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LEGISLATURE OPENED TO-DAY

THE SPEECH OF THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Legislation Which Is Forecasted in the Address From His Honor.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Every encouragement was offered the social turn out which accompanied the opening of parliament at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The weather was ideal and the temperature sufficiently summer-like to permit a generous display of costume and to attract a large attendance of the fair sex. The demand for tickets of admission was exhausted early in the day and a great many requests had to be made to prevent overcrowding. As it was, all the available seating capacity was taken and standing room was at a premium. Over 20 seats on the floor of the House were occupied.

As in past years the guard of honor was furnished by the Fifth regiment. The detachment, which made a very creditable appearance, was commanded by Capt. J. C. Harris and Lieutenants R. Prior and P. T. Stern.

The Lieut.-Governor was attended by a brilliant show of uniform, his staff consisting of officers from the Fifth regiment and the Royal Canadian artillery and other corps stationed at Work Point, with a representation of officers from the Shearwater and Egeria.

The following ladies and gentlemen were those invited to seats on the floor of the House:

Mrs. Dunsmuir and party, Bishop and Mrs. Derrin, Chief Justice and Mrs. Hunter, Hon. B. Dewdney, Col. E. C. Frow and Mrs. Frow, Mr. Justice Irving, Mrs. Irving and Miss Irving, Mr. Justice Morrison, Mr. Justice Clement, Senator and Mrs. McDonald, Monsieur and Madame Duchastel de Marrouge, French consul at Vancouver; C. Loewenberg, German consul; Thomas R. Smith, Swedish and Norwegian consul, and Mrs. Smith, Hon. A. E. Smith, United States consul, and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. Young, R. P. Rithet and Mrs. Rithet, Mrs. Tatlow, Mrs. Bowser, Miss Eberhart, Judge Cornwall and Mrs. Cornwall, A. S. Gray and Miss Gray, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Pooley, Mrs. Elliston, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Mustard, Mrs. Williams, G. Baldwin, city controller of Vancouver, Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. (Col.) Wolfenden, Judge and Mrs. Lampman, Mrs. Musket, H. D. Helmcken and Mrs. Helmcken, Admiral Fleet, Fred Peters, Mrs. C. C. Peters, Mrs. (Col.) Hall, Mrs. Algood, wife of Commander Algood; Hon. Robert Beaven and Mrs. Beaven, Judge Young and Mrs. Young, Hon. J. S. Helmcken, Mrs. Higgins, Fred Peters, Mrs. C. C. Peters, Mrs. (Col.) Simpson Hayes, ex-president of Canadian Women's Press Club, Canon and Mrs. Beaulands, Mrs. Felt, Miss Fell, Dr. Corway, Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graham, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. H. C. Brewster, Mrs. O. H. Nelson, Mr. and Miss Bakenore, Sheriff Richards, Rev. G. K. B. and Mrs. Adams, Mrs. George Fraser, Rev. Wesley Clay and Mrs. Clay, R. E. Gosnell, Miss Gosnell, John Nelson and Mrs. Nelson, C. H. Lugin and Mrs. Lugin.

Following the usual formalities of assembling, His Honor was pleased to open the second session of the eleventh parliament of British Columbia, with the following speech:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In meeting you again at the opening of another session, it is my privilege to be able to congratulate you on the prosperity which, during the past year, has prevailed in nearly all lines of trade and industry.

The commission on irrigation, the appointment of which you authorized last session, has entered on its duties, and its report and recommendations will be submitted to you. In accordance with those recommendations, legislation will be introduced to secure a more equitable and efficient system of distribution of water for irrigation purposes.

The large increase in immigration, with the consequent demand for land under pre-emptions, warrants my government in asking you to place a larger sum in the estimates for an extension of the provincial survey. A measure will be laid before you with a view to the restriction of immigration of undesirable persons.

With the aim of encouraging and expediting railway construction, it is proposed to exempt from taxation, for a period of ten years from time of completion, certain railways already authorized. To do this you will be asked to pass an act empowering the government to grant such exemptions.

In accordance with your recommendation that a representative of the government should be sent to London to lay before the imperial government the fact of the refusal of the federal government to entertain British Columbia's claim for more adequate and equitable treatment in the matter of provincial subsidies, the honorable the

first minister was assigned to undertake the duty, and his report of his mission and its results will be laid before you.

In order to secure a more efficient service in the conduct of the public business, it has been thought desirable to regulate the civil service, and a measure for effecting that and creating a superannuation fund will be submitted for your approval.

With a view to obviate the necessity of our youth going abroad to perfect themselves in the arts and sciences, an act to establish a provincial university will be introduced during the session.

For the more convenient prosecution of public works under appropriations by the legislature, and with the object of securing uniformity between the federal and provincial systems in the method of accounting and the collection of statistics, it is deemed advisable to change the commencement of the financial year from July to April. I am pleased to be able to inform you that the finances of the province are in excellent condition. This has enabled my government to effect a large reduction in the public debt, while still able to show a substantial surplus over the actual expenditure.

Measures will be submitted to you designed to secure to the province the full benefits that should accrue to the treasury from the utilisation of its resources.

The public accounts for the past financial year, and the estimates for the ensuing similar period, will be laid before you. The estimates have been framed with due regard to economy, while providing for the outlay necessary to meet the requirements of the public service in a province the scene of important industrial development.

On account of the increase in the demands for public works and buildings, and the development taking place in the northern parts of the province, it is deemed advisable to create the office of minister of public works, and you will be asked to approve of an amendment to the Constitution Act to effect that.

I now commend these various measures to your attention, believing that their adoption will be to the advantage of the province and the welfare of the people.

EXPLOSION CAUSED BY "BLACK HAND"

Front of New York Tenement Building Shattered—Panic in Hospital.

New York, Jan. 16.—An explosion, which the police attribute to the Black Hand, occurred early to-day in a tenement house in East 29th street, shattering the front of the building, breaking windows in nearby buildings, and causing a panic in the wards of Bellevue hospital, which are located on that side of the hospital towards the building where the explosion occurred. No one in the building was seriously injured.

The explosion seems to have been directed toward the family of Pierre Orarato, a coal and wood dealer, whose wife and three children were in the building.

Orarato states that on December 5th he received a letter signed "Black Hand," in which he was directed to place \$1,000 on the grave of a certain Italian in a Brooklyn cemetery within a month, on penalty of being killed with all his family.

A representation of old London Bridge is to be one of the features of the Franco-British exhibition next year at Shepherd's Bush, London.



HON. JAMES DUNSMUIR Lieut.-Governor of the Province, Who Opened the Legislature This Afternoon.

TOWN MAY SINK TO DESTRUCTION

Inhabitants of Spanish City Flee From Houses—Gaps in Streets.

Minas de Rio Tinto, Spain, Jan. 16.—This town is threatened with complete

destruction owing to the subsidence of the ground.

Large gaps are visible in the principal streets and four hundred houses have been hastily evacuated.

The sinking of the ground is believed to be due to the caving in of a portion of the copper mines.

ABOLISHES DEATH PENALTY. Munich, Jan. 15.—The Prince Regent of Bavaria, who recently pardoned two murderers sentenced to death, to-day declared his intention not to sign any more death warrants.

BOARD OF CONTROL

Much Opposition Expected to Scheme For Civic Administration.

Calgary, Jan. 16.—The committee appointed by the city council to draft a new form of executive has decided upon a board of control to consist of the mayor and four controllers, to be elected from the city at large, to hold office for two years, unless their resignation is demanded sooner by a two-thirds vote of the council. Controllers must have had one or more years' experience in the city council, and have a salary of not more than \$3,000 a year, except the mayor, who may have more.

Much opposition to this scheme is feared, and it may not pass the provincial legislature.

V. I. & E. RAILWAY

W. Sloan Presents Petition in the House of Commons.

Ottawa, Jan. 16.—W. Sloan presented a petition in the House to-day of the Vancouver Island & Eastern Railway Company for the building of a railway from the city of Victoria to the Narrows, and the Yellow Head Pass to Edmonton.

T. W. Paterson, of Victoria, and W. J. Haney, of Toronto, are among the incorporators.

CALGARY PRESBYTERIANS

Calgary, Jan. 16.—The annual meeting of the Knox church was held last night. During the last three years the membership has more than doubled, and two new congregations have been formed. The church is considering the proposition of adding two more congregations in the city.

\$100,000 HOTEL

Toronto, Jan. 15.—The Canadian Railway Lumber Company and the Grand Trunk railway have completed the purchase of forty acres of land at Norway Point, Huntsville, for the erection of their new \$100,000 hotel.

NEW PHASE IN JAP CABINET CRISIS

Changes to Be Made in Budget—\$210,000,000 for Army and Navy.

Tokio, Jan. 16.—The presentation of a synopsis of the budget to the leaders of both houses, which it had been arranged was to have occurred this morning, was suddenly postponed, and it was announced that changes are to be made in certain items.

While absolutely nothing official has been given out, leading business men estimate that the government receipts for 1908-9 will amount to about \$410,000,000 and expenditures to about \$430,000,000, of which approximately one third is for the army and navy.

This would leave a deficit of nearly \$200,000,000 which Finance Minister Saikant expected to pay by increased taxation.

In the course of his remarks in reply to the various speakers, the minister of inland revenue (Hon. Mr. Templeman) said:

"This is an age of advancement and improvement, and even in the question of tobacco and its growth in Canada, the conditions and opportunities are receiving, and have been for a considerable time receiving the very serious attention of the department of inland revenue. I have been a smoker of cigars for many years, and I know that the numerous labels put on cigar boxes are a detriment to some extent to the native-grown article. If the adoption of one uniform label will place the tobacco growers of Canada in a better position than that they now occupy, for my part I know of no good reason why we should not have one uniform label. I agree also with the remarks of the hon. member for South Essex (Mr. Clark) and the hon. member for Halifax (Mr. Henderson) that much may be done in instructing the tobacco growers of Canada in the best methods of growing and curing tobacco. I feel sure that Canada, particularly my own province of British Columbia, can grow as good tobacco as may be grown on the continent of America, excepting, possibly, the island of Cuba. I believe my hon. friend the minister of marine and fisheries (Mr. Brodeur) has already intimated that this question was receiving the attention of the department and that we hoped before the present session is over, to introduce a measure amending the inland revenue act along the line proposed in the discussion here to-day. Just what that bill will be it is premature for me to say; but I hope that, before many weeks have passed, we shall be in a position to announce to the House a measure that will, to a considerable extent at any rate, remove the difficulties under which the tobacco growers of Canada are said now to be laboring. There can be no objection, I take it, to the motion."

ARMORED CRUISER AGROUND

German Warship Met With Bad Accident While Engaged in Evolutions.

Kiel, Jan. 16.—The new German armored cruiser Schamhorst, ran aground near Buek last night while engaged in evolutions. It is reported that a hole one hundred feet long was torn in her double bottom. The crew of the cruiser's stoke holds immediately filled with water, and it was necessary to close the collision bulkheads in order to prevent her from sinking.

Under her own steam the cruiser entered the Imperial dock yard here, where she will undergo repairs.

England is the only country where members of parliament are not only unpaid, but have no special rights or privileges.



