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COAST LAND DISTRICT.
RICT OF BELLA COOLA.
Notice that I, T. H. Thorsen, of
Bella Coola, B. C., by occupation a farmer,
do hereby apply for permission to pur-
chase the following described land com-
prising 20 chains of the S. E. corner of
Township 1, Tenth 2, 20 chains, Sec-
tion 1, Tenth 2, 20 chains, hence R. 20
along H. Thorsen's south boundary
of 20 chains, containing more or less.
T. H. THORSEN.

COAST LAND DISTRICT.
Notice that A. Hammer, of Bella
Coola, B. C., by occupation a farmer,
intends to apply for permission to pur-
chase the following described land com-
prising 20 chains of the S. E. corner of
Township 1, Tenth 2, 20 chains, Sec-
tion 1, Tenth 2, 20 chains, hence R. 20
along H. Thorsen's south boundary
of 20 chains, containing more or less.
ALBERT HAMMER.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.
Matter of an Application for a
Duplicate Certificate of Title to Lot
(1) and Part of Sub-Division
Even (11) and Twelve (12) of Section
Esquimalt District (Map 520), Vic-
toria, B. C.
is hereby given that it is my in-
tention at the expiration of one month
from the date of the first publication hereof, to issue
a Duplicate Certificate of Title to above
lot to William John Bowden on
Monday, the 18th day of April, 1908,
at 2 p. m. for the purpose of electing
one or more trustees to transact any other busi-
ness that may be brought before the said
lot.

NOTICE
want to the by-laws of the said
company, notice is hereby given, that
Annual General Meeting of the
Lumber and Manufacturing Com-
pany Limited, will be held at their office
corner of the City of Victoria, on
Monday, the 16th day of April,
at 2 p. m. for the purpose of electing
one or more trustees to transact any other busi-
ness that may be brought before the said
lot.

COMPANIES ACT, 1897.
Province of British Columbia.
I, the Province of British Columbia,
do hereby certify that "The Pioneers
Insurance Company" is authorized
to carry on business within
the Province of British Columbia, and to
receive or effect all or any of the ob-
jects of the Company in which the legis-
lative authority of the Legislature of Bri-
tish Columbia extends.
The head office of the Company is sit-
uated at the City of Brandon in the Pro-
vince of Manitoba.
Amount of the capital of the Com-
pany is Five hundred thousand dollars,
divided into five thousand shares of One
hundred dollars each.
The head office of the Company in this
Province is situated at the City of Vic-
toria, and John Anthony Turner, Insur-
ance Broker, whose address is Victoria,
British Columbia, is the attorney for the
Company.
Under my hand and seal of office
this Fourteenth day of February,
thousand nine hundred and eight.
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies,
objects for which this Company
is established, and licensed, are:
insuring against losses by
lightning, windstorms, accidents and
theft of contents and furniture, and
sailing and marine insurance, inland
navigation and insurance, and
fire and marine insurance.

\$1.00 Per year, strictly in advance, to any
address in Canada or Great Britain

AUSTRALIA'S LOVE FOR AMERICA

FEELING STRONGER THAN
MERE FRIENDSHIP

Great Armada Will Be Received
With Open Arms by
Antipodeans.

Sydney, March 16.—There was a
dramatic scene to-day at a great
gathering of citizens when at the con-
clusion of an address on the subject of national
defence, the premier, Alfred
Deakin, read a cablegram announcing
that the American fleet of battleships
would visit Sydney and Melbourne. He
called for three cheers for the United
States and the audience rose en masse
and responded with deafening hurrahs.
The prime minister said that he was
sure such a welcome as an American
fleet had never known, outside of its
own country, will be accorded it by
Australia, and the cheering that fol-
lowed this statement seemed evidence
of the fact that the Australians, one
and all, have a feeling, stronger than
mere friendship, for the American peo-
ple and their navy.

Premier Deakin, in his speech
advocated greater expenditures for national
defence. He said that the burden
imposed upon the people of Great
Britain for the maintenance of their
naval and military forces was begin-
ning to tell and that wealthy Australia-
lians could not expect to enjoy the
privileges of the protection against in-
vasion without bearing their share of the
cost. The expenditure recommended
is \$3,000,000, and an army of 20,000
and 15 coast defence vessels.

Indismissible Ties.
Melbourne, March 16.—An Aus-
tralian commonwealth official and gen-
erally hailed with pleasure the an-
nouncement from Washington that the
American battleship fleet will visit the
Antipodes next August. The
federal ministers are delighted with
the idea of such a visit, the minister
of defence, Thomas H. Winning, declaring
that the presence of American ships
would be most gratifying to all Aus-
tralis.

"We feel that our future in the Pa-
cific," he said, "is bound up with that
of the United States."
Premier Alfred Deakin was not flat-
tering the American people when he
invited them, through Consul General
Bryce, to come to Australia. His in-
vitation he said: "No other federation
in the world possesses so many fea-
tures of likeness to that of the United
States as does the commonwealth of
Australia, and whether any two
people could be found who are in nearer
touch with each other, and are likely
to benefit more by anything that tends
to knit their relations more closely."
Australians of all classes indeed have
a decided liking and admiration for
Americans due to sentimental, com-
mercial, and even political bonds. In
the first place, as Australian news-
papers and orators not infrequently
observe, whenever the question of Asiatic
immigration to Australia comes up,
defence, America is the nearest Cana-
dian neighbor and friend in the com-
monwealth have. This fact is given
additional strength because Australia
is almost surrounded by enemies over
the present influence of Asiatic pre-
dominance. This feeling it may be added,
is fostered by leading politicians, es-
pecially those in the labor party and
includes the Japanese regardless of the
Anglo-Japanese alliance. This distrust-
ful attitude towards things Asiatic,
this strong leaning towards things
American has a cog in the Australian
policy of European colonization in the
South Pacific. Whereas the common-
wealth has always been complainant
of American possession of Pago-Pago,
Samoa which the federal capital and
has never been over-pleased over Ger-
many's possession of Apia and the
commonwealth has manifested so much
feeling of territorial rights in the New
Hebrides and trading privileges in the
Marshall Islands, that the imperial
government was forced to treat with
France and Germany respectively re-
solving these disputes.

The people are notably hospitable
and they will outdo themselves in en-
tertaining the American officers and
sailors.
While plans are not yet made, it can
be said that the functions and pleasures
in Sydney will be rather more on the
naval side than these here will be.
Sydney is fond of jack tars and the
sailor men will not have cause to com-
plain of their stay.
Melbourne's round of enjoyment will
be somewhat more circumscribed but
this city is still the federal capital and
Melbourne in the season is one of the
gayest of places. It is more than pro-
bable that sports of all kinds, from Aus-
tralian football to outdoor life, will
play an important part in the enter-
tainment to be arranged for the Ameri-
cans. Indeed the visitors will arrive
just when the Australian baseball sea-
son, for they play that game in the
commonwealth, will be at its height
and there will be other sports in plenty
for those who may wish to vary the round
of social entertainment with something
in the way of more robust pastime in
the open air.

CALGARY'S DOMINION FAIR.

Elaborate Preparations in Northwest City
for Great Show.
Calgary, March 14.—The Dominion fair
directors held a four-hour session yester-
day, arranging for the fair and getting
cut prices listed. The following sums were
allotted for different exhibits as prize
money: Horses, \$3,000; cattle, \$5,000; sheep,
\$1,500; swine, \$1,000; poultry, \$1,500; dairy,
\$10; dogs, \$714; fine arts, etc., \$20; natural
history, \$175; district exhibits and exhibits
of agricultural products, \$2,000.
Wills, proprietor of the Lyric theatre,
has decided to build a new theatre here.
It will be a vaudeville house, with accom-
modation for 500 people. The new theatre
will be completed in time for the Domini-
on fair.
A dispatch from Spokane received to-
day states that the city will run a busi-
ness exchange excursion to Calgary for
the Dominion fair, running several trains.

WOULD PROSECUTE BANK OFFICERS

SOVEREIGN INVESTORS
ARE BELLIGERENT

Stormy Meeting of Defunct
Institution Held in
Toronto.

Toronto, March 16.—Barely 100 share-
holders were present when the special
meeting of the defunct bank was called
to order at 12.15 to-day. Feeling
was tense.
Many shareholders were openly bel-
ligerent in attitude and were threaten-
ing some action along the line of prose-
cuting the officers and directors.
While the directors and some of those
connected with them were scolded
and abused, the latter were not
even so, on the par value, there were
several of the smaller holders who were
ready to hear that the full double lia-
bility could be exacted.
At the very outset a ruling of the
president, Mr. Aemilius Jarvis, created
much dissatisfaction. A number of
proxies were presented but refused, and
the explanation was made that only
shareholders could hold proxies and in
every case notice of this had to be
given at least one month before the
meeting. The press was excluded from
the gathering.

NEW BRUNSWICK GOVERNMENT.
Robinson Regime Will End on Thurs-
day Next, Says New Judge for
Supreme Court.
St. John, N. B., March 16.—The resig-
nation of the Robinson government is
now expected on Thursday next and the
Hazen government will be formed. Be-
fore Robinson retires it is reported he
will proclaim the Judicature Act in
force. This will mean the providing of
one more Supreme Court judge for New
Brunswick.
Hon. Ritchie, Police Magistrate, and
Hon. Barry, probate judge of Frederic-
ton, are named in connection with the
appointment.

C. P. R. TRAIN WRECKED.
Twenty People Injured When Coaches
Went Over Embankment at Eagle,
Near Kenora.
Winnipeg, March 16.—The eastbound
express yesterday met with an accident
at Eagle, east of Kenora, three coaches
going over the embankment and killing
or injuring twenty people, including Geo.
Preclous, brakeman; H. Rudd, car porter;
and A. McRobell.

SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER.
Man Loaded With Ammunition Arrested
in Vancouver—May Be Hold-
up Artist.
Vancouver, March 16.—What may
prove to be an important arrest was
effected by Officer Lee shortly before
noon to-day. Edward Rodgers, who
gives Michigan as his home, carried a
gun, together with a large amount of
ammunition, and his story is such as
to arouse suspicion.
Rodgers was arrested in a tobacco
shop on Water street. Officer Lee's at-
tention was attracted by the appearance
of Rodgers when he lifted one of his
coats to get at his money a heavy belt
loaded with cartridges and a holster
carrying a revolver were revealed.
Rodgers stated that he came from
Burnaby Lake, and that he carried the
revolver for shooting ducks. This story
seems ridiculous to the police, and
they have information to show that
Rodgers has been about the city for
several days. A thorough investigation
will be conducted by the detectives,
who have a suspicion that Rodgers
may have had something to do with
hold-ups that occurred during the past
few months.

CAPT. JOHN TAYLOR DEAD.
Winnipeg, March 16.—Capt. John Tay-
lor, commodore of the Hudson Bay
fishing fleet who for 37 years navigat-
ed Hudson Bay and James Bay, has
died in the hospital here. The mayor
commanded the schooner Otter for years.

TORONTO UNEMPLOYED ASK MAYOR FOR WORK

March Through City a Thou-
sand Strong—Piteous Tale
Unfolded.

Toronto, March 16.—Over one thou-
sand of the city's unemployed marched
from Labor Temple, Church street, to
the city hall this morning and took up
their position in front of the building
until a committee of six interviewed
Mayor Oliver, urging upon him the
necessity of immediately supplying
work.
It was pointed out to his worship
that there were men in the parade who
had lived for weeks on one meal a
day, that few among them had a dollar
to call their own, that handi-
capped men were among them, and that
the men were able and willing to work.
It was urged that work be begun on
the exhibition buildings, that the num-
ber of public lavatories be increased,
that extension of Osgood hall be pro-
ceeded with, that eye sores along the
water front be removed and that parks
be made places of industrial activity as
soon as possible. The mayor promised
to consult the board of control.

KILLED WIFE, THEN ENDED HIS LIFE

TRAGEDY OF INSANITY
AT FORT WILLIAM

Suicide and Murderer Found
Lying Across Body of
Victim.

Fort William, March 16.—Lying across
the body of his wife, whom he at-
tempted to murder, with blood issuing
from his mouth and side, the body of
James Garton was discovered in a
house on Finlayson street, having paid
the price of murder by taking his own
life.
Pete Wing seems to be the only one
who saw a part of the tragic circum-
stances. He was working close to Gar-
ton's house and saw Mrs. Garton
emerge from the door, closely follow-
ed by James Garton. It seemed to him
they scuffled and immediately he heard
the shot followed closely by two others.
Mrs. Garton fell and her husband
trampled across the prostrate body.
Wing hurried to the place and seeing
Mrs. Garton was living, removed her
to the kitchen and summoned the police.

Garton was 53 years of age and had
four sons and one daughter. The fam-
ily was well-known locally and highly
respected. There is little doubt that
Garton was insane.

FREEDOM OF LONDON CITY

PRESENTED TO FLORENCE
NIGHTINGALE TO-DAY

England's Famous Crimean
Nurse Too Infirm to At-
tend Ceremony.

London, March 16.—The freedom of
the city of London was to-day be-
stowed upon Florence Nightingale, the
organizer of nursing in the Crimean
war.
The ceremony took place in the
Guildhall in the presence of a large
gathering, which included many doc-
tors and nurses. The aged nurse, Miss
Nightingale, is in her ninety-eighth
year, and was too infirm to attend, and
was represented by her nephew.
Sir Joseph Dimsdale, the city cham-
berlain, in making the presentation,
explained that the city regretted that
by the unexplained omission of a form-
er generation Miss Nightingale had not
been honored in this way half a cen-
tury ago.

RESCUED SURVIVORS
OF JOHN F. MILLER

Bodies of Ten Men Drowned
Recovered on Alaskan
Coast.

Port Townsend, March 16.—Cable ad-
vice from Seward, Alaska, received on
Saturday night by Capt. A. J. Hender-
son, commanding the revenue cutter
Thetis, give news that all survivors of
the schooner John F. Miller have been
rescued and the bodies of the ten sail-
ors who perished from exposure have
been recovered and given burial.
The information is furnished by Cable
Operator Frost, at Seward, in response
to inquiries made by Capt. Henderson.
The Thetis is outfitted and equipped
for a cruise of three months in north-
ern waters.
Capt. Henderson has communicated
the information received to the authori-
ties at Washington, and it is probable
that the orders for the relief expedi-
tion will be countermanded, but pending
the receipt of orders from the east
the Thetis will go to Comox to bunker.

"HOTEL MONTEBELLO."
Salmon Arm, March 16.—"Hotel Mon-
tebello" is the name of the proposed
new tourist and family hotel for Sal-
mon Arm which J. R. A. Richards will
create if the residents are in favor of
granting a license.
The plans show that it will be a house
up-to-date in every respect, and one
that Salmon Arm might well be proud,
and other places envious. It is the
class of hotel that it has been frankly
admitted is needed for this part of the
country, and its establishment will
mean increased travelling and tourist
trade to the town and district.

