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NATURAL GAS GETS BIG INDUSTRY FOR HAT

Western Canneries, Ltd., Will Establish Packing Plant in That City Which Will Employ 65 Hands—Natural Gas Will Save Company \$62,000 a Year in Fuel—Cattle Losses are not Heavy.

Medicine Hat, May 9.—The Western Canneries, Ltd., capitalized at \$1,000,000, has decided to lease the packing plant and many subsidiary industries at Medicine Hat. A deal was completed last night by which the company becomes the owner of the old woolen mills site, the price paid for the property being \$17,000.

A telegram despatched to Chicago this morning starts the first ear load of machinery on the way. It will be installed in the woolen mill building, which is three stories in height and 52 by 104 in size. Three other buildings of a similar size will be erected during the summer. The demonstration that a saving in the fuel bill of \$62,000 a year could be effected through the use of natural gas decided the company to choose Medicine Hat as the point of location in preference to Brandon, Calgary or Edmonton, which cities were all under consideration.

The city council will prepare a by-law to be submitted to the people in connection with the privileges to be granted the company, which include track facilities and an adequate supply of water at cost, and natural gas at 5 cents per thousand feet, proper fire protection, drainage facilities, purchase of \$20,000 worth of preferred stock, exemption from taxation on value of buildings over \$25,000. The company will employ 65 hands at the start, who will handle 50 or 65 head of cattle a day.

The cattle losses amongst the ranchers south of the Cypress hills is nothing like what was rumored earlier in the spring. The riders have been out for the last couple of weeks and report that the country is better than was thought to have perished of cold and starvation. One rancher alone reports the recovery of eighty odd head which a friendly American gentleman fed all through the winter.

Work was begun this week on the new \$25,000 Bank of Commerce building and on the new post office.

FIERCE FIGHT IN ITALIAN QUARTER

Striking New York Longshoremen Attacked Strike Breakers and Many Were Hurt.

New York, May 8.—Not since the Brooklyn car riots has there been such street fighting on the other side of the river as happened tonight, when nearly 600 Italians and Poles joined in battle with the Italian quarter in Williamsburg.

Three patrolmen were seriously injured, and when their comrades had broken up the riot, thirty-five rioters had been sent to the Williamsburg Hospital and twelve more locked up in a police station.

Vain Effort to Shelter Strike Breakers
Under cover of darkness an attempt was made by the steamship lines to run their new men through the strikers' pickets to their homes. At a late hour a covered lighter with more than 300 strike-breakers from the Manhattan filled the streets at Metropolitan avenue. All was quiet as the lines were passed ashore, but lying in wait were striking longshoremen or sympathizers.

The strikers from the Havemeyer Sugar refinery, who had been paid off during the day, had reinforced the longshoremen until there were close to 300 lurking about the pier. When the strike-breakers were clear of the pier and it looked as though they were safely through the enemy's lines, men armed with clubs, pistols, and having stones and guns appeared. From the roofs came a volley of stones which poured down on the heads of the frightened Italians.

A Desperate Street Fight.
The Italians began to drop and the rest scurried to doorways, or backed up against trees or buildings, where they had a chance to defend themselves with knives and dirks. These are poor weapons against stones and clubs, and while the surgeons afterwards spent most of the night sewing up knife slashes, the strikers did great damage with their clubs and revolvers. Eight blocks away, at the sugar house, were four mounted patrolmen. Whistling for help, they charged into the thick of the riot and used their night sticks on the heads of everybody in sight.

A Hundred Men Injured.
Half a dozen policemen nearby were attracted by the firing and hurried to aid their fellow officers. One of these was knocked down by a cobbler stone, and before he could be rescued, half a dozen men had seriously injured him. Meanwhile ambulances and police reserves were hurried to the scene. They found a hundred men strewn on the ground. The patrolmen in three minutes had the rioters in flight. As they fled

the rioters virtually seized four trolley cars and carried off perhaps a hundred of their wounded companions.

The police had twelve well battered prisoners and thirty-five injured. Two or three of them are in a critical condition. One policeman was dangerously and seriously injured.

MICHEL MINERS WILL NOT RETURN

To Work. They are Sore on Sherman and Demand Explanation of Some Things

Fernie, May 8.—Notwithstanding the fact that all the other miners have gone to work Michel miners still steadfastly refuse to return, stating as their reason that Mr. Sherman had it in his power during the Calgary conference to accept an agreement which would have benefited the men to a great extent, but that he later advised them to accept.

Instead of doing this he refused to sign the former agreement and promised that it was over to the power of the district board to accept any satisfactory agreement at Calgary conference, but that he was not offered to them, and claims that through the agreement that is now in force the men will benefit materially.

Interviewed today Mr. Sherman stated to your correspondent that he had no intention of going to Michel. The strike of the past few weeks has been great and he intends to take a few days' rest before commencing work again when he will leave for Lethbridge to make an agreement between the men and the operating company.

He further stated that the matter was Michel's purely personal one, and that he had no fear but a couple of days would see all men back to work in the camp. He denies further that it was the power of the district board to accept any satisfactory agreement at Calgary conference, but that he was not offered to them, and claims that through the agreement that is now in force the men will benefit materially.

Society Women in Role of Nurses.
Zanesville, Ohio, May 8.—Owing to a clash of authority between the matron, Mrs. Mary Jamison and Dr. J. E. Holston at the city hospital, the entire force of nurses went on strike today. Eight of the society women of this city donned the caps of nurses and went to work waiting on the sick.

Legislation and Heredity.
Associated Press Despatch.
London, May 8.—Premier Campbell Bannerman, replying to a question in the House of Commons this afternoon, declined to undertake any explanation of the law proposed in legislation America prohibiting marriage unless the aspirants are certified to be free from any disease which may be transmissible to their children.

Another Cruiser for the West Indies.
London, May 8.—In view of recent rioting at the Island of St. Lucia, and the fact that a British warship was not available for relief purposes at the time of the earthquake at Kingston, the British Government has decided to send a second cruiser in the West Indies. The Scylla, a third class cruiser, having a speed of twenty miles an hour and a crew of 275, has been selected.

Another Fire at Hailybury.
Hailybury, Ont., May 8.—The silver district which was nearly wiped out by fire a few weeks ago, suffered another heavy loss today, seven business blocks opposite the Vendome Hotel being burned with a loss of \$20,000 and small insurance.

Political Program in Ohio.
Cincinnati, Ohio, May 8.—W. H. Taft for president, J. B. Foraker for United States senator, and L. A. Harris for Governor in the program advised today by George B. Cox, formerly republican leader in Hamilton County, in an interview with the Associated Press.

Reporters from Columbus and Washington had described Mr. Cox as engaged in negotiations looking to a compromise between the Taft and the Foraker forces, but Mr. Cox denied such allegation.

