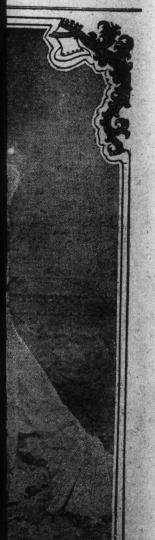
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VICTORIA, B. C., TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 1904.

FORTY-FIFTH YEAR.

### Day's Doings At Ottawa

Intercolonial Telegraphers Ask For More Salary—St. George's Day.

Sub-Collector is Appointed For Ladysmith—Rifle Association Grant.

Russians are Still Attempting to to Sealers.

A MISGUIDED YOUTH. Young Lord Brooks Will Join Unemployed Army at the Front.

CHINESE EXCLUSION.

### JAPANESE EXPECTED TO CROSS THE YALU SOON

Steady Increase in Concentration and Russian Scouts Report Enemy Present in Force at Wiju

\* London, April 23.— (Special Cable).— The London Chronicle has received the following despatch from its correspondent at Seoul: "There is very heavy fighting on the Yalu river, but for strategic reasons it is impossible for me to send details at present. There is the greatest danger of a rebellion in Korea."

along the Yalu river, but so far the Japanese censors have not permitted any of the details to reach the outside world. The above despatch bears evidence of the Japanese

\* Liao Laing, April 22.—General Kuropatkin expects that the Japanese will soon attempt to cross the Yain.

The concentration of the enemy has increased steadily. Information brought by scouts show that there is more than one division there and that poutoons are being brought up.

There was a scrimmage yesterday on an island opposite Wiju. The Japanese occupied it in order to pave the way for laying the pontoons. Russian troops in boats were attacked and driven back, and Captain Smeizh, commanding the troops, was wounded by four bullets.

CHINESE SATISFIED.

The satisfaction felt by the Chinese FIGHT AT CHONG JU.

In the sight at Chong Ju March 28th which was over the possession of the height commanding the town, the Japanese Infantry and General Mistchenko. Cossacks raced for the Kusen mountain, at which the Russians were the first to arrive. The Russians swept the town, which was occupied by the Japanese with bullets, but the Japanese in addition to a force of cavelry sent four regiments of infantry and a battery to surround Mistchenko, who retreated it good order.

CHINESE SATISFIED.

The satisfaction felt by the Chinese here, who are friendly to Russia, is due to the firm policy of General Kuropatkin, who at the time of his arrival informed a Chinese deputation which waited upon him and asked for protection that he would accord it provided absolute obedience was shown to his orders by the Chinese authorities and people. In order that no doubt may rise regarding the matter General Kuropatkin has repeated this statement.

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Clicago, April 22.—A special cable to the Daily News from Stockholin stays: It is reported in responsible quarters that certain strange eraft, said to be Japanese submarines are hovering on the east coast of Sweden. They were last seen off the fortified harbor of Farosound, Island of Golland, in the centre of the Baltic Sea. It is reported that the St. Petersburg autter that the St. Petersburg autter that the St. Petersburg autter and are alarmed for the safety of the Baltic fleet.

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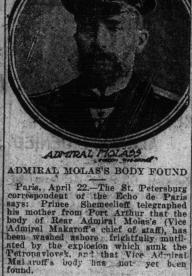
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BEAUTIFUL FAIRY TALE.



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### VICEROY ALEXIEFF BUSY **BOTTLING PORT ARTHUR**

During the Operation Another Russian Craft Strikes a Mine and is Lost with Twenty Men.

............ Bulletin-St. Petersburg, April 22.—The Emperor has received the following telegram from Viceroy Alexieff, bearing today's date: "I respectfully report to Your Majesty that today, during the placing of mines by some steam launches, Lieutenant Pell and twenty men were killed through a mine exploding prematurely under the stern of one of the launches," 

### **Provisions** Are Short in Siberia

Railway Monopolized By Mili-tery Authorities and Popu-

lace Suffers.

New York, April 22.—The following are some of the weekly clearings compiled by Bradstreets for the weekly and april 21st, with percentage Political Prisoners Extled by Administrative Process Crowd Prisons. SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON

### Financing Russia's War

Treasury Agent in London Ex-plains Foreign Loans Are

**Empire Will Issue an Enormous** Amount of Paper Money to Pay Expenses.

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FAREWELL DINNER.

St. Petersburg. April 22.—United States Ambassador McCormick gave a farewell dinner today at the embassy to Sir Charles Scott, the retiring British ambassador, and the members of the staff of the British embassy. Sir Charles will leave St. Petersburg Sundar

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London, April 22.—The correspondent of the Standard at Tientsin says that Japanese troops are now embarking from Korea and possibly are being reinforced by the forces on the Yalu river from which the Inssians have practically withdrawn.

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RUSSIAN CLEMENCY.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—Ludmik Remianikoff, one of the members of the fighting organization of the Russian revolutionists who was tried with Dr. Guershovula Aaron Vibonfield, Michel Melnikoff and Faen Grigorieff, April 18th on the charge of complicity in the terrorist plot which resulted in the assassination of several important officials, including M. Spiptanie, the minister of the interior, who was killed in 1902, has been released from custody.

### RUSSIANS STAMPEDE ACROSS THE YALU

Beat Hasty Retreat On Approach Of The Japanese, and Hundreds Reported Drowned Crossing Stream.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

New Chwang, April 22.—A messenger each man counting for the capture of from the Yalu river reports that the Japanese ontposts are near the Russian are being driven into Mukden for which neither receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning from the Tartar generals and retained that the Russians are fleeing north across the river in overcrowded boats, losing hundreds by drowning. The messenger himself met only a few Japanese ontposts are near the Russian are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The Russians are also requisitioning the receipts nor cash is given. The re

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### Clearing Ground For Building

Leveling the Ruins of Toronto's Warehouses Preparatory To New Constructions.

