

of Cameron Lumber Company Objected to By City Council

City is to register a vigorous protest with the Ottawa government proposed encroachments upon the Victoria arm, above the Ellice bridge, on the part of the lumber companies doing business in the vicinity. At Friday evening's meeting of the streets committee, a letter was received from the city pointing out that Thos. Gore had made a survey of the site for the extension of their yards and building grounds by the Cameron Lumber company, and found that the lines shown in the plans would encroach to a serious extent upon the navigation channel. Accompanying the letter was a map showing the proposed encroachments. It was the unanimous decision of the members of the committee that the lumber company was asked to make a survey of the site, and to forward the plan to the city government and make a formal agreement against the same being approved.

As decided to have prepared a showing the exact boundaries of the water lots owned by the city on the street and the extent to which neighboring owners encroach upon the city's water lots. A preliminary survey of these lots was granted to the city for engineering purposes. The plan will be made by G. Hargreaves, who has already made a survey of the lots. Complaint of G. H. McGregor, that Luney Bros., contractors, had fenced upon their property in North street, it was decided to notify Luney Bros. to repair the fence at once, and that should any accident they would be held liable for damages. The wishes of E. F. Lang to construct a permanent wharf on the west side of Wharf near the corner of Johnson, this to pay one-half the cost, this arrangement being made by the fact that the old plank was torn up when the new road was laid, the level of which is the floors of the buildings situated on the property.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

esse and La Patrie Favor Contribution By Canada.

real, Feb. 12.—Both La Presse and La Patrie have thrown in their lot with imperial defence participation by Dominion of Canada. La Patrie, following up its article of yesterday, says that "if a vote were taken the principle of contribution would be voted by eight out of the nine provinces composing the confederation who can say what vote will be in the ninth? But let us suppose Quebec should vote against imperial defence, would her position be any different? Could she succeed in preventing other provinces from pronouncing in favor of the project? The Canadians are in a minority and it is not vain appeals to reason that would give her the victory. Let those, in fact, who of resistance tell us what the would be. Would we relieve our allegiance to Great Britain, and would we ask the United States to govern the province of Quebec? Let us place England would not let and certainly the United States do not want us under similar conditions.

fact, all these propositions are. No doubt this is the view of Laurier, who is one of those who took before committing himself to his government. The province of Quebec is a part of the Dominion, which is a British colony, and division amongst the people of a cannot but retard our growth and our prosperity. In fact, there position, other than beneath the flag of the British flag, where our government would be so rapid, and therefore have force enough to accept the present situation within the Empire and its responsibilities as well."

Press also advocates about the policy, and asks if the province could persist in its refusal to accept the other provinces would announce themselves either for a navy or for a direct contribution. "Would it be to our advantage," asks La Presse, "to alienate the sympathy of the other provinces to isolate ourselves even from the English minority in the province which possesses all the capital and all the industries?"

LONG FOLLS OPPONENT.

ancouver, B. C., Feb. 12.—The scheduled round contest at North Vancouver last night between Louie Long, a Canadian, and Rod Standen, of Vancouver, terminated rather suddenly in the fourth round, when Long, who was repeatedly fouled Standen, was taken to his corner after putting his opponent to the floor in great agony by a series of blows to the groin. Before Hewitt declared the affair, and all bets were off. There were howls of derision from Long's backers. There was a man, as the bout did not go on, to determine this point. The largest crowds that has attended a show in North Vancouver was present.

HUDSON'S BAY STORES.

London, Feb. 12.—Commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company is now in London in connection with the reorganization of the shop of the company on the lines suggested by Mr. Birbridge, director of the stores.

SHOULD CITY PASS AGREEMENT?

OAK BAY PROPOSAL COMES UP TO-NIGHT

Interviews With Some of the Leading Citizens on the Situation

(From Thursday's Daily.)
The chief topic of conversation to-day amongst those who take an interest in municipal matters is the suggested agreement between the city of Victoria and the municipality of Oak Bay relative to a supply of water, and the fate which awaits that measure when it comes before the council this evening. It will be recalled that it was first introduced at last Monday's meeting of the Victoria city council, and that it was defeated on a tie vote. The same evening the agreement passed the Oak Bay council unanimously.
Mayor Morley and others at the council board who favored the measure considered it so vital to the welfare of Victoria in respect to its relations with the neighboring municipality in the matter of a water supply, that they have decided to reintroduce it in amended form at a special meeting to be held this evening. It is thought very probably that it will pass, inasmuch as Ald. Bannerman, who was absent at the last meeting, and who is understood to be favorable to it, will be present this evening.

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C. P. R. TRYING TO BUY MINES

MOVEMENT TO SECURE QUEEN CHARLOTTE FIELD

Recent Sale of Dunsmuir Interests Making Corporation Keen for Other Properties

There is a movement afoot to acquire the Queen Charlotte Island coal fields, and it is generally believed that the C. P. R. is behind it. For a long time it has been well known that there are very extensive coal beds beneath practically the whole of Graham Island. The seams are thick and it is thought they are not as badly broken as are some parts of Vancouver Island. The only thing that has delayed the development of the coal beds has been the fact that up to quite recently the market for coal has been fully supplied from the Vancouver Island mines.
To-day the situation is changed. Mackenzie and Mann moving to acquire the Queen Charlotte mines, from which the C. P. R. at present draw their supply, that corporation is intensely interested in securing a supply for themselves which they will be able to control for their own use. They do not look with favor on the Nanaimo mines, and the Pacific Coast mines are not yet fully developed. The C. P. R. is believed, having turned their attention to the Queen Charlottes. Whether the deal for these coal rights will go through it is impossible to say. Among those interested in the Queen Charlotte coal fields is Major Nicholles of this city. In a recent issue of the Prince Rupert Optimist says:
"The B. C. Mainland & Coast Development will sometime this month apply for a charter of the provincial government, which will give permission to operate in British Columbia. This company of whom Major Nicholles of Victoria, is one, and who are represented in town at the present time by John M. Walters Jr., composed of capital from across the line, seeks to become incorporated that they may build and operate a smelter in Prince Rupert, produce gas and sell it to the city and other cities. The company are satisfied that there is enough ore at the present time in sight to warrant them in starting work on their smelter. One company in Alaska alone last year kept six boats plying back and forth continuously to the Tacoma smelter. There is a prospect of producing mines in the Portland Canal in six months, the Queen Charlotte Island and the Skeena valley. The company holds coal fields on Graham Island, which has proved to produce excellent coking coal and which they are prepared to develop immediately. A spur line is now planned from the mines to the water, near Skidgate. Beside coal the company owns other mineralized properties, which they will proceed to develop along with their smelter."

CHARGED WITH ARSON.

Five Prisoners Are Accused of Burning School.

Abilene, Wash., Feb. 22.—George Averill, 22; Walter Bray, 18; Walter Kraft, 15; Jim Raymond, 16, and Earl M. Henry, 18, of Centalla, are in the local jail to-day, awaiting trial on the charge of the burning of the west side school building, destroyed by fire last Wednesday.

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A BANK FOR WORK ESTATE

BRANCH TO OPEN HERE THIS SUMMER

Canadian Bank of Commerce Inaugurate Policy of District Banking Institutions

The inevitable extension of Victoria's retail section into sub-retail districts, and the consequent business expansion in the last year, has been recognized and acted upon by the Canadian Bank of Commerce in this city by the purchase of a site for a northern city branch in the Work Estate.
This is the first extension of the kind of the financial institutions of the city, and will doubtless be followed by development in other directions by this and other banks.
The corner purchased by Managers Gillespie and Crawford is situated on the southwest corner of Bay and Douglas streets, on the old Finlayson estate. The bank will open for business just as quickly as they can get a building erected, which will probably be by midsummer. In the meantime they may take temporary quarters to take care of the business offering.
Speaking this morning of the proposed extension, both gentlemen expressed the opinion that the establishment of such a branch would be a great convenience to the residents of a large and growing district, hitherto unserved by such an institution. In the meantime it will be useful in the main for checking and deposit purposes, but the rapid growth of this and other suburbs is bringing the day very close when it will fill the more comprehensive duties of general banking. In taking the step they have, they state they are merely following the modern trend of business which goes after the trade instead of waiting for it to come. In the city of Toronto, which is one of the most important of the centres of bank of commerce operations, branches are in some places, the Crawford states, only a few blocks apart.
This expansion will probably be followed by other extensions, if, as is anticipated, it justifies itself by results.
The move has a significance out of proportion to the monetary consideration involved, as it is the first recognition by the banking institutions of a development which always follows in the wake of approaching the 50,000 mark in population.
The two lots, which have frontage of 120 feet on Douglas and over 100 on Bay, were bought for \$18,000. Gillespie & Hart being responsible for the sale.

BLIZZARD SWEEPS MANY STATES

RAILWAY TRAFFIC IS INTERRUPTED

Weather is Intensely Cold—Ohio Has Heaviest Snow-fall of Winter

(Times Leased Wire.)
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 17.—The entire northwest is in the grip of a cold wave to-day. Minnesota and the Dakotas are blizzard swept, and communication is difficult.
Storm Unabated.
St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 17.—The heaviest snow fall of the season was recorded to-day throughout the southwest. A blizzard which has raged for 28 hours continues with unabated fury this morning.
Traffic Delayed.
Denver, Col., Feb. 17.—Train service in the inter-mountain district was delayed slightly to-day, according to railroad officials here who denied, however, that the cold wave had completely paralyzed traffic. The officials also denied that a report that the Northern Pacific trains were stalled on their way to the coast is true.
Swept By Blizzard.
Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 17.—Snow to the depth of eight inches has fallen here to-day and registers the heaviest fall of the winter. A blizzard is sweeping Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky, according to reports received here.

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SOCIALIST TREATMENT AS MADE IN GERMANY.

GREEK SOLDIERS HOLD ATHENS

GARRISON IS BEING STRONGLY REINFORCED

Navy May Shell Ports Left Unprotected by Withdrawal of Troops

(Times Leased Wire.)
Constantinople, Feb. 17.—The Greek army is still holding Athens to-day against the hostile navy, according to dispatches received here from the Greek capital.
The army men are reported to have seized ammunition intended for the torpedo boat destroyers of the fleet, rendering the vessels practically useless.
Col. Zorbas, whom the army men want proclaimed military dictator, is mobilizing additional soldiers in Athens. In view of his activity it is feared the vessels will shell the Grecian ports left unprotected by the removal of the garrison to the capital.
The exact situation is difficult to learn because of the strict censorship of news that has been established. It is certain from dispatches to commercial organizations in this city, however, that the situation is critical.
The trouble that threatens Greece with civil warfare is the result of long-standing differences between the army and navy factions, which had recent expression in the seizure of a Greek port by Col. Tzypaldis, who was later exiled. Tzypaldis yesterday violated his agreement to remain away from the country for two years, and appeared in Athens.

KAISER SUFFERS FROM INFLUENZA

Physicians Say He Will Be Able to Be Out in a Few Days

(Times Leased Wire.)
Berlin, Feb. 17.—Emperor William is confined to his bed with an attack of influenza, according to an announcement from the palace to-day. The Royal physicians state that his condition is not serious and that he will be out in a few days.
Meanwhile attendants on the Kaiser are keeping from him any information concerning the Socialist disturbances throughout Germany that may tend to alarm him or aggravate the danger of his condition.

EIGHT IN MINE.

Man's Skull Is Fractured and His Assault Is Held in Jail.

Crusade, Alaska, Feb. 17.—John Harris, a helper, is near death to-day, his skull crushed in, and Joe Bakich, a Slavonian machine man, is in the Juneau jail following a vicious fight at the thousand-foot level of the Ready Bullion mine, near Treadwell, yesterday. Harris has never been able to talk since the fight, while the Slavonian declares he struck in self-defense.

WESTON'S LONG TRAMP.

Grand Canyon, Ariz., Feb. 17.—Edward Payson Weston, who is walking from the Pacific coast to New York City, left here this morning for Williams, Arizona, where he is due on Saturday. He spent the day here yesterday.

URGES EXPORT DUTY ON NICKEL

President of Hamilton Company Believes Combine Can Be Combated

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—The troubles of the Nickel Steel Company of Hamilton in trying to float its proposition in face of the American competition by C. M. Schwab, president of the International Nickel Company, were related to the mines committee yesterday by John Patterson, of Hamilton. The company, acquired properties in Sudbury and elsewhere and invested \$1,000,000 in a refinery at Hamilton, but it had to be abandoned. The first arrangements for financing were made there by J. Pierpont Morgan, but he later withdrew, unless there should be an agreement to eliminate nickel. Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann were approached, but the company was hardly formed when they withdrew on learning that Morgan was financing another company. By this time Schwab announced that he had made agreements with all companies to control the market. All the concerns operated under one sales agent and do so still, said Mr. Patterson. When an offer was subsequently received for the properties at 6 per cent. advance on the investment, the company sold out. He believed that if an export duty were put on nickel that it would result in refining in Canada. The combination, he believed, could be broken if any one was strong enough to put up a fight and if the duty was not removed.

JAPAN ANXIOUS TO KEEP SUBJECTS AT HOME

Officials Say Future Depends Upon Her Ability to Meet Commerce Competition

(Times Leased Wire.)
Tokio, Feb. 17.—Officials of the Japanese foreign office to-day expressed their strong disapproval of the attitude assumed by the Asahi, a Conservative Japanese daily paper, which yesterday advocated that Japan take action to compel the United States to permit the naturalization of Japanese subjects. The foreign office officials declared that Japan's future depended largely upon her ability to meet international commerce competition. To prepare herself for this, they declared, "racial concentration" is imperative, and that patriotism should compel Japanese subjects to remain at home and not seek American naturalization. Although Japan is overcrowded, they said, her present population is inadequate to permit her to contest on equal terms with more populous nations for commercial supremacy.
The officials believe that her energies must be turned into channels that will make for industrial and commercial supremacy.