Members of the Legislature of B. C., Who Entered Upon the Duties of the Present Session This Afternoon

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NEWSBOYS STRIKE.
Mass., Jan. 11.—Three officers
sited, stripped of their badges
and one officer and a by-
stander badly injured that they had
been to the emergency hospital
an attack made on the po-
two hundred newsboys in
the Boston American newspa-
of the newsboys were placed
rest, and another disturbance
at the police station, when of-
d to get the arrested youths
The trouble was an in-
a strike of union newsboys.
at Tuesday against a local
which it is claimed has
the price of the paper to the
Wednesday the union newsboys
to handle the paper. There
trouble until to-day, how-
in the paper found non-union
take out the paper.

D-2 cows, brand E. B. on right
left ear split, one of them red
da of horns cut off, one half
and half Holstein, colored black
e; last seen at Glen Lake. Par-
same please file up and notify
wards, Millstream, care of D.
H. Colwood.

D-To the premises of C. Heald,
one brindled steer, 2 years old,
brown heifer, 2 years old. Owned
it cm by paying expenses. If
used will be sold by auction on
20th inst., at 11 a. m.

NOTICE.
is hereby given that, 30 days
I intend to apply to the Hon-
of Commissioner of Lands and
a license to prospect for coal
following described lands, situated
Division of Yale District, Com-
at a post planted alongside of
west corner post of Lot 27, and
M. W. Bonthron's northeast
thence west 30 chains, and north 30
to 30 chains, and north 30
of commencement.

CLAY BONTHRONE,
AGENT.
DAST LAND DISTRICT.
Notice that A. Hammer, of Bella
Tupper, intends to apply for per-
to purchase the following de-
lands: Commencing at a post
30 chains south of the northwest
Lot 24, Range 3, Coast District,
30 chains to shore of Abunt-
thence in a southeasterly direc-
shore line to the west bound-
at 24, thence north five chains,
less, to point of commencement,
being 10 acres, more or less.
November 28th, 1907.
ALBERT HAMMER.

QUESTION OF INCREASED FEES JUDGMENT DEALING WITH THAT SUBJECT Delivered by Mr. Justice Martin in Connection With Chahal's Case.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The Chahal's case is to come up again in the courts of the province. This is on an appeal in Bryce vs. Canadian Pacific Railway Company, which is set for argument February 11th.

This case has become a noted one because of having been before the courts so often, as well as because of the tragic circumstances upon which the action is founded. The judgment now published for the first time, deals with the subject of the counsel fees of the trial and the principles to be followed in allowing increased counsel fees, which will be of great interest. The judgment is that of Mr. Justice Martin, and is as follows:

"I am asked by the defendants' counsel to grant a fiat for increased counsel fees on the trial of these six consolidated actions. Seeing that applications of this kind are of late becoming more frequent, (probably in view of the recent greatly increased cost of living, which doubtless compels solicitors to brief leading counsel accordingly) it seems opportune for the information of the profession to give my reasons for granting the application, so that it may be some guide on future occasions.

"These cases, though tried together, involve some distinct issues, so I decided that it would be proper to allow each side to be represented by three counsel, regarding the purpose of taxation, two of them as seniors and one junior. The court was assisted by two nautical assessors, and the matters in issue were of unusual importance and of a nature to require sustained close attention. The court sat on eight days, five of which were long sittings, generally from 10 to 5, with one hour's adjournment for lunch, and the three other days from one quarter to three-quarters as long, these broken days being caused by the usual Saturday half-holiday, and the unexpected detention en route of a witness from a great distance. I mention this because no delay was caused by any oversight on the part of counsel or solicitors.

"Now the mere fact that a case lasts many days is not to be taken as a ground for increased counsel fees—because cases are but too often, at great expense to the litigants, and to the convenience of all concerned, regrettably protracted by unpreparedness, unpunctuality, long unnecessary adjournments and unduly short hours of sitting. But on the other hand, where a case is conducted, as was the one at bar, with skill, punctuality and expedition, there results a great saving of expense and valuable time, not to speak of the minimizing of inconvenience to a large number of persons, which should be recognized by the court, because what should primarily be regarded is not the mere time taken up in a trial but the skill displayed in the handling of it. In other words, it is quality and diligence, and not quantity and delay that govern my discretion.

"It is just, therefore, in this case that effect should be given to the foregoing principles and in applying them to the facts (which must differ more or less in each case) the court should allow a fee of \$500 to one of the leading counsel, Mr. Bodwell, and \$750 to the other, Mr. Davis, who was absent on one day's fractional session. To the junior, Mr. MacCallum, who did not formally appear at the three sittings in Victoria, I allow \$225.

"Because of some uncertainty in the practice, I take this opportunity of stating that applications for flats are not made on a formal summons; a notification by letter to the other side of intention to apply at some convenient hour is sufficient. The applicant should have with him, for convenient reference, a memorandum (not certificate) from the registrar showing the hours of sitting and the highest fees that the tariff permits him to tax on his own discretion. No argument is heard, but merely a statement is made of such facts as are necessary for the exercise of the judge's discretion.

(Sd.) ARCHER MARTIN."

MAKING READY TO INSTAL SAWMILL By Summer Works Will Be in Operation on Salt Spring Island. Active operations are about to commence on Salt Spring Island in connection with the sawmill project of Messrs. Betts and Mesher, who have, during the past few months, secured a considerable tract of timber land in the district, and purpose making a specialty of the manufacture of ties.

WILL LEAVE SUNDAY. J. Obed Smith is going to assume his New Office. J. Obed Smith, commissioner of Immigration, who for the last few weeks has been staying in this city, and who has recently word that he is to exchange places with Bruce Walker, assistant superintendent at London, England, leaves here on Sunday night for the purpose of assuming his new office. Mr. Bruce Walker will make his headquarters at Winnipeg, but will have jurisdiction all the way to the coast. The idea of the department in making the change is to get those who come out in close connection with those who advise them.

REWARD OF INFIDELITY. Irato Husband Drives Wife and Baby Through the Snow. Boies, Idaho, Jan. 15.—John Thompson, living in the mountains near Placerville, returned home unexpectedly last night to find Felix Carpenter with his wife. Thompson drove both of them out of the house into the deep snow and biting weather. He had to walk a mile and a half barefoot, and in their night robes. Both of them survived and have fled the country. Thompson severely before causing his summary exit.

FULL TEXT OF THE JUDGMENT ON VOTERS Decision of Mr. Justice Clement on the Question of Exemptions. The full text of the judgment of Mr. Justice Clement with respect to a number of applications made to strike names off the Victoria Municipal Voters' list which was referred to in yesterday's Times is now given in full. It is likely that further action will be taken on the strength of that judgment to have the women's names restored for the vote to-morrow.

As I have said, the question is within a still narrower compass: Are the "householders" within the statute, 1906, c. 18, sec. 2? That section defines a householder thus: "The full text of Mr. Justice Clement's judgment, is as follows: Applications to strike from the voters' list for the city of Victoria, and the question as to all is: Are they duly qualified voters under the statute, 1906, c. 20, sec. 2?"

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WORK DONE BY RAILWAY COMMITTEE E. & N. Obtains Four Years' Extension of Time—British Yukon Company. Ottawa, Jan. 14.—The first business meeting of the railway committee was held today. The British Yukon Railway Co. asked power to extend its line to Tahkenka river, a distance of about 35 miles, to reach the mines. This is a future possibility and sent down a roll of tracts.

One of these bore an admission referred to in the "pik," and McDonald telephoned up: "Say, who is that cheerful person that wants to rub it in on us?" The Elks, to which Bailey belongs, have come to plans for a big banquet when the men are liberated. He was told to eat sparingly on the last day of captivity to be well prepared by diet for the general emptiness, for the elaborate dinner. "You tell them," he said, "that I will eat three squares a day up to the time of the banquet and they can bury me over it if I don't do justice to it."

ROMANCE INVESTS MISSING REGALIA London, Jan. 15.—The Tribune hears from a source which it regards as trustworthy, that the missing Irish regalia is held intact for a large ransom and a guarantee of immunity to the dregge on this line, a distance of 112 miles, than the original cost. Thompson, Yukon, who had charge of the bill, said that the railway commission had no power to interfere. Hon. G. P. Graham, minister of railways, said that he proposed to have a statement from the railway commission before the bill was proceeded with, and it was therefore decided to hold it over. The British Columbia Southern Railway Co. was given an extension of time of five years to complete the line from Fort Steele to Golden. This is a C. P. R. branch of the Columbia & Southern.

PARIS ICE TRAGEDY. Thirty Young People Submerged—Two Were Drowned. Paris, Jan. 15.—Great excitement was caused yesterday afternoon by the breaking of the ice on the Seine. Some thirty young people being precipitated into the water. It was feared at first that many of them were drowned, but after a detachment of firemen had dragged the lake by the aid of search lights, it was found that only two had been drowned, both bodies being recovered.

POCKETED IN EARTH. BUT STILL LIVING Weird Experience of Three Nevada Miners—Fed Through Six-Inch Water Pipe. Ely, Nev., Jan. 14.—Just one month ago the Alpha shaft of the Giroux mine caved in. The timber, like stars was scattered in all directions, collapsed and thousands of tons of rock and earth filled the shaft from below the 1,000-foot level up to 550 feet below the surface. Three men, A. D. Bailey, pump driver, Peter McDonald, and one other, were trapped in the pump house, were there now with 45 feet of debris between them and liberty and probably will remain a closed cylinder in a pocket of rock. The marvelous ingenuity of men when they are combatting forces which would destroy them has been exemplified in this case. Etoned to the fact that a large number of logs, a greater part attributed to early frosts in some sections, had been used to establish communication with the captives, but has supplied them with practically everything they could desire, save liberty.

A demonstration of this fertility of resource has just been given. The weather here is very cold and snow covers the ground. Down in the pocket it is much warmer, but the men needed blankets. The only means by which articles can be lowered is through a six-inch water pipe, each made into a closed cylinder by means of caps screwed to their ends and the two fastened together end to end with a chain, are lowered. It was an easy matter to let down for the miners, candles, newspapers, tobacco and even an incandescent bulb by which they are now supplied with light, but to furnish them blankets was another thing. The problem was solved, however, by Mrs. Bailey, wife of one of the prisoners. She tore blankets into small strips so they could be stuffed into the pipes. More than a dozen trips were required to lower a single blanket, and it took half a day to send down three blankets. Then Mrs. Bailey filled up one of the cylinders with thread and needles and telephoned instructions to her husband about the sewing. It took them a day to complete one blanket and it probably is a weird looking thing. Every hour or so would come a call for more needles; they are breaking them so fast. In the same way canvas was let down, and with pieces of iron they found, cots had been constructed. Brown has been a victim of insomnia; in fact, has not slept more than an hour at a time since his imprisonment. That their appetites are good, however, is attested by the amount of food which is sent down daily. Everyone in Ely agrees that Brown, McDonald and Bailey are having a far easier and more comfortable time of it than are the men of the rescue party. The latter are exposed to the hardships of the Yukon winter, as well as to the dangers which beset those who work in the shaft. Business in the town is almost at a standstill, owing to the general interest taken in the situation. Housewives vie with each other in cooking dainties for the men and there is nothing in the line of liquid refreshment too good for them. The excellent women, nevertheless, with time had come for the trio to think seriously of matters pertaining to the future life and to seek salvation, won out over their certain regard to these matters, thought the carrying out of her purpose might be too suggestive of immediate

ALBERNI FARMERS OPPOSE GUN TAX Annual Report Shows Flourishing Condition of Institute—Damage From Gale. Alberni, Jan. 14.—The annual meeting of the Alberni Farmers' Institute was held at the court house on the 11th inst. The accounts showed a balance on hand of \$115. The report showed that during the year, weighing scales for weighing wagon loads, cattle, etc., had been erected under the auspices of the institute in a central part of the town and though only in operation for half the year, had made a return from weighing fees, of eight per cent. on the original cost. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, F. Cowley; vice-president, A. H. Barron; secretary, J. H. Hills; directors, G. A. Spencer and A. W. Heath; auditors, J. McLaren and A. W. Neill; delegate to the meeting of Central Farmers' Institute next year, F. Cowley. Thereafter a desultory debate followed on what instructions should be given to the delegate to the central meeting next month. He was instructed to propose a tax on dogs, each resident farmer to be allowed one sheep or cattle dog free.