Eight Millions of British Money **Available But Materials** Scarce.

insecure portions of the ruins resulting from Tuesday night's fire began this morning. Already a number of burnedout firms have secured temporary ofmany business men are stunned and be wildered by the catastrophe, the majority of them take a hopeful view of the situation. The general impression among bank managers and capitalists is that the fire while necessarily entail iing a very severe set-back to the whole be followed by any financial panic. The fire losses for the most part are sust men in the city, while the fact that the largest

## HAS BEEN REOPENED

Interesting Evidence Taken Before U. S. Senate Committee Yesterday.

Washington, April 20.—With the reopening of the investigation of the Reed-Smott case before the senate committee on privileges and elections, the prosecution devoted considerable time to drawing from Brigham Roberts the character of the oaths which are said to be necessary for a Mormon to take in order to have the support of the church for political office. Members of the committee showed an equal interest in the obligation which are said to be taken by Mormons who "go through the endowment house."

Along both lines much evidence was brought out. It was shown by lar Roberts' testimony that without the consent of the Mormon church, he falled of election to a seat in Congress, and later with the church recognized his candidacy he was elected. In relation Mr. Roberts was extremely reticent. He said that the sacredness of the ceremony was such that he could not reveal it to the world. Portions of the testimony given by Mr. Roberts, especially in regard to his reasons for maistaining polygamous cohabitation with his plural wives, was almost a duplication of the testimony given by other polygamists who have been on the stand. He said he regarded the fluid, and that his moral obligation to his wives was greater than both the land, and that his moral obligation to his wives was greater than both the laws of God and man.

An Interesting Discovery Made in Excavations in the Forum.

Rome, April 19.—Signor Giacomo Boni, the famous archaeologist, whilsh his discovery of many years. He came upon a place where there was an atar dedicated to Marcus Curtius, a patriotic Roman pouth, who, in 362 to 50 the gods, immed to many which the soothsayers declared could not be falled except by the sacrifice of the chief wealth or strength of the Roman people. After Curtius, sacrifice, or the creamony given by many polygamous cohabitation with his plural wives, was almost a duplication of the testimony given by other polygamists who have been on the stand. He said he regarded the comman people. After Curtius, sacrifice, or the chief wealt

## IMPORTANT STRIKE

It is expected that the great amount to be spent in reouliding warehouses will almost put an end to speculative residence building this summer, with the consequence that rents will go up again. This will surely happen if there is not a great influx of labor from the outside. Matters are further complicated by the fact that there is a scarcity of building material. Brick is especially scarce.

AMERICAN APPROPRIATIONS.

Washington, April 21.—The pension appropriation of over \$137,000,000, and the emergency river and harbor appropriation of over \$137,000,000, were pussed today by the Senate, leaving only the general deficiency and the inflittary academy bills of the entire list of supply measures still, to be considered by the Senate.

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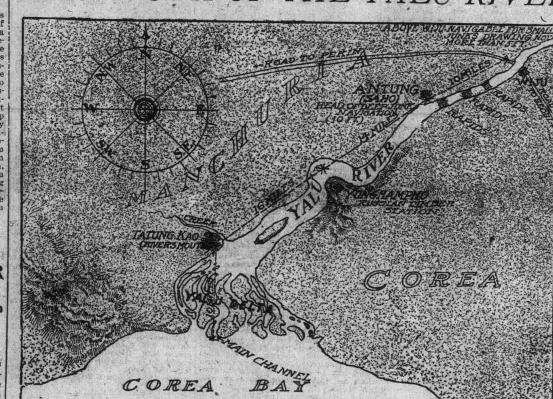
## BROUGHT TO LIGHT

Toronto, April 21.-Werk of leveling

iness community of the city will not Report of Another Rich Find on Two Claims in the DISTRICT.

losses among insurance firms are English and Scottish companies and that the great bulk of the eight millions of insurance will have to come from Great Britain will tend largely to relieve the financial market and prevent a panic here It is expected that the great amount owner of the Happy Four, has been

### THE MOUTH OF THE YALU RIVER Wise Act of Emperor Francis Joseph Causes Unbounded Satisfaction.



### On Saturday at the bottom of the six- NSUIRANCE MEN DISCUSS THE FIRE

Meeting of Underwriters in Toronto and Proposal to

Raise Rates

Toronto, April 21.—There was an important meeting of the leading under writers here today when the ire was discussed. The most important question discussed was that of increasing rates. On the report of the committee the association decided to increase insurance rates all round on mercantle risks in Toronto. In the congested district 75 per cent, in the outside district 75 per cent. They will consider tomorrow the question of a general advance throughout Canada.

The meeting discussed the question of appointing adjusters who will probably be selected from insurance men in Toronto and Montreal. One gentleman present remarked: "You will find the total insurance loss in the recent man present remarked: "You will find the total insurance loss in the recent far will be mearer \$10,000,000 than \$8,000,000 and it will take the companies fully twenty years to overtake these losses."

An excellent authority on insurance EMPEROR WILLIAM

fully twenty years to overtake these losses."

An excellent authority on insurance pointed out taht in Toronto for a certain class of wholesale property the rate was 63 cents per \$100 per annum, while in Montreal for the same risk the rate was \$1.25.

"What is the total insurance in what is known as the congested district?" the was asked.

"I would think the fire area is about one-third of the district. Therefore the total insurance carried would be about \$25,000,000."

"What would you say is the average rate."

The meetin gdiscussed the question tal premium about \$250,000."

IRISHMEN TO MEET. Boston, April 21.—Secretary John O'Callaghan of the United Irish League of America announced today that New York city had been selected as the place and Angust 30th 31st as the dates for the second biennial convention of the league. John E. Redmond, M. P., the leader of the Irish party. Las Feen invited to attend.

### MARTIAL LAW FOR Doomed Fortress

London, April 22.—The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that Port Arthur undoubtedly is effectively blocked and that events are culminating around the doomed fortress.

Miners, who arrived in Denver today in custody of state troops from Teliuride, where martial law is in force in consequence of labor troubles, was taken before the state supreme court this afternoon on a writ of habens corpus. Armed soldiers guarded the entrances to the court room while the proceedings were in progress.

The return to the writ presented by Attorney General Milier set forth that Moyer is lawfully restrained of his liberty and pursuant to the express command of the governor and cammander in-chief of the military forces as a military necessity in the course of the suppression of an existing state of insurrection, at the court heard arguments on a mo-

EMPEROR WILLIAM

CLIMBS MOUNT ETNA

Makes the Ascent on Foot and Afterwards Entertains
Leading Socialists.