Carnegie Will Recruit at Skibo.
New York May 8.—Andrew Carnegie, accompanied by his wife and daughter, sailed on the White Star steamer Baltic for Europe, where he will seek to recover from his recent illness. Mr. Carnegie and his family will go direct to Skibo castle, Scotland, where he may remain the entire summer.

Mr. Carnegie broke his habit of giving an interview on his annual departure and sent out word that he could not be seen on this occasion. Henry M. Rogers, vice-president of the Standard Oil company, and his wife, also sailed on the Baltic.

A later despatch states that the Baltic is aground off Sandy Hook. The fog is very heavy in that vicinity and the only possible communication with the steamer is by wireless telegraphy.

Suicide at Ottawa.
Ottawa, May 8.—Wildham Butler, 55 years old, a government employee, was found hanging from a rafter in a shed on Russell road. It was a case of suicide.

Copper Market Dull.
Boston, Mass., May 8.—The copper stock market was dull and featureless. The close showed a slight shading of the best prices of the day.

Gift for Jamaica.
Associated Press Despatch.
London, May 8.—The British government has decided to make Jamaica a gift of \$750,000, and to guarantee them a loan of \$4,000,000 to assist the inhabitants of Kingston to recover from the effects of the recent earthquake.

ASKED FOR DELAY.

Canadian Publishers Do Not Like New Postal Convention.

Ottawa, May 8.—A delegation from the Canadian Press association is here to-day and will meet Postmaster General Lemieux to present this afternoon resolutions passed at a meeting of the executive of the association at Toronto in reference to the new postal convention between Canada and the United States, which went into operation to-day.

The resolutions asked for delay in putting the convention into effect. This, however, cannot be granted as the United States would not consent to any delay. The resolution also asked that the department give publishers stamped wrappers for single newspapers by paying for the cost of the stamps, and also for certain reduction in domestic rates on newspapers.

The delegation comprises J. T. Clarke of Saturday Night; J. F. McKay, Toronto Globe; H. B. Donley, Simcoe Reformer, and C. W. Young, Cornwall Free Holder. It is understood that Mr. Lemieux is willing to do whatever he possibly can to meet the views of the delegates in regard to local places, but the convention cannot be interfered with.

HAYWOOD'S TRIAL WILL PROCEED

First Evidence Will be Taken Tomorrow. Judge Wood Clears the Way.

Boise City, Idaho, May 8.—By overruling to-day the motion of the defense for a bill particularly setting forth what overalls, if any, there were to connect those accused with the murder of former Governor Frank Steunberger, Judge Fremont Wood of the district court of Ada county, cleared the way for the trial of William D. Haywood, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners, and it will begin to-morrow morning. Judge Wood held that the request of Haywood's counsel for an explicit statement of charges against the prisoners came too late, regardless of whether it might have been learned at an earlier stage of proceedings.

In cases wherein bills of particulars are allowable Judge Wood, who has been conducting the preliminary trials of the accused miners, declared that the actions must be made before the indictments are pleaded and before the cases are set for trial.

Haywood is the first of four men accused of complicity in the Steunberger murder to be tried. The others, Meyer, Pettibone and Orchard, the last of whom is said to have made a confession, will be tried as circumstances dictate, following the completion of proceedings against Haywood.

Salvation Army Refuses Money From Suit.
Montreal, May 7.—The Salvation Army declines to accept any money arising out of the slander action instituted by Norman Murray against Dr. Torrey. Murray made Dr. Torrey pay costs in connection with his threatened action for libel, but the Salvation Army announced his intention of giving what was left over to the Salvation Army. This turns out to have been \$2. The local head of the Army wrote stating that under other circumstances they would have been glad to accept the gift, but as it was part of the fruits of a dispute between him and Dr. Torrey they felt bound to return it.

Newfoundland Fishermen Will Appeal to Privy Council.
St. John's, Nfld., May 7.—The Supreme Court of Newfoundland today gave a majority decision upholding the colonial government in its contentions respecting the so-called Bay of Islands fishing in which the right of Newfoundland fishermen to be employed by owners of American vessels within the three mile limit, was involved. Sir James Winter, counsel for the colonial fishermen concerned in the case, notified the court, after the decision had been given in the case, that he intended to make an appeal to the privy council of Great Britain.

Engineer Dies From Injuries.
Portage la Prairie, May 8.—Daniel McDonald, C. P. R. engineer, resident of Anbury street, died this afternoon from injuries received in a wreck at the depot.

The unfortunate engineer was in charge of the wrecking train which was going through to the scene of Saturday's wreck. A switch engine was at work in the yards and the men left one of the switches open. Into this engine of the wrecking train plunged. The train hands jumped but McDonald hanging from a rafter in the head being badly crushed. He was taken to the hospital, and died an hour later.

The remainder of the crew are not seriously hurt, and the damage to rolling stock was not heavy.

Neil Edwards Guilty of Forgery.
Chatham, May 8.—Neil Edwards, a farmer of Wardsville, pleaded guilty to forgery before Judge Dowling. He was remanded for a week for sentence. He represented himself as James Glasgow at the Merchants' Bank in Bothwell, Ont., and disclosed accounts of several farmers' checks for \$348.73.

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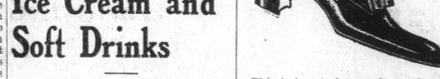
TROUBLE IN GETTING TEAMS.

The city coal dealers report great difficulty in getting teams to haul coal from the mines to the city. There are now large amounts at the mine shafts awaiting transportation, but it is impossible especially during the present week to get it to the city. As a result, the coal dealers are unable to supply the immediate demand, and will not agree to furnish coal sooner than two or three days after the orders are received.

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A DECADE OF SPLENDID SERVICE

It is now over ten years since Mr. Fielding entered the Federal arena as Premier Laurier's Minister of Finance. The same success that attend-statementship has attended him in a relatively greater degree in the wider theatre of the Dominion parliament. Mr. Fielding has had luck on his side Great men always have the same good fortune. It's nature's homage to genius. The years during which Mr. Fielding has held the purse strings have been the greatest years of material development that Canada has ever seen. During that decade she has risen like a young Titan in strength and like a Croesus in wealth and has become the Cynosure of the eyes of the whole world.

The revenues have leaped from 37 millions to over 90 millions while trade and commerce have increased in a measure that staggers credulity. Every year it has been the good fortune of the finance minister to proclaim a surplus. Mr. Fielding's budget speeches have been models of terseness and clearness delivered without any rhetorical pyrotechnics. They have been masterful in their simplicity combining the literary excellence of the trained editor and the science of the accountant. He never addresses the country in stately fashion. He does business in the House and lets the country look on.

The tariff adjustments initiated by him have given general satisfaction and the success of his tariff policy is broadly seen in the fact that it has produced a buoyant revenue and at the same time has not impeded the development of trade which is many times greater than it was ten years ago.