GOLD STRIKE IN ARCTIC CIRCLE

MOUTH OF MACKENZIE
SCENE OF NEW FIND

News of Discovery Brought to
Dawson by Northwest
Mounted Police.

Dawson, March 16.—The Canadian
Northwest mounted police expedition,
which left here eighty days ago for
Fort MacPherson, at the mouth of the
Mackenzie river on the Arctic coast, 500
miles north of Dawson, returned to-day
after fifty-six days of continuous
snowshoeing and breaking of the trail.
Five men and twenty dogs were in the
expedition. Three of the dogs were
worked to death during the trip.
The most important news brought in
by the expedition is that a rich gold
strike has been made sixty miles east
of Herschel Island.
The news was brought to Herschel
by the crew of the whaler Duchess of
Bedford, which was wrecked there last
spring. No details of the strike are
given.
It has long been understood here that
gold existed near the mouth of the
Mackenzie, and old prospectors have
been expecting a strike in that local-
ity, in the hopes of another Klondike.

WEIRD CUSTOMS OF DOUKHOBORS

FORBIDDEN USE OF
TOWELS AND LAMPS

Misguided People Follow
Blindly Dictates of Peter
Veregin.

Winnipeg, March 16.—Troubles are
increasing among the Doukhobors in
Yorkton, Saskatchewan district. Peter
Veregin's latest order is to forbid the
use of lamps in the house. Members of
this community are throwing handker-
chiefs and shawls in their stoves, and
burning them, following the example
of one of their leaders. These represen-
tative measures are causing great dissa-
tisfaction.
A pathetic story is narrated in this
connection of an old man whose sick
child required some attention during
the night. He dared not light a lamp,
according to order. When the child be-
came very ill the man lit a lamp, but
immediately was compelled to put it
out by his wife, whose faith in the tra-
ditions of the Doukhobor religion was
stronger than her affection for her own
child.
But the strangest order is one forbid-
ding the use of towels, and one which
the community are trying to keep
secret. After washing themselves the
communists dare not dry their faces
or hands with towels. They are to trust
to the drying quality of the atmos-
phere.
The encouragement of the use of eggs
and milk has been ordered, now that
all chickens have been sold by the
leader's order, and only a few cows
are left in each village.
Through the whole winter these mis-
guided people have been hauling hay,
and moving their paraphernalia from
village to village, in many cases dis-
tances of from thirty to forty miles,
killing their horses, suffering them-
selves, lamenting their fate, but still
faithful to their leaders, all to no pur-
pose.

SAN PEDRO MAN'S
TERRIBLE CRIMES

OPENED FIRE ON
ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD

Bloodthirsty Miscreant Killed
After Shooting Cripple and
Two Girls.

San Pedro, Cal., March 16.—Gracio
Egueta, a lumber handler, last night
probably fatally shot Margaret Mensa,
11 years old, wounded Minnie Shackle-
ford, 7 years old, shot her grandfather,
James Shackleford, through both
shoulders, fired at Mrs. A. Mansa and
was himself killed by a policeman.
Mrs. Mansa, her daughter Margaret
and Minnie Shackleford had been seat-
ed in the front room of their home, the
door being open. Suddenly Egueta ap-
peared in the door way and opened fire
on Mrs. Mensa. He fired one shot and
the woman ran to a window and jump-
ed out. He then turned on the wom-
an's daughter, firing a shot which hit
the girl's left side and pierced the
right lung. He fired two shots at Minnie
Shackleford, the first shattering the
left hand, and the other going through
the right arm into the next room where
Shackleford, a cripple, was lying on
the floor. He then fired two more shots
at the prostrate man, one taking effect
in each shoulder.
Egueta then fled from the house and
was shot down by a policeman.

HEADQUARTERS AT YOKOHAMA.
W. T. Payne Will Administer C. P. R.
Ocean Service From Japanese City.
Vancouver, March 16.—William T.
Payne, recently promoted from the po-
sition of general superintendent of the
Pacific steamship service of the C. P. R.
in Vancouver to that of general
manager of the service with headquar-
ters in Yokohama, returned to Vanou-
ver a few days ago from Montreal,
where he was recently in conference
with chief officials of the company. Mr.
Payne is now engaged in winding up
his affairs here preparatory to sailing
for Japan to-morrow on the steamship
Empress of Japan.
Exactly what will result from the removal
of Mr. Payne will have upon the future
management of the Vancouver offices
of the trans-Pacific steamship depart-
ment is not as yet apparent, as details
will be countermanded, but pending
the receipt of orders from the east
the Thetis will go to Comox to bunker.

NEW CRUISER FOR B. C.
Fishery Protection Vessel May Be Con-
structed in Province.
Ottawa, March 14.—Senator Macdon-
ald had a very satisfactory interview
with Hon. Mr. Brodeur, minister of
marine, to press the advisability and
propriety of building the new fisheries
cruiser in British Columbia. He pointed
out that although the actual cost
might be less in Great Britain, yet he
had to consider the cost of fuel, and
the heavy cost of coaling in foreign
stations, also the cost of victualling,
pay for the crew, and many other
necessaries for a long sea voyage.
The minister promised to consider
these points, and without actually
pledging himself, said he thought the
vessel, if possible, would be built in
British Columbia.

ONLY FRIEND U. S.
HAS IN EUROPE
IS ENGLAND, SAYS
BANKER HEPBURN

All the Other Nations Look
Upon America as
Bumptious.

New York, March 16.—Former Com-
ptroller of the Currency A. B. Hepburn,
now president of the Chase National
bank, after a two months' sojourn in
Europe, gave out an interview on Sat-
urday, in which he said:
"The one thing that most strongly
impresses itself upon the mind of a
careful observer in Europe at the present
time is the fact that the continent
of Europe does not like the United
States. They regard us as a bumptious
people that ought to be spanked
into some sort of decorum, and they
would welcome and rejoice in any
international complications not involv-
ing themselves that would bring us
into difficulties.
"We are their commercial and finan-
cial rivals, and our growing impor-
tance as a naval and military power
disturbs them. It disturbs the inter-
national balance of power as it inter-
ference existed, and upon which their
diplomacy has heretofore been based.
"Neither does the continent of Eu-
rope like Japan, and for similar rea-
sons. Her recent achievement of
naval and military prestige and her
English alliance have brought Japan
to the front in the family of nations
as an aggressive force that must be
reckoned with in world politics. It
follows from this conditional and
that nothing would be contemplated
with greater complacency by continen-
tal powers than a war between the
United States and Japan.
"A taxing of the strength and a
wasting of the resources of these two
powers, not involving themselves,
would tend to restore their relative
power and precedence in the council
of nations. This explains the repeated
rumors from Paris, Berlin and St. Pe-
tersburg of impending difficulties be-
tween the United States and Japan;
the wish is rather to the thought and
the continual prediction of trouble is
made in the hope of inciting the same.
"It was never more apparent than
now that the only European ally we
have is England. England is the only
European power that would not wel-
come a condition of affairs that might
bring us to our knees in defeat. Eng-
land's interests parallel ours, and any-
thing that would impair our prestige
would be alike prejudicial to her."

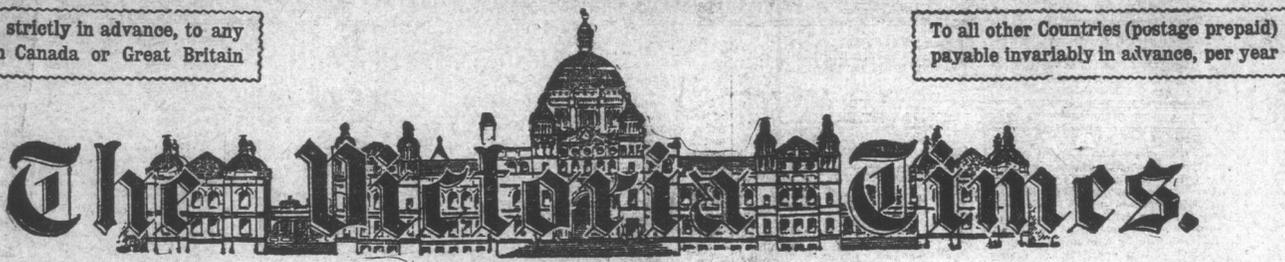
VANCOUVER MYSTERY.
Dead Body of Unknown Man Found
Floating in False Creek.
Vancouver, March 14.—Yesterday af-
ternoon at 4 o'clock the body of an un-
known man was found floating in
False Creek at the rear of Macdonald
& Marpole's coal yards. There was
nothing on the body, and the man
deceased to establish his identity and
it will no doubt be another of the
city's unexplained mysteries. A news-
paper was found in one of his pockets
bearing the date of December 27th, and
as the remains are in a very advanced
state of decomposition, it is presumed
that the tragedy might have occurred
on that date. The body seems to be about
40 years old, but his exact age will
never be learned.

NEW KELOWNA CRAFT.
Kelowna, March 14.—A staunch and
handsome craft was launched this
week by her builder, Mr. L. C. Avis,
for her owners, Messrs. Clemonson,
and Higgins, who will put her into im-
mediate service in the ferry between
Summersland and Naramata, for which
they have the contract. The launch
was christened the "Mallard," and is
a fine model measuring 22 feet by 8
feet 2 inches. She has a 14 foot cabin
with ample head room, and will carry
about eighteen people comfortably.
The planking is of cedar, ribs of oak
and fir keel and stem. She is equipped
with a 12-14 h.p. Regal gasoline en-
gine, and is expected to make between
8 and 10 miles per hour.

CARDUCCI MONUMENT.
Paris, March 16.—A monument to
Giosue Carducci, professor of Italian
literature at the University of Bologna,
who died last February, was unveiled
in the College of France yesterday in
the presence of Emilio Loubet, ex-presi-
dent of France and a large number of
distinguished literary men.
Jean Ripstein read an address, in
which he paid a tribute to the noted
services of Professor Carducci to the
arts.

PINLAY STRIKE UNPROVED.
Vancouver, March 14.—Paul Dunlevy,
inhabitant of Hazelton, declared that
the new Pinlay river placer gold camp
is yet unproved, and deprecates an
early rush to that district. He says
starvation will stare men in the face
if they rush in early in large num-
bers.

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FIVE GIRLS DIE BY SUICIDE PACT

SHOCKING STORY OF LOVE AND LIFE FAILURES

Sixth, Attempted by Asphyxiation, to Join Her Friends in Death.

New York, March 14.—A startling story of how five girls who came to New York from St. Paul took their own lives was told yesterday by H. H. Warner.

She said she was one of the party of five girls who came to New York from St. Paul to take their own lives.

When asked why she had tried to end her life she replied: "Why should I not be allowed to die, my five friends who left St. Paul with me a year ago, after we left school, have all committed suicide. I want to die as they did and join them."

"Was it a suicide pact?" she was asked. "My five friends are all dead, and they died as they chose," was her reply.

The girl said she and her five friends decided while in the business school in St. Paul to come to New York together, thinking there was more of a future in the metropolis. She refused to give the names of any of her friends.

A short time after their arrival in New York she said one of the girls married. She did not live happily with her husband, however, and killed herself a few months after she became a bride.

The next to go in the same way, according to her story, was one of the girls who had fallen a victim to a man's false friendship. With three of the companions dead the three that remained worried constantly, and when hard times came and employment was hard to find, two others followed their friends to the grave. That left Helen alone.

Then a man came into her life. The man was represented to her as immensely wealthy and she fell in love with him. She was suddenly called for Europe. She had nothing more to live for after that, she said, and decided to join her five friends in death.

Helen said her father is dead, but that her mother still lives in St. Paul. She refused to give her mother's address. When it was found that the girl would recover she was taken to a police station and locked up, charged with attempted suicide.

The board will endeavor to stop the cutting of trees and benches, and to this end authorized the superintendent to offer a reward of \$10 for information leading to the conviction of the offenders.

In future dogs will not be allowed within fifty yards of the animals' enclosure at the park. The dogs, especially, are excited by the barking of dogs, and are liable to injure themselves against the wire.

The board intends to visit the park at Buffalo station, and investigate an application of residents for improvements.

Germany in England. Teutonic Analine Factories to Be Established in Old Land.

London, March 14.—Some of the bigger manufacturers of analine dyes, whose patents are in German hands, are taking steps to establish factories in England as a consequence of the new patent law introduced by David Lloyd-George, president of the Board of Trade, which came into effect January 1st, and which empowers the revocation of patents unless the process is carried on in the United Kingdom.

The new law is expected to have great results in bringing trade to Great Britain. It is still the subject of negotiations between Great Britain and Germany, the latter of which is seeking to secure a respite from the enforcement of its provisions.

Mr. Lloyd-George, speaking at a banquet at Carnarvon, Wales, last night predicted that the new patent law will give work to tens of thousands of British workers.

Attempt to Wreck Car. Big Log Placed Across B. C. Electric Track at Fairview.

Vancouver, March 13.—A dastardly attempt was made to wreck a car on the B. C. E. R. Co.'s Fairview branch on Wednesday night. Somewhere about 8 o'clock a big log was placed across the track, between Cypress and Cedar streets, on Fairview. Fortunately the log was noticed by a passerby, who notified the policeman on that beat, and assistance was obtained and the log removed.

The log was of such a size that it could not have been put there by children, nor by one man. It is hard to conjecture just what the object of the feuds could have been. A hold-up is out of the question, and the act must have been prompted by pure maliciousness.

WANTED FOR GRAND LARCENY.

San Diego Doctor Fled to Vancouver Only to Be Arrested.

Vancouver, March 14.—Dr. W. L. Warner, wanted in San Diego, Cal., for grand larceny, was arrested here yesterday afternoon on the strength of a telegram from the sheriff of the American city. Warner has been chased all over the western part of the country, and a few days ago the authorities at San Diego secured a clue which told them that the fugitive had come to Vancouver.

The local police were communicated with by wire and they were furnished with a description. It was learned that Warner was in the city and for four days he has been shadowed while definite instructions were awaited from the States. These were received early this afternoon and Detectives Waddell and Scott arrested him. He will be held until the sheriff from San Diego comes to take him back.

GOLD IN BLACK SAND.

Vancouver Men Exploiting Claims Near Cape Scott.

Vancouver, March 13.—Capt. Wilbur Johnson, who with several other Vancouver men holds a lease on Gold Beach near Cape Scott, at the northern end of Vancouver Island, has just returned from that point after working on the claims all winter. The property consists of a long black sand beach, wide open to the ocean. The auriferous contents of the sands are sufficient per cubic yard to make the working of them pay.

