

ANOTHER BATTLE IS IN PROGRESS
MEXICAN TROOPS AND INSURGENTS CLASH
Rebel Junta Predicts General Uprising in Interior of Mexico Next Week

(Times Leased Wire.)
El Paso, Texas, March 15.—A battle between Mexican federal and Gen. Planco's insurrecto force near Douglas, Ariz., was reported in progress, according to advices received here today.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., March 15.—Because the Mexican railways refused to comply with General Madero's order to cease transporting federal troops, a campaign of bridge destruction which caused a prediction by the junta here that all rail communication with interior Mexico would be cut within 24 hours.

COLD WAVE ON ATLANTIC COAST
Travelled Eastward From Great Lakes Where Zero Weather is Reported

EIGHT PERISH IN STORM ON ERIE
FISHING TUG WRECKED ON BREAKWATER
All Aboard Lose Lives—It is Feared Death Roll May Be Increased

Cleveland, O., March 15.—Eight sailors perished with their lives, the toll of last night's storm on Lake Erie, and with one tug missing to-day, it was predicted that the death toll would be extended. Seven of the dead perished when the fishing tug Silver Spray sank outside the Cleveland breakwater.

PROBABLY MURDERED.
Boston, March 15.—The state department was requested today to investigate a report that Herbert Decou, African explorer, had been murdered recently on the north coast of Africa by Arabs.

BIG FIRM TO OPEN IN RETAIL DRYGOODS
Gault Bros., of Montreal, Has Acquired Business Site on Yates Street

TO STUDY EARTHQUAKES.
Naples, March 15.—Incorporated at \$40,000, with Prof. Friedlander as president, a company to study earthquake phenomena is erecting a station on Mount Vesuvius. Branch stations will soon be built. The observatories will be erected on various volcanoes.



A POLICEMAN'S LOT IS NOW A HAPPY ONE!

VIOLENT SCENES MARK TRIAL
CAMORRISTS INTERRUPT COURT PROCEEDINGS
Ringleader of Band Charged With Murder Denounces the Judge

Viterbo, Italy, March 15.—Violent scenes marked the first real day's progress in the trial of two score Camorristi charged with murder. The jury served a demand on the court for increased pay and Judge Bianchi, at the request of the minister of justice, refused the request.

FURTHER AID FOR CANADIAN NORTHERN
Manitoba Government Guarantees Bonds on Number of Branch Lines

RELIEF FOR CHINESE.
Seattle, March 15.—Two thousand dollars were sent yesterday by the relief committee of the Seattle Commercial Club to the American Red Cross Society at Washington, D. C., to be forwarded to China for the famine sufferers.

LIVELY FIGHT OVER STATION
ALBERTA MAN SCORES ANOTHER VICTORY
Public Meeting Called by C. P. R. Proves Hostile to the Company

Lethbridge, March 15.—Another stage was passed today when a meeting called by the C. P. R. of farmers and land owners interested voted 46 to 15 in favor of having the station on the original site now owned by Grant Hannan, and not on the site favored by the company.

LAND FOR SETTLERS.
Toronto, March 15.—Pronounced proof of the opening up of the Northwest provinces by the construction programmes of the trans-continental railways is shown in the announcement that this year the Canadian Northern railway has opened the way for 5,000 homesteads. Of these 3,000 will be in the Rockfish Lake district, 2,000 in Athabasca, 5,000 between Saskatoon and Calgary, 3,000 in the Carrot River district and the remainder in the Shellbrook district.

SHOOT'S HIMSELF.
McKittrick, Cal., March 15.—W. H. Harvey, a veteran of the infantry, shot and killed himself yesterday.

TOWNS FACE FOOD FAMINE
RAILWAY TRAFFIC TIED UP BY STRIKE
Strikers and Mountaineers Attack Train, Fatally Wounding the Fireman

Somerset, Ky., March 15.—Armed strikers and mountaineers attacked a Queen & Crescent railway engine in the mountains near here to-day and fatally wounded fireman Powers, a white strike breaker. The engine guard is missing and it is believed he also was slain. Powers declared that the guard refused to fire upon the strikers.

STEEL PLANTS WILL BE ENLARGED
Ten Million Dollars to Be Spent on Mills of Western Steel Corporation

Seattle, Wash., March 15.—According to a statement to-day by James A. Moore, president of the Western Steel Corporation, more than \$10,000,000 will be invested in the company's plant near Seattle by English capitalists in the immediate future. This money will be used, Mr. Moore says, in extending operations in the steel mills at Irondale and New Westminster, B. C. The statement from Mr. Moore was received here by cable, his associates making the big deal public to-day.

LISTS COMPLETE; ELECTION SOON
STRAIGHTENING OUT THE CIVIC MUDDLE
Registration of Householders and License Holders Was Closed Last Night

(From Thursday's Daily.)
The voters' list on which will be held the new elections for mayor and aldermen to serve the balance of the year, completed as far as registration is concerned, is now in the hands of H. B. Robertson, the commissioner appointed by the government to arrange for the contest rendered necessary by the voiding of the last election by the decision of Mr. Justice Gregory of the Supreme court.

FREE TRADE NOT PROPOSED BY U. S.
Ottawa, March 15.—No proposals for general free trade between Canada and the United States were made to Canada by the American commissioners in the recent negotiations, said Hon. W. S. Fielding, in the House yesterday.

SENTENCED FOR MANSLAUGHTER
Winnipeg, March 15.—Nikolai Bryscka, convicted of manslaughter for the death of Harry D. Spalding last November, the result of a fracas at the Pembina subway, Winnipeg, was yesterday afternoon sentenced by Mr. Justice Richards to seven years in the penitentiary at hard labor.

PLAGUE AT PORT AU SPAIN.
Washington, D. C., March 15.—One case of plague has appeared at Port au Spain, Trinidad, according to a cablegram received by the state department from American Consul Hale at that point.

VETERAN ACTOR KILLED.
Haverhill, Mass., March 15.—Henry Clay Barnard, the aged actor, fell down three flights of steps at a hotel here and is in the hospital to-day. His engagements have been cancelled.