Mr. Fielding has steadily gained ground in his own province, and has succeeded not only in increasing his own majority at each election, but through the influence of his great but unostentatious personal force he leads a solid phalanx in the House. His prestige as a high-souled and devoted public servant has grown with every demand made upon his administrative ability and loyalty to the highest interests of the country. Like his great chief he has studied closely English parliamentary methods and has honored the Canadian parliament by perpetuating the best traditions of Westminster at Ottawa which shall be regarded as not the least of his many public services.

THE RAILWAYS AND COAL.

During the past winter a good deal of inconvenience has been caused both to the shippers of coal and the parties to whom cars were consigned by the railways appropriating the loaded cars to their own use without taking the trouble to notify anyone. It may be considered reasonable that if trains are stalled and must have fuel to move they should be given the privilege of taking the coal that is most convenient, but they ought to be compelled to notify by wire both the consignor and consignee at once so that they both would know where the coal went.

Time and again last winter Edmonton coal dealers were receiving very annoying letters and telegrams from customers who were often claiming that the dealers had never shipped the coal at all, and the end of a search, occupying weeks in some instances, would result in the information that the car had been appropriated by the railway to its own use and to read the bill to the company. Jus; here it may be said that we have not found a dealer in the city who has not received a dollar in payment for his coal that the railway calmly took possession of last winter. It has been a sort of standing joke for years that to get any money out of a railroad cost too much effort to be worth while trying to collect it.

The condition of affairs is not only very discouraging to the coal dealers of this city but it will very seriously damage the future coal trade of this city. The towns east of here, and south as well, do not want to repeat the bitter disappointments of last winter and will be very loth to trust to

the mines here for a future supply. There is abundance of coal here and the work of developing the mines has hardly begun, but what is the use of proceeding further if some drastic measures are not taken to ensure at least a reasonable distribution of the coal mined.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The coal question is a red hot one yet.

W. T. Stead calls the Canadians the Scotch of North America. Hoots mon! Isn't that a fine tribute to the Scotch?

The Mail and Empire weeping for the cause of provincial rights bears close resemblance to the weeping of the proverbial crocodile.

W. T. Stead calls Canada the wedding ring of the Empire. That explains why John Bull carried Canada so long in his vest pocket.

A Toronto clergyman gave a lecture the other day on "style in preaching." What the preachers need to-day is less style and more "stuff."

The Calgary Herald is the same old sheet. If anything its enmity toward Edmonton has become more senile.

W. T. Stead addressed the Toronto Press Club the other day, this being the only body that could put the soft pedal on his thunder.

How could we expect better weather with Laurier out of the country? asked citizen the other day. The Journal would call him a Grit.

President Sherman seems to take a sort of delight in predicting a coal famine. A famine in agitators of his class would be a blessing to organized labor.

Wood is \$12 per cord in Brandon. This is the Sun's opportunity to get his back subscriptions paid at the old rate of a cord of wood for a year's subscription.

The Calgary Herald says that the man with the lawn mower will soon make more noise than the man with the muck rake. This will never be true according to the Herald office.

The English were unable to kill Botha with lyddite and Lee-Enfields on the Veldt but they may yet accomplish it by sherry and plum pudding.

A prominent American politician declares that the sending of Canadian troops to South Africa was a violation of the Monroe doctrine and a casus belli. It is just another variety of dementia Americana.

Water for a nine-roomed house with all conveniences, including a hose for the lawn, costs \$4.40 per year in Toronto and last year the city's profits from the waterworks plant netted \$30,000.

THE BLAIRMORE SLANDER.

On February 28th the Calgary Herald published what purported to be the story of the Blairmore townsie dispute and the ensuing lawsuit for the purpose of showing that the land had been secured by Mr. Malcolm McKenzie M.P.P., by favoritism and fraud, as against the just claimant, Mr. H. E. Lyon. In a career devoted to the malediction of all that bore the name of Liberal the Herald has probably, in the twenty years of its existence, propagated no such unalloyed slander against any government or any public man as that which it launched against the Federal Government and Mr. McKenzie.

As an example, alike of the purport and the character of the article, a paragraph may be quoted which the Herald gave out as the words of Judge Burbridge, of the Exchequer Court, who gave judgment on the case. According to the Herald Judge Burbridge said: "It is very plain that the defendant, Mr. McKenzie, obtained the land in question through fraud, but owing to the action of the Crown, which I can hardly understand, in withdrawing from the case, I am forced to find that Lyon has no legal right to cancel the patent of McKenzie, but had the Crown remained in the case I would find that McKenzie obtained the land by fraud, and immediately cancel his patent. However, I have no alternative in the matter, and will dismiss the case without costs."

Such words were never used by Judge Burbridge neither in "closing" his judgment nor in any other portion of it; nor in the reasons for judgment, upon which his decision was based.

nor are they in the finding of Judge of the case as special referee, and upon whose finding Judge Burbridge based his reasoning and judgment. Nor is there in any of these official documents any language which by any species of linguistic distortion can be made either to convey the sense of the paragraph quoted or to indicate the point of that paragraph—that Lyon's legal case broke down by reason of any withdrawal of the Crown from the case.

In order that its readers may form their own conclusions as to the merits of the case and also as to the merits of the assault on the Department of the Interior and Mr. McKenzie, the Bulletin reproduces elsewhere in full the finding of Judge Wetmore, the judgment of Judge Burbridge and the reasoning upon which this judgment was based. From these official documents the history of the case is as follows:—

1—The land was held for sale by the Department at the usual price and on the usual terms, and was sold on these conditions by the Department to the man whom the Land Commissioner added had the best right to it.

In the language of Judge Burbridge: "It was assumed, apparently, that someone had a right to purchase it at the current rate of three dollars 'an acre; and after inquiry and hearing the parties, the Commissioner of Dominion Lands decided the contrary in favor of the defendant, McKenzie, and the patent was issued 'to him.'"

2—Lyon claimed that he had a better right to be permitted to purchase the land than Montalbeti or McKenzie, who purchased Montalbeti's right and asked permission to use the name of the Crown to enter action and have his claim tried out in Court.

3—This permission was granted, Lyon entered action, and his claim was tried out accordingly. Judge Wetmore was appointed special referee and investigated the facts of the case at Blairmore. And before giving judgment the Exchequer Court afforded Mr. Lyon the opportunity for a further investigation into the facts of the case, if he so desired, by Judge Scott or some other judge of the Supreme Court of the North-West Territories. This privilege was not made use of by Mr. Lyon. The Exchequer Court accordingly gave judgment on Mr. Lyon's case according to the evidence adduced and the finding of Judge Wetmore.

4—The case was thus tried out, Mr. Lyon's claim investigated and adjudged, and the Crown assented to the judgment and the settlement determined by that judgment.