During the past winter Captain Johnson and associates did considerable prospecting along the beach line and in the hills which lie some distance back from the shore. They have suspended work till spring, when they will return with a plant for the handling and saving of the fine gold carried in the sands.

CONFIDENT HE WILL DEFEAT GOTCH

Hackenschmidt Arrives in America for Championship Wrestling Match.

New York, March 14.—Expressing himself as not to be misunderstood by the American public, Georges Hackenschmidt, the champion wrestler of the world, who arrived here yesterday from Europe, proclaimed confidence in his ability to defeat Frank Gotch, the American champion, whom he will meet in Chicago on April 3rd.

"I would to have it understood, however," he said, "that whatever may be the outcome of the match between Gotch and myself, it will be an absolute square contest in which the best man will win."

While Hackenschmidt feels well, he is not quite in the best wrestling condition. "I have been working for the past year and have had little time in which to train, but I know that with two weeks' training I will be in perfect shape."

When he was told that Gotch was a great wrestler, he said: "I'm glad to hear it. If he's as good as reported our bout should prove a good one."

GRAIN EXCHANGE IS FACING CRISIS

Winnipeg Body Cannot Obtain Money to Pay Debt on Building.

Winnipeg, March 14.—The grain exchange is in a serious financial condition. It is unable to raise the money to pay a debt of \$232,000 against the Newhall \$1,000,000 building. Recent legislation is blamed for all the trouble. Seats worth a few weeks ago \$2,650 are now down to \$1,000. A special meeting of the exchange is called for Friday.

COLOMBIA MINISTRY.

CITY MEMBERS WILL NOT MEET WOMEN

Premier McBride, H. B. Thomson, H. Behnsen and F. Davy Refuse Conference.

At the recent meeting of women in the city when the subject of the franchise being extended to women was fully discussed, a resolution was passed asking the city members to meet with the women for the purpose of discussing the vote cast by these members against the granting of the franchise to women. A reply has been received from the members. It is to the effect that they are "unable to see that any benefit would result from such a meeting," and they decline to accept the invitation.

This decision, it is explained, was reached after a conference among the members representing Victoria in the local legislature, namely, Premier McBride, H. B. Thomson, H. Behnsen and Fred Davy.

In view of this reply the committee in charge of the matter have been forced to drop the idea of a meeting.

NEGRO GETS LIFE TERM.

Chicago, March 14.—Imprisonment for life was the verdict of the jury yesterday that convicted Howard Steele, a colored man tried of attacking Mabel Miller, 17 years old, near her home last December.

JAP SQUADRON'S SECRET MISSION

CRUISERS READY TO SAIL FROM FORMOSA

"Manoeuvres" Says Admiralty but Tatsu Maru Incident May Be Cause.

Hongkong, March 14.—Information has been received here from Formosa that the first Japanese naval squadron will sail to-day on a secret cruise. The cruisers Yakumo, Akitsushima, Asama, and a flotilla of smaller vessels have been made ready to sail at a moment's notice since March 1st.

The Tatsu Maru case has caused a sensation in the navy, and some action in this connection is surmised. A dispatch from Tokyo under the date of March 9th announced that a part of the first Japanese naval squadron was to leave port on March 14th. Other preparations for the departure are proceeding rapidly.

At the office of the admiralty in Tokyo it was declared that the squadron was about to begin a series of manoeuvres. It was pointed out further that this was being tried on two months ago, and that, therefore, the activity of Sasebo should not necessarily be considered in connection with the difficulty with China arising from the Tatsu Maru incident.

TOWN DEVASTATED BY RAGING FIRE

Hundreds Homeless—Gale Timber, Mont.—Gale Spread Flames.

Butte, Mont., March 14.—Fire yesterday destroyed three-fourths of Big Timber, Mont., leaving three hundred families homeless and causing \$400,000 damages. The fire raged for seven hours during a gale. Early in the struggle control of the fire was lost and a special train with fire-fighting apparatus was hurried from Livingston, about thirty miles from Big Timber.

The fire started in the stock yards of the Northern Pacific Company, and from there spread to a dwelling on the outskirts of the town, thence it was carried from house to house until the business quarter was reached. The flames cut a swath more than a block wide through the business section of the town. The wind then veered, and the flames were driven back, destroying the homes which had escaped the first sweep.

At one time the town was burning at three different places. Water became exhausted, handicapping the fire fighters. Women joined in the struggle, and carried food to the men while they fought the flames. The fire fighters finally managed to attend to their child, and National bank, where the blaze was at last extinguished.

HUNDRED INJURED IN RAILWAY WRECK

Parls, March 14.—The French Academy to-day decided to refuse the sum of \$20,000 bequeathed to it by Mlle. Louise-Leclerc, who died in New York on February 25th, 1907, to be used according to the terms of her will in "raising the moral tone of France."

Halifax, N. S., March 14.—One hundred passengers were injured in a wreck on the Newfoundland railway near Port Aux Basques. The engine and cars rolled over a snow-covered embankment on the route to Fennie, had his arm badly dislocated. A girl bound to Vancouver had her teeth penetrate her lips.

INQUIRY INTO "UNEMPLOYED" STRIKE

Prof. Graham Bell Makes Notable Trip—Travels 319 Feet.

Hammondsport, N. Y., March 13.—Prof. Alexander Graham Bell's new aeroplane, the "Red Wing," was given its test flight over Lake Keuka yesterday by F. W. Baldwin, the engineer in charge of its construction. The aeroplane, after gliding over the ice on Lake Keuka for about 200 feet, rose to the height of about 10 feet and sailed at that elevation for a distance of 319 feet at the rate of from 25 to 30 miles an hour. After having covered this distance, a portion of the "tail" gave away, and the aeroplane was brought down for repairs.

This is declared to be the first successful public flight of a heavier-than-air flying machine in America. The flight was witnessed by a number of people from Hammondsport.

The propeller was made of two blades of steel measuring six feet two inches in diameter, having a pitch of four feet and a weight of 195 pounds. The engine and apparatus about 200 pounds, and the operator 175 pounds, thus giving a total weight of 370 pounds. The main wing of the aeroplane consists of two surfaces having a space of forty-five feet from tip to tip and an average depth from fore to aft of 5 feet 5 inches. The surfaces are of the double wing design, and are bowed laterally. The experiment yesterday was declared to be highly successful in every way except for the minor accident to the "tail."

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ASHORE WITH DOUBLE TOW.

Tug Tye on Beach Near Port Gamble—Sea Lion Standing By.

Port Townsend, March 14.—Tug Tye, of the Puget Sound Tug Boat Company, with a double tow, went ashore last night near Port Gamble. The prompt action of the vessel in dropping anchor saved the trio from all going on the beach. The two vessels in tow are the schooners Mabel Gales and Spokane. Tug Sea Lion is standing by the Tye and expects to float her to-day.

TO ADMINISTER PROVINCE.

Ottawa, March 14.—Gordon Hunter, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, has been gazetted administrator of the province pending the appointment of a new administrator. James Thornburn of Vancouver, has been gazetted accountant in the land revenue division at Vancouver.

BOWSER SUSPENDS HIS NATAL ACT

Vancouver, March 14.—Attorney-General Bowser announced to-day that pending the appeal no further effort will be made to enforce the Natal Act. The attorney-general expects the appeal to be on here on April 7th.

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AWAKENING TO SENSE OF PERIL

LIBERALS REJECT "RIGHT TO WORK" BILL

Socialism Receives Set Back in British House of Commons.

London, March 14.—The Liberals and the Socialists came to a clash in the House of Commons yesterday, and, undoubtedly influenced to a certain extent by Lord Rosebery's speech to the Liberal League against Socialism, the Liberal majority rejected the "right to work" bill of the Labor party. The majority against this bill was 149.

"The measure has become known as the 'right to work' bill because a vital clause makes it the duty of the local authorities to provide work for all unemployed persons, and falling this provision of work the authorities shall provide maintenance for the unemployed and their families."

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NO MONEY MAKING IN BARS.

Hon. G. E. Foster Suggests Custom Tried in Great Britain.

Montreal, March 14.—In an address last night in St. James' Methodist church at the twenty-ninth annual convention of the Quebec provincial branch alliance, Hon. G. E. Foster suggested that licensed drinking places in Canada should be conducted on the system obtaining in some parts of Great Britain and the United States, a system by which money making is eliminated from the management. In all such places Mr. Foster said, tea, coffee and light refreshments would be provided, and care exercised in releasing liquor to all those who had enough.

CANADA'S TIMBER LANDS.

Montreal, March 14.—In an address on the lumbermen and the forest, before the annual meeting of the Canadian Forestry Association yesterday, E. Stewart, formerly Dominion superintendent of forestry, said the greater part of the merchantable timber of Canada to-day was growing on agricultural purposes, and in the vast majority of cases the land would be more valuable if left permanently for production of timber than for any other purpose.

LOSS ALREADY \$1,000,000.

Bahia, March 14.—A great conflagration is raging in the business section of this city, and the firemen seem to be unable to check it.

Already thirty-three buildings have been consumed, with a loss estimated at \$1,000,000. There have been several fatalities.

Bahia is the principal commercial city of Brazil after Rio Janeiro, and has a population of about 200,000.

CHANGES IN U. S. CONSUL SERVICE

Several Canadian Offices to Be Closed—Consul General for Winnipeg.

Washington, March 14.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs to-day agreed to report favorably the Cullom bill already passed by the senate, providing for the re-organization of the consular service of the United States. Twenty-eight consular offices will be closed, seventeen established, seven transferred, a number changed in grade, and there will be several increases in salaries. The changes will give a small net saving annually. The offices to be closed include: Belleville, Ont.; Canticoco, Guaymas, Tlaxcala, Queretaro, N. B.

The office at Winnipeg is changed from consul to consul general. The changes include the transfer of the office at Collingwood, Ont., to Owen Sound.

ICE BREAKING ON ST. MARIE.

TURKEY, STUMBLING BLOCK TO POWERS

British Note on Macedonia Question is Considered by Russia.

St. Petersburg, March 14.—The British note sent to the powers by Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, proposing virtually the appointment of a permanent governor of Macedonia, has been received here and is being carefully considered.

While the foreign office is not willing to state in advance what its response will be, it is understood that Russia will announce her willingness to support the proposal of Great Britain. Grave doubts are entertained, however, of the possibility of inducing the Porte to accept the proposal.

SIX MONTHS IN JAIL.

WAGE SCALE MAY CAUSE GENERAL STRIKE

United Mine Workers of America Discuss Grave Situation.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MARCH 14.—The United Mine Workers of America, realizing the gravity of a suspension of work on April 1st, throwing thousands of men out of work, have decided to give the operators another opportunity to discuss the question of the wage scale in the hope of averting a strike.

The operators of the central competitive district have been invited to meet the miners of this district in another conference on March 24th.

Later yesterday telegrams were sent to all the leading operators in the central district by the scale committee of the miners' organization.

7,000 MILES ASTRAY.

Missing Mail Packets for New York Turn Up in Yokohama.

London, March 14.—A cable inquiry to Japan has elicited the fact that fifteen registered mail packets which disappeared in January, supposedly while in transit on the steamer Celtic, between Liverpool and New York, have turned up at Yokohama and have been forwarded to the United States.

NOT TO REMAIN ON PACIFIC COAST

GREAT ARMADA GOES BACK TO ATLANTIC

Will Return by Suez Route, Visiting Australia, and, Perhaps, England.

Washington, March 14.—Secretary of the Navy Metcalf explained the future movements of the fleet after a cabinet meeting yesterday. It will leave San Francisco on July 6th "for our Pacific possessions," as Mr. Metcalf stated. The vessels will first touch Hawaii for coal. After that they will go to Samoa, thence to Australia, where they will stop at Melbourne and Sydney. Leaving Australia, the vessels are to go to Manila, and while in the Philippines the annual fall target practice will be held. Then the return will be made to the United States by way of the Suez canal, stopping only at such ports as are necessary for coaling purposes. The date for their return to the States is dependent entirely upon the time required for the target practice in the Philippines.

According to the present plan the entire fleet will go up to Puget Sound, and some of the ships may be sent over to Vancouver, all returning to San Francisco, however, before the departure for home. Admirals Greys will retire in August by operation of law. Secretary Metcalf said no decision had been arrived at as to who will succeed him in command of the fleet on its voyage homeward.

It has not been determined by the navy department whether the torpedo destroyer flotilla now being sent from Callao, Peru, north, shall accompany the battleships on their voyage around the world. The settlement of this question will depend on the condition of the vessels when they reach San Francisco. The possibility is that the hospital ship Relief will accompany the fleet, and the repair ship and some of the colliers.

Secretary Metcalf to-day made public a copy of a letter addressed to Secretary of State by Ambassador Bryce supplementing the invitation by Sir Alfred Deakin, on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia, for a visit to that country in August. The letter states that the United States government has expressed the hope expressed by the Commonwealth of Australia that the United States fleet in the Pacific should include the battleships which will visit the principal ports of Australia, where it would be assured of a most cordial and enthusiastic welcome. "I am further directed to inform you that this invitation of the Australian government to the American fleet is endorsed cordially by His Majesty's government and to express to you their satisfaction at the acceptance of it by the United States government."

May Visit England. London, March 14.—The announcement made that the American battleship fleet will return to the Pacific by the way of the Suez canal has created the greatest interest among naval officers here, who are anxious to see the American vessels and observe the effect of the long cruise upon them. The news of the cruise homeward was received too late to get an official opinion, but a prominent naval officer has suggested that the government should send an invitation to the battleships to come to England, or if that should be impossible, for them to make an official call on some British port en route home.

Should the Americans fail to come to England, Malta would be the better place to entertain them, besides being the headquarters for the Mediterranean fleet, the Duke of Connaught, the new commander-in-chief of the British forces of the Mediterranean, has his residence there, which makes it the centre of much social activity.

The cruise of the battleships from Hampton roads to Magdalena bay has been closely followed by Englishmen, who laud the achievement, and a

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Government to Preserve Belt of Land From Boundary to Arctic.

Montreal, March 13.—The interesting feature at last night's session of the Dominion forestry convention, which has opened here, was the announce-

ment of Hon. Sidney Fisher, that it was the intention of the government to set aside the entire eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains as a forest reserve.

This vast territory, extending from the international boundary line northern boundary of the country, would be kept free from settlers, and held for forest growth, the timber to be cut from time to time for the benefit of the western provinces, under such strict regulations as would preserve it for all time.

The announcement was received with hearty cheers by the delegates. Another notable feature of the convention is the great interest being taken in the deliberations by Mr. Bruchet, archbishop of Montreal, who was present during the day, accompanied by several other dignitaries of his church, and who spoke of the efforts his church was making to persuade the people of the province of Quebec of the necessity of preserving their forests.

