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rst. The earthquake also was ta Maria, Guadaloupe, Cayambria. At the latter place, shaken from shelves. No damage was sustained here.

# THE WEEKLY NEWS

NELSON, B. C., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1906

TRAINS LOST IN THE SNOW

Brifts Twenty Feet High Block All Western Railroads

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Worst Storm in Years is Reported All Over the Middle West-Trains Are Days Overdue

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dian Northern trains are wrest-ling with snow drifts. One train is stuck 12 miles south of Neepawa and the passengers are being riven into town. More snow has fallen up to date than rell all last winter. Wednesday's north ound train is still stuck in a rift near Halsboro and Thursday's southbound train put in the night ten miles north of Neepawa. Fortunately the fuel supply not low enough to cause alarm. There are many stormbound passengers here awaiting the clear-

\_\_\_\_ St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 14.-The wors wstorm in years is reported by west snowsform in years is reported by Wostern railways. Trains in western North Dakota are snowbound and in some cases are lost track of. It is even reported that some of the Great Northern trains cannot be located. The snow in many cases is piled 20 feet high and all traffic is at a stanastill.

The only coast trains that have ar ived over the Northern Pacific or Great Northern and St. Paul lines in the last 4 hours have been from 24 to 48 hours late, and many trains are two days over-

"ARIZONA"

The Great Military Drama of the West ern Desert at The Sherman. The return enagagement of the Nel-

The return enagagement of the National Son-Bruce company was opened last might with Arizona. That thrilling human interest drama of army life on the southe western desert seemed much to the taste of the theatre going public and a very fair house greeted the re-appearance of this city's namesake and

Harold Nelson played the part of Lieut. Denton with a degree of spiri that did not fail to elicit a ready ap-preciation, and in braving the heavy villian, Capt. Hodgman, as in his manly conduct in the face of the cruelty of circumstantial evidence, fully sustained the enviable reputation he has gained here in the past. Geo. A. Dayton essaying the part of Capt. Hodgman ted himself most creditably and ooked every whit the intriguing misreant called for by the book, while the oldierly part of Col. Bonham, the elderly husband of a young and pretty wife, was given a most intelligent read

the feminine parts Miss Pear as Estrella Bonham, the tempted Col. Bonham, had an highly emotional part to which she proved herself equal. Dorothy Thomas was vivaand charming as a younger sister, haver, Marie Goodman, an as Miss Canby, Lena Kellar McCullough, were excellen nor among the male suppor ntion fail to be made of Wm Henry Canby, the Arizon Victor Travers as Dr. Fenlon re Brown as Sergt. Kellar. the applause which marked opment of the plot it may be an ited that the Nelson-Bruce company play to good audiences this after and evening when they present "A of Fortune," and "The Prisoner

MOYIE MINERS' UNION.

Annual Ball in McGregor Hall Was Very Successful Affair. (Special to The Daily News)

Dec. 15.—The seventh annua Moyie Miners' union, No. 71, W. was held on Thursday night hall, and was very successful floor was in fine condition for canvas having been stretched About one hundred esent, and excellent music wa d by the local orchestra. all went to the Hotel Kootenay they enjoyed a most abundant petizing spread. Dancing was umed, and kept up till 3 a.m. yie union is one of the most pros-British Columbia, having

QUEEN VICTORIA GROUP.

ipments Will Commence on or Before March 1st.

Cionin who has spent the of days going over the newly Queen Victoria group at Beases this morning for Moyie. vanaugh, part owner of the proin charge with Amil Burnett.

men were now steadily employed on the property. The two bucket tram ordered by the vendors is expected to arrive very shortly and will at once be put in place. Carpentage are put in place. Carpenters are now engaged in preparing the terminals. Ore shipments will commence on or before March 1 and then a double shift will be put to work so that from 150 to 200 tons can be handled every 24 hours. The office of the mine will be in part of the premises now occupied by B. B. Mighton & Co. on Ward street.

It is not announced where the product of the mine will go for treatment but it is said the Hall Mining & Smelting company are likely to make a bid for the output and if successful will start up their two copper furnaces to treat it

HALL M. & S. CO.

Business Manager Corrects Rumor As To Non Purchase of Ores.

Referring to a statement that the Hall Mining & Smelting company had trans-ferred some of their ore contracts to the Trail smelter, J. J. Campbell, the company's business manager, said last even ing upon being applied to by a reporte of The Daily News:

"No, the statement is incorrect. What we have done is simply this. While the Trail smelter was closed down on ac count of the coal strike, to help out the situation we accepted a great deal of all classes of ore and have an accumulation on our hands now, out of all proportion to what we want for smelting purposes. We have suggested to some silver ore sellers that offer a certain class of ore, that they might dispose of their output elsewhere than to us as a present we had on hand more of tha particular class of ore than we wanted We are still taking other ore right

## OFFICE NOT FOR SALE

MINISTER OF JUSTICE DENIES POPE'S STATEMENT.

NO FOUNDATION WHATEVER FOR THE SLANDER.

When R. H. Pope made his statemen in this city that a judgship was for sale he possibly hard. realized how quickly the matter would be taken up all ove the country.

S. S. Taylor, K.C., sent the following matter: Nelson, Dec. 1, 1906.
The Honorable Minister of Justice

Ottawa— Honorable Sir: I enclose a clipping from the Vancouver Province with respect to the charges made by Mr. Rufu . Pope in the political speech delivered in Nelson a few days ago. The clipping explains itself, and I may say that ample evidence can be procured in Nelson of the particulars of the charge made by Mr. Pope. Our citizens, quite irrespec-tive of party affiliations feel that it is necessary that a check be placed upon the making of such charges as this by

public men. I am, your truly, S. S. TAYLOR. In reply Mr. Taylor has received the

In reply and following letter:
Ottawa, Dec. 6, 1906. S. S. Taylor, Esq., K.C., Nelson, B.C.— Dear Sir: I today have your letter o the 1st inst, enclosing a clipping from the Vancouver Province newspaper with respect to the statement which it is said was made by Mr. Rufus H. Pope in a political speech delivered in Nelson a

few days previously. Items of similar effect, purporting to have been telegraphed from British Columbia, have been appearing during the past week in other newspapers, and I shall take the earliest possible opportunity to state publicly in the house of commons that there is, so far as I am aware, no foundation whatever for the

tatement in question. But as there does not appear to be any lefamation of the character of any individual person in either the verbal or written statements which have been made. I do not see how it would be pos sible to support legal proceedings, either criminal or civil against any man reckless enough to make such allegations. emain, yours faithfully,

A. B. AYLESWORTH. Since the date of the above communication the minister of justice has ferred to the matter from his seat in the commons stating that so far as he knew there was not the slightest foundation for the statement made by the ex-member for Compton.

PROBLEM SOLVED

derman Declares Wireless Telephony has no Distance Limit

Berlin, Dec. 14-The German society vireless telegraphy has succeeded in hold-Slaby, in an interview described the experinent as immensely successful. The conon Sydow, under secretary of state posal department, who received perfectly inelligent answers to his questions. Prof. slaby says the question of wireless telephony is solved, but that the limit of disance is not yet known. He sees no reaon to set any limit.

AMERICAN SENATORS

ongress Refused to Increase Salaries but Washington, Dec. 14-By a vote of 106 to 88, the house of representatives today re-fused to increase from \$5000 to \$7500 the salary of senators, representatives and territorial delegates, but by an overwhelming vote increased the salary of the vicepresident, the speaker of the house and
cabinet members to \$12,000 each.

Offers V.W.&Y. Free Land to Make Its Terminal There

Fight Between New Westminster and Vancouver for New Palroad is on in Farnest

(Special to The Daily News)

Vancouver, Dec. 14.—It was announced here today that mayor Keary, of New Westminster, would propose to the city council that an offer of 50 acres of land that city owns on the end of Lulu island be offered the V., W. & Y. railway as an inducement to the company to make the city an important point or its extension scheme, if not the real ter-minal. The proposal is looked upon very favorably as far as the probability of acceptance for car shops is concerned but even complete terminal facilities at the point are hoped for. It is pointed out that deep sea vessels now ply the Fraser and the frontage offered is capable of accommodating all probable needs. The proposition includes the undertaking of the company to rebuild the Lulu island-New Westminster bridge and keep the same in repair perpetually The land his worship proposes should be iven to the railway has ben owned by the city for a long time. It has about 2000 feet water frontage at the entrance to the North Arm of the Fraser, and is likely to prove valuable property, as similar water frontage on the river is now held at a high figure. The surrounding land is largely owned by Mr. Ewen, who recently commenced an ex-tensive scheme for the improvement, of

the property by the construction of dykes and roads, both city and provincial government aiding the work by making an exchange of land to facilitate Mr. Ewen's plans. The offer comes as an outcome of the alleged attempts of Vancouver of da's to balk the Great Northern in its plans to control the head of False creek. At this juncture the possibility of its acceptance is considered good. There is no doubt but that the council and the pub-

lic of New Westminster will endorse the

mayor's proposal. In Vancouver the situation is viewed with alarm, as there has been speculation to the limit in east end property on the basis of extensive operations by the road. The general feeling, however, i that even with the inducements offered the company cannot afford to locate its terminus and shops elsewhere than here The probable attitude toward the railway company will be a prominent factor in the coming municipal campaign mayor Buscombe, after leading the civic forces against the aggressive policy of the company, positively refuses to again

At a conference of civic officials with the lower mainland municipalities here this afternoon, it was decided to press the government strongly to erect and maintain a provincial home for the aged and indigent. A resolution to that effect will be submitted to the counci sent to back up the petition.

## REPATRIATE THE DOUKS

VEREGIN GOES TO SEE IF RUSSIA WANTS THEM BACK.

ARE DISSATISFIED WITH LIFE IN CANADA

(Special to The Daily News) Yorkton, Sask., Dec. 14.—Some of the Doukhobors claim that they are not satisfied with the existing conditions in the Canadian northwest and, as a del gate of this disgruntled faction, Peter Veregin, who is known here as the anti-Christ of the Doukhobors, is now in St Petersburg endeavoring to find out the attitude of the Russian government ward these Tanatical exiles. Many of them claim that Canada is the country which suits them best but certain them are anxious to return to the land of the Little White Father and his now starving subjects

Incidentally Veregin is also in Russia to gather an army of some ten or twelve thousand men to work on railroad con-struction in western Canada, the Doukhobors having become famous at this work during the past two years and railway builders claim the work done by them is superior to that done by any other nationality. Several large con-tracts have already been obtained by Doukhobors for work to commence early in the spring and it is to guarantee the successful completion of this work that Veregin is endeavoring to bring out more Doukhobors. If he is successful in his mission philanthropic societies throughout the world will assist in paying their way to Canada and already several prom inent Philadelphia Quakers have volunteered financial assistance.

The Royal Northwest Mounted Police religious mania which made the first lot and exposure.

of these people so objectionable. When they arrive here it is expected some of them will again preach the second com-ing of the Messiah with the result many will be induced. will be induced to cast away their clothing and roam the prairies in the hope that He will come and the Doukhobors being first on the ground will be named as His chosen people. Of late, however those settled in western Canada have be those settled in western Canada have necome accustomed to the ways of the country and from their past experience know they will not be permitted to cast away their clothes and, naked, march to meet Jesus, their leaders having been sent to jails or asylums for this very offence. this very offence.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.-In connection with the report that Veregin is in Russia seeking an army of 10,000 laborers for railway construction, the Tribune says: "It is not denied that the Doukhobors are good workers and good residents of the community, in so far as they have been tried in Canada, but there are yet some objections in the way of importing them as they are said to be about to be imported, to wit: Under contract and with a repatriation agree-

ment.

"It is clearly against the law of Canada to import men under contract and it is clearly against the principles under which emigration into Canada is conducted to bring people into the country who say openly that they intend to return to their native country as soon as they shall have fulfilled some avowed purpose for which they came here. And yet so great is the need for laborers to yet so great is the need for laborers to develop the railroads of the country and so good is the general reputation of the Doukhobors, that it is quite possible that a detour may be made which shall carry around the difficulties of law and

carry around the difficulties of law and custom in this case.

"That Peter Veregin, the Doukhobor leader, is in Russia with some plan in his head is not to be doubted, but what that is does not sem to be so clear in the minds of those who knew he was

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* WORK FOR LAWYERS.

Toronto, Dec. 14.-Hon. F. W. G. Haultain has been engaged by the farmers of Saskatchewan to assist in the prosecution of the grain dealers, making an array of four leading lawyers of western Canada engaged on the case for the grain growers. The defend-♦ 20 lawyers watching the case.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* B. C. CITIES STILL LEAD

PHENOMENAL INCREASES IN BANK CLEARINGS

ANCOUVER'S PERCENTAGE IS AL

wild say: "Cold weather helps Canadian trade and holiday demand is expected to be of record proportions. Complaints of low deliveries of grain, affecting trad and collections come from the northwest. Higher prices in many lines are expected. partly from the widespread demand an also because of the tariff revisions. Holi-day trade in groceries is active. Collecions in the eastern provinces are fair to good, but in the grain producing sections hey are complained of. Montreal reports orders large ,cheese shipments 5 per cent a excess of 1905, while butter shipment ure 30 per cent greater.

Torontto reports grain prices too high for exports, common goods higher and a record holiday trade is looked for. Winnipeg reports slow deliver is of goods from the east and of grain from the west,

Failures for the week numb gainst 32 last week and 32 in this week year ago.