GERMAN TREATY WITH JAPAN.
Berlin, March 15.—First steps in negotiating a renewal of the commercial treaty with Japan were taken to-day following the arrival of M. Yabe from Tokio.

TOPP AT WORK DESPITE VETO
DEVELOPMENT OF EXTRAORDINARY CASE
Promise of Legal Complication Arising Out of Sooke Survey Work

(From Thursday's Daily.)
The incident of the appointment by a majority of the members of the city of C. H. Topp, ex-city engineer, as surveyor to do certain preliminary work in connection with the project to bring water from Sooke lake, and the subsequent vetoing by the mayor of such action by the board, promise to become a cause celebre in the annals of civic happenings in the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eleven.

KILLED BY FALLING TREE.
(Special to the Times.)
Pakan, Alta., March 15.—The body of Valentine Wright has been brought here for burial from Smoky Lake, ten miles northwest of here. Wright had been engaged with a portable sawmill in the woods and during a severe gale on Monday evening a tree fell, striking him on the forehead. Wright, who never regained consciousness, lived only three hours. He had been in Canada 15 months, coming from England, where his mother still resides. Deceased was 22 years of age and unmarried.

BODY NOT IDENTIFIED.
Ostend, Belgium, March 15.—Efforts were made to-day to identify a body brought to the surface of the harbor here as that of Cecil Grace, the aviator who was lost last December while making a return aeroplane flight from Calais to Dover. Although greatly disfigured, the body is said to bear a striking resemblance to that of the English aviator.

MILLIONAIRE IS SEEKING NEW TRIAL
Federal Judge at Seattle Hearing Petition Filed by Clarence D. Hillman

Seattle, Wn., March 15.—Judge Hanford of the federal court is to-day considering the petition asking a new trial that has been filed by Clarence D. Hillman, the millionaire land operator, who was convicted of using the mails to defraud.

Federal Judge at Seattle Hearing Petition Filed by Clarence D. Hillman

Hillman declares that Socialists who were on the jury convicted him because he is reputed wealthy. Hillman was convicted on 13 counts, carrying a maximum sentence of 65 years in prison.

REGISTRATION CLOSES TO-NIGHT

BIG RUSH TO-DAY AT ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Opponents of Mayor Morley Busy Seeking a Candidate to Oppose Him

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, March 15.—Because the Chinese plague may reach Canada...

AUSTRALIA AND EMPIRE DEFENCE

OPINIONS DIFFER IN SOUTHERN CONTINENT

Federal Defence Scheme is Urged—Pall Mall Gazette and the Dominions

Sydney, N. S. W., March 15.—Sir J. Ward's speech advocating an Imperial Council dealing with the defence of the Empire...

LITTLE LAD SUCCUMBS

CONTRACTS LET FOR C. P. R. EXTENSIONS

Hamilton, Ont., March 15.—Gordon Milne, the two-year-old boy who was frantically buried at his parents' home...

FEARS FALSE HAIR

SPORTING ASSOCIATION

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NO ONE INJURED; EVERYONE BENEFITTED.

No one can point to any specific industry in or around Victoria which will be injured by the proposed reciprocity agreement with the United States.

The amount of benefit which will accrue to the province is difficult to estimate. To begin with, there is the great boon of a better distribution of food products, which will especially benefit those places which, like Victoria, import a very large part of the food consumed.

In regard to the mining interests, not only will there be a great increase in the amount of coal mined, but the mining communities which depend upon the United States for much of their food supplies will be benefitted perhaps more than any other people in the West.

Premier McBride's address to the Development League yesterday afternoon was in many respects very disappointing. It showed very clearly that the people of the province can expect no help from him in the matter of opening up the country, beyond the every day task of building roads.

spent a good deal of this on roads. Any government would do that. It was natural, in fact the only thing to do. A railway was clamoring at our doors to come in. A huge sum of money has been spent in building the anxious visitor. We are glad to have the railway, but the expense has been great.

Only a few years ago British Columbia was to a large extent an unknown land. To-day the whole of the province has not been properly explored, but yet it bears the proud title of being the best advertised part of the Dominion.

Opposition to the movement is still being maintained by the Eastern interests and the newspapers which they control. Such journals as the Toronto News, the Mail and Empire, the Montreal Star, and several other sheets whose owners are interested in various industries which have been fattening at the expense of the people, are working the Conservative associations throughout the country.

There has never been a time in the history of Canada when the necessity of enlarging the commercial boundaries of the country was not admitted by broad-minded and far-seeing statesmen. This observation is just as true of the public men of the early days, when there was no federated Dominion, as it is of the statesmen of to-day.

THE CURSE OF THE NATION IS CONSTIPATION

"FRUIT-A-TIVES" ALONE CURES THIS DISEASE

A famous scientist states that Constipation, or non-action of the bowels, causes more deaths than all other diseases combined. Constipation inflames the kidneys, ruins digestion, is the foundation of Rheumatism, poisons the blood, causes Headaches, Neuralgia, Nervousness and Insomnia.

since it attained power in 1896, he never relaxed his efforts to secure wider opportunities for the business of Canadians. In every instance in which commercial treaties could be arranged upon fair terms, the opportunity was promptly seized.

On Saturday we shall publish a full report of the speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier on the same subject, but dealing with it more comprehensively as the leader of parliament and the first citizen of Canada. This effort of Sir Wilfrid is pronounced by competent critics to be one of the most brilliant deliverances of his career, as the issue before the people is possibly the most pregnant of results upon which judgment has ever been asked.

There are still immense tracts of land to be filled up in Vancouver Island. There is much logged-over country that should be ready for the plough before long. Of the land which is taken up, only a small percentage has been cleared. The problem of dealing with the logged-off lands and with the question of clearing away the stumps will undoubtedly come up for consideration during the coming year.

CHINESE GAMBLING DEN'S MUST CLOSE

Police Commission Will Examine A. J. Brace Regarding Street Insult Story

That gambling in Chinatown must be stopped was the determination arrived at by the board of police commissioners yesterday afternoon at the first meeting held by that body this year.