Robert Meighan, who is largely interested in New Brunswick forests, complained that neither the federal nor the provincial government appeared to realize its duty in the matter of forest preservation.

SEVERE SWEATING PROCESS. Oakland Police Endeavor to Extract Dynamite Admission From Mrs. Isabella Martin.

Oakland, March 13.—Mrs. Isabella Martin, charged with dynamiting the house of Judge Ogden, has reached Oakland. She is being kept "Incomunicado" by the police authorities during a severe sweating process.

GOTCH DEFEATS SWEDS. Wins Wrestling Match in Two Straight Falls in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., March 12.—Frank Gotch, the champion American wrestler, last night defeated H. D. J. Almar Lundin, the Swedish champion, in two straight falls. The first fall, in catch-as-catch-can style, consumed 12 1/2 minutes, while the second bout, Graeco-Roman style, lasted 17 minutes.

ENGINEER ASPHYXIATED. New York, N. Y., March 13.—John Barry, a well-known electrical engineer and inventor of the Barry Printing Telegraph system, was found dead in bed yesterday at his home on Staten Island. Death was due to asphyxiation by gas flowing from a jet suspended in his room and turned on accidentally. He was born 47 years ago in Switzerland.

LIBERALS AT KINGSTON. Kingston, Ont., March 12.—At the Liberal convention last night, Messrs. Hartly and Paine were nominated for federal and provincial houses respectively.

TORONTO FAILURE. Toronto, March 13.—The Clinton Machinery Company of Canada has gone into liquidation on the petition of representatives of the Sovereign bank. The liabilities aggregate \$84,000.

CONTRACT PRICE IS SIX MILLIONS. Foley Bros. and Company to Build G. T. P. from Prince Rupert End.

Ottawa, March 13.—The Grand Trunk Pacific Company yesterday awarded the contract for the construction of one hundred miles of road from Prince Rupert eastward to Foley Bros., Larsen and Stewart. It involves an expenditure of over six million dollars. Some of the rock-cutting is estimated at \$70,000 a mile. It is stated that tenders for the work were also received from J. D. McArthur, of Winnipeg, and the Western Concrete Company. J. D. McArthur has in hand the section of the transcontinental road from Winnipeg eastward for 250 miles. This section also includes some heavy road work, and the average cost is estimated at about the same as that of the Prince Rupert section or \$60,000. This part of the road is being built by the government. It is reported that about two-thirds of Mr. McArthur's contract is completed.

RECORD SMASHERS AGAIN AT WORK

LUSITANIA'S FEAT ON WESTWARD RUN

Cunarder Reels Off 627 Knots in 24 Hours—Mauretania's Eastward Trip.

Liverpool, March 12.—A wireless message received by the Cunard Steamship Company states that the Lusitania, which left here for New York on Saturday, made a record run of 627 knots from Monday noon to Tuesday noon.

The Lusitania's run of 627 knots established a new world's record, the best previous day westward run being 618 knots made on November 8th. On that run the Lusitania also broke the record for a westward voyage, crossing the Atlantic in four days 15 hours and 46 minutes.

Mauretania's Great Feat. Liverpool, March 13.—After breaking her record for the voyage across the Atlantic from New York, the big Cunard line steamer Mauretania arrived at the mouth of the river Mersey at 5 o'clock this morning, where she is held by a dense fog which compelled the vessel to drop anchor and remain outside. Her passengers will not be able to come ashore until late to-day.

100,000 FOR OXFORD. English University Still Further Benefits by W. W. Astor's Wealth.

London, March 13.—W. W. Astor has imparted another impetus to the Oxford university endowment fund, which was inaugurated by Lord Curzon on his election to the chancellorship of the university. Mr. Astor originally promised to give \$50,000 when the fund reached the total of \$500,000. He now promises to give \$100,000 when the fund reaches this amount. The present total of the fund is \$375,000.

YORK LOAN DISTRIBUTION. Toronto, March 12.—Argument in connection with the liquidation of the York County Loan & Savings Company has been completed before Official Referee Kappel. Final steps towards distributing the amounts due to shareholders will soon be made.

NOT "HOW MUCH," BUT "WHEN?" Hamilton, Ont., March 13.—The local union of plasterers are on strike over a dispute as to when they should receive their wages.

ROOM FOR TWENTY MILLION AMERICANS. What Premier Roblin Says in U. S. of Northwest Territories.

St. Louis, Mo., March 13.—R. P. Roblin, premier of Manitoba and minister of agriculture, stopped in St. Louis yesterday on his way to Oklahoma and Texas for an outing after the close of a long session of parliament. In talking on the farming possibilities of northern Canada he stated that the prairie provinces of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan, have room for twenty million Americans, as fast as they can be conveyed there by the railroads.

He said: "These three provinces ten years ago had fewer than 400,000 persons. They have now passed the million mark."

ATLANTIC FLEET COMING WITH PRINCE. Six Battleships and Ten Cruisers Will Visit Canadian Coast.

(Special to The Times). London, March 13.—The Prince of Wales, accompanied by Quebec and the Atlantic fleet of six battleships and ten cruisers with its attached second cruiser squadron. After leaving Quebec, the fleet will cruise along the Canadian coast, visiting several places.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS. Provincial Contest Next June Is Desire of Premier Whitney.

Toronto, March 13.—The Globe says the legislature will probably be prorogued before Easter, and the general elections will be held in the second week in June. It declares this is the desire of Premier Whitney.

TO REBUILD MAPLE LEAF MILL. (Special to The Times). Kenora, March 13.—The ratepayers voted favorably to exempting the Maple Leaf mill from taxation. The company will rebuild the burned mill at a cost of a quarter of a million.

APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL

Famous G. T. Penny-a-Mile Case Will Be Heard in London.

Montreal, March 13.—News was received here yesterday that the privy council has granted special leave to appeal in the case of the Grand Trunk railway versus Robertson. This is the famous penny-a-mile case.

Robertson, who is a resident of Toronto, took action to compel the Grand Trunk to provide third class accommodation at the rate of a penny a mile between Toronto and Montreal, which his charter called for.

The Ontario courts sustained the plaintiff. The case was appealed to the Supreme court, and the Dominion railway commission, both of which sustained Robertson, whereupon the company appealed to London, England.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN. Health of Great-Tariff Reformer Is Improving.

Nice, March 13.—Alarmist reports concerning the health of Joseph Chamberlain, who has been here for some time past, are untrue. His health is improving, and he takes the keenest interest in current events in the expectation of returning to political activity.

NATAL ACT IS ULTRA VIRES. Hindus Must Be Released at Once.

Justice Morrison Says Federal Law Overrides Provincial Act.

(Special to The Times). Vancouver, March 13.—Justice Morrison this afternoon declared the Natal Act ultra vires of province and granted an order of habeas corpus for the immediate liberation of 18 Hindus sentenced to a year's imprisonment for failing to pass the educational test.

The chief ground upon which the court held the act ineffective was its inconsistency with the Dominion immigration laws which provide that the captain of a ship may be fined \$40 if he does not land those who are permitted to enter under the Dominion laws, while under the Natal Act he is liable to a fine of \$50 for assisting the immigration of classes such as Hindus, who are permitted to land under the federal laws.

"I think that is a direct conflict of authority and the two acts cannot stand," said the court, "and under section 95 of the B. N. A. Act the federal law must prevail. I will give reasons later for my decision."

Against British Subjects. Commenting on the decision of the magistrate in sending the Hindus to jail, E. P. Davis, K. C., who appeared in their behalf, said: "That is a most remarkable decision against British subjects."

"I admit he had no discretion as to the amount of the fine," he said, "but he had as to the punishment for a default and such decision as that is not unlikely to cause trouble in India. The Hindus could have had no knowledge of this law when they left India for the act had not been passed."

A. D. Taylor, K. C., argued the case for the province, contending that provincial legislation had not in respect to Hindus, legislated within the Dominion had, but had merely added a fifth class to the four, viz., paupers, insane, etc., provided by the Dominion laws. The provincial act was, therefore, not inconsistent with the federal act. It had the power to pass immigration laws, and having that power had also the power to attach a penalty for their non-enforcement. The Dominion government was not represented. The case will be appealed and will likely accompany the Japanese case to the Privy Council.

MEMBER OF R. A. S. Ottawa, March 13.—Dr. William Saunders, who for twenty-one years has so acceptably filled the position of director of Dominion experiments, has been elected as honorary member of the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

OWES DEFUNCT BANK SIXTY THOUSAND. Management of Late Sovereign Institution Unable to Trace D. F. McMillan.

Toronto, March 13.—A curious episode has cropped up in connection with the affairs of the Sovereign Bank prior to its reorganization which came to a late. It appears that \$62,000 was advanced on two notes signed by D. F. McMillan, whom the management has been unable to locate, despite the fact that the Dominion has been scoured. The cash was paid on notes without security or collateral, and they had the name of the endorser on them whom investigation has also failed to locate.

SOCIALISM WOULD END PROSPERITY

LORD ROSEBERRY SPEAKS OF GROWING MENACE

Its Application Would Terminate Empire, Religious Faith and Freedom.

London, March 13.—"The active menace of Socialism," with which Great Britain is confronted, was a prominent and striking feature of Lord Rosebery's presidential address before the Liberal League yesterday afternoon. The former premier was discussing the necessity of "same imperialism," in which category he included the maintenance of the policy of free trade.

"Protection," Lord Rosebery declared, "is a great evil, a great tyranny and a great source of corruption. Confessing that the speaker said that he foresaw, however, a time when the present movement in parliament founded on ideas of social reform, might lead to such enormous pressures in the way of direct taxation as to make the nation seek the relief from its intolerable burden to the taxation of imports. The time might come, but Lord Rosebery said he trusted to God it would never come, when the Liberals would be forced to choose between allowing the Socialists to gain the upper hand, and allowing themselves to be the party of protection in order to defeat Socialism. Of these two conditions, he for one, without hesitation, would prefer protectionism. This would be a great evil and source of corruption, but Socialism would mean the end of the empire, religious faith, freedom and prosperity."

In the elections of 1907, Lord Rosebery went on, the country had seen the Liberals and Conservatives flying at each others throats for the hawks, and letting the Socialists slip away with the kites. He said, in part, that the Liberal party, in the House of Commons, and they had witnessed the tragedy of the Liberals fighting under the banner of "no second chamber," at the very moment when a second chamber was most necessary in order to combat Socialism. Formerly Great Britain had a strong second chamber, backed up by the veto of the sovereign. The veto of the sovereign has long since disappeared, said the former premier, and now it is sought to do away with the second chamber.

Contrast this, Lord Rosebery continued, with the conditions in the United States, the most democratic community in the world. "There you find a written constitution, not one scribbled on a piece of paper, but entered under grave and lengthy constitutional process. You find a senate of overpowering authority, and you find a veto in the hands of the president. Not only that, but the president is now said ought to be entirely abolished."

"I honestly say, considering the menace of Socialism which has reared its head in this country during the last year, and which is prepared to rear itself on every occasion again, that it strikes me as amazing that the government of the present chamber, be it embarking on the policy of abolishing the only barrier remaining between it and the people."

Lord Rosebery admitted that the House of Peers reform, but such reform as was suggested by the present government.

ENGLAND FACES FINANCIAL STRAIN. Proposed 8-Hour Day Will Induce Crisis in Coal Trade.

London, March 13.—The colliery owners, who have been conferring in this city on the subject of the government's bill establishing an eight-hour day for coal miners, yesterday decided, should parliament pass the measure, to advance the price of coal 38 cents per ton, and to make all future contracts on this basis.

Shipowners, railways and miners have been sending delegations to Herbert Gladstone, secretary for home affairs, ever since the introduction of the bill, pointing out that the inevitable curtailment of the output and the increase in the price of coal will mean a serious financial strain, if not bankruptcy, to many of the country's big industries.

Mr. Gladstone thinks these facts are exaggerated, but admits that the bill requires some amendments.

DIED AT ASHCROFT. Ashcroft, March 12.—The death occurred here on Sunday night of the wife of William Bose, daughter of the late J. Barnes of this place. Mrs. Bose went for a drive to Cache creek on Sunday afternoon with her young daughter, and on the way passed a team. The horse she was driving became restive and shied, and Mrs. Bose was much excited. Soon afterwards she complained of her heart and lapsed into unconsciousness from which she never recovered. The funeral took place to-day from the Methodist church.

LABORERS DEPORTED. Vancouver, March 13.—Because they did not come direct from the land of their birth or citizenship, a band of laborers were turned back by Dominion immigration officers when they reached Vancouver on the steamship Iniquity yesterday. There were a dozen in the party, but five were Americans and had the necessary money, so were allowed to land. Four Italians, two of whom were of German descent, however, were deported.

MARKS VS. MARKS. Ottawa, March 13.—In the Supreme court yesterday judgment was reserved in the case of Marks vs. Marks.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Hon. R. Lemieux Appointed Chairman of Parliamentary Inquiry.

Ottawa, March 13.—The special committee of parliament upon R. A. Pringle's motion for the introduction of a system of old age pensions in Canada met this morning and appointed Hon. R. Lemieux as chairman. It was decided to call witnesses and to gain their views regarding the proposal, and the names of J. O'Donohue, the well known labor solicitor, and Prof. Mayor, of Toronto university, and Prof. Short, of Queen's university, are mentioned.

KIDNAPED FARMERS. (Special to The Times). Winnipeg, March 13.—Mr. Foulkes, the United States treasury officer, who kidnaped two farmers on the boundary line at Emerson, surrendered to the sheriff yesterday. There will be a speedy trial without a jury on March 27th. He is out on a four thousand dollar bail.

IN DYING CONDITION. (Special to The Times). Lacombe, Alb., March 13.—F. E. Wilkins, president of the Edmonton Electric Company, shot himself. He is in a dying condition.

ASSASSIN CONDEMNED TO DIE

SHORT SHRIFT FOR FATHER LEO'S MURDERER. Curtain Rung Down on Another Act in Denver Altar Tragedy.

Denver, March 13.—Giuseppe Aila, who shot and killed Father Leo in St. Elizabeth's Catholic church in this city on Sunday, February 23rd, was yesterday found guilty of murder in the first degree. Hanging was fixed by the jury as the penalty. The jury retired at 11:45 o'clock yesterday morning and the verdict was announced at 2:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The evidence for the defence was completed on Wednesday. Only two witnesses were called, and but one of them, Dr. Baron G. Tosli, the Italian consul, testified that he considered the slayer of Father Leo insane, basing this opinion upon the fact that the murder was without apparent motive.