Following are the weekly bank clearings compiled by Bradstreet's for the weel nding Dec. 13, showing percentage of norease and decrease as compared with he corresponding week last year:

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COAL THIEVES CAUGHT (Special to The Daily News)

Fernie, Dec. 14-Nightly thefts of coa rom the cars in the yards of the Morrissey and Michel railway here, have been oing on for some time and lately a watch nan was engaged to discover the perperators, with the result that two men living in a shack near the coke ovens, were aken into custody by the provincial po-ice and appeared before the magistrate, when the case was adjourned till Tues

WAGES GO UP

Oxford, N.J., Dec. 14-The Empire Iron nd Steel company, the largest company of he kind, and the Bassitt Ore and Iron company, employing about 1200 men, have posted notices increasing the wages of

Augusta, Me., Dec. 14-The open season expect more trouble upon the arrival of this band because there are sure to be some amongst them who have the same of frearms and the capsizing of a cance

## **LOOK FOR A NEW LEADER**

Ontario Liberals Want a Successor to Hon. G. W. Ross

Elevation of Ex-Premier to the Senate Sends the Party Managers

Toronto, Dec. 14.—With the official appointment of Hon. George W. Ross to the senate, active preparations are un-der way for the future direction of pro-vincial liberalism. Representative liberals, alive to the possibilies and respon-sibilities of the new situation, are already making preliminary preparations to

Several important conferences have peen held this week, in which officers of the central organization and local leaders took counsel, it is understood, with Hon. Mr. Ross and several mem-bers of the legislature. The suggestion to ask Hon. Richard Harcourt to lead temporarily, through the coming session did not find favor,

did not find favor,

Three other men in the house have come prominently under discussion for the leadership, Hon. Geo. P. Graham, Hon. A. G. MacKay, and Mr. T. H. Preston. The last named could have had it but firmly declined. Mr. Graham is not enthusiastic and Mr. MacKay although enthusiastic, and Mr. MacKey, although not ambitious, has a strong following. A careful canvas has been made of all the liberal membership by those interesting themselves in the re-organiza-

tion proceedings. Among the names that have been before them are Mesrs. E. J. B. Pense, of Kingston; John A. Auld, of South Essex; Sam. Clarke, of West Northumberland; and G. S. May, of Ottawa. Mr. May's young colleague Mr. D. J. McDougall, was also mentioned It is anticipated that a new man, if chosen, would run in the Middlesex con-stituency made vacant by Mr. Ross's re-

translation to the senate the members of the executive of the central association of Ontario will meet with the mem-bers of the legislature. This meeting will determine whether it will itself select a leader and introduce him to the forthcoming general provincial convention, or first call the convention and sub-mit the question of leadership to it. The

former course is generally favored. The general convention will, in any event, have the determination of a platform. Present indications are that this will be of a very advanced—not to say radical-character. At an informal talk on Thursday the view was taken that much of the strength of Hon. Mr. Whitney and the present government was due to the vigor and radical character of its adiministration, notably in the popular-ity of Mr. Beck's power policy. It is probable the new liberal platform will seek to go them one better. It may include much public ownership propaganda, important concessions to labor and agricultural interests, and forestall the discussed intention of the present government by declaring at once for a provincial inspection and a direct revonue from the mines the latter based on special provincial tax on mining lands. The question of the selection of government officials by an independent comnission and the reform of the system of civil service appointments may also be submitted, but, as usual in party coun-

sels, there is apparently a lack of unan mity on this plank, as it may affect the minion parliamentary policies.

RELIES ON AMERICA CENTRE OF CATHOLIC STRENGTH

IS NOW IN U. S. SO SAYS POPE PIUS-CHURCH WAR IN FRANCE

Rome, Dec. 14.—The pope was extremely touched today to receive a cablegram from archbishop Farley, of New York, expressing the warm-est sympathy in the hurch's present The holy father said: "It us. The largest centre of Catholic ism is in the United States of

Paris Dec. 14.-The cabinet met today

with the president in the chair, in orde to decide upon new legislation to be pre ented to parliament. The steps to w taken are of a sweeping character is proposed to amend the law of 1905 providing for the separation of church and state, by which a vear's grace wi be allowed before permanent aliena-tion of the church property and to sup-press the privilege of forming new rural or diocesan associations during that per iod. All church property, according the seminaries, will be immediately handed over to the state, to the departments and to the communes, under conditions

the pensions and allowances of the clergy, distinctions will be made by which those who are entitled to the former will lose their rights if they are deprived of their Franch citizents. prived of their French citizenship, while those who are entitled to the latter will lose their allowances if they do not conform to the law. The conditions under which the clergy will forfeit their

'I am French bishop but I blush with shame for my country. May God for-give those who are relentlessly pursuing the work which they have undertaken of destroying rengion."

MORE DELAY

Remote Chance for a Dividend from t Wrecked Toronto Company

Toronto, Dec. 14-The National Trust Co., quidator for the York County Loan and Savings Co., presented a report today and from the present outlook it is hardly likely that the court will be in a position for ome considerable time to authorize the payment of a dividend.

with as little delay as possible and as soon ceeded far enough to allow for the payment of a dividend.

any estimate of the value of the assets. as a greater portion of the same is com-posed of real estate values, which may be affected by causes which cannot be accurately foretold. An estimate has, how-ever, been made which places the total assets at \$1,219,064. In all there has been 116,170 claims filed amounting to \$4,112,632.

#### PROVINCIAL FINANCES

RECEIPTS TELL OF BRITISH COLUM-BIA'S PROSPERITY

REPORTS OF TWO DEPARTMENTS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Government receipts continue to tell the tale of British Columbia's prosperity. The statistics of two departments for the month of November became available today and show ret rkable increases. In the mates of 10067 the sum of 125,000 appropriate the sum of 125,000 appropriate. this amount was exceeded by 25 per cent during the first five months of the call year. During the month of November \$659.00 was received at the office mentioned and the total for the five months, July to November, inclusive is well over \$30,000. Already the receipts for five months have passed the total for every year excep

one in the history of the province. Colonel Wolfenden, the official in of the printing office, explained that the large increase in receipts was almost entirely caused by the large number of appli cations for timber licenses and to purchase lands. These are not confined to any one part of the province, but come from all over showing that the prosperity of Van-couver island is being repeated in other

The office of the registrar general also gives evidence of the present activity. This morning the sum of \$6541.70 will be turned over to the treasury as the total receipts for the past month—. For November, 1905, the amount taken in was only \$3543.2; the increase over the same month last year is therefore nearly 100 per cent. Practically all the transfers of property recorded was n the vicinity of Victoria a,nd under this

Both the officials mentionel say the present month, from present indications, will more than equal last.

> YMIR LICENSES oners will Consider Many Appli-

The board of license commission A Kelley, chairman J. G. Dewar and G. F. Weir will meet in the court house oday at noon and not in the provincial poice office as previously announced.

The following applications will come up

before the commissioners:
Creston—George Munro, Munro hotel; J.
Marshall, Marshall hotel.
Salmo—Wm Gray, Salmo hotel; F E.
McArthur, Northern hotel.

Waneta-Alice M. Shields, Fort Shepoard hotel; Fred Adie, jr., Waneta C. E. Burgess, Edna hotel, Pater Ymir-Owen Boyer, transfer to Malc McLeod, Vancouver hotel; Michael Talt, ransfer to Archibald and Davis, Palace otel; J W. Masterson, Ymir hotel; E. M eters, St. Charles hotel; John Brean, Cosmopolitan hotel; G. S. Coleman, Whotel; Samuel Miller, Miller hotel.

Louise E. McPeak, Sirdar hotel, Sirdar. J. W. Crow, transfer to C. F. Walmsley, we hotel. Flairview. Mallette and Johnson, Kootenay Fails notel, Slocan Junction.

Joseph Walker, Erickson hotel, Erickson Fred Boyer, transfer to S. Marshall,

Valley hotel, near Ymir. INCREASED WAGES

says that king Oscar passed a quiet day New York, Dec. 14-The Standard Oil empany announced today that it will adance the wages of all its employees ceiving less than \$100 a month, by ten per cent, beginning Jan .1.

MINING ENGINEER DEAD New York ,Dec. 14-Ira Godfrey, 61 years insisting that the churches themselves and throughout this state as a mining and machinery engineer, died today from injurcentinuance of public worship will be provided for under a combination of the provid ld who was well known in Washington provided for under a combination of the by a South avenue car at 36th street.

French citizenship will be prepared later.

Many of the prelates have issued touchingly worded letters to their flocks protesting against the law. The archbishop of Lyons said:

Interest the citizenship will be prepared later.

Hon. W. S. Fielding Promises to Make Dumping ises to Make Dumping Clause Apply

> Coast Prices Go Soaring and Now Rarge From \$17 to \$60 Per Thous .nd, the Highest on Record

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tions this afternoon, V. A. Galliher (Kootenay), se 1 from that the wording of the amend-ment to the dumping clause should be further amended so as to make it absolutely clear that rough lumber would be subject

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(Special to The Daily News) Vancouver, Dec. 14.—The local mill-men's association has unanimously de-cided on an immediate advance in all grades of lumber from one to three dol-lars per thousand. This makes the price the highest ever known on the coast, ranging from \$17 for rough to \$60 for finished stuff. The advance is said to be fully warranted because of the high price of logs, these now being \$15 for choice and even culls are quoted at \$12. The log famine threatens to increase as heavy snows are driving the oggers from the woods. A hundred and fifty loggers arrived on the coast steamers last night, crowding the usual hotels beyond their limit. Unless the situation is relieved, the millmen say another advance is possible.

## CALLING FOR TENDERS

CONTRACTS TO BE LET ON NEW
TRANSCONTINENTAL.

FOR WORK.

(Special to The Daily News)
Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The transcontinental railway commission will invite tenders in the near future for the construction of five more sections of road. The locacomplete the forms on which offers will be submitted. One section extends from Moncton to Chipman, 50 miles; another from Grand Falls to the boundary be-tween New Brunswick and Quebec, another 50 miles; a third from the interprovincial boundary westward to Que-bec; about a houndred miles; a fourth from La Tuque on the St. Maurice river westward about 40 miles, and a fifth eastward from lake Abitibi about 150

Vinnipeg Short of Wood and Coal-Army's

Winnipeg, Dec. 14—Commissioner Coombo of the Salvation army and Mrs. Coombs. brigadier Howell, in charge of the immgra-tion work in Canada, left this evening for

Since the annual council held last n Calgary, Nelson, Vancouver and Victoria. With his associates he interviewed the governments of all the western provinces and discussed the immigration season of 1997. The immigration of next year will be very much larger that that in any past year and the utmost pains are being taken by the army to secure the distribution of colouists in such a manner as will be in their best interests.

The total immigration will number 30,000. The first hoat will arrive in February.

The first boat will arrive in February. H. G. Brown, representing big eastern capitalists, is seeking information regarding the erection of a factory for manufac-turing cars, refrigerators, etc. He will locate at either lake towns or Winnipeg. The factory will employ about 1000 men Winnipeg faces a fuel famine because of shortage of coal and wood in the yards of the local dealers. Very little is being

prought to the city.

Thomas Mills, a bricklayer ,who fell rom the new Commercial Travellers' build ng yesterday, died in the hospital today.

Stockholm, Dec. 14-The bulletin issued

at 9 o'clock tonight is more favorable. It

and slept for four hours and that the ac-tion of his heart is more regular. His condition, however, is still extremely danger

GOOD ENGINEERING New York, Dec. 14-The two sections of the tunnel under East river, which were started simultaneously in New York and Brooklyn, were joined under the river today. The sections joined practically per-

## **FLOTATION** A SUCCESS

### English Capital Interested in Consolidated Coal and Oil

J. B. Ferguson Will go to Alberta to Manage Company-Toronto I vests Heavily

(Special to The Daily News) Toronto, Dec. 8.-J. B. Ferguson, Vancouver, promoter and secretary of the Western Oil and Coal Consolidated has just completed the flotation of his reorganized company, which is now compitalized at \$2,000,000. English inestors have taken heavy interests, and development on a scale commensurate with the richness of the Alberta field which the company is operating is fully assured. Mr. Ferguson has been in Toronto at the King Edward for some time, and has disposed of much stock in this city. He expects to return to the west shortly to take up the active management of the producing plants, making his home in Alberta. of the highest quality ever discovered, he says, is now flowing from the earth in huge gushers in the south west portion of the province within five miles of the international boundary and some 45 miles to the south west of Pincher creek, a station on the main line of the Canadian Pacific ailway. The valley in which these o Giscoveries lie is described by geologists as an enormous crevice caused by olcanic eruption crosscutting the formation of the Rocky mountains and forming a huge basin, or vacuum, into which the oil has been seeping for cen-turies from the coal deposits of the north, forming a vast lake underlying the rock formation at a depth of a little over a thousand feet. The country ntainous and in most cases the val eys are narrow and covered with tim ber; on the mountain sides the forma tion is exposed, showing a gently folded strata, or anti-clinals, which can be traced for miles. When a break in the formation occurs a seepage can invariably be found. A number of these epages exist where the oil can be dipped up and all along the creeks of indications are plentiful,

Several years ago a farmer named William Aldrich, used to gather the sell it to his Mormon neighbors who used the oil for lighting and lubricating purposes. In this way Aldrich someimes gathered up as much as ten an 12 barrels of oil in a day. So secret he indication of immense oil field that even the factors of the Hud-Bay Co. professed to know nothing of their existence. Several ears ago an American oil prospecto heard these stories and determined t see what truth there was in them and set out on a journey through that part of the country known as the "tar belt." His discoveries surprised the world and ery expert who has seen the oil fields is certain that Alberta oil is destined to ecome a great factor in the American en properly developed.