Continues Sicily. April 20.—Amidet the military in which Hayrood was brought to the action of the part of the populace, court of Johnson Foot and the populace of the populace, court of Johnson Foot and the populace of the The court heard arguments on a motion of the petitioner to be admitted to bail upending a decision on the question of the court's jurisdiction, and took the matter under advisement.

(Winnipeg, April 21.—Unas Hancock a wealthy rancher living near Erinview north of Stonewall, Man, for the past twenty years, killed himself at 6 o'clock twenty years, killed himself at 6 o'clock this morning at the residence of his brother-in-law, John Berry, in Stone-wall. He was sleeping with Mr. Berry's son, and while lying in hed reached for a revolver and shot himself in the head. He had been in ill-health for some time and intended leaving in a few days for British Columbia to visit, relatives. He leaves a widow and one son.

### GREAT BRITAIN MAY ENTER A PROTEST

Treatment of the Wireless Telegrapher Disapproved By

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIOT.

London, April 22.—The British government is giving carefur consideration to the edict of Russia in reference to the use of wireless telegraphy by war correspondents in the Far East. Whether the result of Astronomer Seeberg's survey of Bennet and the same and the same and the same of the angelian to the angelian to the same and the same category as a spy and condemns the purpose of the Western Federation of Miners, who intrived in Deuver today in custody of state troops from Telluride, where martial troops from Telluride, whe

### WERE COMMITTED TO STAND TRIAL

### Report Received From Baron Toll

Lost Arctic Explorer's Last Documents Found By the Relief.

No Word of the Missing Expedition Since it Started Over the Ice.

"Accompanied by Astronomer berg and two traders, I left the water of the Zaria in Nirapleh on June 7th. The ice was rather on July 25th and we prepared to patity about. "Here we killed the last of

carried us in four and a half days 48 miles on our course, but bearing off we left it on July 31st, crossing the remaining 23 miles to Bennet Jsland on the baidars, landing on August 3rd at Cape Emma."

British Cruiser Will Demand the Release of Prisoners Under Penalty.

### **Buying Horses** For Jap Army

An Agent of the Mikado's Gov ernment Arrives on the

Ten Thousand Needed Immed ately for Cavalry and Artillery Service.

most of its good available horses in Japan for use in the army, and it is my intention to replace these horses by those purchased either in the United States or elsewhere. But I cannot say that the horses I acquire here will mot eventually be used by the army. It is possible that the government will impress these also, providing they are better than the ones they now have—which they undoubtedly will be. I will remain in Portland until I have convinced myself of the advisability of purchasing the stock, and then I will return to this city. I hope to be able to arrange the matter satisfactorily in this country. I will say frankly that I would like to fix the transaction so that I can throw the business this way. As I said before, it is more a matter of price than anything else."

the war ne says;
"It is my bellef that the Japanese, will win out even in a long war. Of course, the army is handicapped by slow transportation facilities. The army cannot portation facilities. The army cannot the artillery or

A CURE FOR INSOMNIA. A Well Known St. John Merchant Tells How He Was Freed From This Terrible Trouble.

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This Terrible Trouble.

One of the best known men in St.
John, N. B., is Mr. G. G. Kierstead,
grocer and general dealer, 641 Main
street. Mr. Kierstead has an interesting story to tell of failing health, insomnia and finally renewed strength,
which cannot fail to interest othere. He
eays: "A few years ago I was all run
down, due to overwork and shattered
nerves. I was unable to sleep at night
and found no rest in bed. My life
seemed a burden to me and I found no
pleasure in auything. I sought medical
aid and the physicians who attended me
were unable to give me any relief. The
doctors differed in their opinion as to
my ailment. Finding that I was growing worse and almost crazed through
loss of sleep, I concluded to give up
business and go to the country for
a rest. Just when I was at my very
worst and had almost no desire to live,
my wife urged me to try Dr. Williams
Pink Pills. I had lost faith in all medicines, but to please my wife I decided
to give the pills a trial. I have had reason to be thankful that I did sp. Almost
from the outset the pills helped me and
I was able to find sleep. I continued
their use until I felt perfectly well again.
I could sleep as I did in my childhood;
I grew healthy and strong and have
never known one hour's trouble from
that source since. I have no besitation
in saying that I believe Dr. Williams
Pink Pills saved my life, and will always say a good word for them to any
who are troubled with sleeplessness."

Dr. Williams Pink Pills work cures
like Mr. Kierstead's, after doctors and
common medicines fail because they actually make new. rich blood, and so
strengthen all the organs of the body
and brace up the nerves. That is the
way they cure indigestion, kidney and
liver troubles, nervonsness, neuraliza,
palpitation of the heart, rheumatism and
the special ailments that fill the lives of
so many women with misery. The genuine pills always bave the full name "Dr.
Williams Pink Pills for Pale People" on
the wrapper around every box. If in
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FEARFULLY EFFECTIVE. Shimose Powder One of Most Terrible

Explosives Known. The efficiency of the gunpowder intwented by Dr. Shimose, Japanese naval engineer, is being amply proved by the recent naval engagements. It is said that of the Russians under treatment in Chemulro one sailor received 164 wounds. The efficacy of the Shimose ruppowder also depends upon the Ijuin fuse, i. e., a fuse lately invented by Vice-Admiral Jjuin, K. C. B., on the occasion of the general attack on Port Arthur on the 9th inst. Japanese shells reached the Russian dockyard and Chincee laborers are now declining to work there.