No explanation of Aila's terrible act, other than given by him in his various conflicting statements made in jail, was offered, and no evidence of any plot against Father Leo or priests in general has been presented at the trial. No evidence that Aila was an anarchist or that he had ever been a member of the anarchist party in this city has been a reader of anarchist literature, was adduced during the trial.

The case was given to the jury after brief arguments and instructions.

TORPEDO BOAT SUNK. Engineer Drowned When German Craft Was Rammed by Steamer.

Cuxhaven, March 13.—The German torpedo boat S 12 was run into and sunk by an unknown steamer at the mouth of the river Elbe to-day. The chief engineer of the torpedo boat was drowned, but the remainder of the crew were rescued.

PURE HONEY IN DOMINION. Ottawa, Ont., March 13.—An inland revenue bulletin shows that out of 144 samples of honey from all parts of the Dominion analyzed during the present winter 135 were pronounced pure, three doubtful, two adulterated and one frankly sold as compound.

REALLY STAGNATION. Toronto, March 13.—Owing to stagnation in the sale of building land the disposal of the large quantities of the defunct York Loan & Savings Company has not been very rapid of late, and the funds in hand are not expected to yield over seven or eight cents on the dollar as a first dividend.

VESSLS BARRED IN FORTIFIED PORTS. Will Be Bombarded in Entering Black Sea Harbors at Night.

Odessa, March 13.—In consequence of the arrest near the fortress of Kars and Batoum, in Transcaucasia, of several Turkish officers, alleged to be spies, the minister of marine has forbidden all vessels, without respect to nationality, from approaching or entering any fortified harbor in the Black Sea at night.

THE MINISTER WHO FEELS THE PULSE OF EUROPE



—Reproduced from London Sphere. SIR EDWARD GREY. British Secretary for Foreign Affairs Who Has Just Dispatched Note to European Powers Regarding Macedonian Situation.

WALL STREET METHODS. All Facilities Will Be Afforded for Roosevelt Inquiry Into New York Exchange.

New York, March 13.—The commissioner of corporations, Herbert Knox Smith, will be given every facility to investigate the New York stock exchange in his inquiry into stock gambling, which has been ordered by President Roosevelt, according to a statement yesterday by Secretary Ely of the exchange.

"We will show Mr. Smith all we have," said Mr. Ely. "There is absolutely nothing for us to conceal in regard to the exchange or its management."

51 NEW TOWNSITES. (Special to The Times). Winnipeg, March 13.—The Canadian Pacific railway will put 51 Western Canadian townsites on the market this spring.

DEAD BODY PROVES HOODOO TO TRAIN. Six Cars Ditched in Idaho After Decapitating Brake-man.

Wallace, Idaho, March 13.—The dead body of James Wehnhoff proved an omen to the Northern Pacific freight train last evening. In the afternoon the freight cut off the head of Wehnhoff, its brakeman. The body was put in a caboose. Three hours later the train ran into a wash-out, throwing six cars into the ditch.

HARTFIELD POSTED AS MISSING AT LLOYDS. Vessel Thought Certain to Have Gone Down Off Vancouver Island.

London, March 13.—The British ship Hartfield, bound from Valparaiso for Seattle and Tacoma, has been posted at Lloyds as missing. The Hartfield left the South American port October 23rd. About six weeks ago wreckage bearing the name of Hartfield was found on the rocky shore of Vancouver Island, and it is believed that the vessel's cargo shifted and she turned turtle. Nothing has been heard of the vessel's crew, which numbered about 20.

FRUIT GROWING METHODS. Kootenay Association Engages Secretary at High Salary.

Nelson, March 13.—R. C. Brock, a noted expert of the Hood River valley, Oregon, has been engaged by the Kootenay Fruitgrowers' Association as secretary at a high salary. Mr. Brock will not only perform the secretarial duties, but will instruct the ranchers in the best methods of packing and planting. The Kootenay Fruitgrowers' Association is determined to spare no expense in making the product of its members equal to the best on the continent.

CHINAMAN KILLED AT COMOX. Injured in Cumberland Powder Test Explosion Are Progressing Favorably.

Nanaimo, March 13.—A Chinaman named Chun, employed around one of the Comox mines, was accidentally killed yesterday by falling off the cage at the upper part to the bottom. All those injured in the powder test explosion at Cumberland are progressing very favorably, and all will be out and about again in a few days. General Manager Little will be able to return on the tug Pilot to Victoria tomorrow.

BRITAIN AND MACEDONIAN CRUX

SIR EDWARD GREY'S NOTE TO POWERS. Object to Bring Matters to a Crisis—Permanent Governor Proposed.

London, March 13.—Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, has dispatched a reply to the Russian and Italian notes regarding the railway projects in Macedonia, in which he states that Great Britain's attitude toward all such projects is one of benevolent neutrality, but that no active British support can be given to any of them until the Porte has agreed upon an effective scheme of Macedonian reform.

The foreign secretary's proposal for the appointment of a titular permanent governor of Macedonia, which is submitted to the powers at the same time, is regarded here as intended to bring matters to a crisis by forcing a solution of the difficulties, through some alternative proposal, since it is known beforehand that the powers do not regard this proposal with great favor, and it is certain that the Porte will oppose it with determination.

Integrity of Turkey. Vienna, March 13.—It is understood that the British note with regard to the appointment of a governor for Macedonia, which already had been submitted to the government, also proposes the introduction of an extended judicial reform scheme and the conversion of the Gendarmerie into a thoroughly effective force. In addition it suggests that the powers shall guarantee the integrity of European Turkey on the consideration that Turkey reduces the number of Turkish troops in Macedonia in order to lighten the Macedonian budget.

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD WRECK REVEALED. Terrific Winds Expose Hull of Clara Nevada, Lost Off Alaska.

Juneau, Alaska, Thursday, March 13.—James Currie, keeper of the lighthouse at Eldridge Rock, brings news of the finding of the wreck of the Clara Nevada, which was lost in 1897 with sixty-five passengers on board. The pursuer was the only one ever found. The exact location of the Nevada's hull has been a mystery these eleven years, until the terrific winds of the last few days exposed the remains of the craft to view.

Many human bones have been picked up on the beach in this vicinity. The Nevada is believed to have had a large amount of gold dust on board, as several Klondikers were on the way out with their first clean-ups. Parties here are preparing to search for her treasures.

VICTORIA ORDER OF NURSES. Ottawa, March 13.—Earl Grey yesterday presided at the tenth annual meeting of the central board of governors of the Victoria Order of Nurses. The lady superintendent's report showed much progress. The total number of patients attended to during the Dominion's last year was 10,738, entailing 68,033 visits. There are now 314 nurses in the order throughout the Dominion. Regret was expressed at the death of the late president, Mr. Justice Burbridge.

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DESPOILING THE CAPITAL

No amazing facility is necessary to prove that the McBride government, if it has not actually been hostile to Victoria, has at least not been favorable to Victoria in any of the measures of importance it has passed.

In defending the course of the government in constituting a peripatetic court of appeal, something unknown in any other section of the British Empire, the Colonist says the Times never, as far as it knows, condemned the course of Mr. Joseph Martin in setting the precedent from which the government hesitates to depart.

We learn from an eastern newspaper that there is a system of municipal meter inspection in New York, and the meter inspection in New York, and the meter inspection in New York, and the meter inspection in New York.

The financial institutions of Canada, on the whole, do not appear to be feeling in any marked degree the depression which has so seriously affected business in the United States, in Europe and even in Asia.

A SIGNIFICANT RETURN.

We have to acknowledge receipt from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a return of bye-elections for the House of Commons held during the year 1907. The paper shows that fourteen elections were held.

We have just one word of warning for Admiral Fighting Bob Evans. He has been invited to take his ships to Vancouver. If he does this he will have to fight his way out of the inlet.

THE AMERICAN FLEET.

The government of British Columbia has invited the president of the United States to include the coast cities of this province in the itinerary of Ad-

miral Evans's great flying squadron. We are pleased to hear this, and we shall be more than pleased if the Commander-in-Chief of the fleet, can spare the time for a frolic at this place, once the headquarters of a naval force of considerable importance.

ABOUT METERS.

Have you ever noticed any of the idiosyncrasies of the water meter? Meters of all varieties are subject to their "months of weakness," we know from experience; but the gas and electric light meters are supposed to be officially adjusted and read.

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The City's Claims on The Water Question

W. J. Taylor K. C. Presented Victoria's Situation Before Government—Esquimalt Company's Case.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The provincial government this morning met the representatives of the city, the Esquimalt Waterworks Company and the B. C. Electric Railway Company.

The case for the city was opened by Mr. Taylor. He said the problems they were to discuss were very serious. A similar problem came up in 1892, at that time the city was authorized to take any land at any time within 20 miles of the city for waterworks purposes.

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That was all the city claimed. The corporation of the city of Victoria, claimed they had rights prior to the other company, and in the attorney-general's own words "dressed upon three lines of legislation."

The committee refused to allow the city the power to expropriate and to go through the company's property.

Mr. Taylor said his only reason for referring to it very briefly was that he felt that it would be inadvisable to have deprived the city of any powers which they at present held.

Referring to the right to supply power, Mr. Taylor quoted from the act of incorporation of the old tramway and light company, showing that the company was given no exclusive right.

Opening the case for the Esquimalt Water Company, Mr. Luxton said he considered that the rights of the city were so plain as stated there was no need of special confirmation.

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Nothing daunted, however, at what he deemed to be unnecessary alarms on the part of the Chinaman and Mr. Elford, Annette wished to continue, wanting to change his clothes and come into Victoria.

The Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Company's plant is close down for about three weeks, undergoing repairs. The company is also installing some new machinery.

Fashion's Latest Dictates in Ladies' Spring Costumes Are Here

THE WORD SPRING strikes a responsive chord, beautiful, balmy Spring days seem to get nearer to us than other days of other seasons. It is a time when bright new wearables are as responsive to nature's call as the grass, and buds and flowers; and every few days brings fresh shipments of Spring fruits which add charms to shopping in this store.

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DISTINCTION IN CLOTHING is what is to be found in this store for men, and you will also find that they are not merely very moderate in price, but that thorough tailor-work makes their correct fit and good style permanent.

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Appointments Made by the Companies Incorporating

DROWNED IN SAANICH INLET WITH AN ACCIDENT

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SLIPPED FROM LOGS TO WATERY GRAVE

At the time of starting a heavy sea was running and a strong south wind raged down the inlet. Mr. Elford, who became alarmed at the safety of the small boat and its passengers in the fierce wind and chopping water, journeyed against continuing the journey as far as the Malahat site.

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LANDSLIDE IN KOOTENAY

Six Acres Suddenly Sank West Shore of Lake.

Revelstoke, B. C., March 15.—The most remarkable event taken place in the Arrow Lake region for many years, and one of the people in the vicinity all manner of causes, occurred days ago in the Arrow Lake region.

Fortunately no lives were lost. A team of horses belonging to a lumberer in the Arrow Lake region before the deluge passed over half a mile of the B. C. Electric Company's wagon road.

GAZETTE NOTICES

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the following appointments:

ISLAND COAL MINES HAVE NOT BEEN SOLD

A report has been circulated in various circles on the coast to the effect that the Wellington Colliery Company's interests on Vancouver Island had been disposed of to Edgar Vincent, the representative of Capital who recently visited the city.

Report Circulated That Effect Has no Foundation in Fact.

The following company incorporated under the Companies Act: The Dominion Carbol Ltd., with a capital of \$1,000,000.

STEAMER SYLVIA POUNDING TO PIECES

Wood's Hole, Mass., March 15.—The southwest gale of yesterday afternoon and last night bore heavily upon the steamer Sylvia, which ran on to Sow and day reef on Saturday, and at dawn the upper deck, seemingly indicating that the greater portion of the bottom had been reduced to a minimum.

TATSU MARU CRUX SETTLED AT LAST

Tokio, March 15.—A satisfactory settlement of the Tatsu Maru affair was announced this afternoon. China has agreed to purchase all the arms and ammunition on board the vessel at the time of the seizure.

—Francis Parkes, solicitor, England, has been appointed to represent the British Government in the Tatsu Maru case.

Mineral Production of the Dominion

Figures Gleaned From a Preliminary Report on the Past Year's Output in Canada.

A preliminary report on the mineral production of Canada in 1907 has been prepared by the department of mines at Ottawa, which is under the Hon. W. Templeman. The report which is subject to revision shows a total value of \$86,183,477. This is arrived at on the following returns:

Table with columns: Product, Quantity, Value. Lists various minerals like Asbestos, Gold, Silver, etc. with their respective quantities and values.

In arriving at these conclusions the following information is given: The metals, copper, lead, nickel and silver, are for statistical and comparative purposes, valued at the final average value of the refined metal in New York.

The total production of pig iron in Canada in 1907 was 1,021,255 tons, valued at \$3,155,225, of which it is estimated about 107,569 tons, valued at \$1,982,307, should be attributed to Canadian ore, and 913,686 tons, valued at \$1,172,918, to the ore imported.

The following is given as the annual production since 1888:

Table showing annual production of pig iron from 1888 to 1907, with columns for Year, Quantity, and Value.

The report says: The early months of 1907, and even well along toward the middle of the year, was a period specially marked by great activity in all branches of commerce and the mining industry shared with other commercial undertakings, the beneficial results of increasing prosperity. The outlook was for a mineral production far beyond all previous records. But depression, prosperity brought about by its own depression, since within a few months of the close of the year, a rapid change took place. Whereas before, the transportation companies were unable to take orders for freight, laboring men were unable to accept reductions in pay and keep their jobs, and the prices of the metals fell with rapidity. Fortunately, however, for us in Canada, the financial stringency has not had such serious results as with our friends across the border, and although some of our mineral industries found it necessary to cease operations, some of these have already resumed, and the great mass of the mining industry still continues to enjoy a conservative and steady pro-

gress. Fortunately, also, this change of condition occurred too late in the year to seriously affect the expected increase in mineral output. Thus it is that we are enabled to record a substantial increase of over nine per cent. in the mineral production in 1907 as compared with 1906. The total value of the output, valued according to the methods adopted in this branch since its inception, was about \$86,183,477, the largest output the Canadian mining industry has yet attained.

As might be expected, however, increases in production are not shown uniformly throughout all the mining industries. There are some decreases to record, such as for instance in gold and lead, and in number of products of lesser relative importance, such as corundum, feldspar, graphite, etc., but these are more than counterbalanced by the large increases in pig iron, silver, asbestos, coal, natural gas, petroleum and Portland cement.

The following table will illustrate these features more explicitly, showing the total increases or decreases in value of some of the more important products:

Table with columns: Product, Increase, Decrease. Lists products like Copper, Gold, Silver, etc. with their percentage changes.

It will be observed that a slight increase is shown in copper output, the increase in British Columbia being more than offset by an increase in the copper contents of the Sudbury nickel-copper ores. A very large decrease in gold production—over 25 per cent.—practically represents a falling off in every district, with the possible exception of Nova Scotia.