IMPERIAL LEAGUE.

Will Assist Unemployed Workmen and Families to Emigrate to Canada.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY PLANS

PUTTING KITCHENER'S SCHEME INTO FORCE

Premier Deakin Says It Will Make Defence Act More Effective

(Special to the Times.)
Sydney, N. S. W., Feb. 17.—Premier Deakin, in a speech here, stated that the military schemes which have been received from Lord Kitchener would make the Defence Act more effective. The scheme would begin to come into operation immediately, and the preliminary arrangements and appointments had already been made.
The scheme was devised to prevent bloodshed and invasion, and to enable Australia to stand for herself in the Empire and to assist the Empire to stand against the world.

CRITICIZED BY CITIZENS.

Los Angeles League of Justice Reports on Affairs of Police Department.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 17.—The police commission, the city council and the civil service commission to-day received the printed report of the League of Justice concerning its investigation of the conduct of affairs of the local police department.
The report scores the recent acts of a number of patrolmen who clubbed persons under arrest. The city prison was characterized as "filthy," and the entire system of police supervision declared to be wrong.

PAYS PENALTY FOR MURDER OF EMPLOYER

Joseph Hainor Hanged at Regina—Confessed His Guilt

(Special to the Times.)
Regina, Feb. 17.—Joseph Hainor was hanged in the jail yard here this morning. Last night he confessed his guilt to Captain Lankin, of the Salvation Army. He said he hid in a bush while his employer, Alex. Fraser, was ploughing, and shot him dead because he owned him two years' wages as a farm laborer. He was an eastern Canadian, and worked near Yorkton, Sask. A man named Holmes was executioner.

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CHAMBERLAIN TOTTERS INTO THE COMMONS

Dramatic Re-Appearance of Tariff Reform Leader on the Scene of Former Triumphs—Unable to Sign Roll.

(Times Leased Wire.)
London, Feb. 17.—London is still



J. CHAMBERLAIN.

talking to-day of the unexpected appearance of Joseph Chamberlain in the House of Commons yesterday, his frame shrunken and his features ashen, while his trembling hand signed the membership roll.

REMOVAL OF GERMAN SURTAX

VIEWS OF LONDON PRESS ON AGREEMENT

Large Increase in Trade With the Dominion is Predicted

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The Standard, referring to the possibility of further negotiations between Canada and Germany, relies on the sagacity of Canadian statesmen to see that tariff reform cannot be delayed much longer. It adds that it would create an uneasy feeling in London financial circles if the Dominion were to complain now that Germany has abandoned her rather high-handed methods.
The Standard's Berlin correspondent is likely to affect Canadian imports from Britain considerably. Germany will increase Canadian and German commercial travelers will sell goods under cost until an inroad has been made on the trade with Britain. Germany hopes in the course of time even to be able to persuade Canada to discontinue her preferential treatment with Britain. A vast scheme will be developed to woo Canada by devoting German capital towards the development of mines and industries in the Dominion and by inducing German immigration to Canada, where representatives of the German race already number nearly half a million. A severe blow is likely in the near future to be dealt to British shipping trade with Canada, as large German shipping companies are maturing plans for a regular line of fast steamships to carry emigrants and goods to Canada and thus break the monopoly now held by British. Canadian exports to Germany are likely also to show a large increase.
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Mr. Brock deprecated the constant talk of Germany being about on the verge of war with Great Britain. It is business and not war that the German is looking for, said Mr. Brock, and these business treaties are the best and surest aids to peace.

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TROUBLE WITH ROAD FOREMAN

DISPUTE IN COUNCIL OF NORTH SAANICH

Councillors Disagree Over the Questions Involved—J. Brethour Appointed

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
A very lively special meeting of the council of North Saanich was held last evening in the town hall, all the councillors being present, with the exception of Reeve Sangster.

The meeting was called for the purpose of ascertaining why municipal work was not progressing faster, and to give the road foreman instructions with reference to it, and to receive from that official his reasons, if any, why the council's instructions were not being complied with. After the acting reeve had announced his reasons for calling the meeting, Councillor Ego invited Mr. Hooton, the road foreman, to explain why work ordered had not been started.

Mr. Hooton gave as a reason the fact that at the last regular meeting of the council they had, as he termed it, turned down his report and refused to pay the accounts rendered for the cost of a piece of sidewalk ordered by the late council on the eve of the last election, and consequently he wanted to know "where he was at," as the government had never treated him in a like manner when in their employ.

Councillor McKenzie, the acting reeve, explained to him that the accounts referred to were only laid on the table to be considered later, and that in his opinion this was not of sufficient concern of his to justify his apparent neglect to obey the council's instructions.

At this stage Mr. Hooton drew from his pocket a paper and handed it to the chair, which when read proved to be a tender of his resignation.

Councillor Ego promptly moved that it be received and laid on the table, to be taken up at a later meeting of the board.

This was seconded by Councillor Brethour, who said that he thought Mr. Hooton was laboring under a wrong impression with reference to a position, or that he was not receiving and accepting bad advice from other sources, and that certain unnamed persons were continually saying that when the reeve returned all of the council would work up to date would be vetoed. This was a ridiculous position for anyone to take, and the sooner these people understood they could not work their will on the council and decided to work in harmony with the people's elected representatives, who were anxious to do their best for the people's interests, the better it would be for all concerned.

Councillor Ego then asked the foreman why he did not go to Victoria to interview Mr. Irvine, the government assistant engineer.

Mr. Hooton gave the same reason as he submitted earlier in the evening.

Councillor Hewitt, who up till this time had not taken any part in the proceedings, rose and congratulated the foreman on the stand he had taken.

This led Councillor Ego to remark that he did not think Councillor Hewitt's advice was in the best interests of the foreman.

Councillor Hewitt retorted that he had as much brains as Councillor Ego, and Councillor Ego returned the compliment by saying that he tried to use his own to some advantage. This led to a remark by Councillor Hewitt which caused lots of trouble for a short time.

After the acting reeve had restored order it was decided and agreed to by Mr. Hooton that he would at once visit Mr. Irvine and ascertain his views and wishes with reference to the unexpended balance of last year's government grant for trunk roads, after which he would proceed with that part of the work in the municipality.

Upon motion of Councillor Ego, seconded by Councillor Brethour, Julius Brethour was appointed a temporary foreman to carry out to completion municipal work already ordered, and he will be instructed to proceed with the same immediately.

SAILOR DIES FROM SMALLPOX ON CRUISER

Four of the Crew of U. S. S. Washington Are in the Hospital

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 16.—The cruiser Washington is anchored off the United States quarantine station to-day here flag at half-mast, one of her crew buried in the quarantine cemetery and four more in the hospital seriously ill with smallpox.

The Washington reached the quarantine station last night. The dead sailor passed away a few minutes before the cruiser dropped anchor. There are 950 men aboard and doctors are busy to-day vaccinating and re-vaccinating the men.

The Washington was in quarantine at Honolulu, and has just been released and ordered to Bremerton when the cases developed.

The Tennessee, which accompanied the Washington from Hawaii, continued to the Bremerton navy yard.

At the annual meeting of the Institute of Metals in London, Sir Gerard Munz said that present-day people thought their science surpassed the knowledge possessed by their forebears. But which of them today knew the secrets of the ancients of Egypt and Babylon, which enabled them to harden bronzes to a cutting edge, and so face the stones for the pyramids and temples of Egypt?

The potash bill, providing for a government monopoly in the production and sale of potash, was referred to a special committee in the German Reichstag Tuesday.

EXCLUDE MCGILL AND TORONTO

REPRESENTATION ON THE COMMISSION

Queen's and Laval Likely to Be Selected

With the announcement that the provincial government is about to refer the question of the location of the provincial university to a commission there has been interest manifested in the personnel of that commission. It is to be composed of outside educationalists who have no direct interest in the matter, according to the statements of the members of the government in the introduction of the bill authorizing the appointment.

In view of the fact that McGill University is somewhat connected with the higher education of this province the Minister of Education, under whose department this matter will come, is not likely, it is reported, to name a representative of McGill on the commission. Hon. Dr. Young is also said to be against Toronto University being represented, owing as the ground for this course that the dispute which arose a few years ago between these two educational centres, McGill and Toronto, over the matter of higher education in British Columbia, should preclude both from the commission.

In order to have the older provinces represented on the commission, however, it is probable that he will recommend representatives of Queen's from Ontario and Laval University from Quebec, for places on the body to be named to select the location of the provincial university.

NEW TELEGRAPH LINE

Canadian Northern Will Build Along Their Railway

Montreal, Feb. 16.—It is announced here that Mackenzie & Mann will soon begin the construction of a commercial telegraph line from ocean to ocean along the line of railway from Fort William to Edmonton and at other points in the different provinces as far west as the coast of British Columbia. The construction of the line will be completed in a few days to do some legal work in connection with the Canadian Northern telegraph flotation.

THREE PERISH IN FIRE

New York, Feb. 16.—Three children lost their lives in a fire which destroyed a tenement house on Clay street yesterday. Two of the children were enveloped in flames while taking an afternoon nap. The third child to lose its life was a five-year-old girl.

WATER PIPE FOR ESQUIMALT

LARGE CONSIGNMENT ARRIVED TUESDAY NIGHT

Will Be Used for Distribution System—Big Pipe Coming in April

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

From the Canadian-Mexican line, Lonsdale, now lying at the outer dock, there is being discharged a large quantity of welded steel pipe, which will be used in the distribution system of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company. The consignment consists of 360 tons, the greater part of which is 15-inch pipe, but there is also a large quantity of smaller size.

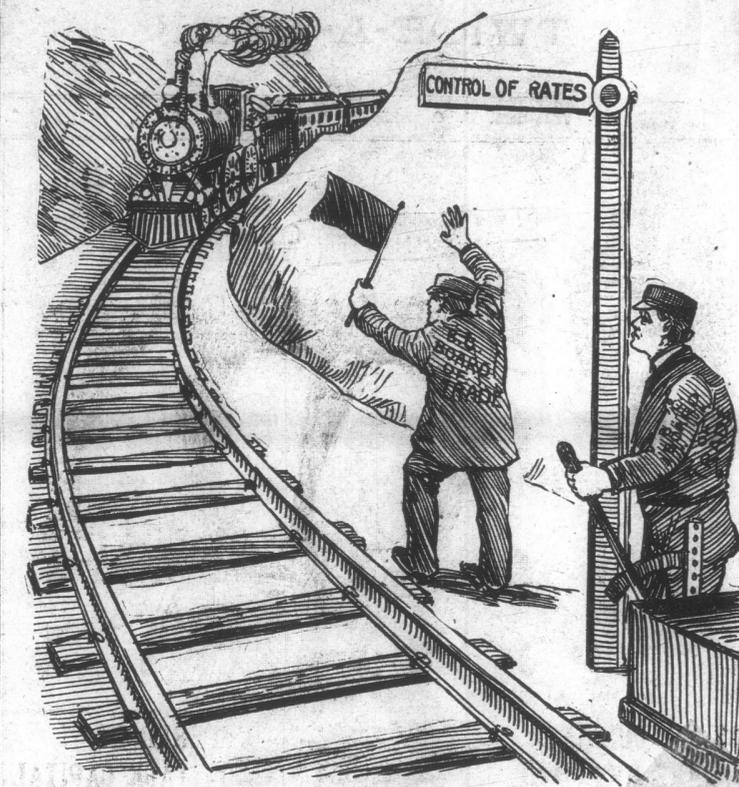
The pipe was shipped from the British Mannesmann Tube Company, of Landore, South Wales, the largest manufacturer of welded steel pipe in the United Kingdom. It was personally conducted by Fred Clarke, a representative of the firm who is looking after the loading and discharging, and who will report upon the route to his employers when the pipe has been delivered.

The consignment left Liverpool on Christmas morning on the steamer Dictator for the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, crossing the length of the pipes and their awkwardness in loading and unloading there has been a slight delay but the time made is very good compared with other routes of travel. It has had to be handled five times on the trip. First it was carried by rail to Swanton, the first shipping port; then to Liverpool by coasting steamer; from there to Puerto Mexico, on the Dictator; by rail to Salina Cruz, and up the coast on the Lonsdale.

Seen this morning in regard to the shipment, Theodore Lubbe, manager for the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, stated that the present shipment was simply for the extension of their distribution system. This would be laid at once, there being a large number of new applications for water in Victoria West, and Esquimalt. The pipe for the big main will not arrive until April next. It will come by the Blue Funnel line, and as soon as it arrives work will be commenced on the laying of the main to connect the city with the Goldstream supply. This pipe will be much larger than that which arrived this morning, being of 22 inches diameter.

GRAIN FIRMS BANKRUPT.

Hamburg, Feb. 16.—The failure of seven grain firms in the provinces of Schleswig-Holstein and Hanover, was announced in the produce exchange yesterday. The failures were due in part to speculative entanglements in soda nitrate, and partly to short selling of barley.



WILL HE HEED THE SIGNAL?

GAMBLING ON RACE TRACKS

BILL AGAIN BEFORE COMMONS COMMITTEE

Letters For and Against the Measure Read by the Chairman

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—When the anti-race track gambling bill committee met this morning Chairman Miller read a number of communications in support of the bill, while there were others opposed to it.

