

FACTION FEUDS IN LIBERAL PARTY

ROSEBERRY'S SECESSION PROOF OF DISUNION

Government's Diplomacy in the Far East—Preparations for the Coronation—London Gossip.

New York, Feb. 23.—The London correspondent of the New York Tribune, Mr. I. N. Ford, cables as follows: "The English press is still talking about Lord Rosebery's secession as a fresh proof of Liberal disunion. The divisions of that party are of long standing and must always exist when it represents the more progressive elements of the general electorate. Only the commanding force of Gladstone's character imparted unity and direction to the party during the greater part of his career, even then there were enough to prevent the opening of the days of cleavage. On the Home Rule question, the Liberal party remained divided as it has been since Gladstone's death and the formation of the Liberal Imperialist group, including Lord Rosebery, Mr. Asquith, Mr. Grey and Mr. Fowler, is neither new nor startling. What is remarkable is the deliberate attempt of Lord Rosebery to prove that, like Gladstone, he is a necessary link with whom the Liberal cannot permanently re-united. Temporarily he has failed to accomplish anything, and the want of success is due mainly to the

Lack of Constructive Ability and administrative originality. He has taken away from the Liberal principles at one sweep, and has not set up anything to replace them. A new democratic party must be formed. Till this is done Lord Rosebery cannot reunite the party.

"The effect of Lord Rosebery's separation is likely to be disastrous. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's leadership of the old Radicals has tempted some to repudiate Lord Rosebery's over-zealous opposition. He is momentarily left in supreme control of the fortunes of the Liberal party.

"No practical politician thinks that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman can re-unite the party on the basis of pro-Boer sympathies and Irish Home Rule or in an emergency, form an alternative government organization. The Rosebery group may convince the Liberals that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman is

An Impossible Leader,

even if it does not demonstrate that Lord Rosebery is a necessary leader. In this way ultimate reunion may be promoted by the temporary secession of Lord Rosebery. He apparently knows his own mind and is bent upon leading a reorganized party after proving that nobody else can do it. Under the present government he derived from the political anxiety by the reversal of opposition to faction feuds. In South Africa it continues to play weirdly, if more hopefully. The successful ambuscades, like that of the Second Dragoons, light up the ardor of the burghers, but there is a gradual wearing down of the resources of resistance on each side of the wall. To-day's news contains an account of the British exploit at Nardgadach, with which involves a triumph in military reform; the government remains incorrigible and incompetent.

The ministerial scandals continue, even among the best disciplined circles. The parliamentary reform procedure is making slow progress and promises no larger results than the fifty of the members dinner hour, legislative sanction for the week-end adjournment to country houses and the curtailment of opportunities for self-government by the postponement of the question hour when the galleries are empty. These are

Not Matters of High Politics.

The government will not trouble itself to give over the education question until after Easter and it is without a shadow of a doubt that the next government will be the sequel to evictions of Lord Dufferin's estate. The situation in Ireland is particularly serious because it is the direct result of a government scheme for buying out the landlords and winding up the agrarian discontent. The settlement of the Dillon estate by purchase has unsettled the Duffeyne estate and other provincial lords of Ireland, who are now in a state of alarm. The ministers take everything easily, even the menace of the revival of the agrarian agitation in Ireland on a large scale. They are stale but indispensable with no possible successors among the faction, rent mob in the Liberal Donnybrook fair."

"The government has regained prestige abroad by stronger and more consistent diplomacy. This is evident from the change of tone of the foreign offices, while the noble Lord Lansdowne was a great statesman, taking the lead in diplomacy in the Far East, and having the moral support of the United States and Germany, Secretary Hay's Manchester note has induced the Spectator to lament that Lord Lansdowne had not joined him in joint representations instead of plunging into

An Alliance With Japan.

It is difficult for even the most trustworthy friends of America and England to be convinced that no European power can ever have anything more than the moral support of the United States, and that a formal alliance is out of the question.

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the details of the loss of life and the extent of the disturbance have been grossly exaggerated. There is no direct evidence that the anarchists have instigated the riots and the rumors that the Carlist rebellion in Spain is the opportunity of a general outbreak are sensational. The resignation of the Italian cabinet is a small trifly quickly ended.