In pig iron production, a substantial increase is indicated. New furnaces were in operation at Hamilton and Port Arthur. The production of lead was less by about 13 per cent. Nickel output has been increasing steadily since 1905, and this despite a falling off in British Columbia, the large increase being entirely due to the shipments from the Cobalt district.

Amongst the non-metallic products, the asbestos industry shows substantial progress, an increase of 10 per cent. in the Kootenay, with the exception of the Kootenay, where the price of coal mining also shows a steady increase. Natural gas and petroleum production also show large increases. This is particularly gratifying, indicating that these fields in Ontario have not yet reached the exhaustion point. Portland cement, with its increase of 5.35 per cent., shows an increase of nearly 12 per cent.

It becomes interesting at times to compare the relative importance of the various industries in respect of their total values, and the following table has been compiled to show for the years 1907 and 1906, the position in the scale of importance of a number of mineral products, constituting together about 95 per cent. of the total.

Table with columns: Product, 1907, 1906. Lists products like Coal, Gold, Silver, etc. with their values for both years.

Gold.—Four years ago gold was relatively the most valuable mineral product in Canada, but in 1907 it has fallen to fifth place. A continual shrinkage has taken place in the output of the Yukon from \$2,275,000 in 1900, to about \$3,150,000 in 1907. The effect of this shrinkage was to some extent lessened by the continued increase from British Columbia, but in 1907 this province also shows a falling off both in placer and lode output, a decrease of over 13 per cent. Less than half as much gold was obtained from the Yukon in 1907 as in 1906. Of the total gold output in 1907, about 47 per cent. was obtained from placer and hydraulic workings, and 53 per cent. from sulphure and quartz ores.

Silver.—About 12,750,000 ounces of silver were contained in ore shipments in 1907 as compared with 8,473,379 ounces in 1906, an increase of over 50 per cent. Over 99 per cent. of the production in 1907 was derived from the mines of Ontario and British Columbia, and about 77 per cent. from the Cobalt district of Ontario alone. The price of refined silver varied considerably during the year. The average monthly price reached its highest in February, at 66.835 cents per ounce, falling slightly in April and May, and increasing to over 60 cents per ounce July and August, but falling rapidly during the balance of the year to an average of 54.955 cents in December.

The average of the year was 65.327 cents as compared with an average of 67.191 cents in 1906.

The rapid development of the Cobalt district has brought the province of Ontario to the front as a silver producer, and although complete returns have not yet been received from the smelters, close estimates have been made by the mine owners. Returns from 24 shipping mines show the ore shipped as approximately 14,557 tons, containing 9,916,956 ounces of silver. At the average price of refined silver, for the year, this would be worth \$6,476,555 and it represents an average return of 831 ounces of silver, or \$444.87 per ton of ore shipped.

There was a slightly smaller output of silver in British Columbia in 1907, a falling off of probably about 200,000 ounces and other forms were, according to the reports of the mine owners, entered for export than the records of production show, the excess being over 2,000,000 ounces. The exports for the months, according to the customs department returns, were 14,813,735 ounces valued at \$9,941,849, an average value per ounce of 67.11 cents.

The aggregate production of copper, 1907, was about 57,817,746 pounds, an increase of 3 per cent. over 1906.

The copper mines of the Boundary district of British Columbia, as well as others in the Nelson and coast districts, were closed down in November, and although some of them resumed work a few weeks, the industry as a whole for the province was somewhat less than in 1906. This decrease, however, has been more than met by the increased output of copper from the Sudbury ores of Ontario (see under nickel).

Of the total production in 1907, over 72 per cent. was obtained from British Columbia, and 19 per cent. from Ontario.

The price of copper varied greatly during the year. In March the average monthly price of electrolytic copper in New York was 25.065 cents per pound. In July this had fallen to 21.430 cents, and to 13.169 cents in October. The average for the year being 20.044 cents as compared with 19.278 cents in 1906.

The total exports of copper in ore and other forms were, according to the customs department returns, 27,394 tons. Lead.—All the production recorded was mined in the province of British Columbia. The output is less than that obtained in 1906 by nearly 13 per cent. A considerably less tonnage was shipped from East Kootenay mines, with probably an increased output from West Kootenay.

No bounty was paid during 1907 on lead ore, but in December the price of lead had fallen to a point at which bounty could be claimed.

The exports of lead in ore, etc., during the year were 10,989 tons, and of pig lead, etc., 1,807 tons, or a total of 12,796 tons. As with the metals, silver and copper, the price of lead also fluctuated widely during the year. In New York for the first five months of the year, the price held steadily at 6 cents per pound, but then steadily decreased, the average for December being 3.658 cents, and the average for the year 5.325 cents, as compared with 5.673 cents in 1906.

The London market the highest quotation during the year was 32 1/2 s. 8d., and the lowest 13 s. per long ton, a difference between highest and lowest of over 13 s.

Nickel.—With the exception of the nickel contained in the ores shipped from the Cobalt district, the production of nickel in Canada is derived entirely from the well known nickel-copper deposits of the Sudbury district. The output has been increasing steadily for a number of years, although the actual amount of nickel contained in matte shipped in 1907 is somewhat less than in 1906. The Canadian Amalgam, which is an active operation, is owned by Nickel Co., at Victoria mines, and the Canadian Copper Company, at Copper Cliff. The ore is first roasted and then smelted. The matte, containing from 77 to 80 per cent. of the combined metals, copper and nickel, which is shipped to the United States and Great Britain for refining.

HOW NANAIMO MAN MADE A FORTUNE

Bought Claim for \$25, to Sell Few Hours Afterwards for \$10,000.

Nanaimo, March 13.—This is a true story of a Nanaimo man's luck—at least the Mr. Clark, mentioned in the Cobalt story, who is at present in Vancouver, is responsible for its accuracy.

One day recently Mr. Charles E. Stevenson, the former Nanaimo merchant, who is at present in Cobalt, the silver city of Canada, was sitting in a hotel office in that city, along with Mr. Clark of Vancouver, when a prospector who had become disgusted with the country, as prospectors do, came in and offered a claim he had to Mr. Clark for \$25. Mr. Clark, saying he would give him the money, went over to the bank to draw it. At the bank the manager advised him to be careful, as there were so many fake claims being offered for sale. Clark decided not to buy. On that point the prospector, who had tackled Mr. Stevenson, and after some talk as to the location of the claim, Mr. Stevenson said, "All right, I'll give you \$25 for it. It's not much, and I can't lose much anyway."

The transfer was then regularly made out. That very afternoon an American syndicate came along and offered \$10,000 for the claim, which Mr. Stevenson accepted.

Clark says he got so disgusted that he packed up and hiked west again.

MONTREAL CITY LOAN

Montreal, March 13.—The city council yesterday decided to call for tenders for the city's \$5,000,000 loan at four per cent. for forty years. Inquiries have been received from a number of foreign bankers asking for particulars, and the city has been assured that the present is a favorable time for making the issue.

VICTORIA WON FROM HOQUIAM

LOCAL Y. M. C. A. TEAM VICTORS AT BASKETBALL

Victors at Basketball Last Night by a Score of 25 to 12.

Before an average crowd the best game of the Y. M. C. A. International basketball series was played last evening between Hoquiam and Victoria. The local team won out by a score of 25 points to 12. As a game where talent is supposed to be shown and where the spectators expect something high class, the game was poor. The locals were away below the standard of former visitors. The game had its redeeming features and at intervals smart plays, worked the crowd up to a cheering vein, but this enthusiasm was not continued and only showed up at intervals. What the cheering lacked in volume was made up for by the Hoquiam horn. This horn was a gigantic imitation of the 10 cent variety and its automobile hornlike shrieks were very much in evidence.

Promptly at nine o'clock Referee George A. Smith, of Vancouver, called

the teams to order. Victoria playing towards the Fort street goal. The line up was as follows: Hoquiam—Guards, McMillan and Guttie; centre, Fenwick; forwards, Lewis and Wilson. Victoria—Guards, Gowan and McKittrick; centre, Whyte; forwards, Erb and Peden.

The game started fast with Victoria 3 or 4 shots at the Hoquiam basket but soon play cleared to centre and the championships of Canada were decided. The scoring with the point shortly after another foul was made than in 1906. The Canadian Amalgam, which is an active operation, is owned by Nickel Co., at Victoria mines, and the Canadian Copper Company, at Copper Cliff. The ore is first roasted and then smelted. The matte, containing from 77 to 80 per cent. of the combined metals, copper and nickel, which is shipped to the United States and Great Britain for refining.

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eral occasions. Half time came with a free shot by Hoquiam from a foul on Erb but no score was made.

On resuming the Hoquiam line-up was seen to be changed. Steeples had replaced Wilson, McMillan taking Wilson's place at forward, and Steeples going guard.

The result of the change soon became apparent and the visitors took a clip that looked like a winner for several minutes. They passed and shot well and Lewis was successful in matching two fine field goals. The locals, however, were not to be repulsed from a foul goal by Erb, the locals ran off a number of smart passing bouts and scored. In quick succession Whyte scored twice, Erb once again, Peden once, and Whyte three more field goals—all inside of five minutes. To this score the Hoquiam's replied with a field goal from Lewis and two free shots making the final score read 25 points to 12.

The local team, although disorganized on account of Roskamp and Peden being absent, were far the superior team. "Benny" Erb put up the best game of anyone and the high score of the locals is to a great extent due to "Benny's" consistent aggressive passing movements. He was the hardest worker and produced best results. Peden was fast, but had lost his scoring rules. Whyte was always dangerous but he was poorly checked and had lots of opportunity to pile up his big score. The Y. M. C. A. guards were poor. McKittrick was responsible for 3 field goals through leaving Lewis unchecked, while Gowan only captured the cheers on one occasion from his splendid field goal.

Of the visitors Lewis and Tenwick were the stars and not only did all the scoring but checked up better and kept the Victorians from running up any

record scores, like the Vancouver team had done. Geo. A. Smith as usual was a referee of ability and his equal for knowledge of the game, smartness in giving decisions, and accuracy in general has never been seen in Victoria.

ATHLETICS. INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS. The recent so-called amateur boxing tournament held in Toronto, at which the championships of Canada were decided has come in for a lot of ridicule from the officials of the amateur athletic union of America. At a recent meeting of the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union it was decided to disqualify American athletes from competing but the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union still allow them to compete and interchange across the border in athletic events.

The Canadian Federation and their American cousins have drawn up satisfactory terms that should prevent any ill-feeling or cross fire between the two amateur unions. The articles which have been issued and adopted are as follows:

1.—At all the meetings of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada shall be entitled to representation by not more than four delegates, or duly elected alternates of such delegates, having collectively one vote.

2.—From among these delegates one shall be chosen to become a member of the board of governors of the A. A. U., who shall have voice, vote and privilege equal to the other members of said board upon all matters coming before it.

3.—All athletic games, open or closed where athletes compete or exhibit, held in Canada, shall be held under the rules and sanction of the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada, and athletic games opened or closed, where athletes compete or exhibit, which are open to amateur athletes of the United States, shall be held under the rules and sanction of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

4.—Amateur athletes from the United States, competing or exhibiting in athletic sports in Canada shall compete under the rules of the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada, and amateur athletes from Canada competing or exhibiting at athletic games in the United States, shall compete under the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

5.—Athletes from Canada, registered with the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada as amateurs, shall be accepted as amateurs by the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, and athletes from the United States, registered with the Amateur Athletic Union, shall be accepted as amateurs by the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada and be eligible to compete in games sanctioned by the A. A. U.

6.—Each party of the alliance agrees to furnish complete lists of sanctioned athletes to the other party to time and no registered athlete shall be allowed to compete under any rules but those of the A. A. U. in the United States, and the A. A. U. in the United States.

7.—Each party to this alliance shall respect and enforce all penalties of suspension and disqualification inflicted by the other party.

8.—These articles of alliance shall be terminated by either party upon thirty days' notice to the other.

METHOD OF GRANTING TIMBER CONTRACTS

J. W. Greenway's Explanation Stifles Insinuations of Opposition.

Ottawa, March 13.—At the public accounts committee today J. W. Greenway, Dominion lands commissioner, was examined in regard to his method of granting timber contracts. He said that he pursued the same system as was done before he entered the department. Tenders were opened in the presence of the clerk in his office, and some times the tenders were present. Whenever the tenders wanted to be present they were always admitted. About a year ago the system was changed so that he not only opened tenders but awarded the contracts. The same clerk that was with Mr. Turritt is still with him, and he therefore knew the method pursued. There was no secluded room, as has been said, by the opposition.

SETTLERS GALORE

Many Inquiries Are Being Made About Kootenay Lands. Harpor, March 12.—If this district be taken as a sample of the other districts in the Kootenay, it is most evident that there will be a large influx of settlers this year. Residents hereabouts are receiving by almost every mail, letters from friends and relatives, many of whom are in far distant countries, eagerly inquiring for reliable information that will assist them in locating in this section, the possibilities and climatic conditions of which have received such favorable reports.

Several local ranchers who have been spending the winter in the Old Country are expected to return here this month. From advice received from them there is a keen interest being taken in the Kootenay just now among experienced horticulturists and fruit growers in England.

REAL DISCOVERERS OF NORTHERN GOLD

Two Swedes Named Jansen Are Credited With Having Made the Find. (From Friday's Daily.) The sensational discovery of gold in the country through which the Ince river flows, which has attracted so much attention during the last few days has been verified. The find was by Otway Wilkie, who has just returned from the fruitless search after the Indian Gun-a-not who murdered two half-breeds some months ago.

Mr. Wilkie states that the gold was not discovered by Captain Perry, but by two Swedes of the name of Jansen. Mr. Wilkie met these two men in the autumn of last year and found them almost at the end of their food supplies. There have been many claimants who have represented to the government agent at Hazelton that the claim should be awarded to them, but the agent has awarded the claim to the Jansen brothers. The gold is "placer gold" but so far no extensive operations have been commenced, owing to the difficulty of transporting machinery into the country. Throughout the district where the gold has been found there is no less than eight feet of snow.

FELL TO DEATH

Huntsville, Ont., March 14.—J. P. Jackson, a jeweler, while removing ice from off his roof, fell to the ground below, striking on his head. He died an hour later. He leaves a widow and three children.

MISTAKEN FOR MOOSE

Fort Francis, Ont., March 14.—Peter Jansen, a homesteader on the Rapid River, was shot and killed by Charles Wingram, a neighbor, who mistook him for a moose. Wingram gave him self up to the authorities. No person witnessed the shooting.