Among those who supported it were the police magistrate of Vancouver, ex-Mayor Urquhart, of Toronto; the Moral and Social Reform Association of Midland, Ont.; Ontario Sunday School Association; the Canadian Sire Association; Ontario Horse Breeders' Association and the Canadian National Bureau of Breeding, in their communications expressed the hope that the committee would do nothing which would go against the breeding of horses in Canada.

Chief of Police Sleeman, of Brantford, Ont., formerly of the Toronto Police, said the effect on the community of horse racing at Woodbine was bad. He thought that if American book-makers could be kept out of the country, a good deal of the evil would be eliminated. He considered good racing and good sport could be had without book-makers.

SUSPECTED ROBBERS.

St. Louis, Feb. 16.—The postal authorities here believe the four men under arrest charged with robbing a Missouri Pacific mail car at Glenwood, Mo., have operated in the Pacific Northwest. Inspectors A. D. Bensen and C. L. Patterson announced to-day that they will go to Spokane, Wash., to probe the matter.

W. W. Lowe, the alleged leader of the bandits, who committed the Glenwood robbery, and Geo. Eberling, who also is under arrest, have trunks stored at Everett, Wash. The officials are of the opinion that these trunks may contain the loot gathered at other robberies.

SUNDAY WORK ON PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Hearing of Appeal by Lord's Day Alliance Postponed at Regina

Regina, Sask., Feb. 16.—The sittings of the District court opened yesterday before Judge Hannon, when a long docket was presented.

Norman Mackenzie, who also is under arrest, stated in his honor that he wished on behalf of the bar of the province and the local bar to offer congratulations upon his elevation to the bench.

The appeal of the King vs. Lecky, was an appeal from a decision of the magistrate dismissing the action brought by the Lord's Day Alliance against Robert Lecky, representing Peter Lyall, for permitting work to proceed on Sunday at the new parliament buildings. On the case coming before the magistrate it was dismissed on the ground that the work was of a necessary character, and the appeal was then taken.

Norman Mackenzie filed two affidavits at the hearing yesterday, and asked for an adjournment. Frank Ford, K. C., appearing for the appellant, opposed the application, and after argument it was set over to the next court.

NINE THOUSAND MEN ARE IDLE

MORE TROUBLE IN MINES AT BUTTE

Withdrawal of Engineers From Western Federation Causes Suspension of Work

Butte, Mont., Feb. 16.—Every mine in and around Butte with the exception of the Silver Bow, the Berkeley and the Mountain Consolidated, suspended operations to-day. The suspension was the result of an attempt on the part of the union engineers employed at the mines to separate from the Western Federation of Miners and organize a union to affiliate with the International Engineers' union. It was estimated to-day that 9,000 men are idle.

The smelting works of former Senator W. A. Clark closed this morning. According to General Manager John Gilie, of the Amalgamated Copper Mining Company, the Washoe smelters at Anaconda employing 3,000 men, the Boston and Montana smelters at Great Falls, employing 3,000 men, probably will have to close within four days.

The three mines in this city which have not closed—all belong to the Amalgamated company. They are running under difficulty with crippled forces.

The direct cause of the suspension was the refusal of the engineers to go to work this morning. Further complicating matters, the miners and smelters' unions have announced that they will refuse to handle any ore hoisted by the engineers who have seceded from the Western Federation, but will import engineers. This, in turn, has developed a new phase of a complicated situation. The operation of the hoisting engines requires a skilled work that the mining companies will not permit any but experienced men to handle them. It is feared that the condition prevalent here to-day will extend throughout the mining section of the state.

The trouble between the hoist engineers and the miners has been of long standing. It reached a point last fall when the miners refused to go into the shafts where engineers who refused to affiliate with the Western Federation were employed.

The miners demanded that the engineers either join the Western Federation or leave the mines. The operators at first decided to keep the engineers, but later they capitulated to the miners. At this juncture the smelters, numbering several thousand, stopped into the fight and used serious measures to compel the engineers to join the Western Federation.

The mine operators, threatened with serious financial loss, joined with the miners and smelters in enforcing the strike and the engineers capitulated. The action of the engineers to-day is believed to have followed a decision on their part to throw off the dominance of the Western Federation of Miners and to set at defiance the miners and smelters. Whether they have the support of the operators is a mooted question.

FORMER M. P. DEAD.

(Special to the Times.)
Quebec, Feb. 15.—Elize Beaudett, for many years assistant cashier at the local customs house and formerly member for Chicoutimi and Saguenay in the local legislature, is dead, aged 78 years.

RIVER SEINE IS RISING AGAIN

MANY PEOPLE HAVE ABANDONED HOMES

Hundreds of Factories Remain Closed and Business is Demoralized

Paris, Feb. 16.—The River Seine is rising again to-day and the flood situation is assuming an alarming aspect. Houses at Alfortville and in other low-lying suburbs of the capital are being abandoned by their inhabitants who are moving to higher ground.

General rains throughout the country and melting snows at the headwaters of the Seine and Marne are responsible for the serious condition confronting the city. A further rise of four or five feet is predicted and to-day the Seine at the Pont De Austerlitz measured a depth of 19 feet 5 inches.

The hydrometric bureau announced to-day that the indications are for a general rise for the next two days, and that it is possible the river may go to 24 feet, which is within four feet of the recent maximum when flood conditions prevailed.

Following their custom at the recent flood, hundreds of poor families from the suburbs are flocking into the city. They bring tales of damage and disaster such as preceded the great flood of a fortnight ago.

Owing to the difficulty experienced by civil engineers in repairing levees and embankments and in making secure the foundations of buildings along the waterfront, hundreds of factories have remained closed for a prolonged period and business is at a standstill.

The present rise of the waters is seriously hampering the work of government engineers who have been rushing the repairs to dykes and levees in and about Paris.

Constantinople, Feb. 15.—Troops occupied Athens to-day anticipating an attack by the Greek navy, which partisans believe will be the climax of the long standing enmity between the land and water forces of the country.

News of the occupation of the city reached here in dispatches from Athens to-day. The message stated that a strict censorship of news is being maintained and the situation is believed here to be more critical than the dispatches stated.

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MARBLE DISCOVERIES.

German Reichstag Delighted Over Deposits Found in Africa.
Berlin, Feb. 16.—Discoveries of valuable marble in Southwest Africa have driven members of the Reichstag driven with joy. So much money has been expended upon the place and so much unfavorable criticism has been incurred that the news of there being some immediate monetary return has come in the nature of a pleasant surprise.

Marble in the colony does not, as in so many other cases, occur in comparatively thin seams, but in large hills scattered over a region with an area of 80,000 hectares. The most important of these hills of solid marble is stated to be 18 miles long, 1,100 yards wide and over 100 feet high. European experts have given their opinion that as much as \$250 per cubic yard can be obtained for the better sort and quarrying has already been commenced on a large scale.

When these quarries get into full working order, with the valuable copper mines and diamond fields into the bargain, Southwest Africa will be one of the most valuable districts of the whole of South Africa.

Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia arrived in London on Tuesday. They will be the guests at Buckingham Palace for a week. It is understood that the purpose of the visit is to create a better feeling between England and Germany.

ATTITUDE OF NATIONALISTS

LEADERS WILL NOT EMBARRASS GOVERNMENT

Rosebery Suggests Submitting Tariff Reform Question to Royal Commission

London, Feb. 16.—It is declared to-day on good authority that John E. Redmond, who together with John Dillon and T. P. O'Connor, visited Chancellor Lloyd George after the cabinet council yesterday, assured Lloyd George that the general body of Irish members would make no deliberate attempt to embarrass the government, whatever might be the minister's decision as to the order of dealing with the budget and vote questions.

This probably means that even if Mr. Asquith finds himself unable to satisfy Redmond regarding the House of Lords' veto the Nationalists will remain neutral and refrain from voting on the budget.

However, it is thought Premier Asquith will satisfy the Irish leader as to this, and that he will promise some concessions to Ireland in the next budget which would justify the Nationalists in supporting the government.

OVER HUNDRED SLAIN.

Five French Officers and 110 Native Soldiers Ambushed.
Paris, Feb. 16.—A dispatch from the governor of Dakar, Senegal, says a French detachment has suffered heavy losses through an ambush in the Ouar region. A whole company, consisting of five French officers and 110 native soldiers, were massacred.

LONDON LIBEL SUIT.

London, Feb. 16.—Hon. Henry Frederick Woodpecker yesterday lost his suit against T. W. H. Trossard, a member of the Academy, when the jury found that the latter was not guilty of the charge of libeling him when he wrote articles for the Academy, of which Lord Alfred De Rothschild, Trossard made serious attack on the moral character of Manners-Sutton, who is head of a religious publishing concern, and a friend of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

GREEK NAVY MAY ATTACK ATHENS

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AEROPLANES FOR THE GERMAN ARMY

Corps of Experts Will Be Organized by Ministry of War

(Special to the Times.)
Berlin, Feb. 15.—It is stated that the Emperor and ministry of war are convinced that aeroplanes will be important useful in war. A corps of experts will be formed who will be distributed in all sections of the army. It is believed to be the intention to eventually attach flying corps to every regiment.

TAKING UP LAND.

Winnipeg, Feb. 16.—Thirteen hundred homesteads were thrown open yesterday for settlement by the Dominion lands office. A large number of these are adapted for mixed farming. They are situated between lakes Winnipeg and Manitoba, where a large number of settlers have already taken up land.

GERMAN TROOPS CHARGE SOCIALISTS

MANY INJURED IN HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTS

Foot and Mounted Men Are Engaged in Breaking Up Street Demonstrations

(Times Leased Wire.)

Berlin, Feb. 16.—Socialists and sympathizers who gathered in the streets of Neumunster to-day and refused to disperse at the orders of the military were charged by the troops and scores were taken to hospitals suffering from wounds.

The soldiers, sent to break up the Socialist demonstrations, charged with fixed bayonets into compact masses of men who were unable, owing to the crowded streets, to escape the weapons of the troops.

Driven at bay by their very numbers, the mob turned on the soldiers and hand to hand conflicts raged in the thoroughfares. Cavalry was used to break up the fighting hordes and only when they were ridden or slotted with bayonets' hooks, down, trampled, did the soldiers break and run for shelter in doorways, courts and houses.

Those taken to the hospitals were suffering from terrible mutilations. Many of the victims lost ears, noses or hands from the sabre slashes. Heads were laid open and deep stab wounds from bayonets were inflicted. Many of the injured are in a precarious condition and several may die.

The toll of blood paid by the socialists to-day emphasized the protest of their delegates when the Prussian government's new franchise bill was adopted. Following the adoption of the measure rioting by Socialists occurred in various parts of the empire.

Dispatches were received here from Cassel to-day stating that no less than six riotous took place there when the police attempted to disperse a mass meeting of Socialists gathered to protest against the franchise bill.

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The Emperor's palace has been double guarded and light artillery is near at hand in case of emergency. Several batteries were placed near the palace and the report that the riots were at their height. Later the artillery was withdrawn, but is being held within easy reach of the Kaiserhof.

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(From Tuesday's Daily)

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OF ATTACKS
ON THE JAPANESE

ments of Tokio Newspaper
Hayes Bill Now Before Congress

Feb. 16.—"We are tired of the jargonism of American politicians," declared the Asahi to-day in an editorial, which is typical of the editorial comment upon the Hayes bill in Japanese America.
The question of the naturalization of Japanese in America is one of the most important matters of the present time," continued the Asahi. "Time is spent for Japan to take a step toward co-operation with the other elements of America, such as represented by former President Roosevelt. It is time for this country to begin negotiations with the class of Americans looking toward the legislation of Japanese naturalization."
Naturalization will be the permanent solution of the problem. The Japanese in America should become Americans. Such attacks as that made in the Japanese in the Hayes bill are being wearisome. They are inspired by the lower element in America. Time for Japan to act."
Asahi is one of the leading newspapers of Japan and has a wide influence. Since the report was published here, that a congressional committee had reported favorably upon the Hayes bill, the papers have been busy in their expressions of indignation.
Reported Favorably.
Washington, D. C., Feb. 16.—The extension bill introduced in the house of representatives by Representative A. J. Clegg of California, has been reported favorably by the committee on immigration.