When the exploits of Mr. Aldrich be me generally known there was a rush the southwestern corner of Alberta many companies were formed for purpose of developing the oil field at the majority of them did not make success of the business owing to lack of capital and they were soon absorbed Western Oil and Coal Consolifated, which company today owns 26,240 acres of selected oil and coal lands. Being first in the field the company was ble to stake up every acre which gave so of covering mineral value When the Western Oil and Coal Con-

solidated was formed Canada looked apon its promotors with pity but duroity has been turned to envy and at he present time its shares are being eagerly purchased by those who had not courage to "get in on the oor." Today the company owns four out of the five producing wells in Alberta and every day the com-pany is obtaining bundreus of barrels of the best crude off the world has ever mples from the wells of the company have been sent to England for analysis and the following report was Moisture, 3 per cent.; fixed arbon, 51 per cent.; volatile combust ible matter, 37.5 per cent.; sulphur, 2 cent.; ash, 6.5 per cent. No well ot even those in Pennsylvania, can roduce such a high grade of oil.

Another instance of the great wealth these oil fields is the fact that W. S. of Chicago, a representative the Standard Oil Co., has spent sev al weeks around Pincher Creek looking over the prospects and he admits hat the oil prospects of Alberta could verds "they are phenomenal."

e effect of this great discovery of revolutionize the industrial verld of Canada and will lessen the resent price of oil by 50 or 60 per cent. The Canadian government allows a ounty of 1 1-2 cents on each gallon of il produced in Canada and added to hat the Alberta oil is of such a quality can be refined for from 40 to 50 nts per barrel cheaper than any other nineral oil known to exist. The process refining adopted by the Western Oil and Coal Consolidated does away with he use of chemicals and consists of two-

this process than by any other. As is known virol and caustic soda form two Coburgh and is a niece of king Edward's.

of the costliest items in oil refining and onsequently many thousands of dollars will be saved annually by the abolition of these chemicals. The simplicity of distilling the oil by one distillation is another economical invention added to an increase of one fifth in all products will permit profits to be reached by the Western Oil and Coal Consolidated hitherto undreamed of in the oil trade. The credit of the introduction of this process of refining belongs to Ma Ferguson, who secured the formula from Dr. McAlpine, a well known consulting chemist of London, England.

Throughout the province of Alberta along the slope of the Rocky mountains from the international boundary as far north as civilization has yet advanced, the sole topic of conversat "oil." The inhabitants of this sec tion of Alberta are "oil crazy" and believe the province will become the greatest oil producing district in the world as soon as it has been properly exploit-

ad and developed. J. S. Williams, an oil expert from Summerlands, California, who has inspected the oil fields, stated he believed a huge underground oil lake exists along the eastern slope of the Rocky mountains and his theory is borne out by the striking of gushers of oil in various parts of western Alberta. The locality of the company's oil lands has been known to be an oil district for many years but development has been delayed until recently owing to lack of railway facilities. Every geologist and oil expert who has visited the district has pronounced favorably upon it. In a recent interview, Dr. Bell, late director general of the Canadian Geological survey, made the statement that southvestern Alberta will eventually prove in his opinion, "the greatest oil field in the world." Dr. Selwyn, formerly occupying the same position, and Dr. Daw-son, also at one time director general of the geological department, were equally pronounced in their opinions of this district, and the drilling done by several companies has proved the predictions of these gentlemen. There is at the present time in this part of Canada, lying between the Pacific ocean and lake Superior, a population of practically 3,000,000 people, a large proportion of whom must use this crude oil for many purposes. With the development of these oil fields will come man ufacturies, works and enterprises, all rushing to Alberta to get the benefit of cheap fuel and cheap illuminations.

### COM. COOMBS AT FERNI

SALVATION ARMY LEADER GIVEN A

GREAT WELCOME OPERA HOUSE WAS PACKED TO THE DOORS.

(Special to The Daily News) Fernie, Dec. 11.-That the people remie appreciate the good work being accomplished by the Salvation Army was evidenced by the magnificent wel-Fernie appreciate the good work sioner Coombs and staff on their arrival in town last night. They were met at the station by the local corps and band and many prominent citizens and a torchight procession was formed, the visitors being driven in sleighs to Park House, the residence of Mr. G. G. S. Lindsey, where they were entertained a linner. At 8.30 a meeting was held i the opera house which was packed to the doors, over 600 being present, and or enthusiasm it eclipsed any gatnering ever held in the coal town. The chair was occupied by W. R. Ross, M P.P., and seated on the platform wer he mayor and city council, the loca elergymen and many of the most prom inent business and professional men The band rendered several well chosen elections before the arrival of the commissioner and party, who on their entrance were received with round after ound of applause and the customar army salute. Seldom have the citizens of Fernie had the opportunity of listening to a more earnest eloquent and in resting address than that delivered b the speaker of the evening. He spoke o the early struggles of the organization over which he presides in Canada, o the difficulties that beset their early efforts and the gradual success of the army. He told his audience of the worl hey were performing now, the refug es being erected in all parts of th world; the prison work, the searchin after and rescue of fallen humanity: the estoring of inebriates to respecta itizenship, the securing of work for the infortunate, and of the fostering car estowed on waifs in the large citie But the keynote of the latter part of his able address were the plans which wer maturing for the bringing into Canada and especially to the territories and British Columbia of a vast number lesirable emigrants from the British Isles, a class who would quickly assimilate with their Canadian cousins and become a source of strength in the future progress of this great dominion On resuming his seat a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker was moved by Mr. G. G. S. Lindsey, in a characteristi cally clever speech, which was seconded by mayor Bleasdell and carried by a standing vote of the audience. At the con clusion of the meeting, about eighty

the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey. KAISER TO VISIT KING EDWARD London, Dec. 12-It is reported here that the German emperor will visit king Edward in the Isle of Wight early in March next in the course of a Mediterranean cruise. It is also reported in official circles that count Metternich, German ambassador istillations instead of three with the to the court of St James, will be succeeded t em is an increased yield of at early in 1907 by the hereditary prince of least 20 per cent. in all products which Hohenlohe-Laungenberg, who was an at-20 per cent. in all products which a purer quality when obtained by tache at Carlton House in 1892. The The prince's wife is princess Alexandra of Saxe-

invited guests had the pleasure of personally meeting the commissioner, Mrs.

Coombs and staff at Park House, where

reception was held and a dainty sup-

per served. This will be a busy

day for the visitors as a full program

has been manned out for them. They

leave by the evening express for the east tonight. While here they were

they were

tonight.

of work in connection with army affairs

## TO DEPORT THE HINDUS

Immigration Officer Robertson Has Reached **Vancouver** 

Says Their Standing as B. itish Subjects Will Not Interfere if They are Undesirable

(Special to The Daily News) Vancouver, Dec. 12.-E. Blake Rober son, federal assistant superintendent of immigration arrived here today to make special study of the Hindu invasion terviewed as to the question of the Hindus' standing as British subjects in

terfering with deportation, he said:
"The fact that they are British sub jects has nothing to do with it, as fa s the working of the Immigration Ac s concerned, provided it can be proved that they, as a class, are liable to be charge on the community. That is the chief object in the recent amendment to the act. Members of any class or na nality can be deported in any number if it is conclusively established that the are undesirable emigrants and not self supporting. Last year, for instance, the immigration department deported over 600 British subjects who came unde that category. So, provided the Hindus prove objectionable in these respects, i will be an easy matter to deal with then under the act and the problem wil

thus adjust itself." Mr. Robertson will hurry his work so as to get his report before the after the Christman vacation.

## OF INTEREST TO MINERS

DIAMONDS (Continued)

The original system of mining in Gri-qualand West (around Kimberley) was

by open quarrying. This was found to be the best way of treating the deposit of "blue" ground until a depth of 20 feet was obtained. At this depth the mining engineers seriously differed in their opinions as to the means of treat the rock. The majority being in favor of taking out the over laying shale which would have meant the removing of 4,679,000 cubic yards of worthles ground, the minority being in favor of sinking shafts in the barren ground and from thence stopeing up. Both plans were very expensive, but after due con sideration the minority report was accepted as it was considered that after emoving the enormous pile of "barren country rock they would only be in position to treat a certain amount 'pay" ore: after this was done with and the owners wanted to advance fur ther, they would still have to counter act the same difficulties, that they wer up against in the first place. At the present day the whole of the mining a Kimberley is done by shafts with drifts off from them, and by stopeing from these drifts. The diamantiferous bluground has been proved to be richer be low the surface than upon the exposed

parts. The process of treating the "blu ground is by "weathering." For this purpose, the company owning the properties, have constructed a group of "floors": these floors are widely scat tered; covering in area many square miles. Upon these floors—which are simply areas of hard rolled ground, moderately level and free from vegetation the lumps of blue ground in stone measuring from about nine inches i diameter downwards, are spread out is a shallow layer not more than 12 inches deep. The length of time which this lot of rock is exposed to the atmospheric turning over the stuff and harrowing to and artifically watering it, its disintegration can be greatly hastened, and the whole made ready for washing after an exposure of six months or even less amount of ore taken out of the nines loses considerably in weight by this weathering process; for instance quantity only 72 tons would be available for treatment.

The first treatment of the weathered lue ground, is conducted in a number of small isolated works situated for conenience in the near proximity to the different weathering floors.

The weathered mass when agitated with an excess of water yields a fine clay mud, which overflows by the lip on the edge of the pan. This mud is pass ed into a separate pile to be treated again, while the granular substance o residue remaining behind is reserve for further treament. This latter treat ment consists of passing the granula matter, through a set of jigs, by means the gravel is freed from all mu etc., allowing the diamonds to be readily detected afterwards. The examination of this gravel is usually confined to the English, a few Africanders being These men are sometimes employed. well paid and are not subject to the ignominy of being searched before leaving the works as are the Kaffirs. The finer gravel or sand is scrutinized en-tirely by Kaffirs, the majority of them convicts. Roughly speaking the average yield of diamands per load, of about and a quarter tons, is from one to one and a quarter carat, but the value of a carat is liable to considerable fluctuations. Very many stones are "off-color" and do not realize the price per carat of stones from river workings. In some works the weathered rock is put which means stones of different calibre doing better. are readily detected. In the river "diggings" a large number of the diamonds

An adjournment-was made to January of the railroad and undertakes, on the production of these assurances, to withdraw ager Gildersleeve of the Northern Navifound are coated with oxide iron; which board will conclude its official year.

giving the diamonds a yellowish tinge. This has a tendency to interfere with its value, but notwighstanding this coloring they are usually free from faults Second in importance amongst dia

mond producing countries is India. This country was the chief source of diamonds from the earliest times, as re corded by Sanskrit writers, down to the discovery of the Brazilian mines. There are three extensive tracts, widely separated from one another, in which the diamond is known to occur. The Golconda district in southern India is the most important. The world famous name "Golconda Mines" is to some ex tent a misnomer since it is simply a name of a mart where the diamonds are bought and sold, and has never pro-duced diamonds yet. The Indian dia-monds were obtained in part from alluvial workings, and in part from a quartzose conglomerate. The externa rocks are hard and vitreous, with depti they become a coarse pebbly conglom erate, occasionally a breccia. The way rock, as in South Africa, is a shale The yield of the India mines once s large, is now insignificant.

The largest known diamonds in the world have come from these mines The Great Mogul mentioned as far back hen's egg. It is stated to have weighe originally 790 carats. The Kohinoor when first taken to England weighed 186 carats, and theOrlov 193 carats, are other large stones obtained from India; whilst the famous deep blue Hope diamond weighing 44 carats, is another product and is said to be the mos valuable diamond in the world.

The diamond deposits of Brazil hav been worked since the early part of the 18th century, and have yielded very largely, although at the present time the amount obtained is small. The diamonds are found both in old river gravels and in the beds of rivers. In other parts the diamonds are found imbodded in a micaceous schist contain ng specular iron; whilst at other place hey are found in a solid conglomerate carbonado diamond is usuall found in small irregular crystalling masses of a dark grey or black color. It is very much harder than the ordinary diamond, in fact it is the hardest substance known. At first it was used only in cutting diamonds, but since the invention of the diamond drill for boring in rocks, it has found a greatly ex ended use. In 1850 carbonados were sold at 25 cents per carat and the de it is worth \$15 per carat. The largest

diamond ever produced in Brazil is the "Star of the South" which was found in 1853 and weighed 254 carats. Diamonds have also been found in several other countries, the more important ones being Australia, Borned Russia and the United States. In the latter country they have been found i Georgia, North Carolina, where they have been obtained over a third of an inch in diameter, and in California.

CORRESPONDENCE. F. E. E., Salmo, B. C.—Your sample most probably is a variety of orthoclas which has been considerably weathered With regards to its containing any metal of commercial value, it is impos sible to state. It may contain some silver, copper and nickel, but to prove these, it would be necessary to have an analysis made. A general analysis of this ore would cost you \$10. Should you require this done for you, write us with n the next ten days; your sample wil be kept until then.

C. B., Lardo, B. C.-It is a criminal offence in the states to "salt" a mining claim and then sell it. An instance oc curred not long ago in Nevada wher the offender was given ten years in the penitentiary. You will probably find that there is a similar law in British Zinc, Nelson, B. C.-It is certainly

correct that zinc can be smelted by elec tricity. In Sweden there are severa plants that smelt the zinc ore electrothermically. It requires a force of fron 1800 to 3000 horse power, to treat the ore by this process. W. C., Sandon, B. C.—Your assay

certificate was forwarded on Thursday

McD. Sandon. B. C .- Your ore is chiefly zinc blende with spathic iron on the outside edges. There are indications of grey copper present, as well as little ruby silver, so that it will probably run rich in silver. Assay for zinc also stated that the provincial goverand silver.