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Matsura, minister of justice, and the portfolio of finance, were accepted. Yamagata, minister of interior will take the cabinet without new members and removes the dispu- tants. The disturbing factors have been the resignation of the cabinet.

Information about the resigna- tion of Saionji was minister of finance, announced by the Press on Jan. 11th, was evi- dently correct, and the official denial following day was proved to be untrue. It was a possibility of an imperial council to-day gave rise to the resignation of Saionji. The resignation of Saionji is responsible for the bud- get which is blamed by the cabi- net because in 1907 he prom- ised that there would be no increase in the taxation, nor would there be resort to foreign loans in 1908. The resignation of the situation of the cabinet officers and el- ements that an increase of tax- in lieu thereof a foreign loan is unavoidable. Sakatani en- deavored to reduce the appropriations for the army and navy, to which these officers objected and they finally suc- ceeded in carrying their point. Sa- katani attempted to reduce the appropriations for railroads, but Yamagata made an objection, and then increased the general budget, but this found strenuous ob- jection among the leading finan- ciers. Sakatani finally decided to accept the resignation of Saionji, and also insisted that his resignation should be accepted. Mar- quis Saionji, the responsible head of the cabinet who agreed with him, an- nounced the resignation of Marquis Saionji's resigna- tion, and the emperor would accept it then the resignation of Saionji and Yamagata would be accepted. Matsura and Keihara con- sidered this agreement. The emperor Saionji and Prince Ito wait- ing for the emperor this morning. The emperor refused to accept the resigna- tion of Saionji and Yamagata. The emperor probably will be some changes in the budget, and the diet may decide to increase the taxation, but in- crease the appropriations for the army and navy. It may be decided to increase the taxation, but in- crease the appropriations for the army and navy. It may be decided to increase the taxation, but in- crease the appropriations for the army and navy.

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So far as can be gathered from government sources there will not be anything specially remarkable in the program to be submitted to the approaching session of parliament. There seems to be some doubt whether the legislation affecting the question of irrigation, which the government had in mind when it started its investigations, with the assistance of Professor Carpenter, will be brought down. For as explained by Hon. F. J. Fulton this morning, the professor has, through some unexpected omission, failed to submit his report. And it was Professor Carpenter's report that the government was looking to for guidance in framing the proposed amend- ments to the Water Clause Act.

Of course Professor Carpenter's report may come in any day, but the chief commissioner had been expect- ing it in time for utilization before the opening of the House, so that the proposed changes might have been printed, for the advertisement of those chiefly interested, and suggestions invited looking to the perfection of the new act. All these plans of the minister have been spoiled by the failure of Professor Carpenter to send his report into the government.

It will be remembered that Professor Carpenter was employed as an irrigation expert, to assist the government in developing an improved scheme with reference to the administration of irrigating water powers. And in company with the chief commissioner of lands and works, the professor made some extended tours and inspections of irrigation systems prevailing in some of the Western States, and also made elaborate investigation of the situation as affecting the irrigation question in the interior parts of the province. The department, it is said, has been looking anxiously for his report for several weeks past, expecting it every day, and now the fear is growing that after all the practical work which the commission has done, its work will be practically impracticable for use during the present session of the House. The department is now making a move with a view to hastening Professor Carpen- ter's report.

NEW MARRIAGE LAWS

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 13.—Cardinal Gibbons said to-day that the new laws relating to marriage in the Catholic church, which have recently been issued by the Holy See, will not change in any important particular the exist- ing laws in the church in this country. The new laws are aimed to prevent hasty and ill-advised marriages. The new regulations will, it is said, be announced after Easter.

HAWAIIAN FORTIFICATIONS

Honolulu, Jan. 13.—The award of bids for material for the fortification of Pearl Harbor has been held up for the reason that it is believed the lowest bidder is a dummy for some Japanese contractor. It is probable all bids will be rejected and the war department will conduct the work.

COMPLIMENTS GIVEN AT COUNCIL BOARD

Last Night's Meeting of Mayor and Aldermen Resulted in Little Business.

The meeting of the city council last night was more in the nature of a vaudeville than anything else. It afforded the aldermen opportunity, which they took advantage of, to clear their desks of accumulations of old papers, and leave them clean to their suc- cessors. For every one of them, these those whose tenority was again carry- ing them into the field—were appar- ently building on the possibility that they would not sit at the council board during the coming year.

Then there were addresses, the key note of which was that of farewell. The Mayor started the speech making by saying some nice things about his rela- tions with the council; that there were occasional disagreements was only to be expected in an independent body, and he renounced any feeling of prej- udice or pique on his part as a result of his associations with the aldermen in- dividually or as a whole. He wished success to everybody—in whatever line fate might choose for them—whether in the aldermanic hall or in the private walks of life.

Then each of the aldermen in turn took his place and duplicated the Mayor's good wishes to everybody. Ald. Fell took occasion in the course of his farewell to suggest that the first two years of his service in the council were more happy than the last two, during which he had, he said, been forced into the position of a critic. He enunciated the idea as something which he thought might be helpful to the new council, if observed—that the mayor was not supposed to interfere in the debates of the council as a partici- pant, from the chair—but should permit the greatest latitude to aldermanic discussion.

ODD FELLOWS' BANQUET

Successful Function Held Last Night in Hall on Douglas Street.

A banquet was given by the Odd Fellows in their hall on Douglas street last evening, and it was one of the most successful functions ever attempted by the order. The attendance exceeded anticipations, but accommodation was shown made for the surplus. W. H. Huxtable, chairman of the joint committee, presided, while James Robinson supplied the good things with which the tables were laden.

The toast list was long and varied. After the King had been honored J. Wilby proposed the toast, "Our Beloved Order," which was responded to by Fred Davey, grand secretary, who re- marked that the Odd Fellows were justly proud of their order. Like the drumbeats of the empire, it encircled the globe, having a membership well over the two million mark.

In speaking of Victoria lodge, he de- clared that he had occupied the post of secretary for the past 32 years. The lodge was first organized 45 years ago, and since then over \$8,000 had been paid out in benefits.

The vocal talent was of a high order, and formed a very enjoyable part of the programme. W. Kinnaid rendered several songs, while others who contrib- uted to the programme included W. Jackson, Miss Palmer, Rev. E. G. Miller, W. H. Huxtable, W. H. Kidner and Miss Looney.

G. M. TRIPP, MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION

Civic Nominations Took Place in Grand Forks Yesterday—Polling on 21st.

Grand Forks, Jan. 14.—The civic nomi- nations were held here yesterday for the city elections, and were as follows: For Mayor, G. M. Frupp was elected Mayor by acclamation. For Aldermen in the east ward, James MacArthur, G. W. Rutherford, Fred Clark, Sam Horn- er, W. S. Miller.

West ward, H. E. Woodland, P. T. McCallum, James Hardy and Frank Miller. For school trustees, Rube Hughes, H. C. Hannington, I. A. Dinsmore. The polling for aldermen and school trustees will take place on Tuesday next. The contest among the alder- men will be keen. Only a total of six aldermen and two school trustees can be elected.

QUEBEC TRICENTENARY

Quebec, Jan. 14.—It was decided last night to hold the Quebec tricentenary celebration in August next, as sug- gested by Earl Grey, instead of next year as had been decided on.

ANOTHER ARGUMENT FOR ALL RED LINE

Lord Strathcona Comments on Agreement Between Ger- man Steamship Lines.

London, Jan. 14.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal in an interview last night on the shipping situation, said that he regarded the agreement recently entered into by the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg American steamship lines as likely to precipitate a repetition of the situation of a few years ago, when the American attack upon British shipping resulted in the granting of a subsidy to the Cunard company by the British government and the building of the Lusitania and Mauretania.

He considers that the German agree- ment is further justification for the subsidizing of an "All Red" transpor- tation line to encircle the globe, which had been strongly advocated last sum- mer.

ACCEPTS SCUM BUT WOULD BAR JAPS

Caustic Comment on Attitude of U. S. on Immigration Question.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The Patrie to-day published a letter from a "Japanese officer who was wounded in Manchuria and who is now convalescing at New York," protesting against the idea of the inferiority of the Japanese. This writer says: "In the hierarchy of peoples we are superior to the Italians and the Spaniards. Can the Yankees re- fuse our immigrants when they accept the refuse and the scum of Italy and Germany? We are the Chinese, who are savages." "If the Americans persist in their pre- judices, it means war."

Theatre Was a Blazing Furnace

150 LIVES WERE LOST

Shocking Holocaust at Boyertown, Pa.—Hundreds Hemmed in by Seething Flames—Women and Children Were Trampled to Death.

Boyertown, Pa., Jan. 13.—A catastrophe, terrifying in its details and sickening in its results, to-night swept one hundred and fifty souls of this borough into eternity in almost the twinkling of an eye, and injured nearly seventy-five, many of them fatally. A majority of the killed are leading members of the families of the town.

While "The Scottish Reformation" was being produced in the Rhodes Opera House by Mrs. Munroe, of Washington, a tank used in a moving-picture scene exploded. Immediately there was a wild rush for the exits of the building. Men of mature years endeavored to still the panic, but their voices could not be heard above the shrieks and screams of the terrified women and children, who composed the greater part of the audience.

The scenes cannot be portrayed fully by the most imaginative. The blood-curdling cries for help of those who were penned within the walls of the blazing structure could be heard above the roaring flames. It seemed as though nearly the entire audience made a mad rush for the exits the moment the explosion occurred.

In the rush a section of the floor gave way, precipitating scores of people to the basement. As the floor collapsed, the shrieks of the helpless people who were carried down were heard for blocks. It was scarcely five minutes from the explosion of the lamp until the entire heart of the structure seemed a roaring furnace.

There was a mad scramble for the stairway leading from the building, and scores of women and children were knocked down and trampled upon, many of them crushed to death. At least fifty persons, realizing that exit by the stairway meant almost certain death, risked their lives by jumping from the windows.

As the flames ate their way towards the front of the building women could be seen to clasp their hands and fall back into the flames. Once the doorways were cleared, the rescuers dragged many women and children from the stairway leading to the balcony.

Some of them were so badly injured that they died before reaching a temporary hospital. Skulls were crushed, and the faces of some of the victims were so horribly mutilated that they were barely recognizable. In one instance the skull of a child was crushed almost to a pulp.

In several cases, it is said, whole families have been wiped out.

Boyertown, Pa., Jan. 14.—When daylight dawned to-day the full extent of last night's horror, when the Rhodes opera house was burned, was apparent. The list of dead is placed at 150, and the injured at 75.

How many were killed may never be known, for among the victims of the awful disaster were a number of visitors and some strangers. It is estimated that there were 400 people in the place when the explosion occurred.