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Agreement between the corporation of the city of Victoria (hereinafter termed "the city") of the one part, and the corporation of the district of Oak Bay (hereinafter termed "the district") of the other part.
Whereas, by agreement between the parties of the 5th of March, 1909, the district is to be supplied by the city with its proportion of the existing supply of water until such time as the city obtains an improved system, and water to be supplied in bulk at a price not to exceed 20 cents per thousand gallons, and when the city procures an improved system the price is to be readjusted.
And whereas, the district is by a bill presented to the legislative assembly seeking certain powers set forth in section 2 and subsections 2 and 3 of section 3 and section 4, and it has been arranged that upon the city giving the declaration hereinafter contained, the said section and subsections of the said bill shall be withdrawn therefrom.
Now it is hereby declared, consented and promised by the city and with the district as follows:
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For each thousand gallons, when the daily supply shall exceed 1,000,000 gallons, and up to 5,000,000 gallons, at the rate of 9c.
2. Should the water be supplied by the 31st of December, 1910, have failed to make arrangements to augment its supply of water from some satisfactory source other than the city, it shall be able in aid of the supply hereby agreed to be made, the city will offer no opposition to any legislation necessary to enable the district to take, purchase or otherwise acquire water from any person, corporation or source of supply, and conduct them same under reasonable safeguards through the city.
3. The obligation hereby, by clause 1, undertaken by the city, shall remain in being and binding upon the city until the district shall through increased growth require a daily supply exceeding 5,000,000 gallons. And the city shall thereafter be unable to meet the actual requirements of the district, the city further declares that in such case no unreasonable opposition will be made to effective legislation to enable the district to obtain such further quantity of water from any source whatsoever.
Ald. Langley, chairman of the legislative committee, explaining the intent of the agreement, reminded the board that he had been instructed to the committee at the last meeting of the council, when the matter first came up. They had been asked to oppose those sections of the bill which provided for the laying of water pipes through the city. The committee had met with a committee of the Oak Bay council, and to the credit of the mayor, the agreement had been made in the form in which it had been embodied in the agreement now before them. He personally believed the proposed arrangement an excellent one. The city had everything to win and nothing to lose.
Ald. Raymond was opposed to the agreement. He thought it most unwise to bind the city not to oppose any legislation in such a way as proposed.
Ald. Mable was very indignant at the action of the legislative committee in asking the council to pass any such agreement. He would oppose it tooth and nail, and saw the fine Italian hand of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company in the scheme.
Ald. Fullerton was also opposed and he pointed out that Oak Bay had been treated in pretty generous fashion in the past and had no kick coming.
He was in favor of the agreement, but he reminded the members of the board that to turn the agreement down would simply have the effect of giving the Esquimalt Waterworks Company a monopoly in the district, and an "elder customer" which would otherwise be served by the city.
Ald. McKeown thought the agreement was all right and he said he would not share the fears which seemed to be held by some of his fellow aldermen.
Mayor Morley left the chair and at some length entered into a defence of the provisions of the bill. In his opinion the matter was one of great importance. The committee had been appointed by a desire to have the bill reported before the legislature stood over for one year, the right of Victoria to

supply Oak Bay with water preserved, and the laying of an additional line of pipes through the city postponed. All this had been accomplished in the agreement now before them, and he regretted to see the opposition which had been manifested.
City Solicitor Mann also pointed out how important it was that the agreement should be passed.
More discussion of a general sort followed, and then the motion to adopt the report was negatived on the following vote: Ayes, Aldermen Langley, Sargison, Bishop, McKeown and the mayor; nays, Aldermen Fullerton, Mable, Humber, Raymond and Ross. Though this was a tie his worship declared the motion lost, adding that he was sorry for the decision.

C. F. CORNWALL
DIED TUESDAY

FORMER LIEUT.-GOV.
HAS PASSED AWAY

Was Well Known Figure in the
Early History of British
Columbia

(From Tuesday's Daily.)
Hon. C. F. Cornwall, who was lieutenant-governor of British Columbia from 1881 to 1886, and who during the course of a long residence in the province took a prominent part in the politics and commercial life of the country, passed away at St. Joseph's hospital this morning, the immediate cause of death being heart disease. He was 74 years of age. Mrs. Cornwall and four sons and a daughter survive him.
The deceased pioneer and legislator had for a number of years past been a resident of Ashcroft district, where he had a fine ranch a short distance from the town. Some two years ago his health failing he removed to Victoria, on his retirement from the position of judge of Cariboo county court. Some few days ago he was ordered to the hospital and this morning his illness took a fatal turn. The remains will be forwarded to Ashcroft for interment.
Deceased was born at Ashcroft, Gloucester, Eng., in the year 1836. He was



THE LATE C. F. CORNWALL.

the son of Rev. Alan Gardner Cornwall. His mother was the daughter of Thomas Kingscote, a family that is able to trace its descent in an unbroken line from the time of the Norman conquest in 1066.
The late Mr. Cornwall received his primary education at private schools at Magdalene College, Cambridge, from which he graduated in 1858, taking his degree of Bachelor of Arts. Prior to his departure from England he was called to the bar by the honorable society of the Inner Temple in 1852. He arrived in British Columbia the same year and first visited the mining districts but took no active part in mining enterprises, devoting his efforts principally to stock-raising and his profession of law, and spending seasons at Wild Horse, Kootenay, French Creek and Big Bend as a practicing barrister.
In the year 1854 when the first legislative assembly was created Mr. Cornwall was one of its most prominent and energetic members as representative of Hope-Yale-Lytton district, and occupied a similar position in subsequent years, being one of its members in the session of 1871 when this province joined the Canadian confederation. Immediately after confederation he was appointed a member of the Canadian Senate and occupied that position until he accepted the Lieutenant-Governorship of British Columbia in 1881. He occupied Government House until 1886.
In 1884 Mr. Cornwall was appointed a justice of the peace for this province and served in that capacity until 1888. He was elevated to the bench as judge of the County Court of Cariboo in 1888, and in the same year was appointed stipendiary magistrate. In 1891 he was appointed a senator of the University of British Columbia.
He was married in 1871 to Charlotte, the third daughter of Rev. A. G. Penberton, rector of Kensal Green, London, England.
The late Judge Cornwall assisted materially in the development of the agricultural resources of the province. In connection with his brother, H. P. Cornwall, he was the largest and most successful stock-raiser in the province and contributed in no small degree to its agricultural prosperity.

LOCAL OPTION.

Regina, Sask., Feb. 15.—Arrangements are being made to submit the local option vote in 200 towns, cities and municipalities of Saskatchewan next December. An active campaign has been started.
Edmonton, Alberta, Feb. 15.—A saw and planing mill to be operated by steam power was shipped into the Grand Prairie country last week by W. A. Rae, who will establish the mill on the banks of the Wapiti river. The sawmill will be in operation by spring and is expected to handle a large amount of lumber this year. This will be the second sawmill to be established in the Grand Prairie, the first being taken in several years ago and which has been operated successfully at Beaver Lodge.



HARD TO CATCH.
NEWS NOTE—The city council at Monday's meeting refused to endorse the suggested agreement with Oak Bay for a solution of the water problem affecting the two municipalities.

HON. W. CUSHING
HAS RESIGNED

TROUBLE IN STORE FOR
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT

Effort May Be Made to Defeat
Premier Rutherford's
Cabinet

Edmonton, Alberta, Feb. 15.—The resignation of Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works, is now in the hands of the lieutenant-governor. It is stated on authority, although it has not yet formally reached the premier and the minister himself does not confirm the statement, that the resignation of his deputy, John Stock, will follow.
Following upon all this the opposition forces against the Rutherford administration, on the strength of the dissatisfaction which has arisen in the south and in other quarters over the Alberta and Great Waterways railway, and the government colonization project, are lined up under the leadership of John R. Boyle, of Sturgeon, and it is stated are preparing to force a vote upon the legislature within a day or two upon some question in connection with the waterways road which will test out the strength of the Rutherford administration as against the new opposition forces. This opposition, combined with the independent Conservative members, and the Socialist member, expect to place the government as represented by Hon. Messrs. Rutherford, Cross, Leonard, Marshall, with Hon. Mr. Cushing as a private member on the opposition side, and Hon. Mr. Buchanan, undecided, in the minority and thus bring about a possible resignation of the cabinet and an appeal to the country.
All this is quite possible if indications of future developments are correct.
That a split is imminent, that it includes practically all the southern members with Hon. Mr. Cushing and possibly Hon. Mr. Buchanan and the members of the opposition, is not denied by the best authorities. It is believed that all that now remains is to force a vote of want of confidence in the legislature to bring about the downfall of the Rutherford administration.

ORDERED TO
ATTACK CAPITAL

INSTRUCTIONS SENT TO
REVOLUTIONIST GENERAL

Nicaraguan Troops Bombard
Matagalpa, Now Held by
Rebels

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Feb. 15.—(Wireless to Colon.)—Being ordered to General Chamorro to begin immediately by the long deferred attack upon Matagalpa, a courier dispatched by Provisional President Estrada is hurrying toward Matagalpa to-day. Several orders were wired to the telegraph station nearest Matagalpa, where Chamorro lies.
At this point it was entrusted to a courier. It was as follows: "Strike fast and hard."
General Mena with 1,000 men is striking toward Matagalpa, which is being bombarded by the administration of General Lara, to relieve Chamorro.
The rebel leaders are confident, however, that Chamorro would be able to hold the city despite the bombardment, or leave it, should he desire to do so.
The fact that Mena was ordered to join forces with him even before the issuance of Estrada's order was taken to indicate that the commander-in-chief was planning an immediate attack upon the capital. A third revolutionary force is being mobilized in the vicinity of Santa Clara. Several hundred men are said to be in the camp and ready to march at an hour's notice.
It is believed Estrada's plans include the junction of this force with Chamorro's and Mena's commands near Matagalpa.
Mena is expected to arrive in the neighborhood within two days. It is generally believed here that Chamorro then will endeavor to abandon the city with Mena, even though he be compelled to risk an attempt to cut through Lara's lines.

ROBBERS ESCAPE WITH
TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS

Bind and Gag Two Men and
Blow Open Safe in
Bank

Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 15.—Five masked bandits dynamited the safe of the Citizens' Bank at Chatsworth, Ill., early to-day, and escaped with a fortune of ten thousand dollars. According to the officers of the bank the amount they stole was about \$10,000. A sheriff's posse immediately took up the pursuit.
The robbers operated with surprising boldness and deliberation. They appeared in the city shortly after midnight and found William Kayle, a night watchman, on guard at the bank. Taking Kayle by surprise they seized him and bound and gagged him. Then they carried him across the street to a garage building, where one of the robbers stood guard over him. The four men were approaching the bank when Albert Kerben, a citizen, attempted to interfere, but he was overpowered and bound. He then was placed in company with the night watchman.
After forcing an entrance to the building the robbers used four charges of nitro-glycerine before they succeeded in breaking the safe. They took eight thousand dollars in currency and about \$2,000 in gold and silver.

MANITOBA'S NEW
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Magnificent Structure to Be
Erected on Site of Lieut.-
Governor's Residence

Winnipeg, Feb. 15.—Hon. Robert Rogers announced last night in the legislature that the government has decided to remove the lieutenant-governor's residence off the present site and thereon erect magnificent parliament buildings.
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SMALLPOX ON CRUISER.

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 15.—The cruiser Washington will reach Diamond Point quarantine station to-day with five cases of smallpox in the crew.
Assistant Surgeon Carter, in charge of this quarantine district, received a wireless message from the Washington last night saying she was steering full speed ahead. The Washington is on her way from Honolulu to the Emerton drydock.

WIRELESS STATIONS.

Sydney, N. S. Feb. 15.—Signor Marconi is now at the Marconi station at Morien. Marconi stated that he expected to have his Glace Bay station open for commercial business for transmission across the continent and for transmission of wireless messages to inland points shortly. It has been decided to erect a station at Winnipeg. The erection of a number of small stations in the West Indies, he says, has been started.

NEW PARLIAMENT
ASSEMBLES AT WESTMINSTER

Several Days Will Be Occupied in Swearing in
Members—Labor Party Will Probably Support the Asquith Government.

London, Feb. 15.—After the hardest fought election the United Kingdom has ever known, the third parliament of King Edward's reign assembled at Westminster for the session's business at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Business thus far has been purely formal and four days will be occupied in no more sensational way than swearing in the members and effecting the usual organization.
Though the Houses did not convene until 2 o'clock, the doors were opened as usual at midnight and still through the early hours of the afternoon there was the customary rush of the 670 members of the Commons for the best, or in fact, for any at all of the 500



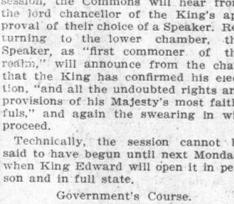
SPEAKER LOWTHER.

ber, where John Ellis, a Liberal, formally arose and proposed that James Lowther be elected Speaker—a mere formality, inasmuch as the same Speaker is elected session after session regardless of politics, until, as usually happens, he retires to accept a peerage and a seat in the House of Lords. Speaker Lowther himself is now electing on his third term, having been elected under the Conservative administration of Premier Balfour which ended four years ago. Stuart Wortley, a Conservative, seconded Mr. Ellis' motion, and the proposition was unanimously carried. The House of Lords was informed of what had been done and the swearing in proceeded.
Summoned again to the House of Lords at the opening of to-morrow's session, the Commons will hear from the lord chancellor of the King's approval of their choice of a Speaker. Returning to the lower chamber, the Speaker, as "first commoner of the realm," will announce from the chair that the King has confirmed his election, "and all the undoubted rights and provisions of his Majesty's most faithful," and again the swearing in will proceed.
Technically, the session cannot be said to have begun until next Monday, when King Edward will open it in person and in full state.
Government's Course.
(Special to the Times.)

LABOR PARTY'S ATTITUDE.