5—This settlement secured Mr. Lyon in the possession of so much of the land as the court considered him entitled to. Judge Burbridge held that the evidence altogether quashed the claim of Mr. Lyon that he "was entitled as a prior claimant to the right 'to purchase the quarter section in question at the current rate and on the usual terms; and that he would have been permitted to become the purchaser and patentee thereof but for the false and fraudulent representations and the fraud of Felix Montalbeti." But he said, "with respect to the portion thereof on which he actually built, and of which he was in possession at the time the patent issued, the case is 'no doubt different. But as to that, no claim to relief has been made by the relator and the defendant, McKenzie, is, I understand from what counsel stated on the argument, ready to do what is fair and reasonable in the way of making good Lyon's title to such portion of the quarter section as he was in actual possession of at the time the patent was issued." Accordingly, judgment was given on the condition and understanding that McKenzie had "conveyed certain portions of the lands in question herein to the persons (including the plaintiff, H. E. Lyon) in actual possession of such 'respective portions at or before the issue of said patent to the lands."

6—Lyon having been afforded every opportunity to prove his claim in court and having failed to prove it, the sale which he tried to upset stood unaffected.

7—The sale by Montalbeti of his rights to McKenzie was a matter of purely private concern to the parties involved, and in no way affected either Lyon's claim to the land or the legal procedure by which he was permitted to test the validity of that claim in court.

8—Montalbeti (or his assignee) did not "secure" the land by fraud. The land was bought at the current price and on the usual terms, and the fraudulent statements of Montalbeti were designed not to secure him the land for nothing nor on more favourable terms, but simply to establish

his rights of priority to be permitted to purchase it on the usual terms. And on the evidence of the Commissioner of Dominion Lands the statements in question did not even accomplish this. These were not the grounds upon which his rights were determined, and their removal consequently could not affect these rights.

This is the story of the Blairmore townsie "scandal", as taken from the official records—which, in its distorted form has been worked more industriously by the Conservative organs of the West than probably any of its predecessors. A more unfounded and daring attempt to discredit a government and to blacken the character of a public man was never essayed by the professional falsifier which gave it being.

Another point is worthy of consideration. This matter was brought up in the House of Commons a few weeks since—but it was not brought up by Mr. John Herron, M. P., of Alberta, nor Mr. M. S. McCarthy, M. P., of Calgary. The former suddenly found himself possessed of an unaccountable sensitiveness regarding this particular matter—the latter simply "vamosed". The credit of altering the matter at Ottawa was left to Mr. Lake, representing a Saskatchewan constituency, and Mr. Macdonnell, representing the Toronto water front. The daring of these two gentlemen may be explained on the principle that where ignorance offers party advantage 'tis folly to be wise; but what of the sensitiveness of Mr. Herron? Was it that he had not courage to lead the dastardly assault for which he had prepared the way? Or was it that he knew the story? Or was it the baseless fabric of perverid partisanship, certain to tumble in ruins on the head of the architect? Was it cowardice, conscience or political common-sense that tied Mr. Herron's tongue? The reticence of Mr. McCarthy need excite no wonder. No lawyer who hoped to make a living in Alberta would stake his reputation in defence of the blunder. Nor would an aspiring politician with the foresight of an army mule invite the boomerang of the publication of the official documents.

HELPLESS AND HOPELESS.

Now that the session of the House of Commons is over, the dissent and dissatisfaction in the Conservative party is manifesting itself. It is no wonder the party is disgusted with the conduct of its members in the House, they have dishonored the party and discredited themselves. Mr. Borden has shown his utter inability to handle his followers and keep them united in any line of attack against the Government. Foster demanded a coat of whitewash and the party was simply forced to shut its eyes and swallow he record of the ex-Finance Minister.

SIR WILFRID AT THE CONFERENCE.

The deliberations of the Imperial Conference bear the evidence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's sage and prudent counsel. The magre reports that reach the public indicate that the Canadian Premier is in accord with the views of the British Government on the critical phases of imperial policy, and that his personality dominates the whole proceedings of the conference. In this connection, the Toronto World, a paper not given to hand compliments to a Liberal Premier, has the following editorial comment that is double compliment coming from the source it does:—"Canada has reason to be satisfied both by the reaction accorded Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the motherland and the part he has taken in the deliberations of the imperial conference. The Prime Minister of the Dominion is no stranger to the British people. His reputation as the Chrysothom of political orators, the charm of his personality and unfailing courtesy, and the fact that he is at once the representative of the greatest nation of our Britain and of the French portion of its people, have all combined to make him the most picturesque figure at the imperial conference. Nor has this special niche in the affectionate regard of the public of the United Kingdom being impaled by the advent upon the Imperial stage of General Botha, the quondam Boer leader and now the first premier of the youngest of the British states. They are comrades, not rivals, and it is natural that despite their different records and experiences, the parallelism in their political environment should act as a special bond of attraction. It is permissible to believe that the counsel and influence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be valuable and acceptable to the statesmen who, in South Africa, are confronting a cognate problem to that solved by the makers of the Dominion of Canada.

"A very gratifying feature of the proceedings is the evident ardency of the desire to devise effective means of co-operation and mutual support; to promote inter-communication of knowledge and information concerning the resources, conditions and policies of the various states. Equally commendable is the general recognition that the ideal relationship is that of equal partnership, with complete reservation in each of all autonomous rights and privileges. This is building on a sure foundation, and one not only consistent with British tradition, but capable of indefinite expansion. True union is not a matter of paper constitutions or agreements, but of sympathy and sentiment and common interest, of realization that in it there is strength and freedom to play a leading part in the inauguration of a new era of peace and goodwill. A tendency is unfortunately apparent in certain places to identify British imperialism today with the evil contents associated with the word in earlier centuries. Imperialism in the form of wanton and unjustifiable aggression on the rights of other nations and peoples is as unacceptable to the citizens of the United Kingdom as it is to the younger nations of British stock.

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the World believes, stands for a sane and sober imperialism, founded on the conviction that a closer union of the British states is possible on the basis of co-operation and partnership, while preserving to each complete self-government and in dependence of action. The line he appears to have taken at the conference table is entirely consistent with that view, and the World is convinced his attitude will be heartily approved by the great majority of the Canadian people, and rightly understood, it ought not to evoke opposition even from those of his own race who seem saturated with the notion that imperial conference means an attack upon Canadian nationality. Sir Wilfrid Laurier deserves high commendation for the

course he has pursued, and the World is agreeably surprised at the distance the Dominion Premier has gone in furthering the objects of the conference. Immense headway has been made—how much time will make the more solid their front, the greater their weight in preserving their just rights throughout diplomatic negotiations. By his presence at the imperial conference and by supporting closer union he has placed Canada in the best position for maintaining and protecting her just claims."

clear. There can be no doubt that never before have the vital elements of the problem of the empire been more squarely acknowledged, or has there been more ready acceptance of their necessary corollaries. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is entitled to a full share of credit for the initial success of the conference. The increased prestige accruing to him and to Canada cannot fail to modify profoundly the future course of international affairs, so far as the Dominion is concerned. The closer the British states get in touch one with another, and the future development of Canada.

There is evidently no doubt in the minds of these Opposition journals that the Conservative party emerged from this session of the Common

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in a very bad plight. They made no headway upon either public questions or private scandals and only succeeded in making the prospects of their party a little more hopeless than they were before. Their candid friends are now telling them that they need new leaders and a new policy.