J., Kaslo, B. C.-Your samples must have been very badly taken to show such a discrepancy. It is useless to take a handful of ore out of the top of each sack and send that to an assayer and expect to get similar results when you ship your rock. Your ore should have been very carefully sampled and then you might expect to check fairly close. Of course no hand sampling can be as true and as fair as sampling lone by a good automatic When you come to consider the matter you will probably find your self in the

wrong. F. L., Cranbrook, B. C.-The Prospecor's field book and guide by Osborn, will most likely suit your requirements This can be obtained locally

Minard's Liniment Gures Dis'emper

LICENCE TRANSFERS

Board Grant One and Lay Over Other. Inspector's Report. The board of licence commissioners

ommissioner P. Lamont. An application was considered from

nsideration at the next meeting.

Will Help the Kootenay Central to Get Bonus

Byard of Trade Passes Resolution Urging Provincial Government's Assistance

(Special to The Daily News) Cranbrook, Dec. 11.—At the last meet-ing of the Cranbrook Board of Trade ecially convened for the purpose, . Hungerford Pollen presented the fac affecting the present status of the Koo enay Central railway, an enterprise with which he has been largely identified The proposed line would open up the splendid valley of the Kootenay from clotlen to Cranbrook, a distance of about 186 miles. The area that would be beneficially affected by the construction is range land; to say nothing of its mos lant resources in timber and miner als of all kinds including bes hematite iron ore in quantities now un

reamed of. Public feeling is distinctly opposed the granting of railway subsidies either in the form of cash or land bonus; and one of the strongest cards in the hands of the present government is the prac-tical operation it has afforded to work ing out that form of popular sentimen Notwithstanding this fact, the meeting referred to, after hearing Mr. Pollen' statement, was convinced that commo justice and fair play demanded that some pressure be brought to bear on the authorities in regard to the case of the K. C. R., and passed the following resolution which was proposed by alder man James Ryan and seconded by mayo

'Resolved, that the board of trade of Cranbrook co-operate with the boards of trade of Fort Steele, Windermere and Golden in asking that the government look into the case of the Kootenay Central railcompany by a guaranty of its bonds or else give the public such other assurances as they may have, with out delay." The facts of the matter deserve to

ridely known since they affect the en

tire central valley of East Kootena which has been described by professo Adami, of McGill university, as "no alone the noblest in Canada, but on destined to be in the near future, a fru-rowing region having advantage reater than the Okanagan." The peop of Cranbrook, Fort Steele, Windern and Golden are not to be censured f causing the matter to be ventilated a fully as the justice of the case appea to warrant. The facts are as follows In 1901 an Act of the legislature Victoria granted subsidies of \$4500 mile for the construction of the Midw & Vernon, the Vancouver, Victoria Eastern, the Esquimalt and Nanaim the Kitimaat and Hazelton, and th Cootenay Central railways. The subs lies thereby granted have been du given to the roads mentioned, but th Kootenay Central has been neglecte though there is no prtence that its equ ies, if not its strict legal rights, are l strong that the others. In view of th action of the provincial government the agent general of the province in London and the high commissioner, lord Strath cona, interested themselves in the affair with the result that the then premie stated that, though he could make n definite promise he felt satisfied if sub stantial people took up the matter, the legislature would renew the subsidy reasing it to \$5000 a mile; but of cash, the province would give 3 pe cent debentures in inscribed stock of the province payable to the company on th completion of each 20 miles of road. H ment would confer with the dominio government towards securing additiona

assistance from that quarter. The dominion government granted subsidy of \$3000 a mile for 186 mile and it was then sought to gain confirms tion of the provincial subsidy. Mr. Pren tice, the minister of finance at the time informed the house that he had gone fully into the case and was convinced of the ability of the company to comple the project. The Prior ministry went out of office

giving place to the present government whereupon premier McBride verbally prom sed to renew the subsidy, the rights t which had to be sustained by no less that 18 different measures passed by the provincial and dominion houses at variou times. It also appears by the Victori Times of 10th Feburary, 1904, that premi McBride promised a summer session for that year to consider the question of rail way subsidies, with special reference to the Kootenay Central. He also made the significant statement that his governmen ould not hold office unless it kept faith in those matters. The railway policy has yet to be announced by the government. met in the city hall last night, the mayor in the chair, and present Ald. Rose and C.P.R. would build the road without a subsidy, and upon being asked in the house in Mary E. Curran for the transfer of her one of the ministers that the government licence to J. Sturgeon. The application had a definite assurance that the road was granted. An application from Mrs. would be constructed by the C.P.R. and E I Brown for the transfer of the that, in consequence, they withdrew their Athabasca saloon licence to Messrs, subsidy undertaking to the promoters. The Ivens and Philbert was laid over for C.P.R. point blank refused to build, and the K.C.R. cannot procure the necessary The licence inspector had nothing capital without a guaranty for its bonds. further to report than that a licence In this connection Mr. Pollen asks that through screens of various fineness, by holder who had been reprimanded was the government make public the assurances which it says it has for the construction all demand for a subsidy. This is an un- gation company.

sually sound and common sense positio n the circumstances.

To still further aggravate the anomoly

the government at the last session granted the subsidy to the Midway-Vernon under the act of 1901, already referred to, where nder the Kootenay Central was entitled to ke assistance; and in order to keep the ominion subsidy from lapsing the K.C.R. has been compelled to expend \$150,000 in the from Golden. The position assumed by the govern-

ent needs to be cleared up. The extent of the country and the number of indus tries affected are too important to be dealt with in a policy of silence. It is true that the northern part of the Kootenay valley is, like the southern part, represented by a liberal member; a fact that suggests that possibly the business and progress of the untry are being made to suffer for what the ministers are pleased to consider the political sins of the people. It might be well for those at the head of affairs to consider the political leverage that the pressure of this argument would exert in and approaching elections and avoid the ences by a wise and timely con eration of the requests of the board of trade of Cranbrook, Fort Steele, Wider

## MURDER IN THE ARCTIC

WHALING CAPTAIN KILLED FOUR OF HIS SEAMEN.

SHOT DOWN CHIER ENGINEER IN COLD BLOOD.

(Special to The Daily News)

Edmonton, Alberta, Dec. 12.-Willia

son. Mitchell's tortures for the three

weeks prior to his death were of the most horrible kind and savored of the

days of the inquisition. At times he was

hained over the site of the vessel and

eft for hours exposed to the Arctic air;

when life was nearly extinct captain Klinkerburgh would order him brought up and after being allowed to recover

slightly he would be lashed with raw-nides until life again was nearly ex-tinct. The crew of the Olga only con-

sisted of nine men besides the captain and with four safely dead the captain

thought he was comparatively safe bu

after a few weeks he became distrustfu of three of the others and left them mar

oned on a solitary shore apparently hundreds of the miles from human aid. For several days these unfortunates wandered around helpless but when all

hope of reaching safety had gone they met a party of hunters who cared for

them and it is reported in the north

cific coast port where they will swea

out information against their barbarou captain. These crimes were committe

during October, 1905, but owing to the

uncivilized state of the south shore of

the Arctic sea around Herschell islan

no word has apparently reached civili-zation before. Some curious complica-tions are expected when these cases

reach the federal court, if they ever do owing to the fact that the crimes were

committed in Canadian waters on an

American ship, but McDonald says he heard on reliable authority that several

of the Olga's crew are determined to

bring captain Klinkenburg before the

ASSAULT CASE.

Accused Pleaded Guilty to Commo

Assault-Fined Maximum Penalty.

What promised to be an interesting

terday practically collapsel and ended

ery quietly.

In the charge of assault preferred by

Bruce White against J. G. Devlin, the

nearing was fixed the day previous at

o'clock, but by consent of all parties

There were only a few persons present when R. S. Lennie on behalf of Mr.

White, said that he would consent to the charge being reduced to that of a

common assault in view of certain state

ments made in the matter. W. A. Mac

donald, K.C., who appeared for the ac

cused said he was prepared to plead

guilty to the minor charge, adding some

ing in the community and expressing

regret at the whole occurrence.

Police magistrate Crease while agree

ing to the original charge being amended

said that it would not do to let it go abroad that brawling on the streets of

the city was an offence lightly treated

by the authorities. Breaches of the

peace whether upon the streets or else-

where would not be tolerated and be

would in this instance inflict the maxi-

Mr. Macdonald promptly paid \$22.50 to the proper official and the matter

came to an end. Mr. White was not

TOTAL LOSS

Fort William ,Dec. 12-Marine insurance

olicies on most of the lake boats termi

nated yesterday and steamers leaving port

The steamer Monarch, wrecked on Isle

Royale, will be a total loss. The vessel has broken in two and no effort will be

do so at their own risk, or under spec

rates, owing to the Soo channel

blocked up.

mum penalty of \$20 and costs.

present during the proceedings.

words as to his client's good stand

he case was taken up at 10 a.m.

se before the police magistrate yes

McDonald, an old trapper who has spen several years on the frozen shores of the Arctic sea tell a horrible story of ruelty which he learned while in the very far north. According to news he heard from Indians and trappers captain Charles Klinkenburgh, of Seattle, mur-dered four of the crew of the whaling chooner Olga, and made desperate attempts to add several others to their number. He shot down Paul D. Jackson, his chief engineer, in cold blood becaus he man refused to be the captain's butt for all abuse and filthy language, so the story goes. Walters, the assistant engineer and a deckhand named Herman were sent to their deaths by this human fiend by being cast adrift on a piece of floating ice and Mitchell, another deck hand, was poisoned after being chained n a small cabin for 22 days. Thes atter three, it is alleged, were murder ed for no other reason than the fact they had witnessed the death of Jack-

The crime for which Robert Styles Featherstone atoned to society upon the gallows, was committed upon the 21st July last, when Mary J. Dalton, a handsome girl of 22, was shot dead in her home at South Wellington, three revolver bullet wounds being inflicted, any one of which would have caused leath. The girl died apparently defending her virtue, the murderer's weapon being at most a few inches from her head when the fatal shots were fired. Featherstone, who was head sawyer at the mill, and who had excited attention by his unwelcome overtures to the women of the village—his attentions be-ing so marked and promiscuous that Mrs. Bertha Bertram had remarked to her neighbor only the day before the tragedy as Featherstone passed, "it was too bad they didn't run that fellow f town; he was frightening all the women around."—was promptly arrested by constable Stephenson, and link by link a chain of circumstantial evidence was forged which justified a jury at the subsequent session of assize in finding him guilty of murder, Hon. justice Morrison concurring in the verdict and imposing sentence of death. The case was remarkable in that the

evidence was wholly circumstantial. It is an axiom of police and legal practioners that direct evidence is not naturally securable in a case of murder. There are usually, however, some scraps of direct testimony supplementing and strengthening the strengthening the array of damning circumstances. In the Featherstone case there were none. It was circumstan

ing remark as to her character, and re-marked to Randolph Kalberg that she a heavy spree, in the course of which he frequently flourished a revolver such as was found in his room, lately discharged, shortly after the murder calibre the weapon fitted the bullets renoved from the victim's remains. Conclusive testimony was offered, chiefly that of the Meredith woman, that Featherstone was a degenerate of the basest

Other testimony offered showed that shortly before the murder Miss Dalton

AMERICAN AMBASSADORS Washington, Dec. 12-The president today sent these nominations to the senate; Ambassadors extraordinary and plenipoteniary, Henry White, Rhode Island, to France; Lloyd C. Criscom, Pennsy v n a. to Italy; John W. Riddle, Minnesota, to Russia; Irving B. Dudley, California, to Brazil; Leslie Combs, Kentucky, to Peru

## **PROTESTED** INNOCENCE

With His Last Words, Featherstone Denied His Guilt

Black Flag Floated in Victoria as Prisoner Paid Extreme Penalty for an Awful Crime

(Special to The Daily News) Victoria, B. C., Dec. 12.-"I merely wish to declare before God, with this my last breath, that I am innocent of the murder of Mary Jane Dalton, for which I am condemned to die. I die in the faith of the Church of England."

With these words calmly and impressively spoken, Robert Styles Featherstone went to his death in the provincial jail yard here this morning, without the slightest suggestion of physical or mental weakening. There was no hitch in the execution and not a tremor of the rope after the trap was sprung. At 3.05 the black flag, mounting the flagstaff of the prisoners' chapel, told that the last act in the tragedy had been per-

The case becomes historic because of the conviction on wholly circumstantial evidence; doubt in the minds of many as to the truth of portions of the testi-mony; the belief of the police that Featherstone was drunk when he committed the deed and really believed him-self innocent, and the positive declaration of former employers that the man was generally regarded as half-witted. The executed man left a long statement or his family elaborating his protesta-

evidence in toto.

Fatherstone had been introduced to Mary Dalton by the girl's father but a week before the tragedy. A day or so later, as she happened to pass as he chatted with a friend, he made a slightgoing to get after her." The day be-fore the murder, Featherstone was one of a party of several men and one wo-man, Annie Meredith, a demi-monde, on

called at the Nicoll home at which Feathers one boarded, leaving mail and papers for Mrs. Nicoll. When she left Featherstone followed. He was seen by three witnesses going in the direction of the Dalton home just prior to the sound of three shots fired. When arrested there were scratches upon his face and a blood-stained handkerchief in his pocket. He had boasted in flourishing efore-in the states. When arrested he merely denied even having h training asserted itself-he was an ex-N.W.M.P. trooper—and he became strict-ly non-committal. He protested his inlocence throughout, however, and hoped until the last for a commutation of the death penalty. Singing, dancing and eccentric behaviour while occupying the condemned cell are believed to have peen part of a pitiful attempt to escape the gallows on an insanity plea at the eleventh hour.