London, Feb. 14.—On the eve of the meeting of the new parliament interest as to the probable course of the government is at fever heat. So far no indication has been given as to whether the budget or restrictions of the powers of the Lords will be given precedence, but the Liberal press expresses confidence that a solution of the difficulty has been found, and that the government will manage to tide over the crisis.
The Daily News states that the question of the Lords' veto will be taken up first, and the Chronicle declares that Asquith has received assurances of support which will enable him satisfactorily to solve the problem. The Times, on the contrary, says the budget will be the first taken up.
Labor Party's Attitude.
While the attitude of the Labor party is still a matter of doubt, in a speech delivered last night Keir Hardie throws some light on the subject. Speaking at Mountain Ash, he said that despite sensational developments in the situation, he believed parliament would last two years. Perhaps it would be the case that the Lords' veto and budget would run through the Commons together, which plan would retain the Irish vote for the government. The Labor party, he said, had no interest in forcing another election immediately, and would probably support the government in which ever course it chose to take, whether it introduced first the budget or the Lords' veto.
Suffragettes to Meet.
London, Feb. 15.—The recently announced change in the policy of the suffragettes was never more clearly shown than it was last night, when

residence by way of the underground passage provided for such emergencies.
Winston Churchill drove up in a cab with his wife and was also warmly received.
Arthur J. Balfour, the Conservative leader, got a decidedly chilly reception, either because his party was beaten at the polls or because Liberals predominated in the crowd about the House entrance.
Inside the House of Commons confusion prevailed until the tedious business of swearing in began. One by one the new members marched up to Speaker Lowther's table to be introduced by more experienced friends to the presiding officer. To-day's swearing in was interrupted, as it always is, by the arrival of the Gentleman Usher Sir H. Stephenson, to summon the Commons to the bar of the House of Lords to hear "His Majesty's commission" read.
In the upper chamber the Lord Chancellor, Lord Loreburn, and his fellow commissioners, in full state robes and cocked hats, stood waiting on the steps of the throne, while the rest of the Lords sat around them bareheaded. Everyone being present, the Lord Chancellor, in official tones read the "commission" briefly composed for commercial business for transmission across the continent and for transmission of wireless messages to inland points shortly. It has been decided to erect a station at Winnipeg. The erection of a number of small stations in the West Indies, he says, has been started.



HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.

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THE GERMAN ENTENTE.
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DESERVING OF GENEROUS SUPPORT.
Although this is an age of wonderful mechanical inventions and progress, the stage has not quite been reached at which man can dispense entirely with the enforced services of the lower animals...

REPORT ON RESERVOIR WILL BE DELAYED.
G. H. Bryson Will Not Undertake Task Until Big Basin Can Be Emptied.
(From Wednesday's Daily.)

BRIEF LOCALS.
Mrs. Hasell wishes to know if there are any young people living in the vicinity of the Jubilee hospital who would be willing to form a choir to assist in the services held on Sunday afternoons in the cathedral chapel...

THE TRUE NAVAL POLICY.
The Canadian Courier of Toronto probably expresses the opinion of the majority of Canadian readers of newspapers when it says that it is a weary of the discussion of the naval question...

events will establish to be the only true and permanent solution of a very delicate as well as a very important problem. In any case there can be no question whatever as to the political independence of the Courier...

What Other People Think.
TEACHERS' SALARIES.
To the Editor:—I see in Semi-Weekly Times of 11th inst. that our member, Mr. Hayward, said in the House that the government paid the country teachers sufficient salary...

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On Wednesday last Mayor Morley, following the rejection of the agreement by the council, thought of the proposed agreement...

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Walter Walker thought the city council had done right in rejecting it, and he hoped they would do the same thing this evening...

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The following ladies, though retaining inability to attend, have promised to support the movement. Mrs. J. H. Todd, Mrs. C. E. Cooper, Mrs. A. L. Jones, Mrs. C. Colquhoun Macdonald, Mrs. E. Langworthy, Miss Mara and Miss G. Mackay, Miss Wigley, Mrs. A. E. Todd, Mrs. Ellison, Miss Ellison.

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ROYAL BLACK KNIGHTS ELECT OFFICERS

W. H. Dinmore, of Vancouver, Chosen Grand Master—Convention at Kamloops

Kamloops, Feb. 15.—The Grand Black Chapter of the Royal Black Knights of Ireland assembled here in the I. O. O. F. hall with about 75 delegates present. The first business was the striking of the standing committee. The reports of the grand lodge officers showed the institution to be in a flourishing condition. A grant of \$250 was made to the Grand Orange Lodge of the province to assist the organization work. A resolution was passed endorsing the official paper, the Orange Sentinel, and hearty fraternal greetings were sent to the editor, H. C. Hocken, by a telegram, expressing the appreciation and approval of the W. V. Worshipful Grand Black Chapter of British Columbia with the stand by Brother Hocken on the projected Canadian naval scheme.

Further resolutions were passed placing on record the position of the Grand Black Chapter in respect to what it conceives to be the measure of assistance to be rendered the Old Country by the Dominion of Canada, towards the up-keep of the Royal navy, upon which the very existence of this Dominion, as at present constituted, absolutely depends. Copies of these resolutions, to be forwarded to the most worshipful grand master of British America, Dr. T. B. Sproule, M. P., and to Hon. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: Grand master, W. H. Dinmore, Vancouver; deputy grand master, C. J. Gremason, Victoria; associate deputy grand master, F. C. Pakenham, Mission City; chaplain, W. H. Brett, Vancouver; registrar, J. J. Tulik, Vancouver; first lecturer, Alex. Armstrong, Cumberland; second lecturer, P. H. Evans, Vancouver; first censor, R. A. Stone, New Westminster; second censor, D. Gibbard, Mission City; first standard bearer, D. W. Cross, New Westminster; second standard bearer, G. Dennis, Ladner; secretary, L. T. Smir, Vancouver; tiler, Ed. Bush, Mission City; deputy registrar, H. Wilkinson, Kamloops. Committee: E. B. Langdale, Vancouver; S. J. Westcott, Chilliwack; T. W. Frupp, Mission City; H. T. Thrift, Hazelmead; S. H. Lawrence, Kamloops; H. Birmingham, Vancouver; J. W. Whiteley, Vancouver.

Deputy grand lecturer to the most worshipful Grand Black Chapter of British America, W. T. Jago.

LUMSDEN'S CHARGES. Committee Elects Victor Geoffroy Chairman—Inquiry to be Opened on Monday.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—The Commons special committee appointed to investigate the Lumsden charges against engineers in district B and F of the national Transcontinental railway, met this morning and appointed Victor Geoffroy, Liberal member for Chambly, chairman. Other members of the committee are: McDonald, Pletou; Wilson, Laval; Clark, North Essex; Libin; and Barker, Crothers and Lennox, Conservatives. Barker moved for all papers covering the correspondence relating to the appointment of Mr. Lumsden, in question as to his duties, recommendations to the staff in the districts in question and all other matters relating to the subject. The motion was opposed by Macdonald, who declared it would not be advisable to load the committee with a mass of papers which would be of no use. The committee, however, agreed to the motion and will confer as to the papers actually required. Mr. Lumsden will be the first witness when the committee opens the inquiry on Tuesday. He will be asked as to the extent of his charges and the grounds for the same. He will be allowed counsel and the National Transportation Railway Commission also. R. C. Smith, K. C., Montreal, will represent the latter before the committee.

ROSSLAND COUNCIL. School Board Estimates, Which Total \$18,991, Submitted.

Rossland, Feb. 15.—At the meeting of the city council a letter was read from A. McQueen, city clerk of Vancouver, enclosing a resolution in favor of the public ownership of telephones. Later on in the meeting this was concurred in by resolution. The city clerk was directed to inform the Union of Canadian Municipalities that Rossland does not desire to become a member of that body. The estimate of the expenditures of the school board for 1910, as submitted by the board of school trustees, was adopted. The estimate is \$18,991 for the current year. A by-law for the authorization of the borrowing of \$10,000 for the current expenses of the city, in anticipation of its revenue, was introduced and read twice.

BOOM IN RUBBER SHARES. London, Feb. 17.—The boom in rubber shares which has excited the stock exchange for some time reached unexpected dimensions yesterday. The demand is due to the public realizing that rubber can be profitably cultivated where it is not yet grown, such as in Ceylon and Malay Straits. Each day sees riotous excitement in the section of the exchange devoted to trading in rubber shares. Many people who bought shares some time ago and who bought shares at double the former prices.

PURCHASE COAL LANDS. Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—A special from St. Paul, Minn., says: E. H. Brophy, on behalf of clients in England, has purchased from Richard, of St. Paul, 160 thousand acres of coal lands in Alberta, lying along the Pembina river. Mr. Brophy and his associates bought these coal lands two years ago on speculation. The English purchasers are to pay \$1,100,000 for the property.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES. Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The Commons banking and commerce committee yesterday decided that the redrafted clauses of Mr. Monk's co-operative credit society bill are suitable. The bill after being printed will be reported to the House, and will probably go through this session.

THICK SEAM OF COAL DISCOVERED. Skidegate, Feb. 1.—A report has just reached here from Yakouk lake that the diamond drill operating there has cut through a vein of coal nine feet six inches thick. At a depth of six hundred feet two small veins were cut through just above the larger one. The coal is of the best quality for cooking purposes and the strike has caused men to start out in every direction over Graham Island staking coal claims, regardless of coal formation or indications.

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PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF TELEPHONES. Vancouver Council Passes Resolution—Employment Agents' Licenses.

Vancouver, Feb. 16.—Following up his motion at the last council meeting, Ald. Stevens moved at the last session to ask the provincial government to consider the advisability of taking over and operating the telephone lines in the province. In supporting his resolution, which was passed without dissent, he stated that the council of North Vancouver, Nanaimo, Saanich, Richmond, Trail, Pentiction, Chilliwack, Oak Bay, Coldestream, Maple Ridge, Surrey, Burnaby and South Vancouver, all supported the movement. Victoria was now considering it, as were also New Westminster and Point Grey. His motion read to the effect that the council approved of government ownership of such a utility, and that the local administration give favorable consideration to the proposition. The Carnegie library board reported that the estimates for the year stood at \$17,858, of which \$10,450 was for salaries.

HOME FOR AGED. Vancouver Associated Charities Will Uphold Efforts of Civic Deputation.

Vancouver, Feb. 16.—Still pressing towards the accomplishment of one of their aims, that of having an Old Folks Home established for the lower mainland, the Associated Charities Societies have decided to strongly back up the endeavors of the civic deputation appointed to urge this matter upon the provincial government. The Vancouver deputation will be interviewed and its members' hands strengthened in every way possible. A number of other local charitable organizations informed the Associated Charities that their assistance and support would be forthcoming in the efforts of the erection of a home for the aged. Attorney-General Bowser wrote, stating that the government now had the matter under advisement and would give it every consideration. The committee appointed to attempt arrangements for the establishment of a rock pile for indigent men gave an account of its work and was directed to hold a consultation with Ald. McBride, chairman of the board of works, relative to the purchase of rock by the committee.

GARDENERS MAKE STRONG PROTEST. INSPECTION OF BULBS. WILL STOP TRYING OUT. Cost of New Specimens for Experiments Will be Prohibitive.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The proposition of the government to include bulbs, herbaceous plants, seedlings and other small fry of the garden or under the quarantine provisions of the Horticulture Act is meeting with opposition from local florists and gardeners, and a deputation is waiting upon the premier this afternoon to ask for some modification of the regulations now proposed. It is contended by gardeners that the inclusion of the items mentioned among those which have to pass inspection at Vancouver will mean a practical prohibition of experiments with new species, in order to find if a bulb or cutting or seedling which costs a few cents will be liable to the inspection fee of \$3.75, altogether out of proportion to the value of the article. In any case it is stated by horticulturists that the contagious disease which might be found in a bulb is not communicable to fruit trees; the detection of which is the main object of the measures taken. There is a good deal of feeling locally, as has already been stated in this column, in regard to having to go to Vancouver to get plants and flowers consigned to Victoria from outside points examined and passed by the inspector. This latest proposal is felt by local gardeners to be adding to the injustices which they are enduring.

UNION PLUMBERS LOSE. Privy Council Refuses Leave to Appeal in Winnipeg Case.

Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—A cable from London says the Privy Council has refused the special application of the defendants in the case of Cotter vs. Osborne and others for leave to appeal from the decision of the court of appeal in Winnipeg, delivered in December, 1908. The result of the decision means a blow to the union plumbers of this city. This case was an action for an injunction and damages amounting to \$100,000, brought by the union plumbers against the Journeymen Plumbers' Gas and Steam Fitters and Helpers' Union, No. 62, in July, 1906.

MERRITT WILL NOT BE INCORPORATED. Time Regarded as Inopportune—Grant Requested for Improvements.

Merritt, Feb. 15.—One of the largest and most representative meetings ever held of the citizens of Merritt, convened in the Masonic hall to discuss the advisability of incorporation. The report of the committee re data, appointed at the previous citizens' meeting, showed that the assessment levied on the district proposed for incorporation—2,000 acres—showed \$223,550, which at the present rate amounted to \$1,500 in taxes, besides \$2,300 going to Victoria for licenses, etc. It was stated that the taxes levied on the Nicola Valley Coal & Coke Company amounted to \$2,000 per annum. M. L. Grinnett gave information with regard to incorporating a new town or city. He intimated that several other sources of revenue were existent—police court fines, for instance. All who spoke at the meeting seemed to be in favor of incorporation, especially as regards sanitation, fire protection and lights, but the majority regarded the movement for incorporation as rather premature. The charges amply the following: That he wore a cap; that his shirt was fashionable; that his trousers were light-colored; that he went skating during the winter; that he had a heated session before the board resulted in the minister's resignation, but failed to bring harmony; for the church board also has resigned.

NOVA SCOTIA STRIKE. Prospects Are Bright for Early Settlement of Mining Trouble.

Halifax, Feb. 17.—An early adjustment of the strike by the Dominion coal mines now appears more probable than it has since the trouble began. It is learned that President Plummer and General Manager Butler, of the Dominion Steel and Coal Company, gave interviews to Rev. G. Fenwick, W. M. O'Neil, and Rev. Father Fraser at their general office at Glace Bay yesterday. These gentlemen had a conversation with Messrs. Plummer and Butler and the position was fully discussed. Later President Plummer received one of the U. M. W. men now on strike, and the labor trouble was gone over at length. It is expected that good results will follow these interviews on behalf of the men. The coal company officials are prepared to receive any strikers who ask for an interview with the management.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS. Victoria Meteorological Office, 9th to 15th February, 1910.