An amateur performance of the "Scottish Reformation" for the benefit of St. John's Lutheran Sunday school was being produced when the explosion occurred. Some one yelled "Fire," and in a remarkably short time the centre of the opera house was a blazing furnace. The rapidly with which the flames spread was caused by the upsetting of the coal oil used at the foot lights, by some of the persons on the stage, who endeavored to allay the fright of the women and children in the audience.

For several months the Sunday school pupils of St. John's Lutheran church had been rehearsing "The Scottish Reformation," which was being staged by Mrs. H. E. Munroe, of Washington, the authoress, and when the curtain rose at 8 o'clock the opera house was thronged with representative persons of the church.

That part of the play in which the students from Glasgow university and the Puritans marched to Lett- ington to meet Queen Mary had just been acted. The young people in the play had finished their songs and in- tending to enter into the play motioned to them to go back and resume their seats, but the frightened spectators attempted to climb up on the stage to escape the fierce spluttering of the moving picture machine.

One of the young men on the stage, more excited than the others, made a motion as if to repel the audience, and in his excitement he overturned one of the coal oil lamps that were used as foot lights for the stage. It fell with a crash into the auditorium and exploded.

In an instant the stage front was ablaze and the frightened people surged toward the rear again. The youth- ful actors fled clothed in their stage garments. The crowd in the front of the auditorium fled to the rear as the flames from the stage edged toward them and they were met by a crowd from the rear, frantic to escape from the building.

They became panic-stricken, and strong men beat down women and children. The flames spread rapidly and many in the audience were caught and overcome before they could reach the fire escapes.

Even the men seemed to lose all control of themselves and fought with the women and children in their efforts to reach the street. In this manner many women and children who might otherwise have escaped the flames were forced back and trampled to death. Particularly was this the case with those who were caught on the stairway.

Pandemonium reigned and in the mad scramble for the exits the weaker ones were brushed aside and in many instances killed. Scores of persons on the second floor seeing the awful jam on the stairs risked their lives by jumping from the windows. Several of those were so badly injured that they died.

Boyertown is a village of about 2,500 population, and there is scarcely a home in the little town that has not been afflicted by last night's fire.

Reuben W. Stover, one of those who escaped the flames, said to-day: "When the explosion occurred there were at least thirty boys and girls on the stage, while many more were behind the scenes. Without warning, there was a terrific explosion, which seemed to shake the entire building. Immediately there was a wild rush for the exits. The people on the stage jumped over the footlights into the audience. Everybody seemed to have lost control of themselves.

"The flames first consumed the filmy scenery and then swept toward the crowd like a great wave, the suf- focating smoke driving men, women and children in its path. The flames did the rest.

"Once the crowd began to fight its way toward the doors no power on earth could have saved all the lives, but I believe that if the men had not lost control of themselves the loss of life would have been very small."

The fire was not brought under control until early this morning, after assistance had arrived from Reading and Pottsville. Physicians and nurses from Reading aided materially in alleviating the sufferings of the in- jured. Early to-day about fifty members of the state constabulary arrived from Reading on a special train.

The work of removing the bodies from the debris will be unusually tedious and hazardous. When the crush was at its height the floor gave way, precipitating many persons to the basement and the bodies of these are buried beneath the charred timbers and tons of bricks from the ruined walls.

In addition to the opera house, the Farmers' National Bank, Rahm's hardware store, and the dwellings of Geo. Rahm, Harry Pennypacker and Alfred Reashard were burned. The monetary loss will amount to about \$75,000.

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MYSTERIOUS CRIME

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—W. J. Week, a prominent labor man, and secretary of the cigarmakers' union, was shot and robbed last night while sitting in his home.

He was alone in the house, and his wife returned to find him sitting at the table with his hat on and a bullet through his head from the rear. All the doors were locked, as they had been left when the family went out. His money had been taken from his pocket. The crime is considered mys- terious by the police.

PROBING CALGARY POLICE METHODS

Civic Investigation Concluded Without Any Startling Evi- dence Being Adduced.

Calgary, Alb., Jan. 14.—The civic in- vestigation was concluded last night without startling evidence being brought in and Judge Stuart will hand in his report with the full evidence to the city council in the course of a few weeks' time. Mr. Tucker, the star wit- ness for the prosecution, who claimed that the police arrested parties for stealing from him and then dropped the prosecution, was confronted by the man who stole the goods, who had to admit that he had accepted ten dollars from him not to prosecute. This re- moved the charge entirely from the police, especially as it was brought out in the evidence that members of the citizens' league who were prosecuting the chief of police, knew previous to the trial that Tucker had taken hush money.

E. Ryan, of P. J. Nolan & Co., bar- risters, in summing up for the defence, made one of the greatest speeches ever heard in a Calgary court, and was warmly congratulated by his legal brethren afterwards.

BIG COTTON STRIKE IS IMMINENT

Manchester, Jan. 14.—All efforts at intervention to bring about a settle- ment of the dispute between the cot- ton mill owners and their employees, which threatens to result in the lock- ing out of 150,000 men, have come to naught.

The operatives at a meeting last night decided to break off all further nego- tiations with the master spinners and a lockout now appears to be inevitable.

LANCASHIRE EMPLOYEES BREAK OFF NEGOTIATIONS WITH MASTER SPINNERS

Berne, Switzerland, Jan. 14.—Captain Fisher, of the Swiss army, has been dis- missed from the service by a court-mar- tial, having compromised the Swiss army abroad.

SWISS OFFICER DISMISSED

Captain Fisher was until recently in- spector of the Moroccan police.

MAYOR OF WINNIPEG APPEALS TO BANKS

Needs of City for Current Year Will Total in the Neighbor- hood of \$3,250,000.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—This morning a conference was held in the Bank of Commerce between the members of the Bankers' Association and the city, which was represented by Mayor Ash- down, Controller Evans and Ald. Riley. There was practically a full attendance of the bankers. The conference was of a private nature, the press not being admitted.

It has been learned, however, that Mayor Ashdown presented to the bank- ers a full statement of the city's assets and liabilities, and asked that the Bankers' Association, representing the different chartered banks, recommend to the head offices of the different banks interested, that each bank assume in proportion to its capitalization a part of the money required by the city for current expenditure.

Mayor Ashdown pointed out that the needs of the city for the current year would be in the neighborhood of \$3,250,000, this amount to include the overdraft at the banks. In civic circles it was learned that the proposal of the mayor and committee was favorably received and that the bank man- agers in the afternoon of the 13th met the city half way and supply the funds for current expenditure on a reasonable basis.

It is said that the bank of Nova Scotia has undertaken to supply \$200,000 of the city's liability and that other banks will do so in proportion.

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A MILLION FOR ROYAL MINT

of Nearly \$300,000 Al- ly Expended on Canada's New Establishment.

Jan. 14.—According to a re- port brought down in the House of Commons yesterday the total cost of a royal mint up to November 30th 1893. The site cost \$21,150; the proper \$288,830, and the equip- ment \$4,967. It is estimated that a sum of \$4,000 will be required to complete the establishment, making a half million dollars.

All appointments have been by the imperial authorities. No one has yet been coined in the mint. The profit on copper and coinage made at the royal mint and for Canada during the past two years was \$3,007,273. It is estimated that the current year Canada will produce copper coinage to a value of \$50,000 and silver coinage to the value of \$700,000.

quires the expenditure of eight millions of dollars to get the same distance on the

EMERSON LIBEL CASE

Frederickton, N. B., Jan. 13.—The last move in the Emerson libel was made this morning, when J. D. Hazen, pro- secutor, moved that the indictment against the Frederickton Gleaser be quashed. He pointed out that the case stood over from last year, and the accused entered his own recognisance to appear at the January term and was now present in court.

CRUSHED TO DEATH BY LOG

Kelowna, Jan. 13.—A young man, Robert Crawford, of Crawford Falls, was accidentally killed by the falling of a log.

PRESERVATION OF FORESTS

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—It is understood that after the present session of par- liament a commission will be appointed to investigate the question of forest preservation throughout Canada and the desirability of prohibiting alto- gether or imposing an export duty on the shipment of pulp wood from Can- ada to the United States.

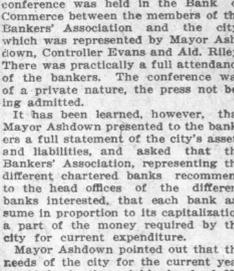


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on his return he is an American in the eyes of the British law. The American law may be applied to him. This is only a way of becoming a British subject by taking out naturalization papers. In law he would then become a naturalized British subject, though grammatically he would be both naturalized and native-born."

OAK BAY AND WATER QUESTION.

Reeve's Oliver, of Oak Bay municipality, it is interesting to observe, has very decided opinions upon the water question. It is a matter which affects the district of which he is the head almost, if not quite, as much as it affects Victoria. The views of Mr. Oliver are of some importance to the citizens of Victoria because we believe they reflect with absolute fidelity the views of the residents of Oak Bay. The Reeve says the people of the district the anxious to obtain water. They must have water. They are going to have it either from the present source of supply or from an independent quarter. Furthermore, they will insist that the water shall be satisfactory both as to quality and as to quantity. They would prefer to do business with the city if the conditions they insist upon can be met, but they are not in the power of the people of Victoria in that respect. If necessary they can go elsewhere, maintaining their independence.

Some time ago the Times suggested that the water problem concerning Victoria was such a serious one as our debt was large and our credit limited, as there were rapidly-growing municipalities around us which must also face a serious water problem in a few years, it might be possible for some co-operative plan to be devised under which the combined credit of all could be applied to a comprehensive water works scheme. Mr. Oliver seems to approve of the suggestion. Doubtless he thoroughly understands the sentiments of the people of the municipality. The idea is undoubtedly worthy of serious consideration and may come up for discussion later on.

Two Pioneers.

Death has reaped a rich harvest in British Columbia during the present winter season. His forbidding majesty has been especially busy amongst the honored pioneers of British Columbia. Yesterday two men at one time prominent figures in the early history of the province passed over the borders into the hereafter. Alan Graham was perhaps the least known of these conspicuous persons. Mr. Graham was possibly the more typical of the spirit of the British Columbia pioneer. Of a retiring disposition, he was known intimately by but a few of the personal friends consulting the remnants of the honored hand who laid the foundations of this colony. He passed his declining years in retirement, enjoying in the tranquility of his home on Simcoe street the peace which is the sure reward of a well-spent, useful life.

Hon. G. A. Walkem was an outstanding figure in the early history of British Columbia. He was in the literal meaning of the term a father of confederation. Of brilliant intellectuality, he was the natural leader of the political forces in British Columbia which favored the confederation of the Pacific Provinces with the young Dominion which had been brought into being through the efforts of men of his own particular type and corresponding breadth of vision in the eastern provinces of Canada. He saw just as clearly as they did with the eye of faith the great future which lay before a united Canada extending from the waters of the turbulent Atlantic to the peaceful shores of the Pacific. But Hon. George A. Walkem was not temperamentally inclined to submit to injustice. When there appeared to be a disposition on the part of Eastern statesmen to lag in carrying out the terms of the compact, he insisted with all the powers of his eloquent tongue in the colonial legislature and with all the great influence of an equally eloquent pen that the terms of the bond should be carried out to the letter. He carried our case to the foot of the throne, and his efforts were rewarded by the execution of an instrument which has been incorporated in the history of Canada.

Hon. G. A. Walkem was a most useful servant to British Columbia when in public life and an ornament to the Bench when in later years he was called by the government to the honorable post of Justice of the Supreme Court.

In another part of this paper the life and works of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem are dealt with more fully than is possible in a brief editorial appreciation.