The matter came up on a letter addressed to the commissioners from the law firm of Moreby & O'Reilly, acting for Chinese clients, and complaining that in a gambling den in Victoria Chinatown a police constable had entered and taken \$50 from the table where the money connected with the game was and pocketed it.

Washington, March 15.—Discussing Count Von Reventlow's statement of the preparedness of Japan and the United States for war, Frederick Hudecock, the noted military expert, said to-day:

Seattle, Wash., March 15.—Dr. W. H. Corson, at one time superintendent of the county hospital, will be reappointed to that position. It was announced to-day, and will try to get enough nurses to handle the 250 patients immediately. Since the 12 nurses walked out on strike for better wages and shorter hours, only one head nurse and minor employees of the institution have been caring for the patients.

PEOPLE OF LABRADOR ARE IN DISTRESS

Attempts to Carry Relief to the Villages End in Failure

The present misfortunes of the Labrador people have their beginning in the failure of last season's fishing catch. It was the poorest in years. As a result there was no money on hand to buy food and clothing.

Chicago, March 14.—Views on the government of municipalities were given to the United Press by Prof. Chas. E. Merriam, whom the Republicans nominated for the mayoralty primaries after one of the bitterest campaigns in Chicago's history.

Washington, March 15.—A reorganization of the army along broad lines is under consideration by the department. The central idea of the plan is to contemplate the assembling of several brigades of troops in various parts of the country and giving as many general officers as possible actual field experience. It is desired to decrease the officers of command rank and to attach them directly to the troops in the field.

Seattle, Wash., March 14.—Major Jack Tigue, of the Seattle Baseball Club, will start his pennant campaign on the training season next Monday. The process of weeding out will follow after the boys limber up.

LARGER NAVY IS URGED BY BALFOUR

Declares Britain's Supremacy Threatened by the Government's Niggardly Policy

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LIU-T. GOVERNOR'S CHAUFFEUR AMONG SINNERS—NO FURTHER REMANDS ALLOWED

Herbert Cuthbert, a real estate dealer, wanted a remand and J. H. Austin, his lawyer, appeared on his behalf.

Portland, Ore., March 15.—Sent by her mother to a butcher shop yesterday the body of little Barbara Holsten, aged five, was found in a room of a lodging house at 107 Russell street.

When Mrs. Nelson threw back the coverings of the bed this morning she found the blood-stained body of the little girl, lying in a position which indicated that she had died in keeled agony.

Washington, D. C., March 15.—The schedules for advertising in the commission have been laid and a formal agreement will not now be necessary of the commission.

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IT WILL TAKE A SOURCE AS VAN

Edmonds, Mar water system for

The report stated a record of 250 mountain creek, and certain lands at Vancouver is 20-inch steel main, and has been as main to 34 inches.

In consideration of the claim to its and payment of \$7000, Vancouver, namely, 250 inches of steel main, and lay an 18-inch jet with all shore pipe, to couple proposed distribution submersed main exclusive use of Bur which will be at the cost of the 18-inch engineer's estimate will be called upon.

London, March 15.—The speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier on the subject of the Dominion's commercial boundaries was greeted with a great deal of interest.

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CASES IN CHIEF COURT

Chaufeur No Fur Allowed (The Daily)

North of automobile, and the city...

Mr. Musket, who had come to see...

son said this afternoon the evidence...

DERED. Film of Crime (15-Sent by shop yesterday)

rented the room 15-Sent by shop yesterday

LOCKED. 14-With the aid of three...

LAYERS. 14-Mas Seattle Has...

BURNABY FIGURES ON WATER SUPPLY

It Will Take It From the Same Source as the City of Vancouver

Edmonds, March 15.—The proposed water system for Burnaby was...

The report stated that Burnaby has a record of 260 miners' inches on...

In consideration of Burnaby's...

Should Burnaby's distribution service...

SIR E. GREYS SPEECH ON ARBITRATION

London, March 16.—Sir Edward Grey's speech on Anglo-American...

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RAILWAY FREIGHT RATES

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Santa Rosa, Cal., March 16.—Judge Egan's decision yesterday...

SUICIDE AT HOLBERG

Holberg, Feb. 27.—The settlers in this sparsely settled district were...

On Sunday morning Ward went out on his claim to give it a further inspection...

Dear Fred: Do not do as I have done; look for a higher place...

MOTORS FOR POLICE AND FIRE BRIGADE

New Westminster is Getting Right Up With the Progression

New Westminster, March 15.—Buzz wagons for the police and fire departments...

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FIRST WHITE BABY BORN ON PORCHER

Parents Ranching on Porcher Island Confident of its Farming Future

Prince Rupert, March 15.—Last week the first white baby born on Porcher Island arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sims...

Schmitz, Loeber Home (San Francisco, March 15.—Proceedings in foreclosure, instituted by the German Savings and Loan Society...

HIS HAIR SILVERED WHEN SNOWSLIDE FELL

Whitehorse Resident Greatly Frightened by Avalanche Striking Track

White Horse, Y. T., March 15.—A snowslide which came down on the railroad south of Summit one day last week struck the passenger train from this place...

LEAVES ON INITIAL VOYAGE TO MEXICO

St. Ronald is Carrying Gigantic Cargo of Freight to Salina Cruz

Carrying one of the largest cargoes that has ever been taken from British Columbia ports to points in Mexico...

SMELETER AT KAMLOOPS

Kamloops, March 15.—A meeting was held here between the members of the council, board of trade and citizens...

CURFEW LAW WORKS

Vancouver, March 15.—According to Probation Officer Collier the notice that the curfew law was to be enforced in Vancouver has had a salutary effect...

PRELIMINARY TESTS AT NAPOLEON MILL

New Cyanide Plant Now Ready for Operations at Phoenix

Phoenix, B. C., March 15.—During the past few days the new cyanide mill at the Napoleon mine of the British Columbia Copper company has been put in operation...

HEAVY WINDS SMASH GLASS AT TRIANGLE

Four Panes in Lighthouse Broken—Newington Leaving to Repair Damage

So violent have been the gales off the west coast of this island of late that several of the plate glass windows of the Triangle lighthouse have been broken...