"The cost of the coronation, as represented in the civil service, estimated, is £1,000,000. This may include the expenses of the two processions and the alterations in the abbey, but obviously does not cover the

Entertainment of the Guests

by the Crown and the special embassies of colonists and various others. The street decorations will be managed by a committee of property owners, the borough council having shown little energy in making arrangements of a comprehensive scope. Club-land has also been given the freedom of the decorative scheme of St. James street.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's presence becomes especially important, since the Australian premiers are begging off on one pretext or another. Sir Wilfrid and Mr. Barton will be the chief colonial representatives, and will have the places of honor in the Abbey, and probably at both processions. Lord Stratford will occupy a seat among the peers. The other colonials are to be seated in the open market is small and the chances are firm. New Rhodesia companies are forming, and there is a

Renewal of Activity

all along the line. The speculative movement cannot be attributed to the war news, although it is improving with practical evidence that the burghers are now employed as scouts in the British service, and are entrapping their fellow Boers easily. The real secret of the Kafir boom is because the British government intends to remove the disabilities from the mining industry and convert it into a source of wealth, which will attract immigration on a large scale.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's proposal to impose a heavy tax on the output of gold is one of the Transvaal's greatest difficulties. The report is therefore insufficient. The report is therefore unanimous.

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THE VACANCY IN SUPREME COURT

NEW CHIEF JUSTICE NOT YET APPOINTED

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PRINCE HENRY'S WELCOME TO STATES

KAISER'S BROTHER HAS REACHED NEW YORK

Arrangements for Reception Passed Off
Successfully—Meeting of Prince
and Admiral Evans.

on this splendid day. The Emperor directed me to convey his compliments to you, admiral, and I do so with very great pleasure."

Admiral Evans expressed gratification at the thoughtfulness of the Emperor.

He presented the members of his staff

and the Prince gave each a hearty handshake.

The newspaper correspondents who are

accompanying the Prince on his tour through the country also were introduced by the admiral.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The House has met and the measure of the government and opposition forces has been taken. If Mr. Dunsuir could maintain the equilibrium as it was manifested yesterday, it would still remain true that his government is defeated. There are still enough members to the right of Mr. Speaker who refuse to worship the Mammon of political unrighteousness as represented by Mr. Dunsuir and to the left who will not bow the knee to the Baal of political expediency and opportunism, as represented by Mr. Martin, to turn out the present government when the electors who are now denied representation are given an opportunity to make their voices heard.

The Premier has publicly announced that the Victoria seat will be filled as soon as possible. Why not immediately? The excuse given yesterday was that Mr. Helmcken was the cause of the delay. That excuse can serve no longer, because Mr. Helmcken's position is now perfectly well known. It is now usual for Ministers to get up in their places in Parliament and make statements such as that the Premier made yesterday; but then neither is it usual for a man like Mr. Dunsuir to be at the head of a government.

We hope the Lieutenant-Governor will now see that it is his duty to insist upon the government meeting a full House. The Premier has admitted that there are now no obstacles in the way of his performing his duty to the country. But he will not do his duty unless some power steps in and insists. He sees a chance of tiding over the session if he is permitted to order the affairs of the people as he would conduct one of his private concerns, and the important point in his estimation is to hang on to power for a few months. It has always been understood to be the duty of the Lieutenant-Governor to insist upon his advisers having the confidence of a House capable of effectively executing the will of the people. The present government has not a working majority. That was demonstrated yesterday. It might obtain such a majority—it would have no difficulty in obtaining such a majority—if it truly represented public sentiment. The fact that it is afraid to open a single constituency even to a member carrying the prestige of a cabinet position is all the proof that is necessary to convict it of usurpation. The Governor should therefore insist upon the administration either furnishing him proofs of the validity of its title to power or resigning. A government cannot carry out any programme that will be of benefit to the province with defeat constantly staring it in the face.

What of the source from which the government derives its support, as revealed in the House yesterday? It could not live for a day without the assistance of the few members who once called themselves the opposition and still appear inclined to occupy the place where the opposition should be. Mr. Martin and his followers should shift to the other side of the House and mingle themselves with the men whom they have expressed their determination to keep in power until they consider the time opportune to turn them out. It cannot be denied, therefore, that the sword is suspended above the heads of the Ministers by a single hair, and that even a very slight disturbance of the political atmosphere may precipitate confusion. We maintain that is not a desirable state of affairs. It is an exceedingly bad state of affairs for the province in very sense. Political stability is essential to material progress and prosperity. We believe the welfare of the province should not be placed in a second position as compared with the political or social ambitions of any one man or any set of men. The government should not be allowed to remain in power unless it can prove its claim to a majority over all possible combinations that may be brought against it.