It may be said that such an appalling catastrophe as that which occurred in a small town in Pennsylvania would not have been possible in a city in which all public halls are subject to inspection. It is true that in cities paraffin oil is not used for illuminating purposes and that therefore a fire originating in an explosion of illuminants is impossible, but what safeguard can be erected against that most panicky of all the animal world, almost—a human mob? Possibly if the public-stricken audiences which stampered in Great Britain and the United States lately had been taken out of the theatres, no such a life would have been lost. But did anyone ever see a multitude in a panic which could be restored to its right mind by adjurations to be calm? If there was a ready-witted person on the scene and counsel be given before the insane rush begins, in ninety-nine

cases out of a hundred, probably, serious consequences may be averted. But the right person is seldom in the right place at the right time, and while people continue to gather together in large numbers under one roof, we shall probably have intermittent illustrations of the consequences, awful almost beyond imagination, of panics in public assemblies.

Canada appears to be the only country in the world whose revenue has not been affected by the depression in business. The New York World says the Prussian budget shows a cheerful deficit of \$105,000,000, to be somewhat met. Such deficits are not common in times of peace, but if things keep on as they have begun this year, Uncle Sam may yet show them a thing or two.

There are complications for the unfortunate who have to do with the discussion of political affairs. The House is in session—but Mr. Bower is also again in our midst.

FRUIT GROWERS HEARD REPORTS OFFICERS ELECTED FOR PRESENT YEAR Work of the Exchange Fully Explained by the President.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The B. C. Fruit Growers' Association continued its meeting yesterday afternoon and evening. A good part of the afternoon proceedings was devoted to the receiving of reports. After the secretary had given his account of the year's work, as reported in last night's Times, other reports were received by the meeting.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, James Johnston, Nelson, re-elected; first vice-president, S. Bartholomew, Sumnerland; second vice-president, A. E. Gale, Kelowna; third vice-president, A. B. McClenaghan, Golden; fourth vice-president, Thomas Wilson, Vancouver; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Brandrith, executive committee, H. M. F. Baughan, Victoria; H. Kipp, Chilliwack; S. Bartholomew, Sumnerland; James Johnston, Nelson, and W. J. Brandrith.

The report of the executive committee was read by the secretary, as follows: Gentlemen: Your executive committee beg to report that, acting on instructions received at the quarterly meeting, the secretary invited delegates from the strawberry-growing sections to meet at Mission City, for the purpose of meeting on a uniform price for small fruit.

The meeting was held March 29th, and a minimum price agreed to.

On March 7th a largely attended meeting was held at Kelowna, and addresses given by Messrs. Brydon, Johnstone, Scott and Brandrith. On the 8th a meeting was held in Duncan, addressed by Messrs. Johnston and Brandrith, and on the 9th the jury room in the court house at Nanaimo was comfortably filled to hear the same speakers and Maxwell Smith.

On April 1st, at the quarterly meeting held in Sumnerland, a resolution was passed unanimously, requesting the association to call a meeting of delegates from the various local associations to be held at the same place to obviate the present unsatisfactory method of distribution of our fruit. Accordingly, delegates were invited to meet at Kelowna, April 24th, but owing to want of room there the delegates proceeded to Armstrong, where it was decided to organize the Fruit and Produce Exchange of British Columbia and to have the constitution and by-laws were drawn, the meeting then adjourning to meet at Revelstoke May 22nd to perfect the organization, which was finally completed June 29th.

At Sumnerland, April 2nd, Mr. Brandrith gave

Practical Demonstration in pruning in the forenoon, and in the afternoon a proper method of mixing and applying sprays. On the 3rd Messrs. Johnston and Brandrith proceeded to Kelowna, where in the afternoon tree-shaping was demonstrated to a large and appreciative audience. On meeting in the evening was fairly well attended, although a beazar in aid of the hospital was being held in the same building.

On the 4th, at Vernon, despite the rain, there was a good turnout to the demonstration in planting and pruning, and a fairly well attended meeting in the evening.

A well attended meeting was held in Armstrong on the 8th, addressed by Messrs. Johnston and Brandrith, on subjects of interest to the growers.

At Salmon Arm, on the 8th, addresses were delivered by the same gentlemen to a large gathering, on spraying and on the condition of the fruit, and planting and pruning were again demonstrated in the afternoon, and addresses delivered in the evening. All of these meetings the idea of a central exchange was enthusiastically received and delegates appointed.

On June 28th a meeting was held in Enderby, addressed by Mr. H. Kipp, who gave a practical demonstration in pruning to an appreciative audience. On the 29th a well attended meeting was held in Revelstoke, addressed by Messrs. Johnston, Brandrith and Kipp.

July 2nd Messrs. Johnston, Brandrith and Kipp attended the quarterly meeting in Kaslo, and addressed those present together on planting, pruning, spraying and allied subjects.

On the 4th Messrs. Brandrith and Kipp gave demonstrations in planting and pruning at Creston in the afternoon and spoke on spraying, co-operation, etc., in the evening.

On the 8th they demonstrated plant-

ing and pruning at Burton in the afternoon, and in the evening addressed a full house on the same subjects at Cranbrook. On the 10th Mr. Brandrith held a meeting at Enderby, when planting, pruning, spraying, etc., were demonstrated in the afternoon, and a local branch organized in the evening.

From Enderby Mr. Brandrith proceeded to Windermere on the 11th, where he addressed an enthusiastic gathering on planting, pruning, varieties to plant, etc.

On the 19th at Wilmer he addressed a large gathering on the same subjects.

At Golden on the 22nd he demonstrated planting and pruning in the afternoon, and in the evening addressed a large gathering on "The Work of the Association," "Varieties to Plant," spraying, etc. That these

Meetings are appreciated is evidenced by the fact that requests for their continuance are constantly being received, and more especially from the newer sections of the province; and we strongly recommend that the executive be authorized to continue this part of the work.

Pure spraying materials for the use of members has been secured at the lowest cost, and the necessary varieties of paper have also been secured at wholesale.

We would recommend that the secretary be instructed to secure a supply of both for the current year on the best terms possible.

Bradstreet's reports are becoming more valuable to our members each year, and we strongly recommend that the subscription be continued.

Your committee have taken up with the proper authorities the question of better handling and better facilities for fruit shipments by both lake and rail, and have received assurances that every effort will be made to have the fruit properly handled.

They have succeeded in having the gross weight of the 4-5 pound and 4-5 cwt. boxes fixed at 15 and 25 pounds respectively. They have also urged that a reduction of rates should be made, but as the matter of rates is in the hands of the railway commission and nothing has been done by them up to the present time, we do not know whether our request will be granted or not.

We feel that the heartiest thanks of this association are due to the provincial government for the hearty manner in which they have responded to our requests for aid to enable us to carry on the work made necessary by the increased territory to be covered, and the greater cost of transportation in the outlying districts.

We especially desire to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Hon. R. G. Tatlow for the support he has at all times extended to this association.

We cannot close this report without congratulating the fruit growers of British Columbia on the

Successes Achieved by them at the principal exhibitions in Great Britain, under the capable management of Mr. R. M. Palmer, to whom also the thanks of the fruit growers are due. And also on the eminently successful outcome of the competition at the Northwest Fruit Growers' convention, held in Vancouver in December last.

The president of the association, James Johnston, Nelson, gave full details concerning the formation of the Fruit and Produce Exchange of British Columbia as follows:

"During the past season the most important undertaking of this association has been the formation of the Fruit and Produce Exchange of British Columbia. The idea of this exchange was first suggested at our spring quarterly meeting, held in Sumnerland, and was unanimously indorsed at that meeting, and a resolution passed strongly recommending action to be taken and a central exchange formed. This Sumnerland resolution was indorsed at Vernon, Kelowna, Armstrong, Salmon Arm, Kamloops and all points visited by your executive during that tour. A meeting of delegates from associations throughout the province was held at Armstrong, by-laws and constitution were drawn up and a meeting called at the earliest possible date to form the exchange. Owing to the fruit season being well advanced before these necessary preliminaries were gone through only five associations formally joined the exchange, namely, Chilliwack, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Revelstoke and Kootenay, but during the season fruit and produce was handled from many other local exchanges in the Okanagan and elsewhere. I shall give a brief outline of this

Central Exchange. Full information can be obtained at any time from the secretary, Mr. L. M. Hagar, Revelstoke. The method in

which this exchange has been worked and will be worked is as follows: "Weekly reports are sent to the manager of the probable supplies to be obtained from the various local shippers and exchanges. These reports the manager forwards to the solicitors who are employed to canvass the local and northwest markets. Orders when booked are distributed by our central office to the growers, who receive an acceptance form stating quantity, quality and price. If for some reason when an order is received by an individual or exchange it cannot all be filled the manager is immediately notified, and the balance of the order is placed elsewhere. A very important point is that when the solicitors or head office receive special orders for fruit from any one district or grower owing to the superior method of packing or quality of the fruit, then if the demand is likely to exceed the supply the solicitors are notified to increase the price to the wholesalers, and thus the careful shipper and the meritorious article will receive the very highest price obtainable. This is the only successful method of co-operation. Otherwise the best men will not join heartily in any co-operative association.

"A great saving is effected in the marketing of small perishable fruits by our own men being at the principal points of delivery to make adjustments for fruit in bad condition on arrival. Every shipper must be held responsible for the condition of his fruit at the point of delivery, provided the damage has not been caused by any fault on the part of transportation companies. Should a shipper persist in forwarding badly picked and packed fruit he will be suspended from shipping through the exchange and allowed to find his own market until such time as he learns to handle his product in a proper manner.

"All possible advice and assistance will always be rendered by the exchange management to shippers who, through ignorance, may make mistakes, but willfulness, carelessness and neglect will receive no consideration.

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The address in reply to the speaker at the coming of the Legislature will be by Thomas Taylor, of Revelstoke, seconded by J. H. Schofield.

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On December 21st A. F. Miss M. G. Simpson were wedlock by Rev. Father Coletta West. Only the intimates of the young couple were present for the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. left for Seattle, where they will reside.

Last evening a lecture on the life of the late Mr. John Dale, illustrated by a number of limelight views, was given at the schoolroom of the church of the Young People's Society, Rev. A. W. Gladstone. The speaker, Mr. W. Gladstone, proved full of interest, and the rivers, mountains, towns and valleys were very pleasing.

Geo. L. Courtney, general all Atlantic steamship lines, advised of big reductions in rates on all Atlantic steam. Second class from St. John, Liverpool on Empresses of Ireland has been reduced to other than \$28. For full details see ad. in to-day's Times.

This morning John M. commercial traveller for F. H. & Co., and Miss Isabelle daughter of Alexander Hear city, were united in wedlock by Rev. Leslie Gray at the residence of Mr. H. M. Baughan in the groom and Miss Pearl sister of the groom, acted as maid.

When the Full Court this morning fitting referred to by Mr. Justice Martineau in the case of Mr. Justice and intimation was given to the court would adjourn over to when it rose to-day, out of the recesses of the court, Mr. Mitchell is being heard to Mr. Justice Irving, Mr. Justice and Mr. Justice Morris bench.

The First Presbyterian church regular meeting last evening, 10 o'clock in church, was exceedingly interesting paper on Ruddy Kipling by Miss Inson, daughter of the superintendent of education. Reading of works were also given by Munster and Donald A. Frazer recitation by Mr. Scruton, Rev. Dr. Campbell made a most valuable remarks on the nature of public speaking. A meeting of the officers for the estate of the late Mr. W. J. Wickens will be held, and the month of January will be held.

