other salaries), 75,700. 69,000. Education, 242,111. 223,112. Transport, 15,500. 13,000. Works and buildings, 56,000. 52,000. Government House, 3,000. 2,750. Roads, streets, bridges, and wharves, 200,550. 244,600. Survey, 15,000. 15,000. Miscellaneous, 97,268. 86,900. Total, \$1,568,765. 1,371,888.

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REFUSION

Speaker Refers to the Very Progress Made by the Legislature. The Speaker took the chair at 10 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. H. W. W. M. M. M.

REPORTS. Major Mutter presented a report on the committee on the bills of the committee on Transportation Co.; on Trades and Labour Council; on the Ashcroft & Cariboo Railway Bill.

MR. RIDGEWAY WILSON. Mr. Kennedy moved and Mr. Macpherson seconded that an order be passed for the return of the correspondence regarding the extension of the lunatic asylum building at Westminister. Mr. Kennedy, the local architect who superintended the lunatic asylum building, and who had been invited to undertake the work in connection with the extension, died.

ALIEN LABOR BILL. The House went into committee on the Alien Labor Bill. Mr. Bryden objected to the title bill, if passed, would prevent a bill coming into the House. Mr. Bryden objected to the title bill, if passed, would prevent a bill coming into the House.

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Table with 3 columns: ROADS, STREETS, BRIDGES AND WHARVES. Includes North Victoria District, Esquimalt District, Cowichan-Alberni District, Nanaimo District, West Kootenay District, Main Trunk Road, Victoria-Nanaimo Trunk Road, Goldstream Division, Cowichan-Alberni Trunk Road, Nanaimo-Cowichan Trunk Road, Roads from Duncan to Cowichan, Lake Country, Road to Cowichan Lake, Road to Rupert Arm, Road to Otter Point, Road to China Creek, Alberni District, Road from Popcorn to Chilliwack, Road from Lillooet to Lytton, Road to Kootenay, Road to Quartzville, Road to Lillooet, Road to Yarrow, Road to Jackson Basin Mining Camp, Road from Granite Creek, Princeton, Road from Hill of Harrison, Lake to Douglas, Road to Bella Coala, Road to Fire Valley, Road to Lake Hill avenue (graveling), Road to Glenfleurville, Trail to Ucluelet-Clayton, Road to Cowichan-Alberni, Road from Nanaimo Lake to Nitiati, Road from Hazelton to Omineca, Road to Hazelton, Road to Hazelton, Bridge, Kichikan River (aid to Municipality), Bridge, Nkomosk River (aid to Municipality), Bridge, Kootenay River (aid to Municipality), Golden (aid in construction), Bridge, Lillooet River (repairs), Bridge, Ylloer Creek (repairs), Bridge, Sooke River (repairs), Bridge, Trent and Tangle Rivers, Wharf, Bedwell Bay, Pender Island, Wharf, Valdez Island (Quaihasli Cove), Wharf, Tezada Island (Gillies Bay), Wharf, Salmon Arm, Wharf, Salmon Arm, Wharf, Salmon Arm, Wharf, Salmon Arm, Wharf, Salmon Arm, Wharf, Salmon Arm, Wharf, Salmon Arm.

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THE GAME ACT. Mr. Graham moved the second reading of the Game Act. The House was divided on the motion.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News
—a Condensed Form.

From Friday's Daily.
—A postoffice has been opened at Salmon, in West Kootenay.

—The death occurred yesterday at her late residence, 165 Douglas street, of Mrs. A. Garland, who has been sick for some time past. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon.

—Among the passengers who left on the Mexico for Alaska was Captain William Moore. He had no word from Otawa before leaving, and consequently did not take any Yukon mail with him.

—Treasury warrants addressed to Augustus Comella and Martha Rueland are held by General Roberts, U. S. consul for this city. Those two ladies are requested to call for them without delay.

—Joseph Portland, an old Frenchman who has been an inmate of the Old Men's Home for some time past, died at the home from consumption this afternoon. He was a stonemason and came to this province from Quebec.

—Notice was given yesterday's Gazette by B. B. Kerr, solicitor of New Denver, B.C., that application will be made to the local house during this session for an act to incorporate a company which proposes to generate electricity for the town of Silverton.

—After an illness of several weeks death came to Mrs. Mary Ann Dams, who died at the residence of her daughter at Duncan's yesterday. Deceased was a native of Cornwall, England, and was 65 years of age. The remains were brought to this city this morning. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at Ross Bay cemetery, the funeral service being conducted at Christ Church Cathedral.