DOG SAVED LIFE OF CALGARY PRIEST

Pulled at Clothes When House Was Burning and Awakened His Master

Calgary, March 16.—Frantically tugging and pulling the clothes from the bed on which his aged master lay soundly sleeping...

WHOLESALE MARKET

Table listing market prices for various goods such as Flour, Wheat, Corn, and other commodities.

LICENSES REDUCTION

Vancouver People Want a Vote Taken on Measure

Vancouver, March 15.—At a special meeting in O'Brien Hall the Good Government League discussed the conditions prevailing in the liquor trade...

WILL ERECT CONVENT

Nanaimo, March 15.—A convent is to be erected in this city by the name of St. Ann, to replace the one destroyed by fire about six months ago...

LAUNCHING NEXT SATURDAY

North Vancouver, March 15.—A Wallace has fixed Saturday, March 18, as the date for the trial trip of the new ferry boat...

TO CALL REV. MR. McLEOD

North Vancouver, March 15.—St. Andrew's Presbyterian church members have decided to give a call to Rev. Mr. McLeod...

FRAUDS BY FORMER MANAGER OF BANK

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Replies to Resolution Regarding the Farmers' Bank

Ottawa, March 16.—The following resolution by Mr. Henderson of Halifax was discussed in the House: "That a royal commission should investigate the incorporation and organization of the Farmers' Bank of Canada..."

TO NAME SCHOOLS

New Westminster, March 15.—All the schools in the city will soon be named instead of calling them by the district they are in...

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT

Victoria Meteorological Office, 8th to 14th March, 1911. Victoria—Total amount of bright sunshine, 57 hours and 15 minutes...

TWO BANDITS HELD AWAITING EVIDENCE

Charles Hussey and Thomas Stevens Hold Up Pedestrians With Loaded Revolver

(From Thursday's Daily) Charles Hussey and Thomas Stevens, two rough-looking men, were presented in the police court this morning on charges of attempted highway robbery...

HOLBERG THRIVING BUT ROADS NEEDED

Settlers coming here would do well to leave live stock out of their baggage holberg. These settlers are as far as the knowledge of white man goes...

DOMINION GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO CLEAR OUT THE SAN JOSE RIVER

From reliable information it is learned that the Dominion government has granted a sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of snagging and clearing the San Jose river...

BORN

JOYCE—On the 10th inst., the wife of Mr. G. N. Joyce, 2789 Graham street, of a son.

DIED

SPRING—On the 7th inst., at Carstairs, Alberta, John William Spring, son of a native of Victoria.

MCQUADE—On the 12th inst., at the family residence, 88 Vancouver street, Louis Gregory McQuade, aged 58 years, and a native of Albany, N. Y.

SONGHEES LANDS MATTER SETTLED

PREMIER McBRIDE MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

Paints Bright Futurity Picture at Annual Meeting of Development League

(From Thursday's Daily.) The fruition of year's work on the part of the Vancouver Island Development League was seen at the annual meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms yesterday afternoon.

As the premier had indicated that he had several other engagements waiting, the retiring president of the league, J. J. Shallock, called upon him at the outset to address the meeting.

With regard to the association it was gratifying to note that since its inception it had been a live, active, and an energetic organization.

EE SPEAKING FROM EXPERIENCE

Advertisement for Steedman's Soothing Powder, featuring an illustration of a baby and the text 'THE DOCTOR: "An infant, restless and feverish. Give him a Steedman's Powder and he will soon be all right."'

and a large sum of money had been set aside for its extension. The government had also made a large and generous allowance for the construction of roads in the rural districts, allowances which in amount far exceeded anything attempted by any previous government herebefore.

Considering the mileage they kept up and also the trying configuration of the country, and the sparsely scattered population, it is to be congratulated that the British Columbia compared favorably with any other part of the Empire.

Roads were perhaps the best form of investment that the government could indulge in. The advance of civilization and industrial progress demanded that the roads, and telegraphs and telephones should be installed throughout the province.

"The letters received during 1910-11 have been as follows: United Kingdom 3,001; Canada 1,646; South Africa 1,121; United States 131; Oriental 44; scattering 56. In all, 5,041 letters.

"The Victoria branch of the league has arranged during the past year for the distribution, directly or indirectly, of nearly 30,000 books dealing with Vancouver Island lands and waters, which the government of British Columbia placed at the disposal of the league.

Side by side with the Canadian Northern it was pleasing to note what the Canadian Pacific was doing. The P. C. R., of which they were all very proud because they had made a big sacrifice on its behalf in the old days, was doing a great work on Vancouver Island.

The Premier's reference was to Strathcona park, the terms of which in the statute books he thought entitled some of the members of the league to credit. He mentioned that a sum of money had been set aside for making investigations, and when they were completed a bulletin would be issued.

Premier resumed his seat amid hearty applause. The President, J. J. Shallock, took occasion to reply to the B. C. Labor Federation. He said that the league did not assist immigration in any shape or form, and the only policy it had favored was to attract over-sea immigrants.

"We have a balance on hand this year of \$205.28, having received a revenue of \$11,313.97 as compared with \$10,337.49 in the previous year. The executive committee, headed by Mr. Leiser, C. H. Lugin, G. A. Caldwell, W. H. Wilkerson, J. J. Shallock, W. F. Pullen, E. Musgrave, J. Hart, H. G. Wilson and Col. E. G. Prior, treasurer, reported the following figures:

"For the past year we adopted the policy of increasing the percentage of letters, 30 per cent. in Canada and increasing the percentage in the United States and as I will show, the result of this policy has been most satisfactory.

"In 1909-10, our advertising expenses were distributed as follows: United Kingdom 50 per cent.; United States 15 per cent.; Orient 5 per cent.; U. S. 25 per cent.

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"From time to time representations to the government has been made in regard to the building of a settlement by advancing some portion of the cost and creating a lien upon the land for its repayment in a similar manner to the method adopted for the building of a settlement in the various provinces of the Dominion.