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### ELDS MAY BE BOMBARDED

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Jamaica, April 21.—The er Retribution which under from the imperial govern-from Kingston April 11th Inguan port in connection are of six Cayman turtled the arrest of their crews in officials returned to Port the Nicaraguan coast to-certaining that the vessels ad been sent to Bluefields of the Retribution accused an commandant under the schooners were seized There is consternation icaraguan officials over the is necessary for the Retribution accused in the property of the Retribution accused an commandant under the schooners were seized There is consternation icaraguan officials over the is necessary for the Retribution for Bluefields to demand the release ers and the boats and impensation for their illegal detention. It is rumored to be found necessary the will bombard the port of

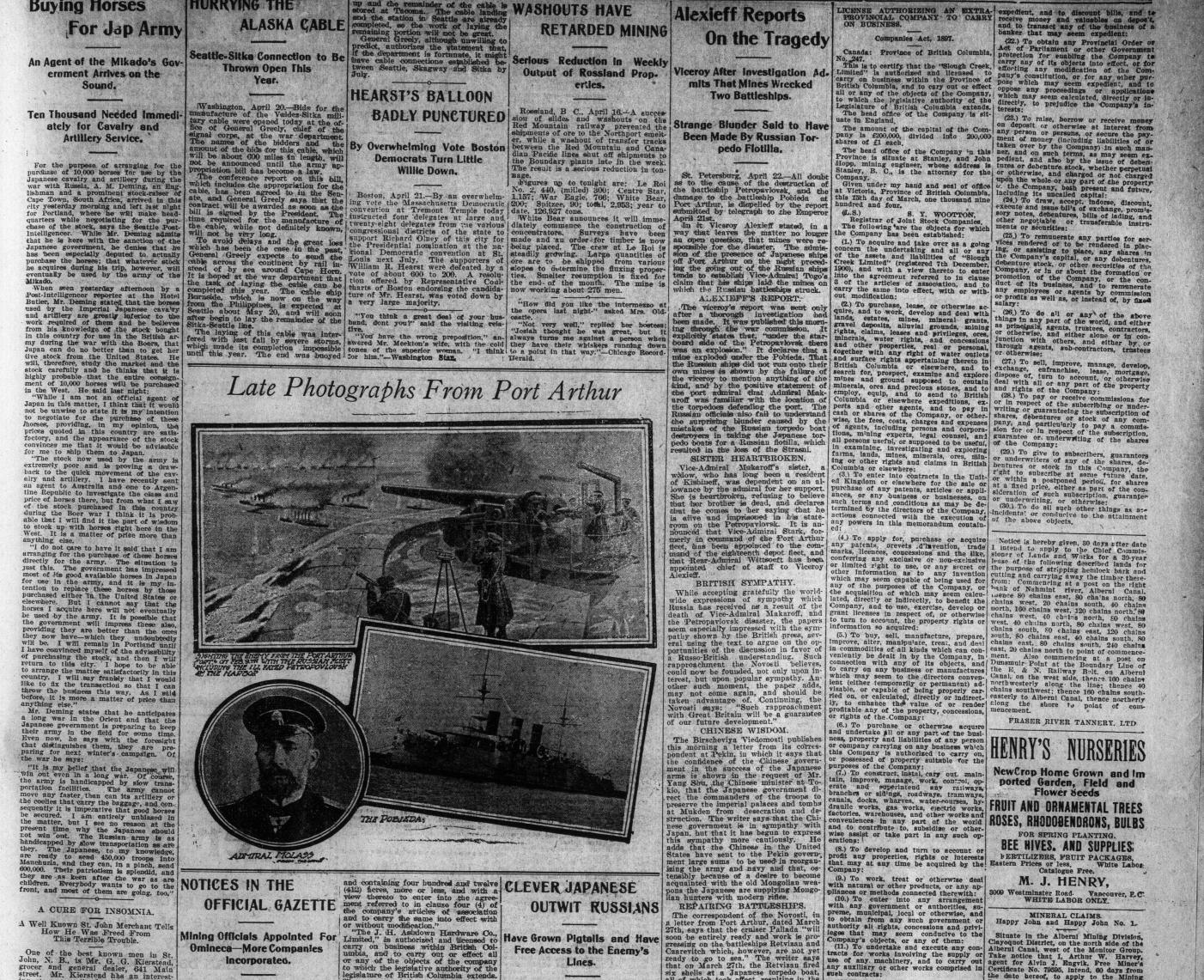
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## RETARDED MINING

### **Alexieff Reports** On the Tragedy



### The Colonist.

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## \* LOCAL

Spring Salmon Running.—Passenger just down from the North report the spring salmon were running well in the Naas river. A good pack of spring salmon is being secured by the Petific Northern cannery. The spring were not running so well on the Skeen but the catches there were expect to be heavier this week.

Edna's New Role.—Miss Edna Wal Edna's New Role.—Miss Edna Walace-Hopper, who spent many weeks Victoria during the progress of the Hopper-Dunsmuir trial, has reft the legitamate to fill an engagement vaudeville in a sketch entitled "Tarch of Time," by Cosmo Gord Stewart. Lewis Morrison intends refire from the stage for a year, aff which he will produce a new play. A Morrison's "Faust" has brought him fortune.

Fall Fair Prizes.—The Victoria Farmers' Institute has voted \$35 for special prizes for the forthcoming fall fair. The Whitman Agricultural Co., through their agents for British Columbia, Messus. E. C. Prior & Co., Limited, have advised Secretary Swinerton that they will give as a special prize one of their "Senior Cider Mills," valued at \$25. The special purpose for which this will be awarded will be decided by the prize committee.

been in circulation on both sides of the line. The authorities on the Sound are positive that the counterfeiting plant is operated in China, and will not relax their efforts in the sightest degree until they have located it. The manner in which the spurious coins may be de-tected was fully explained in the Col-onist some days ago.

Relic of Disaster.—A gold watch, with charm and chain attached, the property of the late A. K. Prince, one of the victims of the Clallam disaster, was found by Samuel May, sergeant of Marines, in the crevice of a rock below high water mark at the dockyard. The body of Prince it will be remembered, was found near this spot. Sergeant amarray, of the provincial police department, in whose custody the valuables were placed, turned the same over to the Eagles of this city, who have forwarded the same to relatives of the deceased in Kansas City.

Strike on Richard III.—Another rich strike is reported to have been made within the past few days on the Richard III. mine at Mount Sicker. A lead of high-grade ore has been uncovered about 450 feet below the surface. It is five feet wide and appears to widen the more it is followed up. Very little shipping is now being done by the company operating the property on account of the snow. It is expected, however, that as soon as the weather clears this work will commence and between 50 and 75 tons will be sent to the smelter every day.