At Victoria there were registered: 29 hours and 29 minutes of bright sunshine; highest temperature, 42.2 on 15th; lowest, 25.0 on 14th; rain, 20.3 inches; Vancouver—Highest, 52.0; lowest, 41.0 on 14th; snow, 25.0 on 14th; total, 34.4 inches; New Westminster—Highest, 44 on 14th; lowest, 21 on 15th; precipitation, 30.2 inches; Kelowna—Highest, 35 on 15th; lowest, 14 on 12th and 15th; precipitation, 22.2 inches; Barkerville—Highest, 26 on 9th; lowest, 14 below zero on 15th; snow, 1.0 inches; St. Simons—Highest, 38 on 9th; lowest, 2 on 14th and 15th; rain, 4.5 inches; Atlin—Highest, 28 on 10th; lowest, 22 below zero on 9th; no precipitation; Dawson—Highest, 8 on 12th; lowest, 21 below zero on 9th; snow, 1.0 inches.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY. Fair Wage Office Gives Evidence Before Committee of the Commons.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—Before the Commons committee on Verreille's bill in respect to an eight-hour day on public works, Victor Dubreuil, fair-wage official of the labor department, gave evidence yesterday as to conditions with respect to hours of employment in various parts of the country. He said that the tendency toward a reduction in the hours of labor was much more noticeable in the west than in the east. In Alberta and British Columbia several branches of the building trade were already working on an eight-hour basis.

DEATH WON RACE. Crow's Nest Pass Lumber Company's Foreman Died on Way to Hospital.

Nelson, Feb. 16.—David Breckenridge, foreman in charge of the Crow's Nest Pass Lumber Company at Wardner, and brother of John Breckenridge's well-known railway contractor, died on Monday under distressing circumstances. He became suddenly ill at one of the company's camps about two miles from Fort Steele. His illness was so alarming that he was at once sent to Fort Steele, where a physician administered some medicine to alleviate his extreme suffering. Mrs. Breckenridge and Mr. Arthur Lund proceeded to take him with the fastest team available to the St. Eugene hospital at Cranbrook, his condition then being so gravely critical that the necessity for an operation had grown imperative. While ascending a long hill near Fort Steele he suddenly died in his wife's arms. He was 42 years of age. Acute gastritis is given as the cause of death.

CONSIDERING THE INSURANCE BILL. Question of Weekly Payments of Premiums Discussed by Committee.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—The Senate banking and commerce committee yesterday considered the insurance bill section by section, consulting with Supt. Fitzgerald of the insurance department. After the interpretation clauses had been adopted a discussion ensued as to the question of industrial policies or policies which require more frequent than quarterly premiums. Senator Jones said the system of paying weekly was expensive, and thought it might be well to consider whether the practice should be allowed to continue. Senator Dandurand saw no reason to forbid persons making payments weekly.

PETITION TO ANNUL MUNICIPAL ELECTION. Effort Made to Unseat Reeve and Councilors of South Vancouver.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 17.—An election petition has been filed in the election court, asking that the recent municipal election in South Vancouver be declared void. A number of grounds are advanced for unseating the reeve and five councilors, and they mostly relate to the preparation of the voters' list, but against Reeve Pound and Councilor Dickson corrupt practices are alleged. It is alleged that a number of people were put on the list who were not properly qualified, that names appeared twice on the list and names were added to the list after it had been finally revised. Drink and entertainment is said to have been provided for the purpose of influencing voters. Messrs. Bowser, Reid and Wallbridge are acting for the petitioners; Alexander Allen, and yesterday Judge Grant set March 2d for the trial of the petition.

RAIMENT TOO GAY. Charges Brought Against Methodist Pastor Resignation.

Lajarra, Colo., Feb. 17.—If a minister, a Methodist minister, wears gay hose, turned up trousers and fashionable shirts he is a "sport" and unfit to lead his flock? Apparently the official board of the First Methodist church of Lajarra and Bowen thinks such a mode of dressing indicates a "sport" for as a result of charges brought against him, Rev. E. F. Turner, pastor of the church, who came to Lajarra from the east three months ago, has resigned and his resignation has been accepted. The charges amply the following: That he wore a cap; that his shirt was fashionable; that his trousers were light-colored; that he went skating during the winter; that he had a heated session before the board resulted in the minister's resignation, but failed to bring harmony; for the church board also has resigned.

BREAKS WILL. Court Orders Estate of Eccentric Millionaire Divided Among Heirs.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 17.—The Illinois Supreme court yesterday broke the will of Col. Thomas Snell, the eccentric Galesburg millionaire, who left the greater part of his estate to young women of his acquaintance. The court ordered that the estate be divided among the college's heirs. This is a victory for his son, Richard Snell, whom the instrument cut off with a plittance. Col. Snell died in Galesburg, Ill., about two years ago. His son's first attempt to break the will was unsuccessful and he appealed to the Supreme court.

WESTERN UNION CHARGES. New York, Feb. 17.—General Superintendent Belvidere Brooks of the eastern division of the Western Union Telegraph Company, has been promoted to be general manager of the organization. It was stated that the promotion was made to relieve President Clowry of certain managerial duties that he might give more time to administrative work.

FISH POACHERS HEAVILY FINED. Men Working in Prohibited Waters Caught by Government Launch.

New Westminster, Feb. 16.—Captured in the act of fishing prohibited waters above the Fraser river bridge, near Nicome, Joe Kipp and Barney Watkins, two half-breed residents of Whanook, were heavily fined by Fisheries Inspector Sword, acting in his capacity as magistrate. There have been a number of complaints of poachers working up river for some time, and as a result the Dominion government patrol launch, under Captain Kennedy, has been detailed to keep a close watch on suspects and run down all boats which appeared to be fishing anywhere above the bridge. Kipp and Watkins were noticed early Saturday morning hauling in their nets near Nicome, and the government boat at once started off in that direction. The fishermen made an attempt to get away, but the launch proved the swifter boat and the poachers soon gave up and surrendered. The result of their night's work, which included a number of steelhead, was brought down to Westminster and sold in bulk to a local fishmonger. The men were admonished by Inspector Sword that a repetition of their offenses might result in the confiscation of their boat and nets.

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GENEROUS OFFER BY LAND COMPANY. Albani Board of Trade Holds Meeting to Discuss Improvements

New York, Feb. 17.—J. Pierpont Morgan, financier, collector and capitalist, sailed yesterday on the liner Cedric for Mediterranean ports for a short vacation. Morgan's feelings, however, were not permitted to remain untroubled before his departure. So annoyed became the magnate at the insistence of newspaper photographers that he boarded the Cedric by way of the freight port instead of the passenger gateway. When Morgan alighted from his automobile at the pier there was a concerted rush by newspaper camera men to get a focus on the millionaire. Morgan used his chauffeur as a shield to protect his countenance from the lenses, but in spite of his precautions many snap shots were taken of him in varying positions of semi-concealment. Finally becoming angry, Morgan drove away one of the photographers with his cane. The cameras continued to click merrily in a focus on the millionaire. Morgan used his chauffeur as a shield to protect his countenance from the lenses, but in spite of his precautions many snap shots were taken of him in varying positions of semi-concealment. Finally becoming angry, Morgan drove away one of the photographers with his cane.

PREPARING TO BUILD NEW DEPOT. Great Northern Will Erect a Building at New Westminster

New Westminster, Feb. 15.—A steam shovel is being brought for work on the bluff east of the Great Northern railway station, it being the intention of the railway company to build a new station on this site within the next few months. A few men have been engaged doing the necessary preliminary work during the past week, but from now on the task of cutting into the hill will be pursued in earnest. The plans for the new depot are not yet to hand, but it is probable the station building will be a story and a half structure, built very much on the style of the local C. P. R. headquarters. Piles are now on the spot for the extension of the old Great Northern railway ferry wharf, adjoining the Fraser river bridge, and the work of building this addition will be commenced this week. The wharf will be extended out into the Fraser several feet, as the present wharf is too close to the shore for convenient landings when the river is low. This extension will cost in the neighborhood of \$1,800. Work is also proceeding on the extension of the Great Northern wharf near the company's warehouse and freight sheds, sixty feet being added to the existing accommodation. This will give considerably more trucking facilities than there is at present. The cost of this addition will be about \$1,500. The piles are now being driven in for E. J. Fader's wharf, just beyond the G. N. R. wharf, and the work of planking will be proceeded with shortly.

THEATRE TRAGEDY. Manager and Victim Dead as Result of Quarrel.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 17.—Fetally wounded by two bullets fired by Adolphe Cascau, a violinist, Louis Osebenoff, manager of the Empire theatre orchestra, last night overpowered his assailant, wrenched the revolver from him and fired three bullets through Cascau's head, killing him instantly, at the stage entrance of the theatre. Ostendorf died in a hospital later. The shooting occurred just before the curtain rose for the night performance, and the audience was kept in ignorance of the tragedy until the show was over. Cascau's attack upon Ostendorf is said to be the result of a quarrel with the manager. Low prices and decreased profits were the features of the coal trade in Lanarkshire and the West of Scotland during 1909, but there are signs of revival.

PROVINCIAL SCOPE OF WORK. COUNCIL OF WOMEN DEAL WITH SOCIAL PROBLEMS. Interesting Discussion at National Gathering Reported Upon by Mrs. Day

The monthly meeting of the Council of Women was held in the city hall. There was a attendance of delegates from various societies. In opening the meeting Mrs. Cooper, explaining the report she had distributed the report to the National Council as a that may a greater number representatives were placed with the National Council's Letters from Mrs. Cumming information asked for, Mrs. Toller and from Mrs. Day were read, and also one from Mrs. Day asking for the provincial conference to be held in Victoria in making a cover a success. A committee consisting of members of the provincial council was appointed to their number was appointed purpose of making all needed. Mrs. Day presented a very report upon the decision of the National Council of Women upon the matter referred to Local Council of Women of Vancouver Island relative status and duties of the vice-president as set forth in "2." section "2." standing order of the National Council of Women. In the course of the report said: "We were exceptionally fortunate in having as our provincial officer of excellence, Mrs. E. H. Aberdeen, who was so well and clear upon the matter doubt could remain on any to whom the original and purpose regarding this those who drew up with the constitution and stand of the National Council of Women in respect to the request council as presented by my cency, after consultation national officers, said that in the duty of the provincial president to organize new well as to visit and help already existing and to work of the council in every year from the date of his appointment. A letter from Mr. Manson was read, asking for an estimate of the cost of repairs necessary on the Little River road. The secretary reported that the executive committee had considered the sum of \$1,500 would be necessary to put the Little River road in good order and fix the line when necessary. A motion carried asking that the provincial office be established at Comox wharf as being the more central position in the district. A social dance was held in honor of the C. P. R. surveyors on Saturday evening in Brand's hall, when a very enjoyable evening was spent. Dancing was indulged in until 11.30 p. m., and then light refreshments were served. The men's furnishing and tailor shop being erected on M. Cumerford's property will be opened up about April 1st by Messrs. M. Campbell and A. MacPhee with a full line of new goods. Both these gentlemen are well known in the district. On Monday the 7th inst. the regular monthly meeting of the board of trade was held in the court house, when considerable routine business was transacted. On Sunday, the 6th inst., the death occurred of Mrs. J. Drinkwater, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. Labelle. The deceased was one of the oldest residents of the district and leaves a mourn her loss her husband, seven sons, all resident in Alberni, and four daughters, one resident in Alberni, Mrs. A. Labelle, Mrs. B. Tubman and one in Manitoba. The funeral took place on Tuesday and was largely attended. Services were conducted both at the house and graveside by Rev. T. S. Glasford.

REAL ESTATE DEALS. Number of New Residences Being Erected—Brant Reported Plentiful

Comox, Feb. 15.—A successful haul was given by the Masons at Courtenay on the 11th inst. About 50 couples attended. Dr. Beadnell has sold ten acres of his Comox property at \$150 per acre. The purchaser is Mr. Reid of Horby, who intends building a home here shortly. Captain Beadnell and family, late residents of Duncan, arrived by the steamer City of Nanaimo. Capt. Beadnell hopes to buy land here and return a house in the meantime. Arthur Berwick of Victoria has returned home. G. Stuber is on a visit to Victoria to inspect stumping machinery for use on his new property on Black creek. At a meeting of the Comox Wharf Conservative Association it was decided that D. Ryan's appointment as road superintendent should continue for one year from the date of his appointment. A letter from Mr. Manson was read, asking for an estimate of the cost of repairs necessary on the Little River road. The secretary reported that the executive committee had considered the sum of \$1,500 would be necessary to put the Little River road in good order and fix the line when necessary. A motion carried asking that the provincial office be established at Comox wharf as being the more central position in the district. G. Koppinsky is building a residence on one of the lots on Catholic church property. A Radford is erecting a home on his property at Little River. Brant shooting is exceptionally good this season, especially on the north end of Donnan island, where large bass are being daily made.

ADVERTISING LADY'S MITH. Ladysmith Feb. 15.—At the last meeting of the Citizens League Secretary Wilson stated that he had received several communications with regard to the list. He hoped the matter at once to facilitate the work of the secretary. This matter should be attended to without further delay. Some questions will form the advertisement should take was discussed. The suggestion that it would be well to have letterheads and printed on the back all available information concerning advertising rates and conditions. It was decided that a new committee be appointed to prepare the advertising matter. The new committee will consist of Rev. G. M. Ambrose, the president and secretary of the league.