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The Premier's reference was to Strathcona park, the terms of which in the statute books he thought entitled some of the members of the league to credit. He mentioned that a sum of money had been set aside for making investigations, and when they were completed a bulletin would be issued.

corporations is not ascertainable, but has been very marked both in Victoria and throughout the entire island. The city of Victoria generously advanced to the league the sum of \$3,000 for the work during the year, which was very gratefully acknowledged.

"Additional branches of the league have been established at Bamfield, on the west coast, at Otter Point on the West coast, at Ganges on Salt Spring Island and at Shushartie on the northern coast. All of the old branches of the league have continued, and successfully, in the various communities would not feel so isolated.

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OLD TIME SAILOR PASSES TO REST

Thos. Harmon Brought About Erection of Flag Staff—Had Varied Career

(From Thursday's Daily.) The death of Thomas Harmon, aged 89 years, at the Jubilee hospital yesterday morning, marked the passing of another of Victoria's pioneers.

Four years after he joined the Royal George he was drafted to the Eurasian station. There he served in various capacities, in one of which he was wounded in the shoulder.

A few years later he qualified as a gunner and as a submarine diver at Portsmouth, England, and was in the latter business that he came to Victoria. The Oppenheimer brothers engaged him to do the diving that was required in connection with the removal of Spence's dock.

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Various other topics are discussed in the bulletin, such as the chief causes of forest fires, the effects of the fires, the destruction of timber, the denudation of the soil, the interference with the water supply, and the effect on future tree growth, and the means of preventing fires.

FINES ARE PAID BY THIRTEEN DRIVERS

Fourteen automobilists were before the police magistrate this morning on charges of speeding. One was set over till Monday.

The defendants in Automobile Charges Fail to Prove Speed at Which They Traveled

Frederick Levy, who rode a motor cycle at a high rate of speed, said that when he saw the constable he whistled for him to get out of the way. He paid \$10.

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KILLED WARNING OTHERS

Portland, March 16.—While demonstrating an auto truck and cautioning two men to keep out of the space between the front of the truck and the back of the seat, a load had been dumped, A. A. DeWitt was caught in the death trap and his life was crushed out in an instant.

Here's - Home Dye That ANYONE Can Use.

Advertisement for DYOLA dye, featuring an illustration of a woman and the text 'HOME DYING has always been more of a difficult undertaking - not so when you use...'

There is Health and Strength in every Cup of EPPS'S COCOA

Is its fine invigorating quality suited to people of all ages. Rich in cocoa butter, and FREE FROM CHEMICALS. Epps's Cocoa is the favorite cocoa of a million homes.

BOWES' BEEF IRON AND WINE

is a preparation that builds up the entire system, making the body able to resist all the ailments a person generally comes in contact with.

Cyrus H. Bowes CHEMIST

1228 Government Street. Spring Tonic for Children and Delicate People. Nothing could be more suitable. Price per bottle \$1 only at the store.

PREDICTS COLLAPSE OF REVOLUTION

Former Mexican Secretary of War Says Diaz Will Restore Peace

Rome, March 16.—General Bernardo Reyes, the former Mexican secretary of war, yesterday gave his views of the Mexican situation. He predicted that the revolution would soon be over, and expressed satisfaction at the action of the United States in concentrating troops along the frontier.

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GREATEST PROBLEM IN FOREST PROTECTION

How to Look After Cut Over Timber Lands Gives Wardens Much Thought

CANADA'S CHAMPION DANCER

Cured of Piles by Zam-Buk.

LAND ACT

DISTRICT OF COAST RANGE. Notice is hereby given that Samuel G. Parson, of Bella Coala, occupation bookkeeper, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S. E. corner of Crown Grant Lot 4, on the south side of North Bentick Arm, thence south 20 chains, thence east 30 chains or less to the shore line of South Bentick Arm, thence north 20 chains or less along the shore line to point of commencement, containing 19 acres more or less.

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PREDICTS REIGN OF MURDER IN MEXICO

Political Refugee Declares Prisoners Now in Jail Will Be Summarily Executed

Washington, D. C., March 14.—"Wholesale murder, unrestricted shooting and killing with anarchistic riot will be the portion of Mexico..."

Mexican Minister's Statement. New York, March 14.—In a statement yesterday in which he carefully quoted the words...

"I have no official information that the United States has decided to send 20,000 additional troops to the frontier..."

"If the troops were distributed along the border by the military..."

Rebels Seize Train. Calexico, Cal., March 14.—A train of ten cars on the Inter-California line at Packard was seized by a band of rebels from Mexicoto yesterday...

Henry George Lecture. Single Tax Advocate to Speak Here on Tuesday Next.

Henry George, who visits Victoria one week from to-day and who is to speak here on "Single Tax and Its Success in Practice..."

Twenty Millions Involved. Boston, March 14.—To promote the making of a railway and steamship terminal point of South Boston...

Robbed on Governor. Seattle, Wash., March 14.—W. M. Parker, of San Francisco, a passenger on the steamship Governor, was robbed of \$130 and a gold watch on the trip north.

Woman's Place the Home. Harrisburg, Pa., March 14.—To prove that "woman's place is the home..."

PROPOSES PLANS FOR AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Fleet of Fifty-Two Vessels is Recommended by Admiral Henderson

Melbourne, March 14.—Rear-Admiral Henderson, who at the request of the Commonwealth government was sent out by the Admiralty to inquire into the condition of the naval defences of the country, has made his report to the cabinet, which has just been published.

The principal naval bases under Rear-Admiral Henderson's scheme would be Sydney, Brisbane, Westernport, Port Phillip, Fremantle and Port Lincoln. The fleet would be divided into the eastern and western divisions...

TERRORIZING YOUNG FOLKS IN SPOKANE

One Man is in Custody but Others Are Still at Large

Spokane, March 14.—Another "Jack the Spanker" is being held by the police here. Charles or John Brown, confessed assailant of seven small boys in jail, another man is terrorizing the residence districts by whipping young boys and attempting to entice girls to his hut on Hangman creek.

Two small girls are alleged to have been attacked in Corbin park Sunday by a roughly dressed man. Their dog raised an alarm and the man fled.