Fatality at Extension.—A shocking accident occurred on the new line which is being laid from Extension to Ladysmith harbor, whereby a Chinaman met with a terrible death. The unfortunate man had been in the employment of the company for some years, and had always shown himself to be a careful worker. He was preparing to blast some rock. The hole had been drilled, and, having put in the charge of dynamite, he was busy tamping it. While

The Coal Market. Harrison's rep The Coal Market.—Harrison's report Don the coal market of San Francisco, under date of April 14th, says: "Freight rates on coal from Newcastle are reported much firmer, caused presumably by the freight rates on grain to Europe from the colonial ports. There is but little demand here for all grades of doreign fuel, which are only suitable for steam purposes, as the prices demanded here for British Columbia and Washington coal makes it impossible for outside coals to compete. An accurate report of the California output of crude oil for 1903 has just been issued, showing 23,000,000 barrels have been sent to the surface. This, in round figures, signifies the displacement of fully 6,000,000 tons of coal fuel."

Substantial Dividend.—W. Gardner, the secretary of the Tyee Copper Co., of Mount Sicker, has issued the following circular to shareholders: "I have pleasure in enclosing herewith interimidividend warrant payable on or after 30th inst, being one shilling per share on shares standing in your name in the company's books on 23rd March, 1904. It will interest you to know that the results of the company's operations since the end of hast financial year have been sufficiently profitable to enable the board to place the sum of £22.125 to a cash deposit, as a reserve with our bankers in London, in accordance with the resolution passed at the last annual general meeting. Over and above this amount there has also been spent out of earnings, on capital account, a sum amounting to over £15,000.

Northern Mining Activity.—Tecent advices from Port Simpson state that parties coming down from the upper Skeena report that the outlook for much activity in placer mining was never better in that locality. At present interest centres around Lorne creek, where there are a number of properties located. It is said that the gold found there is course, and with proper methods it is thought that much of the yellow metal will be taken out. It is further said that very little work has been done so far in the district, but with the opening of spring more extensive work will be undertaken. The owners of the properties on this creek have every confidence in the district, for the showing so far has been of the most promising kind.

(From Saturday's Daily.) (From Saturday's Daily.)
Okanagan Apples.—Messrs. F. R.
Stewart & Co., the importers, Yates
street, received an interesting shipment
yesterday in the form of a carload of
prime Coldstream Ranch apples, fresh
from the Okanagan valley. The shipment consists of Ben Davis, Spies and
other choice varieties, and all are in
first rate condition.

First U. S. Fish Trap.—Major Millis has received the first of the permits for fish traps issued by the United States engineer department for this season under the federal laws relative to structures in navigable waters, says the seattle Post-Inteligencer of yesterday. I is in the form of a revocable license tranted to Frank P. Dow, for a fish up on the west shore of Whadby land. A number of applications have been forwarded with the recommendations of the local engineer.

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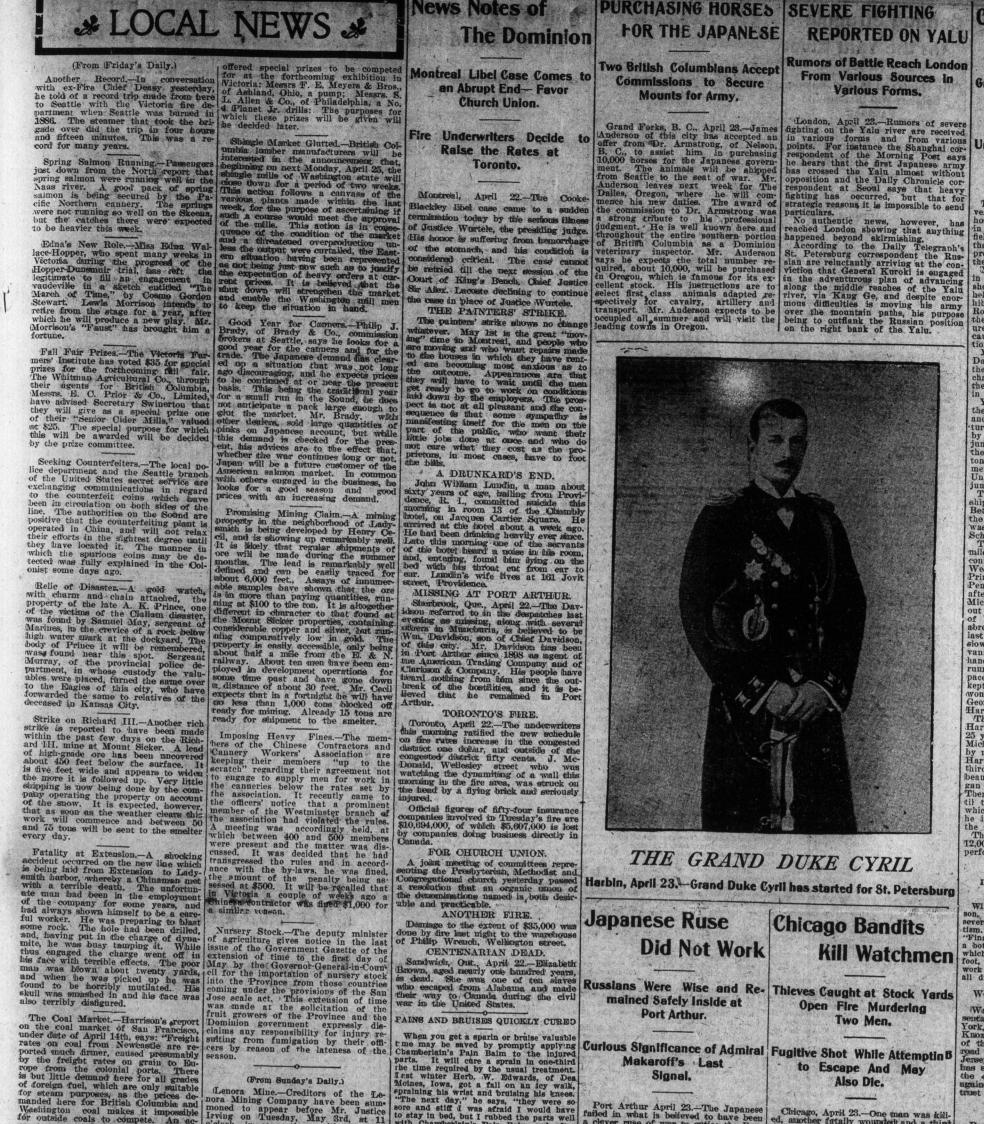
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## PURCHASING HORSES SEVERE FIGHTING

## REPORTED ON YALU



### Carnival of Track **And Field Sports**

Great Annual Event Under Au-spices of University of Pennsylvania.