TO WIPE OUT INSULT TO FLAG

CHINESE WARSHIPS MUST SALUTE TATSU MARU

Japan Will Not Back Down on Conditions She Proposes.

Pekin, March 13.—There was a further conference in this city to-day between Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to China and N. A. Tung and Yuan Shih Kai, representing the Pekin government, over the Tatsu Maru matter. No final understanding was reached, however, and the discussion of the matter is to be continued.

Baron Hayashi proposed that China pay the purchase price, something over ten thousand dollars on the arms on board the Tatsu Maru if she insisted upon their retention as well as demurrage for the time the vessel had been in the hands of the Chinese authorities. He insisted, however, that China release the steamer and that Chinese warships fire a salute to her flag in the presence of a Japanese consul. In consideration of this Japan would relinquish her claim for payment for the arms and leave the matter of the punishment of the officials who are responsible for the lowering of the Japanese flag on the Tatsu Maru to the discretion of China.

In this proposal China replied that she was willing to restore the vessel and incorporate an apology for the flag incident, in the final settlement. China has presented her side of the case to the plenipotentiaries in Peking of the several powers.

AMERICANS BUY B. C. NURSERY STOCK

Shipment Will Be Used in Adorning New Park at Bellingham.

Vancouver, March 13.—M. J. Henry, the well-known nurseryman of this city, is busy packing up a large shipment of trees, shrubbery and plants, to be shipped to Bellingham. It is not often that Americans patronize industries outside their own country, and it is a striking recommendation for Mr. Henry's products that he was selected for this order, which comprises over \$400 in value. Especially is this worthy of note, since local nurserymen were not allowed to tender for similar growths for Stanley park, but which were brought from England instead.

The Bellingham park commissioners are laying out another five acres of ground, and it was to secure the trees and plants for this park that the superintendent made a special trip to Vancouver to make the selection from Mr. Henry's stock.

Last fall Mr. Henry made a large shipment of goods that he was, in fact, one of the largest shippers to outside points. He enjoys a large business in all parts of the province, even in the east and the United States, despite the fact that the representatives of far-away houses make a close canvass. Although his catalogue is not yet out, Mr. Henry reports twenty-five per cent. more made this year than last, and his whole staff is kept very busy.

AUTO SITUATION IN U. S. A.

Split Between Two Great Associations Formally Acknowledged. New York, March 14.—Following the split between the Auto Club of America and the American Automobile Association which occurred through the withdrawal of auto clubs from New York, the Auto association affiliated with the A. A. A. at the state organization's meeting in Buffalo on Thursday. A formal announcement of the withdrawal was made from the auto club's offices here yesterday. Although W. H. Stochkus, president of the A. A. A., gave out a statement yesterday in which he said, "The national organization welcomed New York's withdrawal of automobiles from the A. A. A. touch with the auto situation expect the effect to be far-reaching in so far as legislative touring and racing affairs are concerned."

The immediate effect of the withdrawal will be the disruption of the various boards of the A. A. A. particularly the racing board of which Jefferson Demont Thomson, the chairman, W. K. Vandebilt Jr., David Morris, and S. M. Butler, are members by virtue of membership in the auto club. Should any of these men desire to be re-elected to the racing board it will be necessary for them to enroll as individual members of the association. Effects more far-reaching in nature are expected by automobilists.

STOLE CIPHER FROM LEGATION

Frenchman in Bucharest Obtains Copy of U. S. Secret and Decamps. Bucharest, March 13.—It was learned here to-day that a copy of the cipher of the United States department, used in private correspondence between Washington and the various American legations and embassies was stolen recently from the American legation here by a French employee who succeeded in making his escape to Constantinople.

It is understood that this is the second time the United States cipher has been obtained by strangers within the past few years. The various occasion was at St. Petersburg, where spies secured photographic copies of the cipher from the American embassy.

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Judge Lampman is pleased with J. P. Mann for taking the case to the old Robertson for the defendant. In opening the case it was the plaintiff was a contractor, Baulther, and \$5 a day for his services. He was to secure his discharge to prevent his obtaining in the future. The plaintiff's defendants will plead that the union is liable for the damages. The defence was that a voluntary agreement was made between the plaintiff and the union, and that the union is not liable for the damages. The case is being argued before Judge Lampman.

YOUNG PEOPLE

Pittsburg, Pa., March 13.—An international convention of the Young People's Missionary Society here last night, after devoted to plans for heathen nations, by the satisfaction of the convention is expressed leaders in the Young People's Missionary Society. The work has been given as it received from the financial benefits years to come.

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(From Friday's Daily.) The matter of the liability of labor unions has been fought out in England but there has not, so far, been a case in British Columbia. For this reason the case which commenced this morning of Grahame versus the Bricklayers' Union is proving to be of exceptional interest. Judge Lampman is trying the case, with J. P. Mann for plaintiff and Harold Robertson for the defendant. In opening the case Mr. Mann stated that the plaintiff was working for a contractor, Baulther, and was receiving \$3 a day for his services. The defendant wrongfully and maliciously interfered to secure his discharge, and also to prevent his obtaining employment in the future. The plaintiff is afraid the defendant will repeat the action, and he therefore asks for an injunction restraining them from so doing and also claims \$500 damages. The defence was that the union was acting in a proper manner in providing a contractor for the benefit of its members. The plaintiff refused to take the test of admission and they claimed that no damage had been received. Lawrence Grahame was the first witness called. He stated that he came originally from Lancashire, England, where he had been employed at stone and brick work. He then went to Canada where he joined the stonemasons' and bricklayers' union and became president. Before he left Calgary he had become a contractor. He came to Vancouver in March of last year and started laboring first then laying concrete blocks. He was a member of the stonemasons' union. Harry Owen was working alongside of him at Baulther's. He found out that there was a difficulty between the bricklayers and stonemasons for that reason did not join the union. On August 12th he was working with Harry Owen, who told him the union objected to his working with him. He said it was his honor witness said there was a dispute as to who should set concrete blocks. In some places there was a difficulty about men belonging to both unions. Later James, the treasurer of the Bricklayers' Union, came to plaintiff and said he had been appointed to see him and say that he should undergo a stone test on his work. He was willing to take a test on free stone or rubble work. He was not used to building with free stone. Jones replied that some of the men were very strict, but so far as he was personally concerned he would like him to join after those explanations. He then went to the union, which was in Calgary and received the reply that he had been president of that union. On October 14th on his way to work he met Harris and another man, being a member of the union. The former said, "You are in for it now." The question then arose as to the admissibility of evidence against one member of the union, which was the whole. His Honor ruled that the evidence might be allowed. Witness then went on to tell that his Honor received an order saying that witness should not be allowed to work or that if he did members of the union would be called off the work. August Baulther, contractor, was then called and stated that he received notice from the union telling him he must discharge the plaintiff. A man came and asked him for the letter. He, however, took a copy in his notebook at the time he received it, and this he produced. The letter was to the effect that as the union claimed the right to set concrete blocks, they therefore asked that Lawrence Grahame be discharged. Baulther went on to say he had employed Grahame on a job for 8 hours. He told Grahame he must let him go for the present until they settled it among themselves. He had to discharge Grahame as three union men, Mackenzie, Stout and Clay, would not take off their coats unless he did. Grahame finished his job and then he left him go. "Is Grahame a good workman?" asked Mr. Mann. "All good working men when they want to," was the reply. Continuing, Baulther said that he had called and stated that he had employed Grahame on a job for 8 hours. He told Grahame he must let him go for the present until they settled it among themselves. He had to discharge Grahame as three union men, Mackenzie, Stout and Clay, would not take off their coats unless he did. Grahame finished his job and then he left him go. "Is Grahame a good workman?" asked Mr. Mann. "All good working men when they want to," was the reply.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONS.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 12.—The first international convention of the Young People's Missionary Society closed here last night, after three busy days devoted to plans for Christianizing heathen nations, by nearly 2,000 delegates from all over the world. Great satisfaction over the results of the convention is expressed by all of the leaders in the Young People's Missionary movement. They all feel that the work has been done in a manner as it received from so former movement, and that the spiritual, practical and financial benefits will endure for years to come.

LORD LEITRIM'S "BROTHER"

Photographs of Dead Man in Kansas City Sent to Earl. Kansas City, Mo., March 12.—The Earl of Leitrim has cabled a request that the body supposed to be Francis Patrick Clements, the missing brother of the earl, be held at a local undertaking establishment for identification. Adjutant Robert Kearns, of the Salt Lake Army, who had the body exhumed, yesterday received the Earl of Leitrim's request, and photographs and a description of the dead man have been sent to London.

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CHERRY BY CABLE.

International Match in Progress Between England and America. New York, March 12.—Play began simultaneously by cable to-day and will continue throughout Saturday in Brooklyn and London in the tenth chess match for the Sir George Newsen trophy.

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BANKS FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.

New Westminster, March 12.—Another evidence of the growing importance of New Westminster and district, and particularly of this city as a commercial and financial center, is evidenced in the fact that two more banks intend opening offices in this city, making six in all. The Merchants Bank of Canada has already secured premises, the large offices now occupied by Messrs. F. J. Hart & Co. having been arranged for Messrs. Hart & Co. and the Westminster Trust Company will move to the Masonic block in the portion to be vacated by Barclay & Adams. The other bank that is arranging to open a branch in this city is the recently incorporated Bank of Vancouver. Representatives have been on the lookout for suitable premises for some time. The banks that have offices here are the Montreal, Commerce, Royal and Northern.

EXTRADITION PRIVILEGE.

Vancouver, March 12.—Sergeant of Detectives Eakin, of Belfast, Ireland, who came here after being wanted for fraud, will not leave before March 22nd, as, under the Extradition Act, a prisoner has the privilege of remaining in the country for 15 days.

GLUT OF PRISONERS IN CITIES' JAILS

Victoria, New Westminster and Vancouver Cannot Accommodate Criminals. Vancouver, March 12.—The police are face to face with the problem of more accommodation for prisoners. The city jail is overcrowded, there is no available room at the jail in Westminster, and the provincial jail at Victoria is also filled up. Yesterday morning four prisoners were sent over from Vancouver to Westminster, but were refused admittance to the penitentiary on the ground that there was no accommodation. At the city jail there are 90 prisoners, while there is cell accommodation for only 52. A few days ago 12 prisoners were taken out of Westminster and sent over to the provincial jail at Victoria. The police are perplexed as to what to do, and the matter will be laid before the authorities at the earliest possible moment.

MILLION OUNCES OF SILVER SHIPPED

Half of Trail Output in 6 Months Went to Canadian Mint. Rossland, March 12.—The shipment to Hongkong this week of 1,000,000 ounces of silver, Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company's plant at Trail, brings the shipments of silver from this plant for the past six months to over one million ounces, nearly half of this was sent to the Canadian mint at Ottawa. All the gold from this plant is now shipped to the mint at Seattle, and from there to various branches of the United States mint. As soon as the Canadian mint is ready for gold, the Trail smelter and refinery will be able to supply it, so that the output of the Canadian plant will be almost entirely from the largest copper furnace in Canada, and a new crusher has been added, which crushes and concentrates the full tonnage in one, instead of three eight-hour shifts. It is estimated that the sales of copper throughout the United States were sixty million pounds during the past three weeks, and that approximately every pound of copper above ground has been sold.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. HENRY SAUNDERS

Deceased Lady Was for Many Years a Resident of the City of Victoria. (From Friday's Daily.) The death occurred to-day of Mrs. Elizabeth Saunders, relict of the late Henry Saunders. The deceased was well known in Victoria, having resided in this city for a number of years. Her death came very suddenly at St. Joseph's hospital. Recently Mrs. Saunders met with an accident while out driving. She was thrown from the conveyance and fractured her leg. Her progress was satisfactory, and her condition had improved to such an extent that she was to have been removed to her home in a few days. Suddenly she was stricken with heart failure and expired a few minutes afterwards. The deceased lady was fifty years of age. She was born in New York, but came to Victoria in the early days of the city. About five years ago her husband, the founder of the local firm known as the Saunders Grocery Company, died. Mrs. Saunders was a well known and popular friend, and to whom the news of her death will come as a great shock. Four of a family survive her—Miss Edith, who is a nurse in St. Joseph's hospital, and Miss Lizzie, who lives at Dunsmuir, and Miss Lizzie, who is engineer on the lifeboat on the coast of the island, and Ernest, who lives at home. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

PLEASE WITH MEXICAN MINES

MR. KING ARRIVED FROM SOUTH TO-DAY He Tells of Rush to the Republic From All Parts of the Globe. (From Friday's Daily.) "Mexico is the young man's country of to-day and offers better opportunities for money making and progress than any other country in the world." Such is the summary of Michael King, an old time resident of Victoria, who returned to the city this morning by the overland route and the Princess Royal after a 3 years sojourn in Mexico. Mr. King, who was formerly a well known British Columbia timber crafter, has still valuable mining properties staked out on Vancouver Island but his Mexican interests present such favorable opportunities that he will return south after a stay in the city of forty or sixty days duration. When seen at his home this morning, Mr. King was found busy unpacking, but granted the reporter a few minutes' interview. "Mexico is to-day about the best of the mining countries on the face of the earth," he says. "The rush there is unprecedented and every train leaving the U. S. A. for Mexico is loaded with prospectors, mining and business men from all parts of the world, but chiefly from the United States, Canada and the Yukon. "By whom are the mines being worked?" "By syndicates both large and small," came the reply, "but chiefly by prospectors who open up the country and then sell their holdings to monied corporations. For prospectors the field is unlimited. It is an open country for any man who wishes to go in after the metal and presents a better field than any I ever saw. Last year money poured into the country to the extent of three million dollars a day and came out in minerals. "Are the mines easy to work?" the reporter inquired. "Yes, but you have to possess nerve and be ready for adventures. The Yaqui Indians are still on the war-path and keep the prospector hustling to be sure of his life. They are not so belligerent against the American or Canadian as they are against the Mexican. This happens because the Mexican and Indian disagree on minor topics, while the American can get on with either. "And are these Indians allowed to roam around the country these killing expeditions?" the newspaper man asked. "No they are not, or they will not be, as at present the Mexican government is exercising every method possible to subdue them. They are shipping on an average of 2,000 per month to Yucatan in the centre of the city. If they did not work the mines the gold fields would be offered for sale on the cars. On the point of there being insufficient cars at the time the San Francisco steamer arrived, Mr. King said that the well-known cat of nursery rhyme fame has been imparted to the New Westminster wielders of the law and brass, is a question that is being taken up by the Royal City citizen who was held up by a burly guardian of the king's peace. The lady was going home shortly after seven o'clock, bearing in her hand a pail of milk, when the animated arm of the law, stepping out from a shadow, asked her what she was carrying. Had she put the query in the words of the old rhyme, "Where are you going, my pretty maid?" he might have received the equally ancient answer much to the point, "None of your business, sir." However, perhaps from ignorance or scorn of the time-honored manner of addressing a lady engaged in the peaceful operation of conducting a quart or so of moonshine to her doorstep, he assumed another form of speech, to wit: "Excuse me, ma'am, but what have you got in that pail?" Now, the question was hardly a necessary one for two reasons, the first being that there was no cover on the pail to obstruct an unobtrusive investigation of the contents of the said vessel, secondly, because it was the lady's opinion that it was none of his business of the wearer of the blue whether she was hiding in the farthest recesses of the humble one-quart lard can, or in the most conspicuous of the Empire, a more satisfactory immigration treaty with Japan—or perhaps enough milk to moisten the porridge and dilute the coffee for the family breakfast. At any rate, she considered it hard enough to have to brave the terrors of the night and the possible encounter with some of the thugs who were prowling about the streets of this vicinity without having to make lengthy explanations of her private business to one of the public servants her husband's taxes help to feed and clothe.