Result of Speeding. Oakland, Cal., March 14.—A warrant is out to-day for the arrest of Jack Johnson for automobile speeding.

Washington, March 14.—The government will move for the criminal trial of thirty-four individuals, and four corporations who are defendants in the "bath tub trust" cases...

Attorney-General Wickersham has several times avowed that he would press for full sentences in the event of conviction, and twice refused to compromise on pleas of guilty and fines only.

Divorce Reform. Sacramento, Cal., March 14.—Federal laws for marriages and divorces, with force cases instead of the state courts, were asked to-day in a joint resolution presented to the assembly...

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POLLING APRIL 7; DRURY WON'T RUN

PROGRESS TOWARDS MUNICIPAL CONTEST

Good Progress in Preparing Lists—Morley Yet Unopposed for Mayoralty

In the opinion of Harold B. Robertson, commissioner on behalf of the provincial government to arrange the necessary machinery to bring on the new municipal election, it will be possible to have the voting take place by or about April 7.

Mr. Robertson was asked regarding the decision of the city solicitor and the mayor to accept registration from women under the householders' qualification...

DRIVEN FROM THEIR HOMES

(Special to The Times.) Toronto, March 14.—Thirty-six people were driven from their homes by flames this morning when a fire broke out from the kitchen of Wm. Cook's home...

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ULTIMATUM FROM RUSSIA TO CHINA

An Army Corps is Now Within Hundred Miles of Frontier

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Only the immediate execution of China's treaty obligations toward Russia can interrupt the advance of the army which is to occupy Kuluja.

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Everett, Wash., March 14.—The people of this city are to-day divided on the new plan of the city council to enforce an occupation tax.

P. W. W. PRESENTED TO THE PARADE

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT ESQUIMAT YESTERDAY

His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Paterson Officiates at Historic Function

The ceremony of the formal presentation of the piece of handsome silver plate on behalf of the province of British Columbia to H. M. C. S. Rainbow, Esquimaux yesterday afternoon...

Shortly after three o'clock, the time set for the historic ceremony, the lieutenant-governor, accompanied by Mrs. Paterson, Hon. Richard McBride, Mrs. McBride and party, went on board the Rainbow, where every preparation had been made for their reception...

In making the presentation His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor said: "Captain Stewart, officers and men of His Majesty's Canadian ship Rainbow, I understand that it is traditional to a ship of the name of your own home land when new vessels are added to the navy..."

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C. N. R. PLANS WORK FOR YEAR

TWELVE MILLIONS TO BE EXPENDED

Six Hundred Miles of New Lines Will Be Built in Prairie Provinces

Winnipeg, March 14.—Sir William Mackenzie left for the east on Saturday evening via St. Paul. After consultation with the heads of the Canadian Northern railway in Winnipeg for two days, he approved of approval for extensions and improvements of the company's railway system to the extent of approximately \$12,000,000.

Over 600 miles of new lines will be constructed by that company's construction department during the present year throughout the three western prairie provinces alone.

In making the presentation His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor said: "Captain Stewart, officers and men of His Majesty's Canadian ship Rainbow, I understand that it is traditional to a ship of the name of your own home land when new vessels are added to the navy..."

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S. A. CONDEMNED AS SLAVE TRAFFICKERS

Labor Convention Opposed to Assisted Immigration on Economic Grounds

(From Tuesday's Daily.) A number of resolutions covering a wide area of interests were the features of yesterday afternoon's session of the B. C. Federation of Labor...

"The spread of technical education is both inevitable and ultimately desirable in the best interests of the working class; therefore, be it resolved that this convention is in favor of the establishment of an educational institution, supported and controlled by organized labor..."

Another resolution dealing with the immigration question raised some discussion. It was in the following terms: "Whereas assisted immigration has a tendency to intensify competition in the labor market, thereby reducing the standard of living enjoyed by wage earners..."

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LEAGUE BOOKLET

FINE PUBLICATION TO ADVERTISE CITY

"Victoria—The Naples of the North" Issued to-day by Development League

In the past decade Victoria has become one of the most widely advertised cities of the Dominion, one might, without fear of exaggerating, say of the whole Empire. Visitors who have fallen under the enchantment of her physical beauty, her climatical and social charms, have spread her name and fame with tongue and pen throughout the world.

In keeping with the sub-title, the cover of the booklet is embellished with a trio of three-color decorations depicting local scenes, which lose nothing by comparison with the Naples of the inland sea.

In writing and illustrating the text Ernest McGaffey, the zealous secretary of the league, has accomplished a task of no mean magnitude in a most satisfactory manner. In terse and happy style he has set down the story of modern Victoria, covering every phase of its subject in a painstaking fashion, so that a perusal of the thirty-odd chapters into which the reading matter is divided reveals a veritable treasure trove of accurate information conveyed in language which is as interesting as it is conservative.

"Beside the fire the shadows creep, The coast-line paler turns, A lone star o'er the brooding deep, The child's far heaven burns, A twilight hush is on the world, The very birds are still, While waits in sunset glory furied The broom on Beacon Hill."

The booklet is printed upon good paper and is representative of the best work on the part of photographer, engraver and printer, much credit being due to the Acme Press for the excellence of the typographical work.

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Color Dye advertisement with text about dyeing clothes and wool.

S's O.A. advertisement for health and vitality.

Beef and other food products advertisement.

Bowes advertisement for various goods.

Wootton advertisement for clothing and accessories.

Wool advertisement for various types of wool.

District advertisement for various services.

ALDERMEN WILL SEEK JUDGMENT OF COURT

Indisposed to Accept City Barister's Ruling on Mayor's Veto Power

It was learned this morning that a number of the members of the aldermanic board are indisposed to accept as final the opinion of the city barister, W. J. Taylor, K. C., relative to the mayor's power of veto.

The genesis of the present discussion relative to this point was the appointment of C. H. Topp, surveyor to do certain work in connection with project to bring water from Sooke Lake.

Lord Reay, the British delegate to the Hague conference in 1907, in an interview thinks that a general arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain might be the best possible position in America would come from the Irish sections.