University of Michigan Carried Off Many of the

Rose, who is only 19 years of age, put the shot 48 feet 3½ inches, but the figures will not stand in the records because they were not made in competition.

Michigan's other winners were Daane, Stone, Perry and Kellog, in the four-mile relay race for the college championship of America; Hayn, in the one hundred yards dash, and Schule in the 120 yards hurdle race.

Yale won the one mile relay race for the college championship of America and the pole vault. Pennsylvania captured the two mile relay championship by default and also won the broad jump. Swift of Iowa University won the disk event, and Dewitt, of Princeton took the first honors in the hammer throwing. Jones of New York University was the victor in the high jump.

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The national one mile relay championship for preparatory schools went to the Bethlehem, Pa., Prepartory School, and the High School national championship was captured by the Central High School of this city.

The event of the day was the fourmile race. It proved to be a stubborn contest between Michigan and Yale, the Western team winning by about a yard. Princeton. Columbia, Harvard and Pennsylvania were out of the running after the first mile. The Yale and Michigan runners kept together throughout the race. In the last relay Parsons of Yale and Kellog of Michigan ran abreast for more than 100 yards in the last quarter, when the Western man showly forged to the front Pennsylvania had the one mile race well inhand until the third relay took up the pace and was passed by Yale. Yale kept her lead in the fourth relay and won easily; Pennsylvania second, Georgetown third, Columbia fourth and won dealing. There was an choice between them until the last hurdle was rached, at the finish.

The weather was ideal and more than 12,000 people watched the 800 athletes perform.

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INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM CURED.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH AGAIN. Washington, D. C., April 23.—Representative W. M. B. Hearst, of New York, today filed with Attorney-General Knox a complaint that a combination of the Philadelphia and Reading mailroad and the Central railroad, of New Jersey, under a complaint of New Jersey, under a complaint of the Philadelphia and Reading mailroad.



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## Coming Struggle

On the Yalu River

In old Greenwich village, where there are more English familiss to the block than in any other part of New York, there is one fish dealer who makes a specialty of English soles. To the Englishman there is no fish like the sole. He eats it fried for breakfast, and cut in filets, with Tartar sauce, for dinater. In some American restaurants small flounders are served as English soles, but neither in appearance nor taste is the flounder anything more like the real article than a pigeon is like a canvasback duck.

Intil the six day steamers became

THE ENGLISHMAN'S CRAVING Princess Victoria On Sound Run

Palatial New Steamship of The C. P. R. Relieves The Beatrice.

Proposal to Establish an Iron Shipbuilding Yard Again Revived.

Last evening the palatial steamship Princess Victoria relieved the steamer Princess Victoria relieved the steamer Princess Eastrice on the Victoria Princess Victoria relieved the steamer Yor the summer traffic are completed. The Princess Victoria will prove an immense aid to the tourist traffic, say those qualified to express opinions on the matter. She will certainly be a most interesting introduction to the beauties of the city, and will give the traveling public a good idea of the enterprise of Victoria.

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**Annual Report** Canada's Fisheries

How B. C. Pays Revenue Altogether Out of Pro-

### Splendid Record Is Established

Steamship Princess Victoria Comes From Seattle in Remarkable Time.

No Likelihood It Will be Reduced Except By Same Vessel.

(From Friday's Daily.)

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The steamer Princess Victoria established a new record which will probably stand until she breaks it again herself, yesterday, when she made the run from Seattle to Victoria in three hours and twenty-four minutes, from full speed ahead to slow bell off the ocean docks. She blew her whistle at five minutes past one o'clock and was tied up at her berth here at sixteen minutes past one, which is exceedingly rapid handling.

The Princess left Seattle at half-past nine and overtook the steamer Whatcom as that vessel was going into Port Townsend, the Whatcom having left Seattle at half-past eight o'clock the same morning. The Princess Victoria did the trip under normal full speed pressure, and not forced draught, which adds considerably to the feat. Under forced draught, pushed to her limit, it is quite probable that a material reduction could be made in the record set up yesterday. Those things, however, arways keep well for emergencies.

Captain and Mrs. Troup made the round trip with the Princess, and were thoroughly satisfied with the manner in which the flagship of the C. P. R. coast fleet behaved herself. The steamer ran with the smoothness of a Pullman train and maintained the twenty miles an hour with an ease that delighted all aboard. It is hardly possible to detect any vibration from the engines even when they are going at such speed, so finely balanced is the machinery. The fifty passengers aboard were enthusiastic in their praise of the steamer's splendid performance, and predict unlimited patronage for the the Princess no matter what route she may travel.

At Seattle the arrival and departure of the steamer's splendid performance, and predict unlimited patronage for the time thing in shipbuilding that has ever entered that port. Captain Toup says that the vessel never ran faster that she did several times on the way over yesterday morning, and she fully demonstrated her ability to undertake the triurban route when the time comes.

The Princess Beatrice is ready to resume duty, whi

MAY CHANGE FLAG. Reported That C. P. R. Steamers Tar-

tar and Athenian May be Sold.

One of the passengers who arrived there by the steamship Empress of China Tuesday morning, in discussing the war conditions in the Far East, and the manner in which the Japanese government is buying up steamers for the purpose of transportation of troops, said that it was well understood in the Orient that megotiations had been almost completed for the transfer of the splendid steamships Tartar and Athenian, of the C. P. R. ocean fleet to the Japanese government. In fact he was surprised on landing here to learn that the deal had not been consummated by the formal turning over to the Japanese of the vessels mentioned.