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LAND NOTICES

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Dated this 23rd day November, 190 GEORGE FERGUSON W. A. CALDER, Agent

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Wo for permission to purchase the follow described lands situate in West Koo nay district: Commencing at a post pla ed at the northeast corner of section township, 69, and marked "J.E.McN N.E. corner, thence west 80 char thence south 40 chains; thence east chains; thence north 40 chains to the place of commencement, and containing 320 ac

Dated this 23rd day November, 1906.

JAMES E. McNAUGHTON

W. A. CALDER, Agent

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days af chief Commissioner of Lands and Wor for permission to purchase the following described lands situate in West Koot nay district: Commencing at a post plan ed 40 chains west of the south southea corner of section 22, township 69, at marked "E.F.'s N.E. corner," then west 80 chains; thence south 40 chain thence 80 chains; thence north 40 chain to the place of commencement and cotaining 30 acres, more or less aining 320 acres, more or less.

Dated this 23rd day November, 1906. ELIZABETH FERGUSON. W. A. CALDER, Agent NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days aft

date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Commissioner of Lands and Wor or permission to purchase the followi described lands situate in West Koot nay district: Commencing at a post plan ed at the northeast corner of section township 69, and marked "P.W.G.'s N. corner," thence west 80 chains; then outh 80 chains; thence east 80 chair ence north 80 chains to the place of ement, containing 640 acres, m

Dated this 23rd day November, 1906. PETER W. GORDON. W. A. CALDER, Agent

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ated this 23rd day November, 1906. D. A. McCULLOCH. W. A. CALDER, Agent

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23rd day November, 1906. W. A. CALDER, ereby given that 60 days at issioner of Lands or per nission to purchase the fol-escribed lands situate in West district: Commencing at a post 'Howard Pepin's N.E. corner,' est of Material Yard on the lway, thence 20 chains south; alias west: thence 20 chains ins west; thence 20 chain less to C. and W. railway; ns east following the C. and point of commencement. 19th day of November, 1906. OWARD PEPIN 11-24

B. MATTHEW, Agent. ereby given that 60 days af-intend to apply to the Hon-ommissioner of Lands and ria, for permission to pur-es of land in Fire Valley, d as follows: Commencing at ed at the northeast corner of and marked "D.W.J. N.E. and running 40 chains south; chains; west thence 40 chains ence 40 chains east to place of

. 1906. W. JOHNSTON C. MORRISON, Agent.

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A. MORRISON L. C. MORRISON, Agent.

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C. M. GAYLORD.
RALPH SLYE, Agent

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in Victoria as Prisoner e Penalty for an nl Crime

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LAND NOTICES

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Dated this 23rd day November. 1906. W. A. CALDER, Agent

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the chief Commissioner of Lands and Works permission to purchase the following bed lands situate in West Koote at the northeast corner of section 28 township, 69, and marked "J.E.McN. a N.E. corner," thence west 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 80 nains; thence north 40 chains to the place

Dated this 23rd day November, 1906. JAMES E. McNAUGHTON. W. A. CALDER, Agent

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W. A. CALDER Agent NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon, the thief Commissioner of Lands and Works permission to purchase the following sibed lands situate in West Kooteav district: Commencing at a post plantthence west 80 chains; thence uth 80 chains: thence east 80 chains: nencement, containing 640 acres, more

ELIZABETH FERGUSON.

W. A. CALDER, Agent

TICE is hereby given that 60 days after ate I intend to apply to the Hon. the ef Commissioner of Lands and Works permission to purchase the following district: Commencing at a post plant the southeast corner of section 32, 69. and marked 'D.A.McC.'s thence north '80 chains; mest 80 chains; th nce south 80 encement, and containing 640 acres

ted this 23rd day November, 1906. D. A. McCULLOCH. W. A. CALDER, Agent

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23rd day November, 1906.

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W. JOHNSTON C. MORRISON, Agent.

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Lower Arrow lake, and marked "H.A.M. ortheast corner post," thence 20 chains south; thence 40 chains west; thence 20 chains more or less north to the Columbia and Western railway boundary; thence 40 chains east along the Columbia and Western railway boundary to the place of com-mencement, and containing 80 acres, more

Dated at Westley, B.C., this 22nd day of November, 1906.
HENRY A. MATTHEW

G. B. MATTHEW, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon.
the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase 640 acres of land in Fire Valley, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked "J.H.M. S.E. corner," and planted at the southeast corner of section 3, thence 80 chains north; thence 80 chains west; thence 30 chains south; thence 8

chains east to place of commencement. Nov. 18th, 1906.

J. H. MORRISON
11-24

L. C. MORRISON, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days arter date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked "B. Bis sell's N.E. corner," planted about 3 1-2 miles on the west shore of Upper Arrow lake, half a mile south of Fosthall creek, thence 80 chains west; thence 40 chains chains north to point of commencement Containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated this 18th day of Oct., 1906. BELLE BISSELL J. E. TAYLOR, Agent 10-27

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon-Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootena Starting 400 feet west of pos marked "R. Corlett's southeast corne post." about ten chains from Kootena ess; thence 15 chains north; thence 1 chains east, more or less; thence 15 chains Dated this 13th day of Oct., 1906

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to pur chase the following described lands situat West Kootenay district, and adjoining N. D. Stewart's pre-emption, starting L chains west from N. D. Stewart's north east corner post, thence west 40 chains thence north 40 chains; thence east 4 chains; thence south 40 chains to point o

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hoa. to Chief Commissioner of Lands and Work for permission to purchase the followin lescribed lands in the West Kootenay dis rict: Commencing at a post marked "C. B Walmsley's N.E. corner post," situated the S.E. corner of Lot No. 3333, theno outh 40 chains: thence west 6 chains hence north 40 chains; thence east 6 chain

Dated this 15th day of October, 1906. C. F. WALMSLEY. DOS. BLACKBURN, Agent.

from date I intend to apply to the Hon. hief Commissioner of Lands and Works or permission to purchase the following escribed lands situate in West Koote nay district: Commencing at a post plant-ed on the east shore of Misquoto lake, thence 60 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 60 chains more or less to shore of lake; thence 80 chains north along the shore of the lake to point of com-

Dated this 30th day of October, 1906. 11-3 J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days from date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following lescribed lands situate in West Koots ed on the east side of Misquoto lake, and marked "Smith Toye's N.W. corner," thence 60 chains east; thence 80 chains south to north side of R. Andrew's application to purchase: thence west 60 chains. lake shore north 80 chains to point o

Dated this 30th day of October, 1906. J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply the Hon. the Chief Commissi Lands and Works, for permission to pu chase the following described lands in West Kootenay District: Commencing 6 hence 40 chains north to S.E. corner ot 2512, near south shore of West Arm 0 thence 40 chains south; thence 40 chain east to point of commencement, the whol

A. M. PINGLE, Locator. S. E. OLIVER, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for per mission to purchase the following describe ands, situate in West Kootenay district Commencing at the southwest corner o Lot 4682, thence south 60 chains; thence nay river; thence following the shore of same river northeasterly to point of com

A. FYFE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty day after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootena;

district, starting from a post marke 'Margaret McLeod's southwest corner. adjoining application to purchase of W. J. Toye on the Arrow lake, about eight mile outh from Nakusp, thence 80 chains east thence 40 chains north; thence 80 chains west; thence 40 chains south to point of

Dated this 10th day of October, 1906. J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following ribed lands: Commencing at a pos ner of Lot 229, group I, Kootenay district and marked "T.G.'s N.W. corner post," thence east 60 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 60 chains; thence north 80 chains to the place of commencement and containing 480 acres more or less.

Dated at Nelson, B.C., this 24th day

THOMAS GOUGH.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a pos planted 80 chains south and 20 chains eas Kootenay district, and marked "G.D." N.W. corner post," hence 60 chains east, thence 60 chains south; thence 60 chains west; thence 60 chains north to place of cement, and containing 360 acres more or less.

Dated at Nelson, B.C., this 24th day of

CODEREY DANGERFIELD

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district Commencing at a post marked "T.B." N.E. corner," said post being south of Cedar creek, Kootenay lake, thence 4 trest; thence 40 chains south; thence 40 chains east to lake shore: thence 40 chains north to place of commencement.

1) ated this 17th day of October, 1906. THOMAS BROWN.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following District: Commencing at a post mark "John Logan's N.E. corner." and situate vest of the Upper Arrow lake, near Fosthall creek, thence running west 80 chains thence south 40 chains; thence east 8 thence north 40 chains, and containing 320 acres, more or less. Dated Oct. 16, 1906.

JOHN LOGAN.

from date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands situate in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post plant-ed at the northwest corner of Smith Toye's application to purchase on the east short of Misquoto lake, and marked "W. Fotheringham's S.W. corner," thence east 60 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 60 chains more or less to shore of lake shore to point of commencement. Dated this 30th day of October, 1906.

W. FOTHEHRINGHAM.
J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days from date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate on the lower Arrow lake: Commencing at a post marked "W.R.H.'s N.E. corner," thence 20 chains south; thence 20 chains west; thence 20 chains north; thence 20 ( . . east to point of commencement, contain 40 acres more or less; said land adjour Paul Auder's pre-emption on the nor-side. W. R. HOBBS. Located Oct. 5, 1906.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay District: Commencing at a post marked "E.T.'s S.E. corner," on west shore of Kootenay lake, about four miles south of Wilson creek, thence 20 west; thence 60 chains north: thence 30 chains south along shore line, to poin of commencement, containing 166 acres

Sept. 17, 1906. ERROL TRELEAVEN. Locator S. E. OLIVER, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. at Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described lands situate in Fire Walley, West Kootenay district, joining L. C. Morrison's ranch, starting at a post marked "L. C. Morrison's N.W. cormer post," running 40 chains east; then 80 chains south; thence 20 chains west 40 chains north: thence 20 chains west; tence 40 chains north, to place of ommencement, containing 240 acres mor

r less.
Dated Sept. 24, 1906.
L. C. MORRISON

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following rebed lands in the West Kotenay disast corner of Frank Corte's old pre-emption claim, near Brooklyn creek, and about two miles back from the southwest shore of Lower Arrow lake, thence west & chains, more or less, to the boundary line between said pre-emption and lot 5817; thence south 80 chains, more or less, to the coundary line of said lot and old pre-empor less to point of commencement, con

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works or permission to purchase the following ibed lands in West Kootenay district southeast corner of J. Marshall's pre emption claim, thence east 40 chains, fol-lowing the north boundary of William Lovet's and W. R. Robertson's purchase claims; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains, following the east boundary of J. Marshall's pre-emption to the place of beginning, con

T. G. BROOKS, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon, th Chief Commissioner of Lands and Work for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootena District: Commencing at a post marke "Peter McPherson's southeast corner, three miles west from the Upper Arrov Lake, near Fosthall creek, thence 80 chains north: thence 80 chains west; thence point of commencement, containing to acres, more or less.

PETER McPHERSON.
J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

Dated this 8th day of October, 1906. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase about 160 acres of and, situated in the West Kootenay di mencing at a post marked "W. L. Coog an's S.E. corner post," situated at A. M. Lang's S.W. corner post of lot 7741, near 9-Mile creek, Pend d'Orelile river, thence north 20 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence east 80 chains to the place of beginning. Waneta, B.C., 12th Nov., 1906. 1-17 W. L. COOGAN.

date I intend to apply to the Hon. in Chief Commissioner of Lands and Words for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay District: Commencing at a post market 'Florence Richardson's N.E. corner," and ituated about four miles west of the Uppe Arrow lake, near Fosthall creek, thence running west 40 chains; thence south schains; thence east 40 chains; thence north o chains to point of commencement, and containing 320 acres, more or less. Dated Oct. 9, 1906.

FLORENCE RICHARDSON. J. E. TAYLOR, Agent. 10-20

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works nay district: Commencing at a post plan d on the south line of E. Taylor's appli the west shore of the Arrow lakes, and marked "W. F. Taylor's N.E. corner west; thence 80 chains north; thence hains east to point of commencement. Dated this 29th day of October, 1906. W. F. TAYLOR.

J. E. TAYLOR, Agent. NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days chief Commissioner of Lands and Work or permission to purchase the following escribed lands situate in West Koote nay district: Commencing at a post plant ed at the southwest corner of John Lo outh of Fosthall creek and three and alf miles west of the west shore of Ar ow lakes, marked "H. Taylor's N.W. corner,"- thence 80 chains east; thence hains south; thence 80 chains west; thence

HARRY TAYLOR.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and nion to nurchage the fol lowing described lands in West Kootens district: Commencing at a post marke Charles T. Partington's N.W. corner, ituated on the esat side of 7-Mile creek small branch of same on the Pen Orielle river, and adjoining John James re-emption on the south, and W. Duncan's purchase applied for, on th ast, thence 40 chains south; thence east west 80 chains to point of commencement and containing 320 acres , more or less.

W. A. DUNCAN, Agent. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works or permission to purchase the following described lands in the Lower Arrow lake district, about three miles above the Needles postoffice on the west side of the mencing at the southwest cor-40 chains west to Post No. 2; thence 20 chains north to post No. 3; thence 4 chains east to post No. 4; thence 20 chains

outh to place of commencement.

Dated this 23rd day of October, 1906 NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Work or permission to purchase the lescribed lands, situate in West Kootena District: Commencing at a post marked and situated three miles west of the Up er Arrow lake, near Fosthall creek, then unning 80 chains south; thence 80 chain west; thence 80 chains north; thence 8 chains east to point of commencement, and

MINNIE McPHERSON J. E. TAYLOR, Agent, NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for

tion; thence east 80 chains, more or less, | scribed land, situated in the West Kooleto the boundary line of said lot and old nay district: Commencing at a post plant-pre-emption; thence north 80 chains, more ed at the S.E. corner of Lot 222, themse west 80 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 20

Dated Oct. 22, 1906.