OBITUARY RECORD

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The death occurred last night at the family residence 115 Croft street, of Mrs. Janet Evans, aged 72 years and 11 months.

The death occurred this morning at the Jubilee hospital of Thomas Harmon aged 69 years. The deceased was born in England and came out to Victoria about 25 years ago.

The funeral of the late John William Spring took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of the deceased's father-in-law, Mr. Stephens, 27 Erie street, where the Rev. Leslie Clay officiated.

Seattle, Wash., March 15.—"I'd rather be dead than broke," said Charles G. Gilliam, a lineman formerly employed by the Seattle Electric Company, a few days ago.

Nashville, Tenn., March 15.—Three persons were killed, five are dying and at least 15 others are believed to be buried beneath the walls of the G. H. F. Hardware Company, which building collapsed this afternoon while workmen were clearing away the ruins.

London, March 15.—In the House of Commons to-day Right Hon. Reginald McKenna, first lord of the admiralty, in replying to the Norton Griffiths, said the attention of the government had been drawn to the statement of the premier of New Zealand that the Dominions were prepared to join in the maintenance of the imperial navy.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 15.—In a letter signed by Ricardo Flores Magón, its president, the Mexican liberal Junta has appealed to Samuel Gompers for recognition of the movement in Mexico by the American Federation of Labor.

London, March 15.—The first league football game between Manchester and Tottenham Hotspur at Manchester, played to-day, resulted in a win for the Chelsea, 2 to 1.

SIR EDWARD GREY'S SPEECH APPLAUDED

Looked Upon as Most Important Utterance in House in Many Years

London, March 15.—Sir Edward Grey's epoch-making speech, as every Liberal calls it, has aroused enormous interest throughout Europe and was again the absorbing topic in the parliamentary lobbies yesterday.

By unanimous consent, the most important matter in parliament in years. Some Conservative morning papers, taking the ground that the foreign secretary's ideal is almost impossible of attainment, commented somewhat caustically on the difficulty of the path.

The Liberal organs, on the other hand, hail it with unbounded enthusiasm, and express a strong resentment at the scoffing remarks heard from the Conservative benches while Sir Edward was speaking, such as "How About Mexico?" and similar interjections of a derogatory nature.

Similar opinions were expressed by the most progressive members of the Commons. Indeed, many members connected with the arbitration movement found it difficult to believe that Sir Edward Grey had not made sure of the ground with regard to the dispute with the United States before going so far in public utterance.

The Nationalist members in the House of Commons, discussing the issue, were frank in declaring that the treaty would be quite impossible. The acceptance of the treaty until Home Rule had been granted Ireland.

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TWO CENTS AN HOUR LABOR DISCUSSES CHINESE QUESTION

Move of Winnipeg Electric Railway is a Complete Surprise to Men

Winnipeg, March 15.—The Winnipeg Electric Railway Company announced yesterday an increase of two cents an hour for its employees.

An abortive strike took place in January when it was closed by a temporary agreement to run on public sympathy, and it is known that so soon as the agreement expired they intended to strike to follow refusal, which would be more calculated to enlist public support than the previous affair, based on the dismissal of employees for drinking while in uniform.

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B. C. Federation at Sitting This Morning Favored Bigger Head Tax

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Mexican Rebels Said to Have Taken Tofia—Diaz Is Alive and Well

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Reaches Bari From Honolulu Without Any Mishap

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NEW PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO C. N.

Mayor of Kamloops Tells of Interviews With Officials of Railway

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Advertisement for NOTICE TO MARINERS, regarding a beacon erected on the southernmost rock of Herbert reef.

Advertisement for ADVERTISE IN, listing various advertising opportunities.

BEAVERS' PLAYING MANAGER APPEARS

Bob Brown Pleased With His Team—Thinks Thompson Will Report

Vancouver, March 15.—President Bob Brown, with the new manager of the Vancouver baseball team, Kitty Brashear, late of the Vernon club, is back in our midst after a three months' sojourn in the sunny air of Southern California...

NANAIMO UNITED BEST IN LEAGUE

Fans Think Conquerors of Vancouver Are the Coming Champs

Considering the way in which Lacy-Smith trimmed every other soccer team on the Island and Nanaimo as badly as any, one would hardly look to the latter as the future champions of British Columbia.

As a result of last Saturday's game between Nanaimo and the Vancouver forwards were highly optimistic before the Terminal City fans have come to believe that Nanaimo has the best aggregation in the league.

LIQUOR LICENSE BY-LAW

Prince Rupert, March 14.—The amended license by-law, introduced by Alderman Hilditch, passed through committee of the whole and its third reading, at a recent meeting of the council.

WESTWARD RUSH

Chicago, March 15.—Over 2,800 colonists were handled by the Union Pacific railroad during the first three days of the westward rush of homeseekers.

SIR DONALD MANN IS AN IMPERIALIST

Would Like to Meet Person With Valid Objection to Reciprocity

Donald D. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, who was in Montreal a few days ago, announced prior to his departure that the influx of immigrants from the British Isles to the Dominion last year should be without precedent in the history of the country.

Sir Donald Mann avers that he is an imperialist and that he is delighted to have so many new-comers from the northland, supplementing immigration from the western states, which, in a very short time, would give the west a magnificent Canadian population.

Returning to the question of immigration, Sir Donald said that he had been told that there were as many old country immigrants who had settled last year in the province of Ontario as in the new provinces.

Referring to Sir William Mackenzie's statement that the Canadian Northern would like to have the Intercolonial, Sir Donald said that this would come in time, but the question of connection with the St. Lawrence river with the Pacific ocean was troubling him a great deal more than the acquisition of the railway from Montreal to Halifax and Sydney.

SETTLERS COMING

Retired-Army Men to Farm at Baynes Lake. Montreal, March 15.—As a result of a series of lectures illustrated by lantern slides and cinematograph films delivered in England under the auspices of the Grand Trunk Railway and the White Star Dominion lines of steamships, a party arrived in Montreal yesterday by the Star-Dominion liner Canada, destined to Baynes Lake, B. C.