The Tartar and Athenian are peculiarly suited for transports, and the Tartar did fine service in that way during the opening years of the Philippine war, when she ran under charter to the United States government from Puget sound to Manila, and conveyed many thousands of troops to the islands.

The price to be paid by the Japanese for the two ships was not stated, but as they are first-class vessels and in prime of usefulness, it is probable that the figure will be exceedingly handsome. Both steamers could be trans-

prime of usefulness, it is probable that the figure will be exceedingly handsome. Both steamers could be transformed into very effective unarmored cruisers of the Japanese wanted auxiliaries, as they probably will before the war is over.

If the transfer of those steamers is made, the Japanese will have two of the finest steamers running on the Pacific included in their trooper service.

What is supposed to be some more of the wreckage of the unfortunate steamer Clallam, which foundered in the gale in the strait on January Sth, drifted ashore at the foot of Menzies street, Dallas road, yesterday morning. The wreckage consists of about twenty feet of the flimsy, tongued and grooved boarding pierced with doors and windows and painted white, seemingly part of the wall of the upper deckhouse.

The sea has torn part of the boarding away exposing the tacks with which it was fastened in place. The work is of the flimsiest kind, even the framework to which the boards are attached being light and thin. A number of boys got hold of the wreckage in the afternoon and used it as a raft.

No one seems to know from which quarter the wreckage drifted, but it is believed that it came from the direction of the Guif islands. It is possible that it may have separated from the mass of wreckage of the Clallam now lying at Oak bar, but as that is pretty well secured, this view is not entertained by water front men who have seen the new wreckage. The sea has torn part of the board-

LINE TO AUSTRALIA.

Within three months, says the Tacoma Ledger of yesterday, Tacoma will be the terminy of a new steamship route between here and Australia, on which three large steamships are to be run, According to the plans a six weeks' service will be given. The opening upof trade between Puget sound and Australia means the importation of large quantities of wool, and it is stated that the construction of a woollen mill will be underaken in this city before many weeks pass. The necessary railroad connections have been secured and the project is evidently bound to be a great addition to Tacoma's already large foreign commerce.

A purty of English capitalists is interested in the woollen mill matter and Tuesday evening R. A. Alley departed for San Francisco, whence he will proceed to New York to discuss the matter with the promoters. Mr. Alley recently returned from British Columbia, where he made the necessary arrangements for the new steamship line to Australia.

According to the plans the steamship Maori King will be the first to go out on the new route in July. The Maori King is of 7,000 tons, and sister liners of the same capacity will follow later. Honolaiu, New Zealand. Fiji islands and Australia ports will be made. Mr. Alley has secured the contract from the Grand Trunk railroad, of Canada, for carrying its freight and passengers on the new steamship line, the Northern Pacific to make the necessary connections between the Grand Trunk terminus and Tacoma. There is already much areight in sight for the steamships, including merchandise of all kinds. A location for the woollen mill bas been secured on Chambers creek, and it will probably be begun when Mr. Alley returns.

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To Dr. Machray

The Railway Bill

Grand Trunk Scheme Passes

Second Reading and Act Brought Down.

Exchange of Compliments at Session of Agricultural Committee.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, April 21.-Lady Minto

committee in recent years took place AND SALT RHEUM WAS today. Kidd and Oliver exchanged compliments, the latter calling Kidd a liar. Chairman Douglas found it im-

possible to keep order.

The B. C. Southern bill passed the The B. C. Southern bill passed the Senate pailway committee today.
Ottawa has decided to inaugurate a civic street lighting system, the cost to be \$38 per lamp per amaum.
The transcontinental railway resolutions passed the second reading in the Commons today, and the bill founded thereon was introduced.

AMICABLY SETTLED. Clause in Treaty Applies to Frenci Fishermen Only.

Fishermen Only.

St. John's, Nfid., April 21.—The difficulty over the French shore treaty has been satisfactorily adjusted. France agrees that the clause terminating the fishery on October 20th each year applies only to her fishermen. Newfoundland, Canadian and American fishermen are not restricted in carrying on the winter herring fishery. France also agrees to recognize the British consul at St. Pienre, which will practically end smugghing from that place.

Great Britain, in return, agrees to recognize the French consul at St. John's, now residing her unofficially. Premier Bond, in the legislature to night, announced the terms of the French shore clauses of the Amglo French colonial treaty.

The treaty is generally regarded as being of immense benefit to the colony, and the public has accepted it with the warmest enthusiasm.

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RAILROAD CASUALTIES. RAILROAD CASUALITIES.

Washington, April 21.—The interstate commerce commission today issued a report showing that in the United States during October, November and December last, the total number of railroad casualties aggregated 14,485, a decrease of 102 as compared with the preceding quarter. There were killed 175 passengers and 991 employees, and 1,937 passengers and 11,382 employees were injured. The damage by these accidents to cars, engines and roadways amounted to \$8,527,000, a decrease of \$57,348.

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Japanese Preparing to Make a Second Landing in

ARE WE UNFIT? By Sir Hiram Maxim.

Sir Hiram Maxim has addressed the following letter to the London Daily Mail, and which appeared in the issue of Marca 23rd last:

"I have read with a great deal of interest much that hus been written regarding the more than the more than the been amazed to see how few of the writers have the courage to tell the exact truth.

"Suspend 'conventional lies' for the moment and let us look the facts squarely in the face."

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"For many years the English working classes have been deteriorating. This has been brought about by public and private charities, and by the workings of the poor law.

"Man is an animal governed by the same laws that govern al lother animals. Nature has but one means of improving and strengthening the race, and that is the antomatic cutting off of the unfit. This is nature's pruning knife, which under natural conditions is constantly at work; without this pruning knife, not only is improvement impossible, but actual deterioration is inevitable, and this in time debases the whole race.

"The artificial suspension of the action of the English race that it has been found quite impossible to obtain Eritish saliors to man British ships, or farm laborers to work the land. Although hundreds of thousands are unemployed, they seem to prefer a life of idleness to one of steady work. This state of affairs has been brought about because England has for a long time been a very rich nation.