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A GREAT VICTORY FOR THE NEW INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES' ACT

The West is Saved From Serious Coal Famine by the Signing of a two Year Agreement Between Miners and Operators—Miners Return to Work—The Conciliation Board Exerted a Strong Moral Influence in the Settlement of the Differences—Sir Wm. Mulock's Address at Public Meeting.

NEW GOVERNMENT MEASURE WORKED WONDERS

That there will not be a protracted strike in the coal mines of Alberta and British Columbia, and that a two-year agreement has been reached which both operators and miners have endorsed, is significant of the effectiveness of the new Industrial Disputes Act, passed during the recent session of the Federal Parliament.

The manner in which this act has done its work is considered to be equally as great a victory as was conceded to it in the settlement of the Nova Scotia coal strike.

The act was not actually applied, but the fact that the government stood ready to put its provisions into operation was undoubtedly a large factor in the satisfactory disposition of the difficulties which confronted the parties to the dispute.

The tactful and energetic manner in which Deputy Minister of Labor Mackenzie King worked for a settlement is a subject for congratulation of the Federal Government in commissioning so efficient an official to lend his services to the disputants in securing an amicable settlement.

Another factor in the settlement is the fact that Hon. W. H. Cushing minister of public works for Alberta, publicly promised the introduction of a bill into the legislature at its next session providing for an eight-hour day, bank to bank.

It is by no means certain that the West will not feel the effect of the several weeks' cessation of mining operations, but that there will not be a serious coal famine is practically assured. And that this is the case may be placed to the credit largely of the new Industrial Disputes' Act and the Alberta Government.

From Our Own Man.
Ferne, May 6.—From all appearances everything is now satisfactorily settled and some of the men will return to work tomorrow morning. Notices have been posted all over town reading as follows—
To the Officers and Members of U. M. A. of A., District No. 18.
The result of the voting upon the agreement is as follows: For, 1,124; against, 747; majority, 377. The agreement has been duly signed today, and all members of our unions are requested to end their vacation and resume work at all the mines immediately—
F. H. Sherman, President, District No. 28, U. M. W. of A.

Will Get Full Compliment.
Secretary J. A. MacDonald, of the Mine Workers, when seen today, stated that about 100 or 200 men had already left the district, and that there would be a full complement of men in every mine inside of two months. "By two weeks he said all the men will have returned to work, and those who are still in the district."
Regarding the new agreement, Secretary Macdonald said that it still a few minor differences to be arranged in some camps, but a board, composed of three miners and three operators, will sit to adjust these. For instance at Cammore and Bankhead there are differences already. There are also some differences at the mines at present are worked by day wage scale, and these will have to be put on a contract work. Of course the miners will continue working until after the board sits.

All Men Will Return.
"I believe all the men will go back, even those that voted against doing so. Of course some of them will not be exactly satisfied but it is safe to say they will return. Even if the conciliation board had said, 'I don't think we could have obtained a better agreement than the one we have just signed.' The Coal Creek and Ferne men will doubtless return to work. They will not all be placed in the mines at once as it will take a week or so to straighten things up. There will be a fall to be cleared and several other things to be looked after. They will not be required to sign on again but can start in right where they left off."

New Agreement Lengthy.
The agreement occupies four pages of typewritten matter and the accompanying schedules take up eight more. The parties to the agreement are the Western Coal Operators' Association, consisting of seven companies operating in the district and the employees of these companies as represented by the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 18. By its provisions the agreement existing prior to April 1st, 1917, are confirmed for a further period of two years, excepting insofar as they are changed by provisions in the new agreement.

Sixty days before the expiration of the new agreement a conference will be held to discuss a renewal. All persons accepting employment at mines, coke ovens and outside plants, are to be governed by the rules laid down in the agreement.

How Disputes Should be Settled.
In the event of a local dispute the man with grievances should submit his complaint to the pit boss. If the pit boss and employees fail to agree the matter shall go before the pit committee and mine superintendent. If they fail to agree it shall be referred to the general manager or general superintendent of the company concerned and members of the district board. Should they fail to agree the disputes shall be referred to a joint committee composed of three operators, appointed by the Western Coal Operators' Association and three miners appointed by District No. 18. If this committee is unable to agree it shall endeavor to choose an independent chairman. If it cannot do so the Minister of Labor shall be asked to appoint such a chairman. The decision of the committee thus constituted shall be binding upon both parties. While the dispute is being considered the men must remain at work. In the event of an employee being discharged he shall not remain in the employment investigated. If a claim is made of the company while the case is be-

for time lost the joint committee shall determine the amount of compensation.
Breach Will Not Destroy Agreement.
One important sub-section reads as follows: "Any breach of this agreement by any of the parties hereto is not to void the said agreement, but the same is to continue in full force and effect, and not intended to cover, by this sub-section to abridge the right of the men to suspend work as a fine punishment as herein provided if any operator or operators refuse to be bound by any decision given against them under this article. The article referred to is of course, that arranging for the settlement of disputes."
Payment for new work, which may arise, is to be on the basis of a day's wages until the wage has been fixed by joint committees.
Government's Promise Figures.
The promise of Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works for Alberta, to the effect that the provincial government would introduce legislation for the introduction of an 8-hour day, bank to bank, has apparently been considered by the board. It is understood that nothing shall be held to afford any grounds against the enactment of legislation respecting hours of labor in the province of Alberta.
The balance of the agreement proper, deals with rates of wages, etc., and provides that there shall be a five per cent increase in the minimum rates at the following mines:
No. 9 mine, Coleman, No. 3 mine, Michel, Lundbreck and Cammore. There shall be an increase of 25 cents per day on all \$2 rates, and on inside work 15 per cent on all rates of \$2.50 and over. There shall be added an increase of 25 cents per day to drivers, fall rope and hoist men. It provides that at Cammore, Bankhead, Lundbreck and Lille an increase of 5 per cent shall be added to all other transportation rates. Schedules are four in number and give the details of rates to be charged by operators at Cammore in various mines and to other employees with inside or outside labor. In all camps the schedule rates are to be the minimum rates paid, but nothing in the agreement shall be construed to prevent the operators from paying higher rates should they desire. It is also understood that where higher rates have prevailed no reduction shall be made by the men. The agreement is dated May 4th, 1917, and is signed by Western Coal Operators' Association, G. G. S. Lindsay, president; Lewis Stockert, vice-president; W. F. Little, secretary; Pacific Coal Co., Ltd., J. I. Stockert, general manager; W. H. McNeill, general manager; Breckenridge and Lund Coal Co., Ltd., J. Breckenridge, president; Western Canadian Collieries Ltd., O. Whiteside, general manager; Canadian-American Coal and Coke Co., Ltd., S. M. Moore, general manager; International Coal and Coke Co., N. N. Galer, vice-president; Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., Ltd., G. G. S. Lindsay, general manager; United Mine Workers' of America, District 18, F. H. Sherman, president; John Galvin, vice-president; McDonald, secretary; Peter Patterson, International Board members.