N. R. Leberge, of Ch. Que., an old-time resident who has been here to look after the estate of the late Robert farewell dinner to a small party, consisting of Simon W. Faywell, Wm. Humphrey, and the Hon. E. L. Smith, million hotel last evening. Leberge was agreeably surprised by the large number of people who were present at the meeting of the exchange takes place early next month, and a large number of associations having signified their intention of joining this union and also the intention of the exchange in districts where no exchange exists. It is confidently expected that at least two-thirds of the fruit and produce of the province will be handled in this co-operative manner.

The objects arrived at and methods of working this exchange were presented fully at the last annual international convention of the Northwest Fruit Growers' Association, and the whole scheme was heartily indorsed and approved of by men of the greatest experience, such as the Hon. E. L. Smith, president and manager of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union. (Continued on page 5.)

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A series of gospel meetings commencing this evening will be held in Harmony hall, View street every night at 8 p. m., except Mondays, conducted by Miss Carroll, of Dublin; Mr. Corcoran, of N. W. T., and others.

Mrs. W. Morley Jameson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Chambers, Skimmer, and Victoria West. Mrs. Morley's daughter accompanies her.

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On December 21st A. F. Clark and Miss M. G. Simpson were united in wedlock by Rev. Father Collins, Victoria West. Only the intimate friends and the young couple were present. At the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Clark left for Seattle, where they will take up their abode.

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Geo. L. Courtney, general agent for all Atlantic steamship lines, has been advised of big reductions in east-bound Atlantic steamship lines. Second class from St. John, N. B., to Liverpool on Empress of Britain and Ireland has been reduced to \$32.75, and other steamers to \$30. For further rates see ad. in to-day's Times.

This morning John M. Robertson, commercial traveller for F. R. Stewart & Co., and Miss Isabelle Heaney, daughter of Alexander Heaney of this city, were united in wedlock by Rev. W. Leslie Clay at the latter's residence. Mr. Herbert Baughan supported the groom and Miss Pearl Robertson, sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid.

When the Full Court assembled this morning full reference was made by Mr. Justice Martin to the death of the late Mr. Justice Walkers, an intimation being given that the court would adjourn over to-morrow, when it rose to-day, out of respect to the deceased. The case of Tossell vs. Mitchell was argued to-day, and Mr. Justice Irving, Mr. Justice Martin and Mr. Justice Morrison on the bench.

The First Presbyterian club held its regular meeting last evening in the hall of the church. A very clever and exceedingly interesting paper was read on Rudyard Kipling by Miss Jean Robinson, daughter of the superintendent of education. Readings from Kipling's works were also given by Mr. Van Munster and Miss Pearl Robertson, daughter of the superintendent of education. Mr. Scruton, of Calgary, Rev. Dr. Campbell made a few timely and valuable remarks on posture and gesture in public speaking. At the next meeting the officers for the next quarter will be elected, and the club paper and the monthly criticism will be read.

N. R. Lebergue, of Chateauguay, Que., an old-time resident of Victoria, who has been here to look after the estate of the late Robert Reid, gave a farewell address to a small number of friends, consisting of Simon Lelzer, R. W. Fawcett, Wm. Humphrey, John Fullerton and Sydney Child at the Dominion hotel last evening. Mr. Lebergue was aggressively supplied with Victoria since his last visit, and hopes in the near future to spend a longer time in the city.

A movement is on foot to ask the B. C. Electric Railway Company to reduce the fare to Esquimalt to five cents. A number of citizens of Victoria, Wm. and Esquimalt have formed themselves into a committee, prominent among them being F. J. Bittan-court, who is circulating a petition asking for the reduction. A. T. Goward, the local manager, has already been approached in the matter, and has promised to take the matter up with the other officials of the company. If this move is not successful a small committee intends to go to the foot of the throne, as it were, approaching R. H. Sperling, the general manager at Vancouver. Copies of the petition are left at all the post offices and stores between the city and Esquimalt.

The B. Y. P. U. of Calgary Baptist church at their meeting last evening commenced a study of the gospel history of Jesus Christ. Miss Lucy Englund and A. T. Turner conducted a map exercise, after which papers were read by Miss E. Cocker and E. Gilmore on the subject of the Holy Land. Following this a short business session was held and eight applicants were received into the membership. At the conclusion of the meeting the members of the social committee served refreshments of tea and cake.

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I. O. O. F., of which deceased was a member.
The bank clearings for the city of Victoria for the week ending yesterday amounted to \$1,200,011.

The marriage took place yesterday at St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, of Mr. George Gordon Bushby and Miss Violet Charlotta Brae, formerly of Calgary. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. St. John Payne.

A lecture was given last night in the marine and fisheries building by Captain Jones, his subject being "The Elements of Navigation." This lecture was the fourth of the season. The next will be on Friday next at 8 p. m.

Building permits were yesterday granted to McPherson and Fullerton Brothers for a dwelling on Craigflower road, the cost to be \$1,800. McRae & Marshall are the contractors. Paul Englebert also obtained permission to build a chicken house.

The last round in the fistic contest recently brought off at Goldstream, was enacted in the police court this afternoon, when Theodore Fisher was fined fifty dollars. Fisher pleaded not guilty to the charge of having participated in a prize fight. The crown could not produce evidence to show that Fisher and Barnswell fought for a prize, so the charge was amended to that of unlawfully fighting.

Yesterday afternoon the funeral of the late William H. Cowper, for 21 years wharfinger of the C. P. N. and F. R. S.S. companies, took place from the residence of J. C. Newbury, collector of customs, on Simcoe street, to Ross Bay cemetery. Rev. Dr. Reid and Rt. Rev. Bishop Chidgey conducted services at the residence and at the grave. The following acted as pallbearers: H. F. Bishop, Major Robins and J. McLeod, of the C. P. N. S.S. Company; W. Edwards, of the customs staff, and Samuel Reid, and C. C. Pemberton, both of whom had known the deceased since childhood.

Walter Skilling, of this city, has gone up to look over the grading work on the Nanaimo-Alberni extension, with a view of tendering for a section of the same. Mr. Skilling was formerly a steamer on the Cariboo road.

TWENTY-THOUSAND ADDED.
Just think what an army of twenty thousand men would mean. Yet that is the number of new subscribers added to the mailing lists of that great paper, the Family Herald and Weekly Star, of Montreal, during the month of December. The publishers have an enormous staff day and night, and must keep right up to the mark on the enormous volume of new subscriptions would swamp them. Old subscribers are being constantly warned to renew early. The wonderful vanguard of the Family Herald and Weekly Star is becoming known all over the world. Few Canadian homes will be found without it. It certainly is the best dollars' worth to be had to-day.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
William Hodge, of Belleville street, was on Tuesday kicked by a horse, sustaining rather severe injuries, and as a consequence he is laid up for a week or two.

Magistrate Jay granted a number of applications where those having paid poll tax and producing proof were permitted to vote. Fully two score made application.

Alphonso Roy appeared in the police court this morning to answer the charge of causing a disturbance on the C.P.R. wharf on the 14th inst. The lawyers were too busy, so the case was shelved until to-morrow. Roy is out on his own recognizance.

Remember Mr. Monohan at the rink to-morrow night. Do not miss him.

Mr. Arnold, Y.M.C.A. religious work director of Washington, D.C., who is visiting to-day with A. J. Brace of the local Y.M.C.A., and leaves to-morrow to attend the Washington state convention of Y.M.C.A., took tea last night with the mid-week social club at the local association rooms. About 25 men sat down to the board with him. Mr. Arnold gave an interesting and helpful address on the general work and a discussion followed.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.
Victoria Meteorological Office, 8th to 10th January, 1903.
During the first portion of this week the weather was for the most part overcast and considerable rain fell both on Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland. During this period the barometer was unusually high to the southward of this and low along the Coast and over Northern British Columbia. On Saturday, 11th, these conditions were reversed and fair weather became general, with northerly winds, throughout the North Pacific Coast. On Monday, 13th, an ocean storm area spread inland over this province, accompanied by strong southerly winds and heavy rains west of the Cascades, while in Cariboo and Kootenay snow fell. This disturbance was followed by another fair spell which continued until the close of the week.

Light frosts occurred on the Lower Mainland on three days; in Northern British Columbia and in Kootenay the weather has been comparatively mild, and even in Dawson, with the exception of one day, the temperature has not been much below zero.

The weather in the prairie provinces has also been unusually mild, and only at the close of the week were zero temperatures reported, and then only in a small portion of Manitoba and northward to Prince Albert.

AN ALL ROUND DOWNWARD MOVE

WHEAT AND OATS SLUMPING FAST

Eggs and Butter Going Lower - Rhubarb Just Appeared on Market.

There has been an all round slump in prices during the week. This has been expected for some time, but the flurry of Christmas business seems to have kept the prices steady during the holidays and the few preceding weeks. Eggs started on their downward course last week and now they are selling at 45 cents a dozen for the fresh ones and 35 cents for the cookers.

The largest downward movement has been in wheat, which has made a sudden dive of \$3 a ton, the price now being from \$30 to \$35 a ton, according to quality. Oats have followed with a drop of \$3, being now \$25 a ton. On the other hand bran and middlings have each moved up a dollar.

Butter has joined in the general falling away. It was stated at the time of the rise that butter would resume its old price in February, but the mild weather and the general bearish tendency of other products has hastened the time for which housekeepers have been feverently praying.

The first of the rhubarb has just appeared on the market. This is very early for the product, and it is very tender. Next month it will be more plentiful and consequently cheaper.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including Garden Produce, Potatoes, Onions, Apples, etc.

DESTINY OF JAPAN LIES IN ASIA

Viscount Aoki is Opposed to Yellow Men Seeking Naturalization Here.

Honolulu, Jan. 15.—A local Japanese newspaper prints an interview with Viscount Aoki, Japanese ambassador to America, in which Viscount Aoki is quoted as follows: "I do not approve of manual laborers going to America, they cannot expect after Japan's long isolation, to establish themselves in any western country. Their destiny and opportunity are in Asia, Korea, Manchuria."

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Member for Islands Spoken of if New Portfolio is Created.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
There is a suggestion that an additional portfolio will be created out of that now embracing the lands and works department.

The chief commissioner of lands and works when questioned on the subject this morning intimated that the idea of making another department had not yet definitely developed.

Occasion had been found, he said, in the growing works of the department, for considering the propriety of making such a change, but it was not likely that any appointment would be made for some time. Nothing would be done during the present session of the House beyond seeking an amendment to the constitution to authorize the creation of the new department, so that the step might be taken when the pressure of work most warranted the move.

COMPLAIN OF ROADS IN KETTLE VALLEY

Residents to Make Strong Representations About Mismanagement.

Grand Forks, B.C., Jan. 14.—A mass meeting of the settlers on the North Fork of Kettle river was held at the school house a couple of days ago for the purpose of again drawing the attention of the provincial authorities to the condition of the roads in this district. All the settlers within a radius of twenty miles were present, the purpose being to personally acquaint Mr. McInnis with the facts of the case, so that he can draw the attention of the government to the sad condition of the road management on the North Fork of Kettle river.

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TRESTLE INCIDENT.

Conductor on Electric Car Seriously Injured Near Paris, Ont.

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ATTEMPTED SUICIDE ON STEPS OF CHURCH

Theatrical Effort of Parisian to End His Life in Montreal.