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NEW RAILWAYS IN ONTARIO. Toronto, Feb. 17.—The annual report of the Minister of Public Works, which has been presented to the legislature, shows that during the year there were 29 miles of new railway opened for traffic, of which 18 miles were for the national transcontinental railway. The Algoma Central has 100 miles under construction, all of which has been started since the re-organization of the Lake Superior Corporation. During the year 166 miles of colonization roads were opened in Northern Ontario.

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NEW RAILWAYS IN ONTARIO. Toronto, Feb. 17.—The annual report of the Minister of Public Works, which has been presented to the legislature, shows that during the year there were 29 miles of new railway opened for traffic, of which 18 miles were for the national transcontinental railway. The Algoma Central has 100 miles under construction, all of which has been started since the re-organization of the Lake Superior Corporation. During the year 166 miles of colonization roads were opened in Northern Ontario.

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February 15th, following upon the passing of the budget and the passing of at least some supply, the measure of the session expected.

BRIEF LOCALS

Brothers, Tacoma, will send you a copy of their famous P. L. Soap, if you mention this paper.

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Legislative Press Gallery, February 14. St. Valentine did not overlook the members of the legislative assembly today, but it was on the comic side.

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REMINDER WAS UNPLEASANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL WAS QUIZZED ON NATAL ACT

House Records Appreciation of Late C. F. Cornwall—Companies Act

The greater part of the afternoon was taken up with the consideration in committee of the act revising and consolidating the Companies' Act, a rather "slow" proceeding so far as spectators were concerned. The bill is simply a consolidation and for the most part the reading of the sections one by one was a mere formality. It is to H. H. Watson (Vancouver), that the task of reading through the 140 pages of the bill has fallen, and he was the recipient of much good-natured chaff when the Speaker named him.

The only incident which enlivened the dullness of the proceedings was a little passage between the attorney-general and Mr. Hawthorthwaite, when the latter reminded Mr. Bowser of his famous Natal Act, in which the omission of the small word "not" would have meant a legalizing of Japanese immigration if it had ever been assented to. Mr. Bowser did not like the reference a bit, and retorted on the member for Nanaimo that he, as representing labor, had let the bill go through the House.

Prayers were read to-day by Rev. H. A. Collison. The Late Judge Cornwall. At the opening of the proceedings Premier McBride made reference to the death of Hon. C. F. Cornwall, a former lieutenant-governor of the province. He said: "I would like on behalf of the legislative assembly of British Columbia to express to the widow and family of the late lieutenant-governor, Hon. C. F. Cornwall, our very deep sympathy in the loss they have just been called on to sustain. The late governor was one of the pioneers of this country. He came to the province in the early days and soon took a very prominent part in its public affairs. So far as I can ascertain he was connected with some of the earlier parliaments of British Columbia, and as a member was a very useful man indeed. In addition to his political duties, the late governor was a very prominent legal practitioner and later, for some years, he occupied a seat on the bench with much honor. He had very heavy investments in the interior of the province. I am quite certain that the country will join with us in this expression, and that the career of the late governor will live long in the annals of British Columbia."

It was ordered that this expression of sympathy should be entered in the minutes of the House. The Companies' Act. Some fifty sections of the bulky bill consolidating the Companies' Act were passed in committee, for the greater part without comment. Mr. Hawthorthwaite wanted companies compelled to publish once a year in the British Columbia Gazette a statement showing the amount of its capitalization, paid-up capital, average number of employees and average wage paid, average number of Orientals employed, what work they are at and what average wage is paid, the gross assets, dividends paid and amount of reserve fund. The investigating public, he held, was entitled to this information. The attorney-general replied to this demand for information by saying that could be easily obtained now and as to the labor statistics he did not see what good would be done by their publication. Orientals were in the province and had certain rights. Mr. Hawthorthwaite remarked that he thought the attorney-general looked what good would be done by their publication. Orientals were in the province and had certain rights. Mr. Hawthorthwaite broke in. Mr. Bowser went on to say that the bill had never been assented to by the lieutenant-governor and no never became law. It would have made no difference, as it turned out, even if the "not" had been in. The only way to assist white labor was to bring in a bill preventing the employment of Orientals, and then it would be a question whether this would be constitutional. Mr. Williams and Mr. Hawthorthwaite urged that the information which the amendment called for was just what the public generally and investors in particular, required. A. E. McPhillips, K.C., thought the religious beliefs of workmen might as well be called for as some of the other things Mr. Hawthorthwaite wanted.

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INQUIRY INTO ALLEGED BRIBERY URGED Resolution is Introduced in the New York State Senate

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 16.—A resolution introduced by Senator J. A. Mayhew sweeping investigation of the alleged corruption in the New York legislature during the last ten years and is believed here to have been drawn with the aid and suggestion of Governor Hughes. The scandal that has developed from the trial of Majority Leader Jotham P. Aldis in the senate upon the charge of accepting \$1,000 to kill a bill, has started a widespread movement. The investigation under the terms of the resolution is to be conducted by a committee to be composed of three senators and five assemblymen.

Charge Against Aldis. Albany, N. Y., Feb. 16.—The lid was pried off the legislative bribery scandal yesterday in the inquiry being conducted by the senate into Senator Ben Conger's charge that Senator Jotham P. Aldis had accepted a bribe from an agent of the American Bridge Co. When Senator Conger's attorneys announced that they were through with the preliminary examination late in the afternoon he was taken in hand by Senator Newcomb and forced to confess that the combination of bridge building concerns known as the American Bridge Co. had accepted a corruption fund in 1909, 1903 and 1905. Conger struggled hard and refused to answer some of Senator Newcomb's questions until directed to reply by which presiding officer. Under such compulsion the Groton senator admitted that the bridge company in 1903 turned their legislative bribery fund over to the American Bridge Co., in which the witness and his brother Frank were interested.

He was not pressed to tell the uses to which this fund was put, but after the meretricious grilling Conger recoiled from his Republican colleagues a grim smile flashed across his harassed face as he replied: "There was a contribution to the state chairman of the Republican organization in 1902." Conger was questioned no more along this line, for Senator Newcomb declared that the purpose of his interrogation was not to carry the investigation into the details of the charge against Aldis, but to put on the records evidence for use when the inquiry is carried further, after the Aldis charges are disposed of. The method by which this will be accomplished is still undecided.

NEW BOATS ORDERED FOR J. B. A. CLUB

The James Bay Athletic Association management committee Tuesday decided to buy two new boats to cost \$400, and will have them here for use this summer. The committee was called together to consider the long deferred rebuilding plans. Nothing, however, was done, but the secretary will communicate with the syndicate which proposed to build on the waterfront over a year ago if the J. B. A. would go into the scheme with it. The committee is waiting a reply from this company. Committees as follows were struck for this year: House—F. W. Thomas, chairman; E. N. Case, K. T. Hughes, R. H. Hiscock and E. J. Sears. Boating—D. O'Sullivan, chairman; K. T. Hughes, W. N. Kennedy, and R. Hiscock. Track—J. P. Sweeney, chairman; J. J. Winsley and J. O'Sullivan. Rugby—Leo Sweeney, chairman, with power to add to his number. Soccer—K. T. Hughes, chairman; S. J. Shanks and S. Lormier. Baseball—S. Shanks, chairman; K. T. Hughes, with power to add to their number. Hockey—E. J. Sears, with power to add to his number. Indoor Sports—W. N. Kennedy, chairman; J. P. Sweeney and V. K. Grey.

AWA MARU LEFT FOR JAPAN AND CHINA

Heavy Cargo of Foodstuffs, Cotton and Lumber Carried by Liner. Steamer Awa Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha left here Tuesday evening soon after 5 o'clock. She had a full cargo consisting of 5,500 tons of mostly flour, salt fish, cotton and lumber. When she pulled out from Victoria she had aboard sixty passengers, of whom only four were in the first cabin. Most of the passengers were Japanese returning home on business or pleasure bent. There were no Chinese aboard this time for the Chinese have just completed celebrating their New Year and are not travelling. They usually leave at a suitable time so that they can be at their Chinese homes for the new year. The rush back to this country will soon begin and will continue for several months. The Awa Maru is the only vessel of the line coming here this month. In April or May next the regular fortnightly service will be once more in force, three of the steamers going to Hong Kong and two making Kobe their western terminus.

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MILITARY FINANCE TO BE REVISED

Whole Military Situation Will Receive Attention This Spring

(By Herbert A. White, Berlin Correspondent of the United Press.)
Berlin, Feb. 6.—When the German finance law comes up for discussion at the beginning of April a good many bitter criticisms will be passed in the Reichstag, both with regard to the amount of the appropriation for the forthcoming year and also to administrative questions.

On one point the government is decided. That is that no change will be made either in the numerical or in the offensive strength of the army, except perhaps in the direction of an increase in both directions.

The discussions this year will be more interesting than ordinary because not only will the yearly questions in regard to finance come up, but the quinquennial law regarding the army is due for renewal.

It is not expected that any change will be made on general lines from 1905. A big change, however, is inevitable in matters of finance.

Military finance in Germany remains where it was after the war of 1870. The provision made then utterly failed to foresee the modern developments of Germany, and in consequence at the present time it is utterly insufficient for imperial needs.

The forthcoming quinquennial law will put the army finances on a broader basis and will provide sufficient for the yearly needs of the army without recourse to state loans.

Germany enters the present year with 4,000,000 trained soldiers available for war and 6,000 field units. Besides these there will be a reserve of 3,000,000 partially or superficially trained men.

In many departments considerable innovations are forthcoming. For one thing new drill regulations both for cavalry and foot will come into force which will alter largely the whole of German tactics. The new cavalry drill has made an end of divisional formations and has established the brigade as the unit of manoeuvre. Evolutions have been simplified and while the shock cavalry tactics are maintained to some extent, the regulations now recognize that frontal attacks by masses of cavalry can no longer be of any influence in a battle fought by troops of all arms.

One feature this year will be the building of airships. Although Germany is already supreme in the air, building will proceed faster than ever during the next few months. At present the army fleet consists of dirigibles and there are some other dirigibles in private hands capable of being requisitioned in war. In the next few months building regulations for dirigibles will commence and before long Germany hopes to have a dozen of these.

Altogether 1910 will be a year of great progress for the German army and the end of the year its supremacy over other European armies should be more pronounced than ever.

GERMAN SURTAX GOES OFF ON MARCH 1ST

Large Increase in Trade With Canada Will Probably Follow

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The removal of the German surtax on March 1st will mean a fairly substantial reduction in tariff taxation though it will not necessarily result in a reduction of the customs revenue in view of the fact that there will probably follow a largely increased importation of goods from Germany.

Since the surtax first came into force, 1907, the additional rate of duty imposed on German goods has brought into the treasury the sum of \$12,986,468. The abolition of the surtax therefore practically means a reduction of customs duties by \$2,900,000 a year. In 1907-08 the surtax added \$2,856,159 to the customs revenue and in 1908-09 it added \$1,857,866. That the removal of surtax will be followed by a large increase in trade with Germany is certain. In 1905 Canada's trade with Germany amounted to \$14,380,323, including imports from Germany amounting to \$12,282,637 and exports to Germany \$2,097,686, but as soon as the surtax became operative there was a large falling off of trade between the two countries. In the following year the imports decreased to \$8,175,604 and exports to \$1,819,223. The downward tendency has continued up to the present. Last year the imports into Canada from Germany amounted to \$6,050,355 and exports were \$1,476,552 or a trade of half of what it was before the tax went into force.

AVIATION MEET.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Chicago is a candidate for the international aviation meet of 1910. The opening of the campaign to bring the big event to this city was marked by the organization of the Aero Club of Illinois, composed of 1,138 citizens of Chicago. The organization of the club is preliminary to the obtaining of a charter from the state and the affiliation of the association with the Aero Club of America.

The president of the club is Octave Charute, while the first vice-president is James N. Plew, who managed the flights of Glenn H. Curtis. Plew says the organization intends to equip aviation grounds with buildings for machines and accommodations for members in one of the suburbs.

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FORTY DOLLARS FINE FOR HOTEL LICENSE

Decision Against Thomas McManus in Liquor Case

Thomas McManus, proprietor of the California hotel, who appeared on remand in the police court on Wednesday charged with supplying liquor to an intoxicated man, was fined \$40, in default of payment distress, or in default of distress one month's imprisonment.

Two days' time was allowed the hotel-keeper to pay the fine, the allowance being given at the request of Frank Higgins, who defended McManus, and announced as the magistrate had not answered one of the points of his defence he would appeal the case to get a decision on that particular point.

The complaint was brought by License Inspector Handley, who with two constables saw the man served with a glass of beer in defendant's saloon. For the defence the proprietor said he had given his bartender instructions not to serve intoxicated men. The bartender's evidence was that he had not noticed the man's condition.

The magistrate in giving his decision said there was no question as to the intention of the law. The licensees must see that his instructions are carried out. He read from similar cases and a judgment by Lord Russell which said the penalty could only be inflicted on licensees, and that the bartender's contention that he had not noticed the condition of the man did not release the proprietor of the saloon from responsibility.

BOY SHOOT BROTHER WHILE "PLAYING BEAR"

The Little Fellow Did Not Know That the Old Rifle Was Loaded

Portland, Ore., Feb. 16.—To-day Robert Schmidlenke, four years old, is dead, having been accidentally killed by his brother four years his senior, in their home at Riverdale yesterday.