—John Trace was accused before the police magistrate this morning with violating the streets-by-law. He, it seems, took a certain vehicle, to wit, a four-wheeled wagon, on to the sidewalk on Humboldt street and unhitching his horses left the wagon there for half an hour, causing pedestrians to walk around the obstruction, propelling their way through the mud as well as they could. He was fined \$5 and costs.

—John Aiken, charged with shooting George Brown with intent to kill, appeared in the provincial police court this morning before Magistrate Macrae. The case was remanded for another week. Brown not yet being well enough to give evidence. Mr. Geo. E. Power, the defence, applied for bail, but the magistrate declined to grant it but promised to consider the question when the case was next called and something definite was known as to Brown's condition.

From Saturday's Daily.
—One of the farmers living near Shawanigan Lake came to the city this morning with the head of a panther, which he shot on Wednesday, for the purpose of claiming the reward offered by the provincial government.

—The bachelors of the Young Liberal Club have issued a challenge to their married brethren for a contest in argument. The tournament will take place on Wednesday evening next and the winners are promised a box of choice cigars. The bachelors, who have been playing together for some time, are confident that the cigars will not be smoked by the beneficiaries.

—Rev. W. Leslie Clay yesterday evening visited the fortunes of Mr. W. H. Barr, a conductor on the Great Northern railway, who has headquarters at Tacoma, and Miss Cora Eastwood, a young bride of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, who accompanied the principals from the City of Destiny, assisted at the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Barr are at the Occidental, where they will stay for a few days.

—Mrs. L. M. Caldwell, teacher of the fourth division of the Victoria Central school, died yesterday after a brief illness. Five days ago she was in her class room as usual, but a severe cold compelled her to discontinue work. A hemorrhage suddenly and fatally terminated the illness. Mrs. Caldwell was one of the best known teachers in the city, having been a member of the teaching staff of the Victoria schools for over twenty-five years. There were many of the young ladies who have attended the public schools but who at one time were under her tuition. She was a daughter of the late William Mahood, C.E., wife of Dr. W. M. Caldwell. The funeral will take place to-morrow from the residence, 23 Burdette avenue, and later from Christ Church Cathedral. Teachers and other friends are requested to meet at the residence at 2 1/2 p.m.

From Monday's Daily.
—The marriage is announced of Mr. Bird, boatswain of the Empress of India, to Miss Maggie Hartney, of the teaching staff of the Vancouver Central School.

—The Chinaman who attempted to commit suicide some months ago on Store street by cutting his throat took passage for the north on the steamer Danube. Shortly after the vessel left Vancouver he jumped overboard, but was rescued, placed in iron restraints and brought back to Victoria. He is now at the provincial jail.

—The death occurred on Saturday afternoon at St. Ann's convent of Sister M. Rosa of Lima, one of the nuns of that convent. The dead sister only arrived here some time ago from an eastern sister institution. She was an invalid, and it was hoped that a change of climate would give her health. The change was beneficial, but only temporarily.

—After a long illness death came to Mrs. Alexander McNeven this morning at her late residence in the Five Sisters block, of which block Mr. McNeven is the engineer. The deceased was a native of North Sydney, Cape Breton, and 44 years of age. The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon from the Bever's house on Pandora street.

—Robert Shaw, whose failure to return to St. Joseph's Hospital last week, where he was being treated, caused some alarm, a back at his home on Galiano Island. The day he left he went to within a few miles of Sid-

ney, secured a boat and rowed over to the island. His friends have decided to send him to California for treatment.

—Pong Ah Shuke, one of the leading spirits of the Chinese secret society of Chee Kung Tong, was buried this afternoon. The funeral took place from his late residence in the Chinese quarter to Ross Bay cemetery, the usual paper chase trail being laid en route and the usual offering burnt to appease the "joss." The funeral was well attended by his compatriots.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. A. Garland took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, on Douglas street and afterwards from the Metropolitan Methodist church to Ross Bay cemetery. There was a large gathering at the church and a large number of wreaths buried the coffin. Rev. S. Cleaver officiated at the church and at the graveside. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Messrs. W. J. Dowler, S. Hartley, W. J. Pen-dray, John Pearce, John Whitfield and Jonathan Bullen.

—The ballots for members of the British Columbia Law Society were counted to-day by H. G. E. Pooley, Mr. L. G. McPhillips and Mr. P. S. Randleman, secretaries of the society. They declared the following gentlemen elected, for the ensuing term: Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., L. G. McPhillips, Q.C., Charles Wilson, Q.C., H. B. Heilmann, Q.C., B. B. Kerr, Q.C., J. Stuart Yates, E. V. Bodwell, E. A. Jennis and F. B. Gregory. The first meeting of the newly elected members will be held in this city on Monday next.