Montreal, Jan. 16.—Yesterday afternoon an actor named R. Laurette, of the Theatre Francaise, made a theatrical attempt to end his life. He had been on visit to the church of the Immaculate Conception, and while descending the steps with Father Lalonde suddenly drew a revolver and shot himself in the right lung. The attempt at suicide caused a lot of excitement, and the injured man was hastily removed to the Hotel Dieu, where the bullet was extracted, and it is thought the actor, who comes from Paris, will recover.

Father Lalonde declined to make any statement as to the probable cause of the shooting, but it is supposed a love affair of some kind at the bottom of it, and that the actor had become so despondent as to desire to end it all, which he nearly succeeded in doing, and in fact his recovery is not by any means certain.

ISLAND NOMINATIONS.

J. M. Campbell Elected Reeve of North Cowichan by Acclamation.

(Special Correspondence.)
Duncan, Jan. 13.—A meeting was held to-day to nominate reeve and councillors for the municipality of North Cowichan. J. M. Campbell, Duncan, was elected reeve by acclamation to replace H. Bonnell, who replaces H. Fry, C. E., as councillor for Chemainus. A. C. Aitken was re-elected for Comiaken.

For Someros and Quamichan there were two nominations: John Evans and Islay J. Muter for the former, and H. Keast and R. H. Whidden for the latter.

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The annual general meeting of the exchange takes place early in the month, and a large number of us having signified their intention of joining this year and also in growers who are situated in where no exchange exists.

It is expected that at least 500 of the fruit and produce of wine will be handled in this manner.

Subjects arrived at and methods being this exchange were fully at the last annual Inter-convention of the Northwest Growers' Association, and the scheme was heartily endorsed.

proved of by men of the greatest experience, such as the Hon. E. L. president and manager of the River Apple Growers' Union.

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escape a cold this weather, but any cold runs into catarrh, the catarrh is the straight shot out-act now-use "Cane" and be cured!

rhoncho is a germ-killer—the microbes that cause catarrh heal and soothe.

relieves the cough, gives the lungs a chance, cleanses the trils, clears out the phlegm, and is better in an hour.

day you're greatly relieved, and the curing of Catarrh on till we can do more.

POULTRY SHOW IS IN PROGRESS

JUDGES SAY IT IS BEST ON THE COAST

An Excellent Display in the Various Classes on Exhibition.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) "The best show that has ever been on the Pacific coast..."

Among the outside men who have brought all their best birds over...

In giving a detailed opinion of the birds, Mr. Wilkinson said that the dragons were a fairly good lot...

In clean legged tumbler the speckled variety were excellent...

Coming to the flying homers in the blue check, there are some good specimens...

Cock-1, Wm. Baylis; 2 and 3, W. Walker; Cockerel-1, Ed. S. Miller...

Cock-Col. E. G. Prior; 2, B. B. Moore; 3, Surprise Poultry Yards...

Cockers-1, R. W. Pears; 2, W. Malcolm; 3, P. W. Pears...

Cock-1, W. M. Coates; Hens-1, 2 and 3, W. M. Coates...

Cock-1, W. Walker, Vancouver; Pigeons. Blue Dragons-1, Fairview Pigeon Loft...

Any other color Pouter-1 and 3, Fairview Pigeon Loft; 2, R. Hall...

Any other color Fantails-1, 2 and 3, Rolston Bros. Red Tumblers, clean legs-1, Scott & Roberts...

White, Fantails-1, and 2, R. Hall; Blue Homer-1, R. J. McDowell; 2, W. Little; 3, R. Hall...

Ice Pigeons-1, Fairview Pigeon Loft; Swallow Pigeon-1, Fairview Pigeon Loft...

White Muff Pigeons-1, Robert Hall; Hon. W. S. Fielding Has Introduced Measure of Three-Fold Significance.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Hon. W. Fielding, in introducing a bill to ratify the French treaty, yesterday, said the objects were threefold...

He showed how Canada had already done much to increase and develop the trade with Britain through preference and otherwise...

Mr. Fielding then went on to explain the terms of the treaty. ATTACK ON FIREMEN. (Special to the Times).

Vancouver, Jan. 15.—Murdo was committed for trial yesterday. The second Japanese were sent up this morning for the attempted murder of a freeman on New Year's morning...

NO AMERICANS BUILDING PANAMA

Spanish, Italian and Negro Laborers—Estimated Cost \$300,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce to-day had before it Colonel Goethals, U. S. A., chairman of the Isthmian canal commission...

"We have been getting more labor in the last few months than we can use," he said. "There are no Americans on the labor rolls except a few machinists' helpers."

As to the probable cost of the canal, Colonel Goethals said his estimate of \$250,000,000 did not include the \$40,000,000 purchase price paid by the United States to the old canal company...

PRESENTATION TO BANK OFFICIAL W. Spier Honored at Grand Forks—Machinery for Little Bertha Mine.

Grand Forks, B. C., Jan. 15.—Last evening the parlors of the Yale hotel a representative gathering of the business men of Grand Forks, numbering about 100, were assembled...

Health of Town. City Medical Officer C. M. Kingston, has just made the following report of infectious diseases for 1907: Typhoid—No. of cases, 51; No. of deaths, 13...

Important Mining Deal. A most important deal has just been closed. Dr. Appleton, representing a syndicate of Spokane capitalists, has acquired a controlling interest in the Little Lake Mining Company...

Fire Protection ON RAILWAYS Exhaustive List of Guarding Equipment Ordered by Commission.

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—The railway commission has issued a series of orders requiring the railways of the Dominion to equip all their passenger cars with fire extinguishers...

Two Prisoners Who Escaped From Jail Sentenced To-Day. (From Wednesday's Daily.) S. Y. Parr and George Connerly, the two men who escaped from the provincial jail on the 8th inst., were each sentenced to six months hard labor to run consecutively with the remainder of the sentence on which they were first convicted.

C. P. R. EMPLOYEES. FLUCTUATING TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Winnipeg, Jan. 14.—Important changes in the organization of the C. P. R. employees, and will be put into effect as soon as possible...

New York, Jan. 15.—The stock market opened irregular, with the following prices ruling: Am. Copper, 63 1/2; Am. Smelting, 78 1/2; Anaconda, 33 1/2; Archison, 74 1/2; B. & O., 50; Brooklyn Transit, 43 1/2; Erie, 15 1/2; Great Northern pf., ex. div., 11 1/2; Louisville & Nashville, 101; Mo. Kan. Tex., 26 1/2; N. Y. C., 102 1/2; Northern Pacific, 123 1/2; Penna., 116 1/2; Reading, ex. div., 106 1/2; Rock Island, 15; St. Paul, 115 1/2; Sugar, 11 1/2; Southern Pacific, 76; Southern Ry., 11; Union Pacific, 125 1/2; U. S. Steel pf., 95.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Having failed after several stormy interviews to convince President Roosevelt that his claims to be the next president equalled those of Secretary Tait, Secretary-Treasurer Cortelyou, former secretary to the president, is believed to be about to resign to accept the presidency of the Knickerbocker Trust Company of New York.

Maple Leaf Mill PREY TO FLAMES NEW MILLION DOLLAR STRUCTURE IN RUINS

One of Kenora's Chief Industries Wiped Out—Capacity 5,000 Barrels a Day.

Kenora, Ont., Jan. 15.—The magnificent new mill of the Maple Leaf Flour Company, costing over a million dollars, was burned last night. Only the walls are left standing.

Esquimalt NAVAL STATION

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Hon. L. Brodeur, answering R. Smith, said that the naval station at Esquimalt, taken over by Canada, but might be shortly. The government was considering what would be done with it.

Protecting Rights OF MUNICIPALITIES Street Railways of Every Kind May Come Under Aegis of Civic Control.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15.—An important advance in the protection of municipal rights was announced as a result of a meeting yesterday, of the executive union of Canadian municipalities. Among many subjects discussed by the meeting was the protection of the municipal rights in Victoria, Calgary, Winnipeg, Port William, Port Arthur, Brantford, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and other places.

Belleville, Ont., Jan. 14.—Charles C. Arming is dead from a dose of carbolic acid taken in mistake for whiskey.

CHARGED WITH MODERNISM. THEATRE HORROR IS GRUESOME SCENE

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Each body was attached a tag containing a number, and with the corpses was laid an article of jewelry which the relatives might have been in possession of the victim. Coroner Streaser, who has been on the scene since yesterday afternoon, but the number of dead grew so large that the undertakers, even with the augmented force from other towns, were unable to properly arrange the bodies until the morning of the 15th.

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—Mr. Ross, general manager of the Dominion Coal Company, here, says that the case of the Dominion Steel Company against the coal company, which has been decided in favor of the former, will be appealed to the Privy Council direct.

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FIELD SITUATION.
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QUET TO CITY LAYMEN

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Tendered Last Night Metropolitan Church Addresses Given.

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Mr. John Morley A Character Sketch.

Mr. Morley is the only "double first" of his time. He is perhaps the only double first since Burke. Other men have won distinction in more than one field.

from all eager aspirations of the new time. He will have nothing to do with strange idols. The gospel of social justice, that proclaimed by Ruskin and heard at the street corners, is penetrating into parliament and changing the whole atmosphere of political thought.

That man," wrote Macaulay, "before whom the two paths of politics and literature lie open and who may hope for eminence in either should choose politics and quit literature seems to me madness." I speak from memory, but I think he wrote that letter when he was smiting under his defeat at Edinburgh.

No man ever made a more dramatic entrance into office. The announcement one morning that Mr. Morley was the new Irish Secretary was the first clear indication of the most momentous departure in policy made in our time.

For Mr. Morley belongs to the past. He looks out on politics with reverted eyes. He has, it is true, more than any other man the passion of the old philo-sophic Radicals for liberty and political equality.

Whether it is a fresh Bruise, Cut or Strain—or an old Spavin, Splint, Ringbone or Swelling—you can cure your horse with

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Thos. Castles, of Newark, N.J., bought a horse—lamed with a Jack Spavin—for \$100. He cured it with Kendall's Spavin Cure.

amongst members of the first class secure. And then his claim to a "double first" will be established.
But whether success or failure awaits him, he cannot fail to stand out as one of the most memorable figures of our time.

Backing the World's Champion
By H. J. P. Good in Toronto Globe.
"Young love, he plays some funny tricks," is the way a line in an ancient song runs, and it is to be feared, old memory does the same.

in, with the result that the final betting was 10 to 4 and 10 to 3 on Hanlan. As has been said, the race was roved on Monday morning at 8 o'clock. On the Sunday night previous to 8 o'clock, this cablegram was received from Mr. Whitefoot: "\$25,000 uninvested, what shall I do with it?"

An Amateur Diver's Experience
It was a dull, blustering day of early autumn as H. M. torpedo-gunboat Sphinx made her way out of Port-mouth harbor towing the heavily-laden diving pinnace.

disappointed. The bottom of the sea looked distressingly commonplace; rocks, weed, and mud, the latter predominating—were the chief things seen. In fact the whole scene reminded me of nothing so much as Southend at low tide. One occasional crab or lobster would scuttle into view for a second and as quickly disappear again, of any fish there was not a vestige.

The world of politics is a world of action of quick reverses, and firm and sudden movement. The hesitate is to be lost. Mr. Morley has the hesitation of the man of thought. In his study, alone with the past or the present, he lifts it out of the street on to the high lands where the view is wide and air pure, and where the voices heard are the voices that never bewilder or betray.

The morning of Monday, November 15th, 1880, was the day set for the race, and as might have been expected, tremendous excitement ensued in Britain, in Australia, and in Canada.