CUMBERLAND'S MAYOR INDIGNANT

Cumberland News says: Mayor McCleod informs us that while in Victoria he presented the recommendations of the council for police and license commissioners to our member, Mr. Manson, for recommendation to the government.

PREMIER M'BRIDE KEEPS A PROMISE

Reply to Memorial of Labor Interests is Long Series of Negatives

Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, has fulfilled a promise. On Monday morning, in welcoming the delegates of the British Columbia Federation of Labor to Victoria, he promised them that if it was at all possible he would see to it that the memorial which had been submitted to him some time previously would be referred to before the convention of the 32nd deliberations.

At the same time I regret that owing to the pressing duties of the session of the legislature and the large amount of work to be dealt with since then, it has been impossible for me sooner to apprise you of the decisions reached by the government.

Laundries are at present under the inspection called for by the Factory Act. The government does not see its way to abolishing the proper qualifications for mayor and aldermen under the Municipalities Act.

The department of education after having received the report, to be in a position to introduce legislation which will prove both equitable and satisfactory.

The government has assisted work of the Trans-Pacific line. An amount of \$100,000 has been granted outright during the past three years; and in addition the same amount is being granted on a loan basis averaging between \$20,000 and \$40,000 a year.

SMUGGLERS OF ARMS

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LIKELY GRAND MASTER

Smith Falls, Ont., March 15.—"Ok" John Hughes of Clark, Ont., will be likely elected grand master of Ontario East, L. O. U., at the annual meeting here, opening Wednesday.

JOHN OLIVER ON RECIPROcity PACT

Thinks Hay Will be Reduced in Price, but People Will Benefit

"Although I think that the British Columbia farmers will lose a dollar or two on account of the new reciprocity agreement, I think that it will be more than made up to the benefit of the masses of people and the farmers of this province are not the kind to oppose that kind of legislation."

John Oliver, who was in Victoria on a speaking tour at the Liberal smoker at Central Park a day or two ago, is in the city and will be in the city for some time. He is speaking on the effects that reciprocity might have on the farmers of this province.

NEW WHALERS STOP TO REFILL BUNKERS

Arrive at San Diego for Goal Expected to Reach Here Next Wednesday

Within a week's time the two new steam whalers, Red and Yellow, en route from Norway to join the Rainbow fleet operating on the Canadian Northern Pacific Fisheries Company will arrive here. They were reported as arriving at San Diego for coal yesterday, and as soon as their bunkers were filled they commenced on the last leg of the long journey.

AN INNOVATION

English to be Used in Jewish Services. London, March 15.—The decision to introduce English into Jewish services here has created quite a sensation. The measure was sharply criticized by Sir Philip Magnus, M. P., at a meeting of the members of the Berkeley Street Reform Synagogue held last night.

MORE AUTO OWNERS ARE PAYING FINES

Police Court Becoming Rendezvous of Wealthy—Cases Number Over Seventy

The police court is taking on tone. No longer is it the flabby-faced drunk who predominates. Instead, all the wealthy residents with gold-mounted fountain pens, fat-looking cheque books, and lawyers, have been called upon to assemble there.

Mr. P. Mackay, M. P., appeared this morning for Green & Burdick, real estate agents, and entered a plea of guilty to speeding. Mr. Mackay mentioned that it was not a member of the firm who was in the car yesterday but under the act the owners were responsible so he handed in a \$20 cheque.

AWARD MADE FOR NEW UNION CLUB

Loring P. Rixford Submits Plans for Italian Style of Building

Loring P. Rixford, of San Francisco, who has been awarded the first prize in the plans for the new Union Club building to be erected on Humboldt and Gordon streets, will arrive in Victoria soon, and in the course of a month it is expected the new building will be commenced.

C. P. R. HOTEL PLANS

Hayter Reed Visits City—No Summer Resorts at Oak Bay. (From Wednesday's Daily.) During a brief visit to Victoria yesterday afternoon Hayter Reed, general superintendent of the C. P. R. hotel system, denied the rumor that the company intended erecting a summer hotel at Oak Bay, and announced that if business warranted an additional wing would be built to the Empress hotel.

PORTLAND ROSE FAIR

Portland, Ore., March 15.—William B. Murray, general passenger agent of the Oregon & Washington Railway, today announced that the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co., and the Southern Pacific Company had made a round trip rate of one and one-half cents from points on the Oregon & Washington to Portland and return during the annual rose festival, which occurs this year from June to 10. West of Goldendale and The Dalles, north of Eugene and south of Centralia, four separate rates will be given.

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TAKE OVER THE STRATHCONA HOTEL

L. Lucas and J. P. Sweeney Join Hands in Promising Enterprise

L. Lucas, formerly of the Empress hotel clerical staff, and John P. Sweeney, have purchased the Strathcona hotel at Shawanigan Lake, for a sum in the neighborhood of \$20,000. Mrs. Wark, who has been in charge of the hotel for some years, will relinquish control forthwith. The new owners intend making many improvements in the property which they have just acquired.

Both the new owners are well known and popular young men. Mr. Sweeney is among the best known and most active of the athletic fraternity and his host of friends will wish himself and his partner every success in their new venture.

LOS ANGELES VERDICT

Los Angeles, March 15.—The coroner's jury in the Times disaster of October 1, after the course of several weeks, held its concluding session yesterday, and returned the following verdict: "The Times building was destroyed and a great number of lives lost by fire, said explosion followed by fire, said explosion being caused by high explosives other than illuminating gas placed there by a party or parties unknown to this jury."

ALASKAN RAILWAYS

Cordova, Alaska, March 15.—E. C. Hawkins, general manager of the Copper River and Northwestern Railway, returned from an inspection of the line last night and reported that work is progressing so rapidly that the line will be completed by Cordova earlier than anticipated. It is possible that the line will be finished early in April.

BERT SPARROW ILL

Calgary, March 14.—St. Mary's will not play for the Allan cup this year. Bert Sparrow, captain and star wing man, was attacked with appendicitis Sunday. St. Mary's had no spare man to take his place as one of the players turned professional a few weeks ago.

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