M. McLeod, Locator.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situated in West Koote nay district: Starting at N. D. Stuart's southeast corner of his purchased land, thence 30 chains north; thence 40 chains east: thence 30 chains south; thence 40 chains west to point of commencement FRANK PENNOCK Located this 8th day of October, 190

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootena; district, starting from a post marked "Robert McLeod's S.W. corner," thence chains east; thence 80 chains north; thence 40 chains west; thence 80 chains south to point of commencement, covering Chas. E. Ehl's abandoned pre-emption on the Arrow lake, about eight miles south

ROBERT McLEOD. J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty day from date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the followin described lands situate in West Koot nay district: Commencing at a post plant ed at the southwest corner of John Lo gan's application to purchase, one mil south of Fosthal Icreek, and three and half miles west of the west shore of Ar row lake ,and marked "Elizabeth Taylor" N.E. corner, thence 80 chains west; thence 0 chains south: thence 80 chains hence 80 chains north to point of com Dated this 29th day of October, 1906.

ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

J. E. TAYLOR, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days afte date I intend to apply to the Chief Com missioner of Lands and Works for permis sion to purchase the following describes tract of land: Commencing at a pos marked "C. Padley's Southwest corner post." placed at the southeast corner of C. Fitzsimmons' land, thence 20 chains orth; thence 40 chains east; thence i chains south; thence 40 chains west along the north bank of the Lardo river, to the C. PADLEY, Locator.

M. MORGAN, Agent. Poplar Creek, B.C., Sept. 20, 1906

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days from date I intend to apply to the Hon-the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands situate on the west side of lower Arrow lake: Commence ing at a post planted about 30 chains nort of Paul Auder's pre-emption on San-creek, marked "P.A.'s S.E. corner," thence 0 chains north; thence 30 chains west thence 40 chains south; thence 30 chain

W. R. HOBBS, Agent,

Located Oct. 5th, 1906. NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district, British Columbia: Commend ing at a post planted about four miles southeast of Burton City townsite and a the southeast corner of W. R. Robertson' purchase claim, thence east 80 chains chains; thence north 80 chains to the plac of commencement, containing 640 acres

Dated this 28th day of November, 1906 NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Koote nay district, British Columbia: Commence ing at a post planted about four miles southeast of Burton City townsite and at the southeast corner of W. R. Robertson's hence west 40 chains; thence north chains; thence west 40 chains; thence no 0 chains; thence east 80 chains to the

ADAM INNES. SAMUEL WALKER, Agent. Dated this 28th day of November, 1906 NOTICE is hereby given that sixty day after date I intend to apply to the Hor Chief commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described lands: Comme at a post marked "H. F. Anderson's N.W corner" and planted on the east shore o South bay of Howser lake, about 25 chain south of the southeast corner of K. and S block 823; thence 40 chains east; thence 4 chains south; thence 40 chains, more ess west to shore of bay: thence along the whole containing 160 acres, more

H. F. ANDERSON. J. R. EDMONDSON, Agent. Kaslo, Nov. 29, 1906.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following scribed lands in West Kootenay district Commencing at a post planted about two miles south of the main Fosthall creek and at the southeast corner of W. F. Tay 'Emma Wright's Northeast corner," then unning 80 chains south; thence 80 chains chains east to point of commenceme and containing 640 acres, more or less.

J. E. TAYLOR, Agent. APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE

I, J. H. Smith, of Slocan Junction, B.C. intend to apply at the expiration of 30 days from the first publication of this notice to the Board of License Commission-

ers for the Ymir License District, for a r of my hotel license to sell intoxi eating liquors under the provisions of the Statute in that behalf, in the premises known and described as the "Kootenay Falls Hotel," at Slocan Junction aforesaid, to Napoleon Mallette and Peter John-

Dated the 5th day of October, 1906. J. H. SMITH

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of License Commis the Ymir License Ditrict will be held at the Provincial Constable's Office at Nelson, B.C., on Wednesday, the 7th November. 1906, at 11 o'clock in the foren for the transfer of the license of the Kootenay Falls Hotel at Slocan Junction aforeaid, to Napaleon Mallette and Peter

W. H. BULLOCK-WEBSTER. Chief Li-Chief Constable's Office, Nelson, B.C.,

fh October, 1906.

LAND REGISTRY ACT. AKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Agnes Docksteader Deed from Robert A. Ranwick, deputy assessor of the district of Nelson, to Agner those certain parcel or tract of land and remises situate, lying and being in the Columbia, more particularly described and known as: Lots 6, 7, and 8, Block 21, Neion City, (Map 486) being a sub-division of Lot 182 Group 1, Kootenay District. You and each of you are required to contest this claim of the tax purchaser within fourteen days from the date of the service of this notice upon you, and in de-fault of a caveat of certificate of lis pendens being filed within such period, you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect

of said land, and I shall register Agne on, province of British Columbia, this 6th day of March .A.D. 1906

District Registrar To James Doherty.

TIMBER NOTICES

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after

date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away a special hoense to cut and carry away imber from the following described lands in West Kootenay: Commencing at a post marked "Geo. A. Hunt N.E. corner," situ-ated on the west side of J. T. Burgess' imber claim on Russell creek, thence south chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 100 chains; thence west 20 chains thence north 160 chains; thence east 6 chains to place of commencement.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1906 GEO. A. HUNT, Kitchener NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in West Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted 20 chains west of the northeast orner of the Kaslo and Slocan railway ompany's Lot No. 812, at the east bour dary of W. H. Whimster's South African War Scrip purchase, thence east 20 chains thence south 40 chains; thence east 4 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east 0 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 120 chains; thence south 40 chains to place of beginning, containing 640 acres

Daed at Cranbrook, B.C., this 20th day of Nov. A.D., 1906. W. F. GURD, Solicitor.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Elkhorn ..... 27 for permission to purchase the followin Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of E. C. Taylor's application to purchase, situate about one mile south of Fosthall creek and marked, 'Dorothy Toye's Northeast corner." thence west 80 chains; thence south 8 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to point of commencement, and

J. E. TAYLOR, Agent

after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief commissioner of Lands and Works at a post marked "T. W. Savany's N.E. ost." and planted at the south be of K. and S. block 823, on the west shore of South bay of Howser lake, thence 4 chains west: thence 80 chains south: the bay; thence along shore of bay to point of commencement, the whole containing

J. R. EDMONDSON, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief commissioner of Lands and Works following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "John D. Atchison" N.E. corner," planted near K. and S block 823, at foot of North bay of Howsel lake, thence south 40 chains; thence wes 20 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence 20 chains more or less along shore of bay to point of commencement, the whole ntaining 80 acres, more or less.

WEEK'S ORE SHIPMENTS

SALE OF SALMO PROPERTY TO SPO KANE PEOPLE

CRONIN'S PURCHASE THE CHIEF FEATURE OF WEEK

James Cronin's purhasec of the Queen Victoria group and adjoining properties near Beasley siding, as fully reported in these columns yesterday, is generally viewed locally as the most important mining that has occurred this year transaction that has occurred this year, so far as this city is concerned, and the opinion was widely expressed yesterday that the deal was bound to result very favorably to Nelson.

F. H. Nettleton of Spokane yesterday took over George D. Beil's lease and bond on the Kootenay, Belle mine at Salmo. Mr. Nettleton for many years has repres Finch and Camvbell of Spol Relief mine at Erie. It is understood that the present deal means that Mr. Nettleton is now operating on his own account, folowing James Cronin's lead in this res The figures in the deal have not been given out.

of its furnaces and the whole of the plant is to be in operation shortly.

The output of the various mines and the receipts at the several smelters

past week and year to date in detail, are BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS

DOUNDALL S	HILWIN 12	
	Week	Yea
Granby		765,22
Mother Lode	480	91,76
Brooklyn	1,914	136,78
Sunset	792	38,85
Emma	61	12,74
Rawhide	796	23,35
Mountain Rose	72	3,12
Elkhorn	27	4
Idaho	32	2,96
Don Pedro	25	2
Other mines		16,83
		-
Total	17,738	1,081,711
ROSSLAND SI	HIPMENTS	
Centre Star	247	111.060
Le Roi	2,520	119,810
Le Roi No. 2	68	21,556
White Bear	150	430
Other mines		17,740
Total	2,985	270,596
SLOCAN-KOOTENA	Y SHIPME	NTS
Sullivan	600	25,520
Ymir, milled	630	18,480
Hunter V	89	3,948
Arlington, Slocan	30	561
La Plata, milled	425	11,400
La Plata, milled Eva, milled	230	11,250
Whitewater	17	627
Whitewater Deep	48	194
Tamarack	19	73
Other mines		50,657
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Total	2,088	122,710
The total shipments f	rom the mi	nes in
the above district for th	ne past weel	were
22,811 tons and for the y	ear to date,	1,485,-
017 tons.		
GRANBY RE	CEIPTS	
GRAND FOR		
Granby		765,226
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13,539 776,450 B. C. COPPER CO.'S RECEIPTS GREENWOOD, B.C. Mother Lode ...... 480 DOMINION COPPER CO.'S RECEIPTS
BOUNDARY FALLS, B.C. 3rooklyn ..... 1,914 Mountain Rose ..... 72
Idaho ...... 32

TRAIL SMELTER RECEIPTS TRAIL, B.C. Centre Star White Bear ...... 150
Don Pedro ..... 25

NELSON, B.C. Whitewater ..... .....

MARYSVILLE SMELTER RECEIPTS The total amount of receipts re from local and foreign mines for the past week were 29,006 tons and for the year to

date 1,414,882 tons. CONSOLIDATED SMELTER

Two Copper Furnaces Blown in-Balance to Follow This Week Trail, Dec. 8-Two copper furna smelter and two more will be in operation within the next week or ten days, as coke is now coming in freely from the ovens of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company. During the time that the coal miners' strike necessitated a close down of the plant, two small copper furnaces were lengthened out 10 or 15 feet. Two other received from the east. The large furnace per furnaces will have a capacity of 1700 ons a day. The work of installing a new and enlarged sampling plant is almost completed. This will be used for sampling gold-copper ore, and is capable of handling Huntington-Heberlein pots are being add ed, which will make a total of 18. These are used in the reduction of both copper and lead ore In the refinery the new motor generating set has arrived, additional tanks are completed and it is expected that the increased plant capacity will be in running order within two months When the additional capacity is put into use 75 tons of lead a day, instead of 50 tons, as at present, will be the output of the lead refinery Manager LaBarthe says that very en-

the east as to the quality of the antimony that is now being turned out from the refinery on a commercial scale The plant, it is expected, will be able to supply all the requirements of Canada, so far as asnony is concerned

ANOTHER BANK FAILURE Washintong, Dec. 12-The Farmers' and provers' national bank of Waynesburg, Pa., was closed today by the direction of the comptroller of the currency, tional bank examiner John B. Cunningham has been appointed receiver.

## M'BRIDE'S FALSE MOVE

## flow the Premier Threw Away B. C.'s Opportunity

Official Minutes of the "Better Terms" Conference at Ottawa-Withdrawal of Hon. Mr. McBride

(Special Correspondence)

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The official minutes of the proceedings in conference between members of the government of Canada and of the various provincial governments, assembled at Ottawa, in October, 1906, have just been completed and presented to the various officials interested. it reveals the facts connected with the unfortunate withdrawal of premier Mc-Bride of British Columbia, from the conference, and indicates the spirit of 1 tirness in which the delegates of the ther provinces and the representatives of the dominion considered the claim of the Pacific province for specially favorable treatment. As an historical docusubsequent negotiations between Britash Columbia, the other provinces and dominion. In its preamble the minuses recite the call sent out by sir Wilfrid Laurier for the conference:

Conference Chamber, House of Parliament, Ottawa. October 8th, 1906. In responce to an invitation address ed by the Rt. Hon. sir Wilfrid Laurier

GCMG, to the several provincial premiers throughout the dominion, which invitation was couched in these terms: Ottawa, 10th, Sept., 1906. Sir:-In accordance with the request of the provincial governments for a con erence with the dominion governmen to discuss the financial subsidies to the

provinces, I beg to inform you that such onference will take place at the city of Ottawa on Monday, the 8th of Octo er next, at 11 a.m., which you are invited to attend. Your obedient servant, WILFRID LAURIER. The following gentlemen assemble at the conference chamber in the par-

ament buildings at Ottawa on Monday the 8th day of October, 1906, at the hou of 11 o'clock in the forenoon:
From the province of Ontario—Hon

J. P. Whitney, premier; Hon. J. J. Foy K.C., attorney-general; Hon. A. J. Math on, provincial treasurer. From the province of Quebec-Hon Lomer Gouin, K. C., premier and attorney-general; Hon. W. A. Weir, minister

From the province of New Brunswick -Hon. L. J. Tweedie, premier and pro-vincial secretary; Hon. William Pugsley,

attorney-general.
From the Province of Prince Edward Is'and—Hon. Arthur Peters, K.C., premier and attorney-general; Hon. G. E.