"The same degeneration is now well under way both in the United States and in Canada.

Canada.

MOST LAW-ABIDING CITIZEN.

"The Chinaman is the most skilful agriculturist that the world has ever known; he gets more than twice as much out of the soil as any white man that ever lived; he works more hours in the day and more days in the year than anyone living. He is the most peaceful and law-abiding man to be found in any country in the world, but, curfously enough, the very things which are considered vices in the Chinaman are considered vices in the Chinaman.

"In the United States of America it mas been pointed out time and again by Chinese officials and writers that the Chinese in the United States of America are the most peaceful and law-abiding of foreigners to be found in the country.

"The people who were instrumental in his expulsion were not even honest enough to tell the truth; they pretended that the Chinaman was excluded on account of his vices, but as he had no trace of what would be considered a vice in the white man, a general assortment of unspeakable vices were manufactured for the occasion, his persecutors evidently believing that the end justified the means.

"It am strongly of the opinion that if the best, most peaceful, and law-abiding working man that the world has ever known is once introduced into Africa and his excellent qualities understood, and realized, he will be appreciated; Africa will manage somehow or other to profit by his matchiess skill and Industry, and the Chinaman will eventually become a fixture in South Africa.

"Perhaps there is no country in the world where he would do so much good; what a shame, than, that we are not betwe and instend of like a dangerous wild beast!" MOST LAW-ABIDING CITIZEN.

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As a result, many people are suffering from backaches, headaches, tomach troubles, biliousness and kidney pains who had previously consid-

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Cir. Samuel Sparling, Ladysmith, Pontiac Co., Que., writes: "I have used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and believe there is no medicine to equal them. I was troubled for years with kidney disease and this treatment has cured me. When I began to use these pills I could only walk from my bed to a chair. Now I can go to the field and work like any man. They are an excellent medicine.

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Mrs. James Griffiths, Ganeva St. South, St. Catharines, writes: "It gives me great pleasure to speak in commendation of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. For some years prior to the spring of 1900 I was afflicted with serious derangements of the digestive functions, and liver and kidney disorders. I tried many remedies, without the desired results, until I began the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. After taking a few boxes of this medicine, I was again enjoying all my former health and vigor, and, in fact, feeling better than for ten years. Other members of our family have also received the best results from the use of this medicine, and I shall always consider myself under lasting obligation to Dr. Chase for what it has done for me and mine."

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There are some reasons why Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills are the most satisfactory treatment that you could possibly use under the circum-

mous death rates reported by the Boards of Health.

### Attempted Murder By Japanese

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Impure Air, Artificial Food, Lack of Exercise, Have Brought on Constipa-The exceptional severity of the past winter is showing itself in the enor-

**Will Rescind** Restricting Order

The U. S. Government to Allow Earlier Season for Alaska Cannerles.

Firms Interested are Jubilant at News Received From Washington.

(From Sunday's Dally.)

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III Effects of Indoor Life

This letter is now in the possession of the chief of police, who has instituted a thorough search into the matter. Chief Langley was at first inclined to suspect a practical joke, but later in the day became convinced that the letter was a genuine missive from an unfortunate man, who has properly send the letter was a genuine missive from an unfortunate man, who had probbally been as good as his word at probably the government officials.

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to be made before we can arrive at the strength of the field army, not less than a 30.000 men ae at Pout Arthu and Vladivostock, 30,000 more are guarding the railway and 10,000 are occupied in other duties on the lines. There is probably ten per cent, of the force in the hospitals and convalescing, and garrison towns and fortified points, other than those of the railway, absorb another 20,000. Thus there remain no more than 135,000 men to form the field army, and the extent of the territory this army has to occupy or cover against the attack of the enemy is great. re we can arrive at the

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"As was anticipated in these advices some weeks ago the Russian field army might be expected to reach 150,000 men by the middle of May and there is no sign that these limits will be exceeded, it will always be possible to bring up more men if the horses, wagons and equipment, which are the concomitants of a mobile force are omitted, but it is useless for Russian purposes to mass a horde of infantry in Manchuria without transportation facilities and tied to the railway. As things stand we are without information as to the mobility of the field army and some acute to beervers on the continent declare that not half of the necessary number of wagons and animals were assembled when hostilities began, even for the use of the troops then in east Asia. In view of all these considerations it is a somewhat large assumption to hold that the Russian army is double the strengh of the Japanese.

The correspondent says that General Kuropatkin under his own hand certainly has not more than 80,000 troops and these are spread over a large territory. "The only reason," says the correspondent, "that General Kuropatkin has not more than 80,000 troops and the same spread over a large territory." "The only reason," says the correspondent, "that General Kuropatkin has not more than 80,000 troops and the same spread over a large territory. "The only reason," says the correspondent, "that General Kuropatkin has not more than 80,000 troops and the same spread over a large territory. The only reason," says the correspondent, "that General Kuropatkin has not more than 80,000 troops and these are spread over a large territory."

ent, "that General Kuropatkin has not delivered a vigorous counter blow against the first Japanese army is that he has not the necessary force to act offensively and cannot let go his hold of one point or another until the objective of the army becomes patent. The initiative is still with the Japanese and it is impracticable for the Russian commander with any regard for prudence to commit himself to an advance in Korea, while in the dark till the main line of attack of the enemy becomes apparent."

WITHOUT FOUNDATION. Reported Arrest of Americans at Muk-den Proves Untrue.

Mukden, April 23.—The investigation made by the Associated Press into the report that four unarmed Americans had been arrested on a charge of being Japanese, proves the story to be without foundation.

FIRE IN COAL BREAKERS.

Scranton. April 26.—The Pine Brook to the Scranton Coal Company was almost completely destroyed by fire today. The loss is estimated at \$60,000 with insurance of half this amount. All of the 600 men at work in the mine when the fire broke out together with the miles, were gotten out in safety through the second story opening. The breaker boys were at dinner at the time. The Ahis Chalmers locomotive works and a number of other structures were fired by the sparks, but the flames in each instance were quickly examished. The breaker will be rebuilt. The Scranton Coal Company is subsidiary to the New York, Ontario & Western.