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INTERNATIONAL ANTHEM.
Chinese Words to Air of "God Save the King."
Has China a national anthem? "Yes," say some "Chinese," "No," say others and also many Europeans.

There is about him a sense of the splendid austerity of truth—cold, but exhilarating. It is not merely that he does not lie. There are some other politicians of whom that might be said, but he does not trifle with truth. It is sacred and inviolate. He would not admit, with Erasmus, that "there are truths" still less than must even conceal the truth from the people.

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DOG DETECTIVES.
Proposal to Use Them in London—What They Have Done Abroad.
The authorities at Scotland Yard in London have been seriously discussing the use of dogs as the constable's companion and help.

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Horticultural Societies and Civic Improvement

By Major H. J. Snelgrove, M. A. Ph. B., Cobourg, Ontario

What can Horticultural societies do to promote civic improvement? To this query my answer is: By arousing and uniting all citizens to develop beautiful and wholesome surroundings. By raising the standard of municipal taste and tidiness. By materially contributing toward making our Canadian home life brighter, healthier and happier.

general civic consciousness, which means the redemption of our communities from the sordid and the shabby. The old order, the old love grown to be the old hate, must give way to the new order, the new love, the new promise. To exile ugliness and enthroned beauty is our common interest.

is essentially and unpolitically a business proposition, wherein the health and happiness of each citizen is considered a tangible asset equally with the annual tax bill, where the costly, ruinous regime of the incompetent, self-seeking politician is ostracized, and where public service, as an honor and a duty, is cheerfully assumed by the ablest and best citizens.

If, as has been suggested in Chicago, it is a corrective for crime, then art should be made effective as a deterrent of crime. Educators are beginning to see that the sphere of the state embraces not only the redemption of those who have fallen from grace, but equal the prevention of those walking in the paths of virtue from falling out by the wayside and becoming moral castaways.

It is in making a final suggestion to your associations, it would be that the members resolve themselves into units for work, beginning with that work about the home. * * * When these units have thus acted, they will be ready to fight against ugliness of billboards, and the correction of poor road conditions, and other ways in which so-called enterprise has turned our beautiful America, in some portions, into a most unattractive condition.

I have the greatest faith in the future of Ontario, and I sincerely trust your address may be an inspiring one, with the greatest of wishes for the earnest people who will bear you.

Ladies and gentlemen, representatives of the horticultural societies of Ontario, let us propagate this beautiful Oak like those torches of which the children were the advice of the Creator, hand to hand until the whole land was aflame with light.

its relation to the improvement movement.

3. It would seem to me that the horticultural associations might be interested in civic improvement, also, because of the way in which improvement conditions tend to satisfaction and permanence in the matter of industrial workmen. Some of the most successful means to realize the importance of providing pleasing surroundings, helpful recreation and proper playground facilities for the workmen and their families in a self-respecting way, the end of keeping these workmen sober, happy and contented.

4. The education of children proceeds through the eye. Ugly surroundings give an education in ugliness. Beautiful surroundings give an education in beauty. No one would for a moment suggest that the better citizens grew out of an education in ill-looking and evil surroundings. Yet this point has been lost sight of all over our continent and we grow our children in pignep conditions, wondering, after they are grown, why they do not appreciate beautiful and beautiful conditions as fully as they ought to. I am sure that I am within the facts when I say that it will pay any community to surround its children with clean beauty to cause them to hate ugliness.

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aged to procure the sails, the wood, and the miscellaneous articles of clothing and convey them to the camp. Mr. Morrison had, by the way, left his watch on board of the Alexander when he was abandoned, but his wrist was in the boat. He was a strong swimmer, and he made a journey, almost at the risk of his life, to the wrecked craft for his possessions.

The Captain Delirious. Making the cave by the spring their base, parties sallied forth to explore for water and to hunt for food. The thickness of the scrubby growths, mostly cactus, made exploration towards the centre of the island impossible, and the migrations of the party were made along the bolder-strewn shore. One party, consisting of the captain, Mr. Morrison, the carpenter, the steward, and an American named Fred Jeffs, from Tacoma, struck out and came up on a spring. The arduous march had made them exceedingly thirsty, and he instantly took a deep draught of the liquid. It proved to be salty, and he was instantly taken with illness. He sent his companions back to camp, saying he would follow them the next morning. He did not, however, appear then. About three days later Mr. Morrison was working about the camp, when he heard someone shouting for help. He proceeded along the rocks, and encountered the commander lying in a state of exhaustion and sickness. He had, he said, crawled on his hands and knees from the place where he was captured. The soup and water were soon procured for him, and he was conveyed to the camp, where he lay raving for six weeks.

Another company of four men set out to the eastward on the search for better conditions of living. Their way led them along the foreshore, and at one part they had to wade through the shallows of a bay, neck-deep, as the land was impassable. Some distance to the east of this bay they discovered traces of an old camp beside a spring of welcome fresh water. There were three or four stone fire circles, beside which four stakes driven into the ground, suggested a one-time impromptu bedstead. Later it was discovered that an American student expedition had visited the island and camped at that spot.

German Sailor Drowned. Having thus dropped fortunately upon a good site for headquarters, news was conveyed back to the first camp. Some of the men there, however, were not in a fit state for transit, and during their convalescence fortnightly visits were exchanged by members of the two bases. On one of these occasions German seaman named Martin Schaffer, who was suffering from a fever, was discovered for some weeks, and on going over the ground between the two places his bones, and later his skull, were discovered at the edge of the above-mentioned bay. It was surmised that he had perished in forcing it.

Man Left Behind. The men in the old camp being by this time somewhat stronger, preparations were made for "fitting" to the new camp. As the journey, although only of twenty miles, had to be made over very trying ground, it occupied three days and three nights. A stock of water and provisions was therefore essential. Mr. Morrison, being a sailmaker to trade, made two canvas water bags for each man, and with these filled and with a portion of turtle flesh each they were ready to start. The man Jeffs, however, who, in common with the others, was in a very dispirited mental condition, absolutely refused to accompany them. "No," he said; "you will die on the way for want of water. After the suffering I have gone through here, I will not risk it. I will be picked up as soon as you." Entreaties, threats and promises were of no avail. He would not budge. So the others had reluctantly to let him remain, leaving with him two turtles, while the spring assured him of a plentiful supply of water. The migration was safely accomplished, and the crew settled down in the new camp.

The Life Primitive. "Our conditions of life and means of sustenance," said Mr. Morrison to a People's Journal representative, "were of the most primitive nature. We rose with the sun, and went to hunt for food. There were plenty of sea turtles about the shallows, and they made excellent eating and nourishing food. We saw them in the clear water, and I got behind them and chased them towards the shallows. They seized the turtles, and deftly turning them on their backs rendered them helpless. Sometimes we had so many on hand that we allowed several turtles to lie on their backs before we were able to think."

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The men had rigged up a pole 30 feet high, and from its top fluttered a flag made from Mr. Morrison's sea-muffler and a towel. A large fire was kept burning, and it was the smoke from this that attracted the attention of the sloops, which was searching for the mariners. The vessel stood inshore and took the men aboard. When rescued they presented a curious appearance. The captain's beard was matted, and the rim of an old hat over which he had stretched a piece of cloth from the tail of his white shirt; his feet were encased in two turtles' flippers. Mr. Morrison himself wore a pair of trousers—much the worse for wear—and a tattered shirt, while his footgear was made from the sealskins. The others were in a similar plight, and all were miserably thin and emaciated.

Jeffs Left on Island. The rescued man told the captain of the sloop of the position of the American, Jeffs. It was proposed to notify him of the rescue—a mission that would occupy six days—but as the sloop's provisions would not afford such delay, the vessel shaped her course for Guayaquil. It was intended that after taking in more provisions he should return and take up the unfortunate Tucuman, but it is thought very probable that the time the sloop could get back to the island Jeffs will have perished of starvation.

The long lost sailors were landed at Guayaquil, and after a week's sojourn there they, "clothed and in their right mind," embarked on the steamer Peru for Panama. Arrived there, one man got a situation on the canal construction work, and the remainder proceeded across the isthmus to Colon. The party was here further depleted by two men taking employment on tug boats. Of the last five men two sailed for New York, and the other three, including the Dundee here, were given passages on the Royal Mail steamer Orinoco. They landed at Southampton, and the second mate arrived in the bosom of his joyful family as stated.

"I have been at sea for 35 years," said Mr. Morrison, who is 49 years of age, "and I have had some experiences, but nothing to compare with this one. I wish never to go back to sea, and if I can get a steady job on land I won't. I have been nearer death than I care to think."

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2. It would seem to me that the associations, interested in the prosperity of bustling, active Ontario, would have reason to undertake civic improvement work, because such work always increases values. Significant commentary from the side of the case is presented in a paper which the chief engineer of the maintenance of way, of the Pennsylvania railroad, has prepared for presentation at the Provincial meeting, in November. He calls attention to the fact that improvements instituted by that company at suburban stations have uniformly resulted in a greater business at that station, and therefore have paid the railroad. He points out that those looking for homes should be attracted by pleasant surroundings and repelled by ugly surroundings, and that, therefore, the prosperity of the community is directly connected with

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WANTED-Young girl, mother's help. Apply to Mrs. O'Neil, 115 Dallas road.

TEACHER WANTED-For Keepers assisted school. Salary \$50. Apply to J. T. Firkin, Secretary, Keepers.

NOTICE is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for the sale of wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situated at the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, in the City of Victoria, B. C., and known as the "Edin' Saloon," Lorenzo McCrae and Bert Holden. Dated this 9th day of November, 1904. A. R. McDONALD, GEORGE ROBERTS.

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FOR SALE-Real estate office, as going concern, and interest in sub-division in city. Box 184, Times.

FOR SALE-5 room cottage, bath and pantry, and electric lights, sewer to street, 4 lots, 45 ft. by 135 ft., 25 fruit trees, barn and chicken house, small fruit, \$3,500. Globe Agency Co., Mahon Bldg.

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FOR SALE-A beautiful home, and furniture if desired, suitable for large family or high-class boarding house. Immediate delivery. Particulars, Post Office Box 86.

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ADVERTISER leaving city, will sell some house property, lots and acreage, on small, long-continued payments at 4 per cent interest. Would take about half surrounding values for several of the properties. No. 132 Times Office.

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FOR SALE-3 choice large lots, on the highest part of Smith Hill, commanding elevations, magnificent views, \$150 each, easy terms. Woodlands, Cedar Vale, Victoria.

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SIDNEY-Owner wishes to sell 30 acres good land, all clear, fenced with wire, 1/2 mile from Sidney station, 1/2 mile from school, cleared at short notice. Apply Box 48, P. O., Victoria.

SLAB WOOD FOR SALE-Mill slabs cut into short lengths at \$2.50 per cord delivered to any part of city. B. F. G. Harn Lumber Co., Ltd. Phone No. 864. Orders also taken at Johns Bros' Store.

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TO LET-February 1st, furnished 7 room bungalow. Apply 465 Belleville street.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA MATILDA HUMBER, LATE OF VICTORIA, B. C., DECEASED. All persons indebted to the estate of Maria Matilda Humber, late of the City of Victoria, deceased, are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned or to H. Humber, 45 George road, and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned before the first day of March, 1905. After the said date the estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims only of which the executors had then notice. Dated the 11th day of January, 1905. A. A. HUMBER, S. S. OSTERHOFF, 1011 Government St.

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