Hughes. From the Province of Manitoba—Hon R. P. Roblin, premier, minister of rail-ways, and minister of agriculture; Hon. H. Campbell, K.C., attorney-general From the province of British Columbia—Hon. Richard McBride, premier, and

rister of mines.
From the province of Saskatchewanwalter Scott, premier: Hon, J. A a'der, commissioner of education.
From the province of Alberta—Ho

C. Rutherford, premier; Hon. C. W cross, K.C., attorney-general, The above named gentlemen were received on behalf of the government of Canada by: Rt. Hon. sir Wilfrid Laurier G.C.M.G., first minister; Hon. W. S Fielding, minister of finance; Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, K.C., minister of justice; Hon Rodo'phe Lemieux, K.C., postmas-

It was moved by the Hon. Mr. Whitney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Roblin, that the Hon. Lomer Gouin be chairman of the joint conference. Hon. Mr. Gouin accordingly took the

chair. The Rt. Hon. sir Wilfrid Laurier effy expressed the pleasure of hims if and of his ministers at meeting the vincial premiers and their colleagues. and said that his government would be oposals they might, after conference mong themselves, agree in submitting Mr. Gouin returned thanks for or done him in electing him to e chairmanship of the joint confer and expressed on behalf of himf and colleagues his appreciation of welcome accorded them by sir Wil-

frid Laurier. Hon. Messrs. Roblin, Whitney, Twee Rutherford, Peters, McBride and ott, followed to the same effect.

## CONFERENCE MINUTES

OFFICIAL REPORT OF "BETTER TERMS" DEBATE

MeBRIDE'S FAILURE TO GRASP B

C.'s OPPORTUNITY. (Continued From First Page.)

Conference Chamber, Ottawa, October 10th, 1906.
The chairman of the joint conferen ook the chair at 11 o'clock when all ne members present at the sitting on so 8th, inst, were convened, and in adcition thereto, as representing the propremier and provincial secreattorney general; also the Hon. Adelard the construction of a transcontinental Turgeon, C.M.G., minister of lands and railway was rendered obligatory. It was

The Rt. Hon. sir Wilfrid Laurier proposed that Mr. Chas. Lanctot, K.C., and Mr. Jos. Pope, C.M.G., under secretary of state, be appointed secretaries of the joint conference, which was agreed to. provincial conterence, which are as fol-

Whereas the members of this conference are of the opinion that it is desirable in the interests of the people of Canada, and essential to the development of the provinces, that an immed iate provision be made for an increase of the subsidies granted by the dominion to the several provinces, and for the award to the provincial governments by Canada of an amount sufficient to meet he cosis of the administration of crimnal justice, not exceeding 10 cents per head of the population;

Therefore it is unanimously resolved-1. That the subject matter of the res-plutions adopted by the conference of the representatives of the several prov-inces, held at Quebec in December, 1902, which were shortly thereafter presented to the government of the dominion, and which were ratified by the legislatures of the then existing provinces except that of British Columbia, be now pressed ipon the government of the dominion for mmediate and favorable action, under reserve of the right of any province to submit to such government memoranda in writing concerning any claims it may have te larger sums han those set ou in the said resolutions, or to additional

consideration or recognition; resoived-2. That in case of the government of Canada concurring in the vews of the conference as expressed in the above resolution, a measure should be submitted to the parliament of Canada at the nient, it will be of value in the future next session, providing for payment of and will inevitably be a factor in all such increased subsidies and allowances as may be determined upon, pending an mendment of the British North Amer ca Act, if such amendment should be

eemed necessary. It was also unanimously resolved: That sub-section (c) of resolution 1 adopted at the conference held at Que pec in December, 1902, be amended so is to read as follows:

(c) The population as ascertained the last decennial census to govern, ex ept as to British Columbia, Manitoba Saskatchewan and Alberta; and as to nose four provinces, the ropulation to e taken to be that upon which, under ne respective statutes in that behalf he annual payments now made to them espectively by the dominion are fixed. intil the annual population is by the ensus ascertained to he greater; and aereafter the population so ascertained o govern.
It is also unanimously resolved:—

That the Hon. Mr. Gouin, premier o province of Quebec, and the Hon ir. Whitney, premier of the province of ontario, be a committee to submit the oregoing resolutions to the governmen f the Dominion of Canada. The Hon. Mr. McBride submitted the collowing memorandum embodying the claims of British Columbia to special

and distinctive treatment. Memorandum re British Columbia's Claims for Special Consideration

On behalf of the government of Brit sh Columbia, I adhere to the genera principle of the rights of the province o increased subsidies, and, therefore upport the resolutions of the Quebe onference, in so far as they are not in claims of any particular province for additional recognition with respect to such matters as form the subject of those

resolutions.

The government of British Columbia cannot, however, accept them as a final and full settlement of its demands. There are special considerations in the ase of British Columbia which involved additional recognition in its behalf These considerations are set forth in the nemorial presented to the dominion overnment last year, a copy of which s herewith submitted, and a resolution affirming the position of the provincial government was unanimously adopted by the legislature of the province of British Columbia. The resolutions of the conference of Quebec, which, if carried into effect, would increase the subsidies lready received by British Columbia,

relatively speaking leave it no better, if

well, off. This is obvious for two reasons: 1st -Owing to the excessive contriutions made by British Columbia to he Federal treasury, as compared with other provinces, the province would pay in undue proportion of the amount of he increase in subsidies to all the proinces. A parallel in support of this is inforded in the allowance which was nade at the time of confederation to ertain provinces on account of the reater debt of other provinces in the ayment of which the people of all the rovinces had to share. Our case is preisely similar now to that in which hose provinces would have been had no

such allowance been made. 2nd.-The proposed increase in subsidies being largely based upon popula-tion the special physical conditions P. E which make the cost of government in the province of British Columbia dis-proportionately great, are not provided

Briefly as set forth in the memorial of he government of B. C. already referred to, "the claims being presented by the other provinces for increased subsidies are similar in character to some of those of British Columbia, with this important distinction, that the reasons which alike give them foundation are greatly accen-

For a proper knowledge of the case, it

forests in the provincial government of only upop, grounds of large public policy of a national character—the rounding out of confederation—that their adoption was justified. It was almost universally conceded that the province physically handicapped as it was, would The cnairman handed to sir Wilfrid was strongly contended that the con-Laurier certain resolutions of the inter--the price asked by British Columbiawas too great a sacrifice on the part of the dominion, and that the railway when built would prove unremuneraive. Consequently the financial terms

> least favorable possible. A similar attitude towards British Columbia was maintained as long subsequently as 1884, when the Settlement Act was passed whereby the outstanding differences between the provinces and the dominion were finally adjusted. By the terms of the Settlement Act the and in the Peace river district in lieu of Canada of expenditures on the part of the dominion amounting in all to about \$1,100,-

000. These lands, worth now at the lowest valuation \$17,500,000 were parted with to secure a railway from Esquimalt to Nanaimo, costing less than \$3,000,000, which under the Carnarvon terms the dominion government had piedged itself to build without cost to the province. The value of such concession was not then foreseen. The treaty of 1871 as re-vised in 1884, was made in misapprehension of the possibilities of British Co-lumbia and the development to accrue

from the building of the Canadian Pa-

The subsequent course of events has shown that British Columbia has not only paid its way in confederation, but has contributed in 35 years nearly \$19,-000,000 to the federal treasury in excess of what it has received therefrom; that the Canadian Pacific railway has been instrumental more than any other fac-tor in building up Canada, with benefits vastly greater to eastern Canada than to British Columbia; and that the Settlement Act gave a realizable asset to the dominion nearly twenty times greater than the expenditure which it involved.

The government of British Columbia submits as incontrovertible that as the original and amended term of union naving been based upon assumptions which have proved groundless, and as hat the very opposite of what was anticipated has transpired, it is incumcent, in the light of developments which have actually taken place upon the dominion morally and constitutionally, to now substitute fairer terms for those made perface in anticipation of what

did not happen. This contention is strictly in line with what is promised in the resolution of the Quebec conference of 1902 to the effect that at the time of the passing of the B.N.A. Act "it was impossible to fore see the development of the dominion," and to provide in an unalterable and fixed way for the requirement of the various local governments for all time to come, except that the condtions are so peculiar and exceptional in the case
of British Columbia as to demand exf financial terms now considered nec-

issary.

In the memorial presented by the overnment of British Columbia to the ominion authorities and in various letters and memoranda the historical aspect of the case has been reviewed, and the reasons for special consideration given in extenso. In addition to the foregoing it has been pointed out that there are certain conditions and physical disabilities, permanent in character which accentuate the position of British Columbia considered in relation to the other provinces, and that abnormally ncrease the cost of administration in that province as compared with the average conditions of the rest of the dominion, entailing as well disadvan-

tages of commercial, industrial, and po-litical character. These are: 1. The cost of administration, owing the physical character of the country 2. The distance from the commercial, industrial and administrative centres of

eastern Canada.

3. The non-industrial character of Canada, whereby a large percentage of goods are imported and consumed, increasing the contributions to the federal treasury in the way of taxes in a ratic of three to one.

The disadvantages of the province in relation to the market for its specia products Under the first head, it is pointed ou

and supported by tables filed in the offi cial records of all the provinces that the physical conditions referred to seriously affect the cost of government under every head. The following table covering a period of thirty years of all the provinces will sufficiently illustrate these contentions

The first column of figures shows average population for 30 years; second column total expenditure for 30 years and the third average per head per year. 90,634 \$32,243,068 \$11.86 123,801 16,025,974 4.31 B. C. ..... 104.062 9.179,906 2.94 104,027,881 Queb. .. N. Brun 314.802 20,381,060 2.16 1,961,260 105,798,503 434,585 21,525,863 N. S.

4.451.138 \$309.182,265 \$ 2.32

British Columbia is a country roundly speaking 900 miles in length and 500 miles in width, including an area of 381,000 square miles; extren mountainous in character and settled in A brief summary of the arguments in population. This involves an expediture for Government very much greater than For a proper knowledge of the case, it in provinces which are compact and do necessary to consider the conditions not present the same peculiar conditions

which existed at the time British Co-lumbia entered confederation, and the 2. The geographical position of the mental attitude in which the terms of province, though very important in one union between the province and the sense, is very disadvantageous in rela-dominion were framed. Public senti-tion to the dominion as a whole. We ment as represented in parliament, was sell very little to eastern Canada on prejudicial to more favorable terms be-ing granted. A large section of Canada and we buy very largely there for the

cent of the price of confederation and gets in return one per cent of the trade, (see table page 8 of memorial, prepared by Mr. George Johnston, late dominion

statistician.) 3. The non-industrial character not pay its way in conrederation, and it the province accounts for the enormous contributions it has made to the federal treasury in proportion to the amount received therefrom. An elaborate state ment of the account appears in the mem-orial referred to, which has been brought up to date, showing an excess tive. Consequently the financial terms of contributions over receipts amount-conceded to British Columbia were the ing to nearly \$19,000,000. This is not submitted as an exact mathematical so lution of financial relations but is substantially accurate and represents approximately the actual condition affairs in respect to receipts and contributions. There is the further consideration that the population which accrues directly to the benefit of the dominion province tired of delays and wearied accrues in the ratio of about three to with fruitless negotiations, agreed to one as compared with the average bene-transfer 3,500,000 acres of the best fits from population, in other sections

4. The geographical position of the lominion also handicaps it in relation to the products which it sells. This is the most part of foreign exports of lumber, of fish and of minerals and of many other things that it is hoped to produce in the future, such as manufactures of iron and paper. For the most part British Columbia sells in the markets of the world in competition with the world. It cannot sell in eastern Canada in competition with eastern manufacturers owing to distance and is thus handicapped in what it buys and what it sells,

Its geographical position has still further the effect of increasing the cost of cunsumption by imposts in the way of freight on goods which are from a supply centre of Canada and else where.

In addition to the natural disadvan tages under which the province has lab ored, may fairly be cited the political disadvantages of a limited representation in parliament and the long distance from the seat of government reflection upon one administration a Ottawa more than another the province y reason of these handicaps has not i the past received that consideration for its various wants that is extended t the people of Eastern Canada who hav large representation and easy access t the capital.

Comparing the terms conceded to British Columbia and to the new pronces of Alberta and Saskatchewan, it i found in effect that when these provin c es are in receipt of the total allowance to which they will be ultimately entitled per annum, the amount in round num bers will be \$2,250,000, while the total of British Columbia's allowance, when i has reached its maximum will be les nan \$500,000. It is not contended he new provinces have received to nuch, but that British Columbia has re seived far too little. Alberta and Sas katchewan contain large, rable areas presenting no physical dif-ficulties or obstacles to development While it may be said that in their cas lominion, if we take the case of Brit ish Columbia with as public domain in its own right, the average of its receipts for the past thirty-years on ac count of its natural resources has only been \$235,000 per annum from which must be deducted the cost of administraion, not less at the present time than \$100,000 per annum. It is submitted further that the re-adjustment of the subsidies every two and a half years, according to the increase of population scertained by census-taking, estimation is another important advantage which the new provinces have over British Columbia. They obtain almost immediately in increased subsidy the benefit of increased population, while British Columbia, in which the increase of population is also very rapid, has to is therefore, only one of two conclusions to be drawn from a comparison of the terms in the two cases; either the

ceived very inadequate consideration of its requirements. The governments of British Columbia, in view of all the considerations which have been advanced in support of the claims of that province reaffirms its nosition in regard to the desirability of a complete investigation by a competent tribunal of the merits of the provincial contention. It is therefore asked that a ommission be appointed consisting of three persons of eminent repute, one e named by the government of the dominion of Canada one by the government of British Columbia and the third by the honorable, the secretary of state for the colonies. It is asked that the ceply of the dominion government be made definite and final within three

new provinces have been too generously

endowed by the dominion—which is not alleged—or British Columbia has re-

months from the present time (Sgd.) RICHARD McBRIDE. Premier Ottawa, Oct. 9, 1906. The Rt. Hon. sir Wilfrid Laurier anounced that the resolutions of the in-

nto consideration by himself and col-The joint conference then adjourned intil tomorrow at 11 a.m.