QUARREL OVER MINING CLAIM.

Queen Charlotte Island Prospectors' Quarrel Alfred Bored Government Agent. Vancouver, March 12.—In the ancient days before the Saxons left their German forests to establish themselves in Britain in defiance of the immigration regulations hastily passed by the natives, the man who had a grievance against his neighbor had the right to summon said neighbor before the council of the people for trial. It is not generally known that this right still survives and that it is a magistrate dismisses the case, the prosecutor, if dissatisfied, may go direct to the people for judgment by halting the offender before the grand jury at the assizes. The right was claimed the other day, however, in the Queen Charlotte Islands, of all places. Riley and Nestrell quarrelled over a mining claim and accused the other of perjury. The case was heard by Mr. William Manson, J. P., the government agent at Port Simpson, who dismissed it. The prosecutor at once demanded that the grand jury prosecute at the assizes, thus carrying his complaint directly to the grand jury. The papers are now in the hands of the clerk of the peace, and the deposition is to be before the grand jury in due course.

SKOOKUM JIM IN DURANCE VILE

Gun-a-Noot Expedition Captured Indian Long Wanted for Theft. Vancouver, March 12.—While they did not succeed in capturing the renegade Indian, Gun-a-Noot, or indeed obtain the slightest information regarding his whereabouts, the trip through the northern interior made by Provincial Constable Wilkie and the members of his party was not altogether fruitless. An Indian named Skookum Jim, who for two years has been wanted for the theft of furs from northern traders, was caught and is now being held at Hazelton for trial. This Indian was found quite by accident, while the officers were on the trail looking for news of the murderer. They had no trouble in arresting Jim, but shortly afterwards other Indians made strong protest that he should not be taken in charge, especially when the alleged crime he was charged with had occurred so long before. But he was brought to Hazelton and will be dealt with there. But of Gun-a-Noot not a word of information could be obtained. He and his wife have vanished as if the earth had swallowed them up. Provincial Constable Wilkie is now in Victoria presenting his official report to the government.

DISCUSSED THE CAR SERVICE

SUBJECT GONE INTO BY BOARD OF TRADE Mayor Goward Presented His Side—Other Subjects Brought Before Meeting. (From Friday's Daily.) At yesterday's meeting of the board of trade several questions affecting the city were discussed at some length. The subject of the tram car service was brought forward having been referred to the meeting from the council which met a few days ago. President Pauline stated that the complaints urged were that the cars were not adequate to the demand especially on the Outer Wharf and Spring Ridge lines and that the cars were not kept sufficiently clean. Simon Leiser urged a complaint against the Spring Ridge and Outer Wharf cars being too small to accommodate the people. He thought Vancouver and New Westminster were better dealt with. On the Esquimalt run where larger cars with two compartments were used no doors separated the smoker from the other part of the car. Beaumont Boggs thought the subject of a straight five cent fare to Esquimalt should be considered. It was true that the fare could be obtained by buying at certain places yet the ordinary purchaser of tickets on the car has to pay a higher price. A. T. Goward, after criticisms had been delivered on the system, replied. He thought the complaints were exaggerated. The cars were not perfect but the company was doing its best to serve the public well. With respect to the cars being dirty he said that every precaution was taken to keep them clean but in dirty weather this was a heavy task. The place to complain about dirty cars was the office. Touching on the Esquimalt fare Mr. Goward referred to the fact that tickets at the rate of 5 cents each were obtainable now near where the car stopped in the city. The company regarded this line not as a city line but as an interurban one and accordingly had charged higher rates. The fare, he thought, within the city were very low when compared with other cities. With respect to the overcrowding Mr. Goward stated that the average number of passengers carried on a trip was 12 on the Douglas street run, 11 on the Esquimalt and 10 on the Beacon Hill. It was always a difficult question to deal with overcrowding at certain hours. Owing to the general discussion which followed, Mr. Goward was asked if it would not be possible to put a straight five cent fare into effect on the Esquimalt run. He said he could not do that. He had given what he considered an easy way of obtaining a five cent rate by selling tickets in the centre of the city. If they did not work satisfactorily the tickets would be offered for sale on the cars. On the point of there being insufficient cars at the time the San Francisco steamer arrived, Mr. King said that the well-known cat of nursery rhyme fame has been imparted to the New Westminster wielders of the law and brass, is a question that is being taken up by the Royal City citizen who was held up by a burly guardian of the king's peace. The lady was going home shortly after seven o'clock, bearing in her hand a pail of milk, when the animated arm of the law, stepping out from a shadow, asked her what she was carrying. Had she put the query in the words of the old rhyme, "Where are you going, my pretty maid?" he might have received the equally ancient answer much to the point, "None of your business, sir." However, perhaps from ignorance or scorn of the time-honored manner of addressing a lady engaged in the peaceful operation of conducting a quart or so of moonshine to her doorstep, he assumed another form of speech, to wit: "Excuse me, ma'am, but what have you got in that pail?" Now, the question was hardly a necessary one for two reasons, the first being that there was no cover on the pail to obstruct an unobtrusive investigation of the contents of the said vessel, secondly, because it was the lady's opinion that it was none of his business of the wearer of the blue whether she was hiding in the farthest recesses of the humble one-quart lard can, or in the most conspicuous of the Empire, a more satisfactory immigration treaty with Japan—or perhaps enough milk to moisten the porridge and dilute the coffee for the family breakfast. At any rate, she considered it hard enough to have to brave the terrors of the night and the possible encounter with some of the thugs who were prowling about the streets of this vicinity without having to make lengthy explanations of her private business to one of the public servants her husband's taxes help to feed and clothe.

BEAUTIFYING OF THE CITY

PARK BOARD MET YESTERDAY AFTERNOON The Subject of Boulevarding for the Season Discussed Last Night. (From Monday's Daily.) The parks board met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the city hall committee room. The members present were John Arbuthnot (chairman); F. E. Pemberton, G. H. Wilkerson, J. Nelson and Alderman Cameron. Mayor Hall was engaged at a meeting of the police commissioners. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and approved of the clerk read the report of the boulevard superintendent for the month of February. It was as follows: "Mr. Chairman and Members,—I here submit my report for the past month. Since the last meeting there has not been as much work done as I would have liked, but a by-law has been passed for maintenance of the boulevards already constructed. Humboldt street has been levelled and filled in with loam and trees planted, and the old ones pruned. 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Westminster, March 16.—The Gagnon at Harrison Hot Springs was totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning, and a number of guests had to jump from second windows to save their lives.

Wheels of Anarchy

The Story of an Assassin; as Recited from the Papers and Personal Narrative of his Secretary, Mr. Bruce Ingersoll

By MAX PEMBERTON

CHAPTER I. Bruce Ingersoll Begins His Story. I am asked to write the story of the strange events which have happened to me during the last twelve months, and to write it without reserve.

Let it be said that I have written but little before. The great smash-up necessary to unravel the threads of this amazing mystery, and to lay them side by side upon my manuscript where all could count them, is not mine. I have taken any place in the public interest in this recital would begin or where it should rightly be ended. For my own part, I can remember nothing which has any place in the story at all prior to the "Fellows' garden party at Trinity College, Cambridge, in the month of June last year.

"Not a word of it." "I told her that fortune had never dealt so kindly with me." "And you don't believe in palmistry, I suppose?" "Not a word of it."

"Which might be obvious, or might be not. I'll grant you the difference." "You are of artistic tendencies, and I've written or painted things." "The pictures in the room when I was a small boy. The writing's better. Perhaps you saw my name in the Fortnightly?"

"You are going to meet a stranger," she exclaimed presently; "whether he is a good or a bad fellow, I cannot tell you. I see that you will be married—after many troubles and a great conflict between the head and the heart. Your life line is good, and I believe your life will be a happy one. Beware of the man who is coming into your life. That is all I can say, Mr. Ingersoll."

"You had better be careful," she said, "for I have seen you in the papers. You are a man of great ability, and I hope that you will be successful in your work. I have seen you in the papers, and I have seen you in the papers."

"Well," I asked her, "a perfect little beast of a cat," she rejoined, "in a breath. She told me I was going to be an old maid."

"Oh, come," cried I, "these things always go by contraries. What can you expect for a creature whose hands are booming to-day, you know; they're almost as dear as Kaffirs."

"Well," said I, "those who are born to be hanged will never die by drowning."

Westminster, March 14.—The market was largely attended yesterday, and the amount of produce sold was greater than usual. The only one in price was for eggs, which sold at 25c a dozen.

grec. I had my two scholarships, it is true; but my debts grew apace, and when this fatal May term came, I knew no more than the dead how I should discharge them.

Needless to say, I must find some employment, and find it swiftly. It had been my father's wish in the days of his prosperity that I should qualify myself for a house-mastership in one of our big public schools, where his influence was considerable.

"Well," said I—"for now it was necessary to solve my own retreating income," I said, "I suppose, and there's an end of it. If I want any more of the 'vac,' Mr. Fullerton, I will write to you for patterns. And, of course, I did not expect you to be so light, but I think he will see you. Please to come into his room."

"I interrupted me to say that the making of my clothes was the supreme satisfaction of his life, and that he had some patterns in fancy flanneling which would knock down an emperor."

"I would have been about three o'clock when I returned to my rooms, and told the porter to get me a cab. I had made up my mind to go to London by the noon train, and there to seek out Mr. Cavanagh immediately. By a personal interview alone could I arrive at a decision and determine whether I would accept or reject his offer. Far from being overwhelmed by his eccentric generosity, it alarmed me, as I say, and even awakened some vague suspicion.

"I should think this man so befriended me, and how had I, a mere undergraduate, become so necessary to him that he was willing not only to take me into his service, without question, but to pay my expenses?"

"I had seen pictures in the illustrated papers of his deer forest and of his yacht. When his father, the politician and financier of Quebec, had been killed by the fanatics at Baku some ten months ago, the event was treated in the newspapers as a world's tragedy. And this man, asked me to be his secretary; was ready to take me without an interview, and did not stop to bargain about my salary, or to ask me any kind of question whatsoever."

"I had been less famous, or his reputation otherwise, the very circumstance would have put me on my guard against him. But he would soon have questioned the solidity of the Bank of England, and I had no more hesitation in going to him than to my tutor's rooms across the court."

"This, then, was the state of affairs upon that morning of my last day in Cambridge. Aunt Mary and little Una had already returned to St. Peter's, where they had a cottage. I had made up my mind to go to the vicarage, and duly been numbered amongst the doctism. It remained to bestow my old gown and a handsome pair of boots, to say good-bye to my furniture, and to make arrangements for my departure."

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dicade. None the less, I thought him an ugly-looking customer, and that impression was not easily effaced. I have you come to see Mr. Cavanagh by appointment?" he asked me. I admitted that I had not.

"I will take your card to Monsieur Edward," he continued, "but I doubt if you can get any master."

"I will go and tell Mr. Cavanagh," he continued; "he is occupied just at present, but I will let him know that you are here, sir."

"I thought him to be some king's messenger of the old days riding wildly to the north, and leaving the tocsin ringing in every hamlet I passed through. Surely I was being carried into a new world, among strangers who had my fortune in their keeping. Even the lights of Cambridge recalled me to my other senses with difficulty. I had surrendered wholly to the spell of the night, and was like a man waked out of sleep when Mr. Cavanagh suddenly spoke to me."

"Do you know the road to Huntingdon?" he asked me. "A famous road," said I, "and very few people upon it."

"I made some trifling answer to this, and pressed him to tell me about the house to which we are going."

"Of course, you are not often here," I said. "You travel so much."

"He leaned back upon the cushions and pressed me to tell me about the house to which we are going."

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as a sea breeze. I remember that we left the hotel just before seven o'clock, and that it was half-past seven when we passed through Barnet. From this place, as everyone knows, the open country is no longer blotted by villadom. Woods begin to bow the grand old road. You soon arrive at Hatfield Park, and catch a glimpse of the great house through the famous broze gates. And so away to Welwyn, over Digswell Hill, and by such pleasant woodland scenery as you will find nowhere else but in this garden England of ours."

"I say that Mr. Cavanagh lay back upon the cushions and shut his eyes as though he were asleep. This was an example I had no desire to imitate. To me the experience was both exhilarating and delightful. I had eyes for every turn of that famous road. I could people the woods, and recall the figures of a hundred years ago; remember the very names of the coaches that had come galloping into London upon the famous highway; rob the inns; and spy the lurking figures of the highwaymen. The music of the splendid engine became for me but a summer breeze. An ever changing panorama unfolded itself before me; towns and villages, woods and meadows, hills and valleys. As the darkness came down, and the lights from the windows of the cottages, I could imagine myself to be some king's messenger of the old days riding wildly to the north, and leaving the tocsin ringing in every hamlet I passed through. Surely I was being carried into a new world, among strangers who had my fortune in their keeping. Even the lights of Cambridge recalled me to my other senses with difficulty. I had surrendered wholly to the spell of the night, and was like a man waked out of sleep when Mr. Cavanagh suddenly spoke to me."

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(From Saturday's Daily.) Mr. H. Nishahra, who is one of the most scientific authorities which the country of Japan possesses, is staying at the Empress hotel. He is a visitor which is so characteristic of the Japanese nation. Mr. Nishahra was not at all anxious to say anything to the newspaper at all.

"As you probably know," said Mr. Nishahra, "the country of Japan has been subject to earthquakes since the beginning of history. There has never been any serious earthquake such as that which occurred at San Francisco, but earthquakes are so frequent in Japan that they have become a matter of everyday life."

Whitney, March 13.—P. F. Wilkins, manager of an electric light plant, who attended this week's meeting of the hospital. He was despondent over the death of his brother. He had no financial difficulties.

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WANTED—To purchase, a modern house, close to eight or ten streets, at low price and terms. Times Box No. 24.

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