Mr. Martin's party has openly allied itself with the government, and when the crash comes, which cannot long be delayed, it will go down with it. The leader has been given credit for a good deal of political astuteness, but this time he appears to have made a serious mistake. He cannot be called upon to form a government, and if he ever appeals to the country at all it will be as leader of a very small minority of the Liberal party. No doubt an attempt will be made to explain away the situation, but no one who saw the enthusiasm of Mr. Martin and Mr. Elberts over the temporary shelving of the resolution calling upon the government to accord Victoria the representation to which she is entitled without delay could have any doubts as to the fusion of the temporarily allied forces. Mr. Martin still had a few Liberal friends left in Victoria until yesterday. Those who endorse his present position must be deeply under the spell of a peculiar influence. We cannot believe that men of the sturdy, clear-visioned type of Oliver and Kidd can long remain in open alliance with the more pronounced of the Martines.

The government is to hold another conference with "Ottawa," at least so it says. But then it also says it will bring on the Victoria election as soon as possible, which means as soon as expedient. The Premier is strong in conferences and on letters to the people. It is easier

to appeal to the electorate through the medium of an organ than to give them a chance to say something through the medium of the ballot box. But then the Premier's conferences and letters never produce any results, which, of course, is the fault of the people and of the Ottawa government. Then there were conferences with Mr. Helmcken and with Mr. Drury, and with goodness knows who else, and the portfolios and the seats are still vacant. But no one will say that these failures can be fairly ascribed to the Premier. There was also a conference with Mr. Mann, with negotiations still going on, and they go on indefinitely without bringing forth anything tangible. All that can be said is that Mr. Dunsuir has done his best. If there have been no fruits it is the fault of an old Ottawa government, of obstinate men so blinded to their own interests as to refuse cabinet positions, etc. Now an ordinary man who makes repeated failures in the field has chosen for the exercise of his proposed talents might be inclined to indulge in introspection with the object of discovering the cause of such failures. But, as we have already said, the Premier is not an ordinary man. He knows that his only desire is to govern the country and make the people happy and prosperous. The trouble is that the pesky creatures cannot see the Premier in his true relationship to his post. They actually want him to resign, and of course he cannot be made to understand that. In any case, he has not been in the habit of giving way to anyone, and has become too "soft" in his ways to begin now. When he is driven out he will not understand how such things can be, and it may be necessary for the sergeant-at-arms to lead him to the other side of the House.

FRIDAY NIGHT'S MEETING.

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The Royal Commission on immigration handed in its report to the Secretary of State at Ottawa yesterday. There appears to be a well founded impression abroad that a tax of \$500 per head on Chinese, to be imposed at once, is recommended by two of the Commissioners, but minority report on this point will also be presented by the third commissioner, who will recommend something less than a tax of \$500, say \$300, for one year, in the meantime negotiations to be opened with the Chinese government for a treaty of prohibition, failing which the tax of \$500 to be at once imposed.

This is, it is said, the only matter in which there is any difference of opinion between the members of the commission, all being in full accord on the main question.

There will naturally be some differences of opinion as to wisdom of the course recommended. It will no doubt be argued on behalf of the milder course that the usages of diplomacy demand it, that equally stringent legislation is required in the case of the Japanese, and the senior member for this city we believe nine-tenths of the people will accept the statement of the latter. Besides, all the corroborative circumstances confirm the position of Mr. Helmcken.

He was not the only gentleman appealed to enter the cabinet and save the government. There were many others. And they were besieged not once, but many times, to step into the breach and help to repel the assaults of the enemy upon the position of the man who was bound to save the province from its enemies if it should be necessary to break the constitution into fragments and ruin the government machine himself in order to do it. Why is not some of the blame placed upon the shoulders of these ungrateful men? Talk about a man trying to sit on two stools and coming down with a crash in the midst thereof. The Premier has been trying to ride horses of all colors, Conservative, Liberal, Independent, or any old composite hobby that could be made up. Now he finds himself dragging at the heels of the untamed Martin steed, and when the proper time comes, if he survives the blow the electors of Victoria are preparing to deliver, he will be kicked into the abyss of political oblivion as soon as that gentleman of uncertain mood gives the word.