Some Have Already Returned.
President Sherman said that some of the men will return to work tonight, and this statement is borne out by the fact that already some can be seen on the streets with picnic dinner pails, getting ready to go back tonight on the train.
"I have an interesting story to tell you hereafter—such a condition is brought about, as long as this act is upon the books, as it is. It is safe to say that about one-third of the men have left the district."
Replying to a question regarding the coke ovens, he said that the operators are in the morning, and as they had not been allowed to get cool, the depreciation should not be heavy. If the weather had been cold, considerable coke would have been lost.

No Dark Clouds.
Regarding trouble in the future, he said he could see none near just at present. The Lethbridge company there were given thirty days to reach the cessation would never have taken place. The work of conciliation and arbitration has been so successful that fully brought to an end could as well have been carried on with the mines in the meantime. The consequence of the public interest demands that hereafter no such course as unhappily took place should occur again in the event of any misunderstanding between the employees and employers.
Neither Party to Dispute May Move.
"Any party now can, through the medium of this act, bring about negotiations and it is in the power of either party to refuse to negotiate. It is not to be understood that the functions to those of the Board but either through the Board or by direct negotiation between the parties all such disputes as have been in question now can hereafter be disposed of without the slightest delay. The operators and employees and without any injury to the public interests."
Likely Action of Board.
No doubt any Board engaged in the settling of disputes such as the one in question—even if work were continued in the meantime—would make the fact into consideration in its judgment and would make the terms of settlement retrospective to recover the time that might elapse during a settlement and whilst the work was going on. Therefore with that possibility in mind, it is not to be expected that either party in dragging out negotiations they would gain nothing by the time in conferences and arguments.
Neither Party to Gain by Delaying.
"I mentioned that, in case it might be thought that any party would be gaining by delaying a final settlement. Any wise board would take that circumstance into consideration and make its terms retrospective if it was thought equitable that such should be the case. I have had the honor of receiving many confidences from both sides in connection with this dispute, and as to the manner in which the mining industry in this district has been carried on."

Suggests Improvement in System.
"I have no personal knowledge of the subject, and perhaps the observation is not to be made as to a crude one, but nevertheless with all respect to the management of these mines, it would be possible to suggest some improvement in their working system that may be of service to themselves and to the employees. The interest of the employees and employers are mutual. They engaged in a limited partnership, and it is impossible for one to be injured without the other being injured also."
Hand-to-Mouth Methods.
"Now it has been told to me on

MICHEL AND FRANK MEN DISSATISFIED.
According to Statement of Their Representative. But Men Will Return to Work.
That the agreement reached between the miners and operators is not satisfactory to all the miners is evident. Representatives of the Michel and Frank union, who ran against President Sherman for the presidency of the district last election, and who was defeated by a very small majority, says that Michel men are angry, and the feeling at that camp runs high.
Terms Not as Good.
"We have not secured," he said, "as good terms as were offered at the Calgary meeting. The operators were hardly considered at all. Frank men are also disgusted at the terms. The operators and the Michel men were not considered at all. There is no doubt," he continued, "that the men will return to work, but in Frank and Michel, anyway."

for his response to duty in coming laborers, and thanked Sir Wm. Mulock such a long distance to settle the dispute. He said that the men lost the higher feelings of men in several days' work out of a possible twenty-six days because of their being no cars to ship the coal, and their company having no facilities for storing coal as it was mined. They had been depending on cars to load coal at once. It occurred to me that this is a rather hand-to-mouth method of carrying on such an important industry, and that the practice adopted at other great mining centres might very well be adopted here, namely, having storage to some limited extent to bring over interruptions such as are inevitably arising from the lack of transportation or other obstruction to business."
Miners Require More Healthful Recreation.
"It is natural that men engaged in mining should desire a reasonable amount of the pleasant season of the year. Their work is laborious and hazardous, and it would be to the interest of the men and also the interest of the operators, that from time to time have a reasonable relaxation from labor in the open air, where their health would be restored and their systems cooled. They would then be in better spirits and better condition to carry on their work."
Fragmentary Holidays No Good.
"Forced holidays in a fragmentary way—a day here and a day there—during a working season, do not enable a working man to take a solid holiday of a few weeks, but simply shuts him out from work for the day. It is better to have a few days in this case would be to have about a round of hand-shaking and well-wishing."

Regular Holidays Better for Men.
"On the other hand continuous work throughout the year, while a man wishes to purchase at the best price, the purchaser wishing to buy at the cheapest price. The workman, on the other hand, wishes the employer has it to buy, and it is to some extent natural that each one should desire to make the best of the situation in the disposal of this article of commerce."
Unwise Methods in the Past.
"But in the past there has been an unwise method of dealing with these disputes. It has been the custom to have each other often as if they were hostile forces. They have wasted valuable time in the past, and the mutual exhaustion, until at last the contestants have come to the forum of conscience and reason and attain the end which they are seeking."
Effect of New Statute.
"There is no statute book a statute which renders a strike or lockout or cessation of work pending the settlement of a dispute. It is hereafter such a condition is brought about, as long as this act is upon the books, as it is. It is safe to say that about one-third of the men have left the district."
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The Act Quite Adequate.
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"Silent" Smith's Will Bequeaths \$20,000,000 to Sister, Lady George Cooper.

New York, May 6.—Complications which developed today in the matter of the estate of James Henry Smith indicate that one of the greatest will contests the United States has ever known is imminent.

Two wills are reported to be in existence. One is what is known as the London will, which is believed to be in the keeping of Lord and Lady George Cooper.

The London will is of such a nature that the Smith relatives are satisfied and will not contest it. The terms of this will are not of the kind that he inherited from his uncle.

Twenty Million to Sister. The trust papers are able to give the authoritative details of the London will, leaving a fortune estimated at \$75,000,000.

Longshoremen's Strike. Assuming Serious Aspect And May Tie Up Passenger Lines.

New York, May 6.—The strike of Longshoremen which has been in progress for more than a week, affecting not only the coastwise steamers but several transatlantic lines, took an extremely serious turn today when the men employed on five or more of the trans-Atlantic lines refused to move.

Has Peculiar Features. Associated Press Despatch. Counsel on both sides admit that the application is not likely to affect the case materially, a bill of particulars in a case of murder is somewhat unusual, but as this case presents certain peculiar features, counsel for the prisoners express the opinion that they should complete their record by the course they have taken.

Entertainments Planned For Sweetenham. Ottawa, May 6.—Ex-Governor Sweetenham of Jamaica, who will tour Canada en route to England via the Suez Canal, will probably be entertained in this city by the various local Canadian Clubs.

NO TROOPS THERE. Answers Russian War Office to Inquiry from Foreign Office.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—The foreign office today applied to the war office for information as to what grounds, if any, there were for the reported Japanese protests against the non-withdrawal of the Russian troops from Korea, and if the troops remain there what the reason for it.