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There are now very few men in the Cassiar country and those who are there barely make a living in the once rich diggings.

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SS OF SPINSTER

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Scroggs and Beltz as crew, left at 8 o'clock on Thursday morning. The place they reached about 2 o'clock. They had dropped anchor and were just getting ready to land freight...

As it was impossible to get the freight they decided to return to the harbor. All sail was set, and the help of the engines they were along nicely, with the exception of the fact that they were forced to stop...

Two hours after Scroggs was washed overboard, the Spinster was in a perilous position. The cargo was washed ashore, the Spinster herself there in the bay...

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British Columbia.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Harrison Lake district still continues to attract the attention of prospectors, and the aggregate for the week ended...

A special article of food, canned goods would never have reached its destination in the trade, if such a case as the one now before the court...

Some excitement has been caused by the discovery of gold near the Harrison Lake district, and a party of prospectors went out in a small steamer...

Another party of prospectors, consisting of a Chinese and a white man, were in the process of dropping their net when they discovered a deposit of gold...

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to 14 inches wide, which runs from 90 to 300 ounces in silver. The Gibson mines, a mile away, have let a contract...

Constable Fyfer yesterday morning arrested a man from Trail named Thomas Simons. The day before he had been arrested at Trail for being drunk...

The British Canadian Gold Fields Co. has bought the Mile Point mine at Ainsworth. Twenty men will be put to work on the property and ore shipments will shortly commence.

Slocan City, March 29.—The Two Friends is now working 25 men, running at a rate of 100 tons per day. The force will be increased, as soon as the lead is struck.

Thomas Mulvey and others left here today to close a deal on the Ottawa, one of the most promising groups in this camp.

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Gus Lund and a hired man are drifting on the North Star claim. They are close to bedrock and work is going working prospect. Truck is still suspended on the Last Chance claim.

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A CRUEL CAPTAIN

The Oakes' Survivors Tell a Story of Alleged Cruelty at Sea.

Captain Reed charged with being directly responsible for crew's illness.

New York, March 29.—A story of alleged cruelty at sea, told by the survivors of the crew of the clipper ship P. F. Oakes, is being put in legal form by representatives of the Seamen's Union.

The emaciated seamen, now in the marine hospital on Staten Island, allege that Captain Reed is directly responsible for their illness.

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MONTREAL MATTERS.

C. P. R. Earnings—The Federal Campaign in Champlain.

Montreal, March 29.—The C.P.R. gross earnings for February were \$1,272,004, working expenses, \$887,271; net profits, \$385,823.

W. V. Powell, Grand Chief of the order of Railroad Telegraphers, and M. W. Dolphin, another representative, are in the city interviewing the C. P. R. authorities with regard to divisional superintendents.

A special from St. Anne, Champlain county, says: "A lively street meeting the opening of the fight in the Federal campaign in Champlain, was held here on Saturday."

A lively rate war is now on between the Canadian Pacific, Great Northern, Northern Pacific, and incidentally the Grand Trunk railway.

The city council of London, Ont., has decided to impose a license of \$100 on cigarette vendors in the hope of lessening the cigarette habit among the youths of the city.

The Provincial Pharmaceutical Association is taking action to prevent the selling of drugs by departmental stores in Montreal.

Montreal, March 29.—Fire last night did \$15,000 damage. The principal sufferers were W. Ware & Sons; Reinhardt, manufacturing; fancy goods; Macdonald & Laballe, Martin & Reinarz.

The congregation of Melville Presbyterian church has decided to extend a call to Rev. Charles W. Gordon, of St. Stephen's church, Winnipeg.

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Montreal, March 29.—George and Percy Holden, brothers, both young, were very badly burned by an explosion which occurred in the boiler room of the Gatts Percha Rubber Manufacturing Company.

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PERFIDIOUS ALBION

The Theme of Two Letters Written by Prince Henry d'Orleans to Parisian Newspapers.

New York, March 29.—A dispatch to the Herald from London says: "The letters written by Prince Henry d'Orleans to the Herald and Parisian papers since his departure on his exploring mission to Abyssinia have dropped like bombs into the camp of the English papers."

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TRUBLE BREWING

Fighting Expected in the Transvaal in the Spring.

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JONES' DYNAMITE PLOT

Davitt Wants Reduction of Estimates for Secret Service.

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