Conference Chamber, Ottawa. Thursday, Oct. 11, 1906. The chairman of the joint conference ook the chair at 11 o'clock when the nembers were convened. The question of the claim of the pro-rince of British Columbia for special

onsideration was discussed. The joint conference adjourned until ommorrow at 11 a.m. Conference Chamber, Ottawa

Friday, 12th October, 196. The chairman of the joint conference ook the chair at 11 o'clock, when the memers were convened.

The Hon. Mr. Gouin submitted a resoluon of the interprovincial conference

uching the practice of the deminion govrnment in deducting claims which the lominion may have against any province from the subsidy due to such province.
At the request of the Right Hon sir Wilwas utterly opposed to union with Brit-ish Columbia on the terms under which the material object in confederation. for reconsideration by the interprovincial

addressed the joint conference to the fol- is to say:

"I have given careful consideration to the of British Columbia's governent and particularly to the request that commission be appointed for the pur-ose of enquiring into the financial relations between the dominion and the pro-\$100,000. vince. I have been unable to reach the conclusion that the appointment of such a commission would be the best way of dealing with a question of this kind. I fear harmonious settlement of the grants to provinces which all should desire to bring bout. However, I regard the matter at present more as one for the opinion of the conference than for the judgment of the dominion governmet. You have assembled for the purpose of considering the sums which should properly be paid by the ninion to the provinces in the way of subsidy and allowance for the maintenance of government. The British Columbia pro-posal comes entirely within the chief purcose of this conference. If this conference, after hearing Mr. McBride's argunents in support of his contention, reach the conclusion that an arbitration should take place, through a commission for the ourpose of dealing with the claim of British Columbia ,that would present the matter to the dominion government in a new light, and ,while I am not prepared to exress any final opinion, I can say at once nmendation from the con ference would have great weight with us and we should feel bound to give it further consideration. While I give you this exf my colleagues who are here with me, shall, if you will permit me, offer a sugestion. I think there is a disposition of the part of the conference to recognize that the conditions in British Columbia wing to the vastness of the territory to its mountainous character , and the parseness of her population, create exwhich should be take anto consideration in the adjustment of the listribution of the grants in aid of provincial government. I am myself disposed to admit that such is the case. I would strongly advise that Mr. MoBride avail nanifested in the conference, and at once approach the question of what allowance addition to that already conte hould be made to meet British Columia's difficulues. It is a question, which ufter all, can better be settled here than inywhere else. I feel assured that the

rankly with one another, and come to you ugain when probably you will have reached ome satisfactory agreement."

After some discussion the joint conference adjourned at 12 noon, to meet tomor-

onference will be willing to deal with

he matter in a spirit of fairness to Brit-

sh Columbia. I propose, therefore, that

ve shall leave you to discuss the question

ow at 11 a.m. Conference Chamber, Ottawa Saturday, Oct. 13th, 1906. The chairman of the joint conference look the chair at 12:30 p.m., when all the tion of the Hon. Messrs. Lemieux and

he interprovincial conference, which is as ollows: ing of the conference of the representaives of the several provinces of Canada

"It was resolved that in the opinion of he conference it is inadvisable that the claim, in the way of subsidies, of any rovince, be referred to arbitration

(True extract,)
"CHARLES LANCTOT, "Secretary of the Conference."
The chairman submitted a resolution of the interprovincial conference on the subjects of the claims of British Columbia

"Extract from de Berations of a sitting

of the conference of the reresentatives of the several provinces of Canada, held at Ottawa on the 13th day of October, 190 large area, geographical position and very exceptional physical features of the pro vince of British Columbia, it is the opinion of this conference that the said province should receive a reasonable additional alment, in excess of the provisions made in the Quebec resolutions of 19.2, and that such additional allowance

annually for ten years. (True extract.) "CHARLES LANCTOT. "Secretary of the Conference The chairman informed the conference that Mr. McBride declined to assent to the terms of this resolution and declared he could take no further part in the proceedings of the interprovincial conference, after which he withdrew. At this stage, the Hon. Mr. McBride

ntered the conference chamber and took his seat at the board. At 1:10 p.m. the joint conference

the joint conference reconvened at 2:30 p.m., when the chairman took the chair, all the members being present with the exception of Hon. Messrs. Lemieux Mc-

Bride and Drysdale.
The Rt. Hon. sir Wilfrid Laurier nounced that the dominion had come to the conclusion to agree to the resolutions em-bodying the views of the interprovincial conference, submitted by the Hon. Mr Gouin on the 10th of October, with the exlution proposing an increased subsidy to wards the cost of the administration riminal justice ,and also of the propos that a bill should be introduced into the parliament of Canada providing for the payment of the increased subsidies and allowances pending the necessary amendment to the British North America Act. either of which he was prepared to en-

tertain. The prime minister added that his government desired to impress upon the conference the fact that the resolutions of the Quebec conference of 1887 seemed to have been drawn and considered with great care, and they were of the opinion that the terms agreed to at that time should not to be departed from. These resolutions provide as follows:

That this conference is of the opinion that a basis for a final and unalterable settlement of the amounts to be yearly paid by the dominion to the several provinces for their local purposes and the support of their governments and legisla-

1. Instead of the amounts now paid the sums hereafter payable yearly by Canada to the several provinces for the support of their governments and legislatures, to b according to population, as follows:

(a) Where the population is under 150,000

(b) Where the population is 150,000, but does not exceed 200,000, \$150,000. (c) Where the population is 200,000, bu does not exceed 400,000, \$180,000.
(d) Where the population is 400,000, but does not exceed 800,000, \$190,000, (e) Where the population is \$00,000, but does not exceed 1,500,000, \$220,000. (f) Where the population exceeds 1,500,00 \$240,000

2. Instead of an annual grant per head of population now allowed, the annual pay ent hereafter to be at the same rate egihty cents per head, but on the popula tion of each province, as ascertained from until such popu'ation exceeds 2,500,000; an at the rate of sixty cents per head for s much of 2,500.000.

Sir Wilfrid further observed that hi government had c ns dered this question up to this moment in the hope that the present interprovincial conference would b animous. We said that while there was unanimity with respect to the principle o increased subsidies and also in regard to terprovincial conference submitted by Mr Gouin on the 10th of October, to which the government had agreed, there was a special ck im for Fritish Columbia, touching which some difference as regards the amount existed. Sir Wilfrid added that he vished to report to his colleagues on that point before giving a final assent.

The que ti n of the discrimination agains ies was adverted to by sir. Wilfrid Laurie vho expressed the view that there shoul Sir Wilfrid Laurier referred to the pre vious discussion on the provincial tax

The chairman of the conference anno d that this question had been conside the various premiers had come to the co lusion to propose to their legislatures

of fisheries, in the course of which si Wilfria Laurier dwelt on the inconvenienc esulting from the divided jurisdiction which at present existed. The joint conference adjourned at 4:4

Some discussion was had on the subject

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* KILLED BY TREES

Moyie, Dec. 13.—(Special)-A man named William Kelly, from Creemore, Simcoe county, Ontario, was killed at noon ves terday in the Porto Rico logging camp, five miles from here. A falling tree struck another tree on its way down, and broke the upper part of it off, the part broken off falling on the unfortunate man who was killed instantly. His body was brought to Moyie, and is at the Central hotel. It is not yet known whether an inquest will be necessary.

Alfred Balong, aged 28, a lumberman employed by the Elk Lumber Co., met with a fatal accident while felling trees yesterday afternoon at camp No. 2. He was unable to get out of the way of a falling tree and was pinned to the ground and crushed in a terrible manner, dving in a few minutes. Deceased was unmar-ried and came here two months ago from Nova Scotia. An inquest will be held today.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* GILLETTE CONFESSED

HIT GRACE BROWN ON THE HEAD

WHILE IN THE WATER. SO PRISONER ADMITTED TO HIS

OWN LAWYER Herkimer, N. Y., Dec. 14.-When Chester E. Gillette, the convicted mur lerer of Grace Brown, his sweethear told on the witness stand his pitiably weak story of how the little factor

girl had jumped into Big Moose Lake

and committed suicide, there were six men in the court room who knew as well as he did that he was lying.

They knew that two days before he had confessed to former senator Albert M. Mills, his junior counsel, that he had struck the girl in the water; that Grac Brown rose to the surface once after she went overboard, and that the man for whom she had sacrificed honor and faith and beauty leaned over the side of the boat and dealt her a blow which

stilled her forever.

It was this confession which was i district attorney Ward's mind when he demanded of Gillette in so many words to repeat what he had said in his cell. "Did you not confess night befo

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last." was Ward's question, "that you struck Grace Brown when she came up beside the boat?" Gillette whined back that he had not and in the dramatic hours that followed sight was lost that interrogation.

Ward could have proved by sheriff Richard and Evans, a turnkey, that Gi lette lied, but to have put them on the witness stand would have been to make a reversal of the trial by the court of appeals absolutely certain. Justice Devendorf would not permit them to swear to any conversation they had

overheard between Mills and Gillette.
It was on that Monday night that Mills after having been sleepless for nearly a week, decided that Gillette's position could not be much worse if he let the defendant go on the witness stand. The old attorney had not reached this de cision without a struggle with his professional considence

As the story was told tonight in Herkimer, Mills upon entering Gillette's cell, informed the prisoner that he his own defense. He asked him to go over again the different events of the Gillette did this, but when he got to the point where he had insisted on all previous occasions that the girl had leaped to death he told about siriking her as she rose beside the boat.
"You little wretch," Mills is said to
have shouted, "why didn't you ever tell

me this before? Gillette was silent.

When the trial was resumed the following morning it was observed and re-marked by many that there was an apparent coolness between Gillette and his lawyers, Mills and Charles D. Thomas. They did not sit near him, and during the days which came after they hardly spoke to him. Few suspected what lay behind this undoubted aversion of the two attorneys for the man whose life they were fighting to save from the elec-tric chair.

#### **READY ENGLISH CHARITY**

BRITAIN WILL RAISE \$5,000 000 FOR

GREAT MASS MEETING HELD IN EXETER HALL

London, Dec. 14-At a great meeting of philanthropists in the Exeter hall tonight under the presidency of lord Rothschild, Israel Zangwill, chief of the Zicnist movement, declared that death three less than 20,000 000 Rus ing the coming winter unless something was quickly done. Very little was being lone, he said, by the Rus o alleviate the sufferings of the peasants and it is up to the Jews in all parts of the world to come to the immediate assistance of their downtrodden and starving brethren. It was announced that half a milcourse of a few weeks \$5,000,000 would be forwarded to the committee in Russia for

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# **ARGUE WITH**

#### Coast Lumbermen to Have Pulp Lease Cancelled

Minister Promises Cabinet Conside -Not a Word About Compulsor Log Cutting

(Special to The Daily News) Vancouver, Dec. 21.—Fifty mi rmet the local members of the prov government here this morning wit ference to the timber regulations. chief point discussed was the can ition of the pulp leases on which no has yet been done. The millmen that the government act immediate the matter, placing the limits of market at public auction.

Hon. R. F. Green promised their

ments and request would be present an early meeting of the cabinet an tion would be taken.

The whole ground of the government of the cabinet and the work of the cabinet and the work of the government of the government of the cabinet and the work of the cabinet and the oughly discussed, but not a word said about the proposed legislation manding a specified amount of a cutting to make licenses hold good

Victoria, Dec. 21.—The amendme the Election Act introduced by th torney general at the last session of legislature, providing for the trans voters from one constituency to an in case of change of residence, is ing a source of confusion and is to result in disfranchisement o

electors.

It appears that some of the regis of voters recently applied to the aney general for an interpretation of the second work. amendment to the act, and were a ed that transfers could be effected within to days of the date fixed for elections. Thereupon numbers of ers had their names transferred to dent constituencies, and the work timed under the supposition that applicants for changes could safely upon the transfers being in the han

the registrars in sufficient time to their names placed on the lists. Subsequently, however, another l Subsequently, however, another I was issued from the attorney gens department to the effect that transland to be made at least sixty day flore the date of election. If, there we election should take place insigned that the state of the transfers wou too late and the electors would be franchised.

franchised franchised.

Their names having been structed lists where they were formerly istered, the electors would have right to vote there, and they would be in time to be placed on the new applied for; consequently, all electors would be unable to vote at a place and would be unable to vote at these and would be unable to vote at these and would be unable to vote at place and would suffer disfranchis Every constituency in the prowould be affected by this change.

## VANCOUVER STILL

BANK CLEARINGS MOUNT UP

LEADS ALL CANADIAN CIT RATE OF INCREASE

GREAT RATE Montreal, Dec. 21-The following ar weekly bank clearings as complid by street's for the week ending Decemb

decrease as compared	with the	corre
ng week last year:		
200	-	Inc
Montreal	\$37,523,072	31,8
Coronto	27,505,404	31.6
Winnipeg	12,385,167	36.1
Ottawa	3,374,829	20.1
Halifax	2,049,070	8.9
Vancouver	3,663,455	80.6
Quebec	2,217,965	15.4
Iamilton	2,220,162	42.4
St. John		16.9
ondon		20.5
Victoria		49.5
Calgary	1,452,469	
Edmonton	911,601	

In its weekly review of trade, street's tomorrow will say; The best reports as to past who and present holiday trade come fi over the dominion of Canada. Goo the city's trade having grown enorms the shipping business for the past s being the largest on record and man urers are busy. Retail business province is still quiet but a record

trade is expected.

Toronto reports a good reorder though naturally quieter than a while The dry goods trade for the year argest recorded and retail trade tario is good on seasonable weather, are very high and grain is above a port basis. Collections satisfactory, immigration and good creps have an excellent business in Manitoba ar complaints are of slow deliver goods from the east and of slow

ment of grain, due to congested facilities. Flour mills are behind of Failures for the week numbered