Two Killed in Collision. Kalamazoo, Mich., May 6.—Fireman Albert Wenzel, 37, of Kalamazoo, was instantly killed and the driver of a city street car was fatally injured when a double headed freight train collided with a sweeper at the crossing today, derailing the train and piling nineteen freight cars in a heap.

HAYWOOD FACES ACTUAL CHARGE

Of Murdering Governor Steunenberg, of Idaho. State Will Argue Conspiracy.

Boise Idaho, May 6.—The application for a bill of particulars filed by counsel for the defense in the case of William D. Haywood, secretary and treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners, who on Thursday next will be placed on trial charged with the murder of former Governor Steunenberg, came up for argument today before Judge Fremont Wood, S. Richardson, of Denver, and Clarence S. Darrow, of Chicago, representing the defendants.

NO SOCIALIST CONGRESS. Of Russians It Permitted In Adjoining Countries: Will Go England.

Malmo, May 6.—The Russian Socialists desirous of holding a congress here are being kept on the move in the Scandinavian peninsula, and have been ordered out of Denmark 120 men arrived here last night and were arrested by the police, however, refused to permit the Socialists to remain here and prohibited the holding of any conference whatever at Malmo.

Gigantic Sugar Company. Albany, May 6.—The Imperial Sugar Refining Company, of Yonkers, has filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State today. It is capitalized at \$10,000,000.

THE PREMIER AT THE GUILD HALL

"A Memorable Speech, Which will Find a Place in History" Says London Paper.

The London Tribune thus reports Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech at the banquet held at the Guildhall on April 16 to the colonial premiers. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, on rising to reply, was received with loud and prolonged applause.

Ample Time for Full Harvest. Premier Robin being interviewed in Winnipeg regarding his views concerning the lateness of the spring reaping.

CROP DAMAGE IS EXAGGERATED

In the U. S. Says Secretary of Agriculture. He Doesn't Know About Canada.

Chicago, May 6.—Reports of damage to crops which have been so numerous of late owing to the unseasonable weather and the ravages of bugs, have been greatly exaggerated and for a purpose, according to James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, who said tonight in a statement in connection with the conference of 1907. (Hear, hear.)

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On arrival the inspector informed the owners that he represented the government in the official capacity of veterinary surgeon and that he had been instructed by the veterinary inspector general to test the horses. Kuntz and Gehlting replied that they would not allow any action in the case "until the horses run at the nose."

Refused to Allow Testing. The inspector explained that he would be compelled to carry out his orders and upon continued refusal on the part of the two men, read order to them his letter of instructions. They still refused to allow the testing of the animals and Inspector Shearer was obliged to return to Sedley from which place he reported to Regina and applied for police assistance.

Horses Reacted to Tests. Corporal Lee, R. N. W. M. P., arrived from Arcola and the two officers proceeded to the farm of Kuntz. They met resistance, but after considerable trouble the men managed to conduct their operations. On the day following, five of the horses which had been submitted to the test again re-tested, and their destruction therefore became imperative for the protection of animals in the surrounding districts.

Resistance to the Law. The forms and regulations laid down for procedure in such cases were explained but to no purpose. On returning to the stable the doors were found to be fastened with chains and ropes, and men and women stood in front, barring the entrance. H. M. Paine, the driver, accompanying the party, was called upon for assistance and an effort was made to enter. The party submitted to a deal of rough hustling.

Danger of Bloodshed. Paine received a blow on the head and the men threatened that it was seen no progress could be made without danger of bloodshed. The wrangle progressed until the government were worked up to a pitch of tremendous excitement and refused to be persuaded that election protests of good feeling were compared with the destruction of property.

Reinforcement of Police. A return was again made to Sedley and in response to another wire for assistance, Constable Marrin arrived from Regina the next morning. With the inspector and police, accompanied by ex-Constable Fleming and M. Schmidt, drove out and found their arrival anticipated by a gathering of the clans.

Several friends and sympathizers of the rebellious ones were waiting and the affair began to assume an alarming aspect. However, nothing occurred beyond a considerable amount of trouble and obstruction, much speaking and babbled of tongues. Kuntz and Gehlting were placed under arrest on a charge of obstructing a government officer as laid down in act 33, form 49, of the Animal Contagious Diseases act. The horses were finally shot, and buried in a deep well. The accused were brought up for hearing at the R. N. W. M. P. barracks at Regina, the prisoners being released on bail of \$100 each. The case was dismissed.

THE ALBERTA MEDICAL ACT DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL

Supreme Court of Canada Sustains Appeal Taken From the Judgment Handed Down by Supreme Court of Northwest in the Case of Lafferty vs Lincoln—The Decision of Supreme Court is Vindication of Hon. C. W. Cross' Contentions That Act was Perfectly Legal.

The Alberta Medical act has been declared constitutional by the unanimous decision of the Supreme Court of Canada. A telegram was received from Ottawa last night by Mr. S. B. Woods, deputy attorney general of Alberta, to the effect that the Supreme Court of Canada had reversed the judgment of the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories sitting en banc in the case of Lafferty vs. Lincoln.

This was a test case that involved the constitutionality of the Alberta Medical act, passed by the Alberta legislature during its first session in 1906. Dr. Lincoln, of Calgary, registered as a medical practitioner in the Province of Alberta, under the North-West Territories' Medical ordinance, on May 16th, 1906. The Alberta Medical act requiring registration came into force on May 9th, 1906. Dr. Lincoln claimed that registration under the N. W. T. ordinance gave him the right to practice in the province notwithstanding that the Alberta Medical act required him to re-register.

It was claimed on his behalf and sustained by the Supreme Court of the Territories that the legislature had no power to pass a law which would deprive the medical profession of the right to practice in the province. The above was the view taken by the Saskatchewan government. Hon. C. W. Cross, attorney general of Alberta, held the view embodied in the Alberta Medical act and set forth in the Autonomy act, that the Autonomy act continued the old

KEEWATIN DESIRES LICENSES.

Inhabitants of Prohibited Belt of G.T.P. Importing Ontario License Department.

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No Change of Venue.

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North Battleford's Enterprise.

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Council May Try Municipal Ownership Unless Company Accedes to Board of Control's Demands. Winnipeg, Man., May 7.—In the event of the Electric Street Railway Co. not being disposed to undertake the street railway project proposed by the board of control, there is possibility of the city itself going into the street railway business in the near future. The city solicitor is at present enquiring into the powers possessed by the city, and what extent it may take in case the company rejects any of the proposed extensions.

Controller Baker, in discussing the matter of constructing a complete water, light and sewerage system, stated that access to the downtown district of the city would be obtained by streets paralleling the Main street, and only a block away therefrom. The idea of the city going into the traction business has not yet been seriously entertained by the civic controllers, but in the event of the street railway company rejecting any of the routes, there is a strong probability of its coming to pass.