The boys had been "playing bear" in their home. Suddenly Gustav picked up a chambered rifle and pointing the weapon at the head of his little brother, pulled the trigger. With a shriek of pain Robert sank to the floor, a bullet piercing his head just below the left temple. Death resulted almost instantly.

Coroner Kenningworth made a thorough investigation of the shooting, assigning the child's death as due to the accidental discharge of the old rifle.

ALBERTA'S PREMIER ANSWERS QUESTIONS

Statement Regarding Railway Bonds Endorsed by the Province

Edmonton, Feb. 16.—Premier Rutherford in the legislature replied to questions asked by Mr. Bennett, of Calgary, and Mr. Boyle, of Sturgeon. He replied to Mr. Bennett that the guarantees of the province had been endorsed since the last meeting of the legislature on 195 miles of the G. T. E. branch lines, 280 miles of C. N. R. and 250 miles of Alberta & Great Waterways railway. The bonds for the G. T. E. and C. N. R. were for \$19,000 per mile at 4 per cent interest, and on the A. G. W. for \$20,000 per mile at 5 per cent interest. As for miles of the lines constructed, the G. T. E. has 50 miles graded and 25 miles steel laid, the C. N. R. has 37 miles graded and 19 miles steel laid, the A. G. W. 5 1/2 miles graded.

In reply to Mr. Boyle, the premier stated that the government was not aware of the subscribed capital of the A. G. W., but at least \$50,000 was paid up and deposited in the Merchants' Bank. The directors are W. R. Clarke, president, Wm. Bain and G. P. Minty. A government railway engineer has been appointed in R. W. Jones, C. E.

The bonds of the railway had been sold to J. P. Morgan & Co. at par Canadian terms, and the total amount realized on the bonds was \$7,400,000.

A large delegation of representatives of the districts of Glouchter, Calgary, High River and Lacombe, waited on members of the cabinet to enter a protest against the agricultural college being affiliated with the university and situated at Strathcona.

FOSTER'S LABEL SUIT

Toronto, Feb. 16.—The \$50,000 slander action of Hon. George E. Foster against J. A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe, was not reached in court this morning.

LAST HEARD OF FALSE CREEK

VANCOUVER GETS If Long-Talked Plans Do Not FINAL EXTENSION

Materialize at Once Bill is Dead

An evergreen problem with which the city of Vancouver has been wrestling at intervals since 1904 is that of the False Creek foreshore. An act obtained in that year gave the city power to acquire any property it needed to carry out a scheme of improvement for that portion of the waterfront, there being in contemplation a plan of utilizing it for harbor purposes, the C.P.R. having shut off the Burrard inlet waterfront, and have a union depot for any future lines of railway which may enter the city. The Great Northern has acquired a big slice of the foreshore on the south of the creek.

Nothing but talk has ever resulted, however, and it has been necessary to come to the Legislature from time to time to get an act to keep alive the city's powers in that regard. The limit was first 1907, then 1908, next 1910, and this session a bill has been before the House extending the time limit for five years longer. When the city's representatives came to private bills committee on Wednesday they reduced their demand to one year, but the committee, after all that there was to say pro and con, told the city that it would extend eight months further, the original bill, as much amended, to become null and void if something is not undertaken within that time.

Mayor Taylor, City Solicitor W. A. Macdonald, K.C., and Aldermen Stevenson and Hepburn were present on behalf of Vancouver, E. V. Bodwell, K.C., appeared on behalf of the False Creek Property-owners' Association.

The Great Northern railway which appears last year with the city, is at cuts with them now, standing pat on its own rights, and did not lend any more than instruct the city to make this year in urging still more time to talk over what might be done some day.

The city representatives explained the situation at this time. At last election the general plan for a scheme of improvement had been endorsed by the ratepayers, and it was now desired that a year longer be allowed the city to carry on and complete its arrangements. The council had been elected on a platform that they must settle the question this year.

r. Bodwell said the city had put up the same story every time they came for an extension of time. The property owners were being held up in any plans they might desire to make or in the sale of their property by the fact that they were liable to expropriation at any time, and at a time which might never come, judging by the rate at which the city was proceeding. The proper thing for the city to do was to expropriate the property now, seeing they had to do so eventually to carry out any scheme, and then go ahead with the formulation of a scheme. This they ought to be able to do inside of ninety days.

How many acres by getting the property themselves than if the thing was left in its nebulous state.

R. K. Holgate, chairman of the Property-owners' Association, said: "Mathewson, and E. V. Bodwell were heard as to the way they are being hampered, it being impossible to build wharves or make any use of the property while the city's False Creek Act remains in their present chaotic form."

"If we do nothing in a year we will drop it, and that can go down in the minutes if you like," said City Solicitor Macdonald.

The committee discussed the matter for some time in private, and on the re-admission of the parties announced that an extension of eight months was all the committee felt the duty should be granted, as in that time it could have its plans formulated. If at the end of that time none have been arrived at the False Creek Foreshore Act will become void.

After consultation with the Vancouver representatives the city solicitor accepted the situation, and at his request an undertaking by Mr. Bodwell that none of the property-owners will interpose any difficulties in the way of a settlement was entered in the minutes.

Thus the last has at length been seen in the Legislature of a subject that has become almost a perennial.

The committee this morning considered and reported on four railway charters, these being for the Northern Vancouver Island, Pacific and Alaska, Carlbo, Barkerville and Willow River and F. C. Central companies. The Howe Sound, Pemberton Valley and Northcharter were given an amendment to its charter empowering it to build to Vancouver and also to extend its line to Lillooet.

DIES FROM INJURIES

Nanaimo, Feb. 12.—The death occurred in the Nanaimo hospital Thursday night of Joseph Ashcroft, who was injured by a cow on Marshall's milk ranch on Tuesday last.

It appears that when the young man was tending a calf, a cow which was feeding, raised its head, the point of one horn striking Ashcroft in the face else by the nose. The wound bled profusely and a doctor was summoned who attended the injured man and had him put to bed. Next morning Ashcroft was delirious and he was at once removed to the hospital, where his skull was found to be fractured. He died on Thursday night, death being due to hemorrhage of the brain. The deceased was a native of Lancashire, England, aged 32 years.

COLD WAVE.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 16.—The Mesosouria is storm swept to-day and in many places the mercury is hovering around the zero mark.

In Southern Kansas and Oklahoma a blizzard is raging. Sleet and cutting winds are prevalent throughout Oklahoma. At Muskogee telephone and telegraph wires are down.

WILL RUSH BUSINESS.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier gives notice that from now on government orders shall have precedence immediately after questions on Mondays. This forchadown an early close of the session.

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THOUSAND TONS FROM EASTERN CANADA

The Canadian-Mexican Liner Brought 4,000 Tons of Goods for B. C.

Four thousand tons of valuable goods Lonsdale, arriving Tuesday. The steamer had every inch of cargo space filled and a small quantity had to be left behind owing to lack of room. On the deck were piled large nitric acid pots weighing 16,000 lbs. each for the Victoria Chemical Works, and a quantity of other heavy steel goods. The first consignment of pipe for the Esquimalt Waterworks was also among the cargo.

The bulk of the freight brought by the Lonsdale came from Europe and crossed the isthmus by the Tehuantepec railway. It consisted of wines, spirits, fancy groceries and almost everything that is used on this Coast. The most interesting consignment, however, was 1,000 tons of canned fruit, vegetables, fish, clams and other products of Eastern Canada, which were shipped from St. John, N. B., and were packed chiefly in Ontario. This it has been proved can be carried cheaper by the Mexican route than overland, and in the commencement of a business which has enormous possibilities.

As well as the cargo which came over the railway the steamer has 500 tons of salt and a quantity of coffee collected by the steamer Salvador from Central American points. This steamer is operated by Symonds & Co., the owners of the steamers Lonsdale and Georgia, and is proving very successful.

Five hundred tons of the cargo, in addition to the steel pipe, is slow work, and by working day and night it will take a day or two to remove it. The stevedores worked all last night, but have only commenced to move the heavy material.

Only three passengers came north from Mexico. One of these was Mr. Clark, who is travelling with the pipe consignment, and the others were British seamen who were in distress at Salina Cruz, and who were taken to the British consul.

A full cargo of lumber, grain, salmon and coal awaits the Lonsdale at B. C. points. There is 1,000 tons of coal going to Guaymas, and it is expected that they will leave for the south in about three weeks time.

The Canadian-Mexican service to British Columbia is just beginning to be felt. Captain Worsnop is at present in the Old Country arranging for the service in the future, and it is very probable that some change in at least one of the steamers will be made. The Lonsdale, however, seems to be very suitable vessel for the business, but two steamers of her size are hardly able to manage the amount of freight which is being secured.

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FORM OF NOTICE.

SETTLERS' RIGHTS IN E. & N. RAILWAY GRANT

Several Questions Asked by John Jardine on a Live Subject

In view of the present movement to finally solve the long-veged problem of the rights of the settlers in the E. & N. railway belt, John Jardine asked two sets of questions in the House Tuesday. The first set was addressed to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and was as follows:

1. How many acres within the E. & N. railway reserve have been granted by the E. & N. railway to persons who claimed the land by squatters' right?

2. How many acres were granted to persons claiming by pre-emption?

3. How many acres in the said reserve have been granted by the Dominion government to persons claiming under squatters' rights?

4. How many acres by the Dominion government to persons claiming by pre-emption?

5. How many acres have already been granted outside the reserve to the E. & N. railway as compensation for the lands that had been granted above?

6. Do these lands already so granted to the E. & N. railway as compensation contain iron ore?

7. Have those already granted compensation lands been valued by a government officer?

8. Have they been valued by an expert on behalf of the government?

9. What was the value placed upon them?

10. Does the government intend to do those already granted compensation lands valued by an expert now?

11. Is it the intention of the government to allow all persons claiming the coal rights under the land granted to them within the E. & N. railway reserve to appear on the 11th February to present and make good their claim, who now make such claim by virtue of their squatters' rights or pre-emption right notwithstanding that the time limited by the act has passed for making such application under the Island Settlers' Rights Act?

12. What is the date of the notice that appears in the Colonist of the 6th of February warning persons to appear before the government on the 11th of February to make good their claims under the Island Settlers' Rights Act?

13. How many acres does the government propose to grant as compensation?

14. Has this proposed compensation land been examined and valued by an expert on behalf of the government?

15. What is its value?

Hon. Price Ellison answered as follows:

1. Have no record of the company's dealings with squatters.

2. Have no record of the company's dealings with pre-emptors.

3. No information in the land department.

4. 9,469.

5. None.

6. Unable to say.

7. No.

8. No.

9. No valuation made.

10. No.

11. No.

12. It is not intended to extend the time for entering claims under the Vancouver Island Settlers' Rights Act.

13. No date.

14. 15, 16 and 17. The matter is under consideration.

The second set of questions was addressed to Hon. Mr. Bowser as under:

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and cut out the gas supply in the whole hotel. On the arrival of Detective McDonald and Constable Campbell they at once brought the body down. An inquest will be held.

LADY LAURIER FINED.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—Lady Laurier's chauffeur was convicted in the police court this morning of exceeding the speed limit and as owner of the automobile Lady Laurier was fined \$20 costs. She did not appear in court this morning, and was not in the automobile at the time the chauffeur was caught exceeding the speed limit.

HOPE ABANDONED.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 16.—Officials of the navy department announced this afternoon that all hope had been abandoned of finding the navy tug Nina and her crew of thirty-two men.

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KING EDWARD PARLIAMENT'S PLACE

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London, Feb. 21.—The third session of King Edward's reign was assembled formally last night and opened in state at 2 o'clock afternoon with the prospect of a thrilling session.

Added to the usual brilliant occasion, was the feeling of excitement due to the problems, the most delicate of which will be required to speedily dissolution of the parliament and the calling of another parliament.

Hundreds of thousands of people and thousands of sightseers from all over the country all crowded to the streets around Westminster when King Edward drove out. Two regiments of Life Guards in their picturesque attire, were guarding the line of route. The fine touch of color to the scene.

Preceded by mounted troops and great officers of state were the

been seen. They attracted attention for the eyes of all who for a glimpse of King Edward. Presently the state coach came in sight. Hundreds of clumsy, without springs, lugs of glass and most of the coach is of gold. An uncomely vehicle surely, but all the king every inch the vehicle in would expect a king to ride strange on the roads would doubt of the popularity of King Edward among his people had his coach come in sight and was rent by salvos of sound, almost to maddening. More than one enjoys his more than Edward VIII. came in sight he was seen in broad daylight he bowed before the form of a flag carrying the cocked hat and the queen by his side of her favorite color of mauve. Arriving at the Victoria House of Parliament, he was greeted by a salute of 41 guns.

MINERS' STRIKE WILL BE AVOIDED

PROSPECT OF EARLY SETTLEMENT OF

President of Mine Says Men Will Rec Advance in Wa

(Times Leased Wire)

Pearl Hills, Feb. 21.—M and miners of the middle states, who have faced the of a great strike in the country, are assured all difficulties between employed will be settled.

President Thomas W. I. United Mine Workers made the following statement public through the United Mine Workers:

"You can say that a job will be held between miners, and that every miner in the districts of Ohio, Pennsylvania and Indiana and possibly get an advance in wages."

"There will be no strike. Interruption of work pending settlement of the matter at is according to the Mine president, a preliminary will be held at Cincinnati