Principle Not Economy. Nobody, said Mr. Birrell, believed that the present system of the administration of Ireland was founded in principle or economy. It had been switched off from the great current of the national life of the people.

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THE BIENNIAL CONVENTION

Of Railway Brotherhood Being Held in Atlanta. Important Change in Labor Policy

Atlanta, Ga., May 7.—From every part of the United States and Canada more than seven hundred delegates gathered here today for the biennial convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen under the presidency of Grand Master P. H. Morrissey of Cleveland, Ohio. Matters of importance are to be considered by the convention, among which is the position of Controller for the city, will retire in a few days and will be given six months' salary as a gratuity for faithful services in the interest of Winnipeg. The Board of Control will recommend that in view of Controller Curry's long and faithful service to the city, that he be allowed to retire and that as a slight token of esteem Mr. Curry be given six months' salary.

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Premier Pleased With the Finding.

London, May 7.—Sir Robert Bond, premier of Newfoundland, in an interview today on the decision of the Supreme Court of the colony in the matter of the right of Newfoundland fishermen to work on American vessels within the three mile limit, expressed himself as highly pleased with the finding. He said that the Newfoundland fishermen would get a chance to work on American vessels. American fishermen to come to such a distance and bring their own gear.

Butter from Montreal.

The late season is causing a great scarcity of butter in the city. Both the creamery and farm production has fallen off as compared with other seasons. The price of butter is now ranging from \$4 up to \$8 each, according to their condition at the time of arrest. A German charged with having disturbed public worship at the Greek church on Kintoston avenue, will like come up for trial this evening and also a laborer charged with having hit a fellow on the face with a shovel during a quarrel.

IN THE POLICE COURT.

Before Magistrate Cowan this morning four drunks lined up and pleaded guilty of indulging too freely in intoxicants. They were given fines ranging from \$4 up to \$8 each, according to their condition at the time of arrest. A German charged with having disturbed public worship at the Greek church on Kintoston avenue, will like come up for trial this evening and also a laborer charged with having hit a fellow on the face with a shovel during a quarrel.

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Expected Heir Expected Soon.

Madrid, May 6.—It was semi-officially announced today that the announcement of Queen Victoria may be expected May 29th.

Weak Track Caused Heavy Death

Associated Press Despatch. New York, May 8.—That a weak track caused the derailment of the Brewster Express on the Harlem division of the New York Central railroad of February 16 last, killing 24 passengers and injuring 143 others, was the finding of the state board of railway commissioners in a report made public today. The board also found that the weakness of the track was due to the failure of the local superintendent to warn the engineers of the condition of the track was a clear violation of his duty.

Railways Fined.

Associated Press Despatch. New York, May 7.—A federal grand jury which has been investigating railway cases today indicted the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railway company, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company, New York Ontario and Western Railway company, and the Western Transit company, on charges of granting rebates to the American Sugar Refining company.

Toronto's Increase Less than in 1906.

Associated Press Despatch. Toronto, May 7.—Toronto's growth is not equal to that of last year according to the assessor's figures for the first ward. The increase this year was at the rate of 11 per cent, while last year it was at the rate of 14 per cent. For the same ward. The actual increase for this year is \$30,653.

Simpson Will Be Tried Next Week.

Associated Press Despatch. Montreal, Que., May 7.—Wm. Simpson, the young farmer residing near Hudson, Que., who not long ago shot his two little children and then tried to kill himself, was sufficiently recovered today to appear in court to answer to the charge of double murder. No plea was entered, and the accused was remanded until next Tuesday, when the preliminary hearing will be commenced.

Clemenceau Cabinet Strengthened.

Paris, May 7.—The dissensions in the Clemenceau cabinet evidently have been temporarily patched up. When parliament re-assembled today the attitude of the moderate Republicans was more friendly, and the impression was that the ministers would successfully resist the assault planned by the member of the extreme left, supported by a section of the Radical Conservatives under the leadership of M. Pelletan.

Son of Hon. J. Hendrie Dead.

Hamilton, Ont., May 7.—Hugh S. Hendrie, son of Hon. J. Hendrie, died suddenly today. Dr. Wm. Osler commended moving the lad to the Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, but he was too weak to stand the journey.

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ERNEST THOMPSON SETON'S TRIP TO THE BARREN LANDS

Is in Edmonton Preparing for Thousand Mile Excursion Into the Illimitable Northland—Commends the Dominion Government for Having Purchased Herd of Buffalo From State of Montana—Says Roosevelt Regrets Canada Obtained Herd—Thinks Animals Will do Well in Elk Park.

Ernest Thompson Seton, the world-famous traveller, artist and naturalist, and animal artist, and his colleague, Mr. Ed. A. Preble, are guests at the Alberta today. Mr. Seton arrived last night from New York. When interviewed today Mr. Seton was busy completing arrangements for his trip to the Barren Lands of the far north, which this noted scientist says is a land of infinite interest and promise to the whole world. He will go 1,000 miles north and east and hopes to gather new and rich material which will no doubt appear in due time in some interesting book of his human interest as "Wild Animals I Have Known," and other masterpieces of natural history which his inimitable pen can alone transcribe.

Mr. Seton says that everybody realizes there is an area in the north to large that it is hard to express it in moderate terms. He will study everything of economic human interest as well as the animal and plant world. He is accompanied by Edward A. Preble, the famous naturalist, who represents the United States biological survey. He has travelled extensively in the north and is unquestionably the best living authority on northern natural history.

The party leaves tonight for Athabasca Landing and thence by the Athabasca river, down to the mouth of the Peace. When questioned as to the intention of the Canadian government to place the Pablo buffalo herd in Elk Island park Mr. Seton said it was a splendid stroke on the part of our government in which they stole a march on Uncle Sam. He says that the bulls of the herd are worth \$1,000

TEAM HAS NOBBY SUITS.

The Lewiston Yeller says: The suits worn by the Edmonton baseball team are the neatest creation of their class since the last three years. They are made from their color blend, and are made from the best of wool. They are made from the best of wool. They are made from the best of wool.

MISS JESSIE MCDUGALL DEAD.

Miss Jessie McDougall, who died recently at Westport, was born on her father's farm one mile from Winterbourne, but resided in Berlin during the last three years. She took a prominent part in women's organization work and was instrumental in organizing the first woman's institute in North Waterloo. She was secretary-treasurer of that institute until last year, when she had to resign owing to ill health. She was an estimable young Christian woman, taking part in every good work. Her husband, who resided at Gilpin, Alberta, and her sister, in Berlin, have the sympathy of a large circle of friends. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at her former residence to Guelph cemetery.—Toronto Weekly Sun.

DEATH OF MRS. THOMAS IRVINE.

Mrs. Thomas Irvine, 529 Seventh street, died last night. The deceased, who was about thirty years old, had not been very strong for the past three or four years. She leaves a husband and sister, Miss Atkins, to mourn their loss. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at her former residence to Edmonton cemetery.

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