The Lieutenant-Governor was subjected to some criticism last night on account of his failure to insist upon the requirements of the constitution being carried out by his advisers. The fact should not be lost sight of, however, that with the political elements in such a chaotic state it must have been a matter of extreme difficulty for His Honor to see a way out of the difficulties with which he had been surrounded by his government. No doubt he drew attention to the lapses, to be met with threats of resignation in case he insisted upon the legal number of Ministers being called into the councils of the Premier. The Lieutenant-Governor probably did not feel justified in precipitating another election, while certainly there was no leader in the various elements composing the opposition which he desired to mention. An American

gentleman has been on the coast buying up as many properties as possible. These no doubt would be eventually worked by hundreds of Chinamen, and become feeders for American smelters. It would be a mistake, he thought, to allow the wholesale exportation of iron ore even if the mines were closed up for a year or so longer. Mr. Croft pointed out that the loss in duty would be compensated by a bonus from the Dominion government. Furthermore, there were ten miners to be reckoned on instead of six, as Mr. Neill stated.

FAVORABLE ROUTE FOR A RAILROAD

THE BOARD OF TRADE DISCUSS ISLAND LINE

Easy Grade Obtainable via Cowichan Lake—Capt. Troup Speaks on Improved C.P.N. Service.

The monthly quarterly meeting of the Victoria Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon, when 4 among other subjects brought up for consideration were the development of Vancouver Island, and, with special reference to Mount Sicker and Alberni; fish traps; the congress of chambers of commerce of the Empire, to be held in London, and the meeting of the Dominion Board of Trade, Ottawa, in March.

Among those present were: Messrs. C. F. Todd, Col. Prior, Henry Croft, Jacob Schi, Hinton, Thompson, Simon Leiser, D. B. Ker, T. W. Paterson, S. J. Pitts, Shaleross, Ald. A. G. McCandless, A. T. Goward, W. S. Fraser, sr., S. Jones, W. H. Bone, C. H. Lugrin, Mess. B. S. Heister, Ald. H. M. Grahame, A. G. Kirk, Capt. Clarke, Capt. J. W. Troup, James Mitchell and B. R. Seale.

A. W. Neill, M. P. P., of Alberni, and E. J. Palmer, of the Chemainus mills, were present by invitation.

C. F. Todd occupied the chair. Before the regular business procedure Secretary Elworthy read a letter from Dr. Watt, superintendent of the William Head quarantining station, stating that in view of certain persons present at the meeting arising out of previous meetings, and out of the published letter of Mr. Ward, he suggested that a committee be arranged to visit the station. The secretary stated that the visit was arranged for a week from today.

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CLOSE DIVISION IN LEGISLATURE

THE GOVERNMENT HAD A MAJORITY OF TWO

Mr. Helmcken Takes Steps to Have Victoria Seat Opened and Pre- mier Makes a Charge.

The government emerged safely from its first division yesterday afternoon, although with such a narrow majority as to cause them serious misgivings should the sense of the House be challenged on a straight issue. A motion to adjourn a debate is never a satisfactory test of the relative strength of the parties in a House, for the reason that those who wish to avoid an issue with the powers that be can usually find an excuse for voting that a debate be adjourned. The division of yesterday was on Mr. Houston's motion, that the debate be adjourned on a motion made by Mr. Helmcken to seat at another issue for an election in Victoria to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Turner's appointment as agent-general. Mr. Houston's motion was carried on the following division:

Ayes—Messrs. Houston, Ellison, Prentiss, Dunsmuir, Clifford, Wells, Kidd, Hunter, Dickie, Monuce, Rogers, McPherson, Tait, McLean, Martin, Hall, and Mr. Smith.

Nay—Messrs. Taylor, Murphy, Gandy, Fulton, Munro, Helmcken, McPherson, Hayward, Curtis, E. C. Smith, Gifford, McBride, Hawthorne, Neill and Green—16.

John Oliver did not vote.

The other features of the opening session were the introduction of member-elect Gifford, who took his seat amid great applause, and the charge of the Premier that he called a writ for Victoria, believing that Mr. Helmcken would accept a portfolio, and that he thus wished to avoid two elections. Mr. Helmcken indignantly denied that he ever gave the Premier ground for believing that he would enter his cabinet.

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Local News.
GLEANINGS OF CITY AND
PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A
CONDENSED FORM.

(From Friday's Daily.)

A runaway horse collided with Charles Brock, night waiter at Levy's restaurant, as he was riding a bicycle along Government street yesterday, the rider being thrown from a wheel and sustaining a broken rib.

Work will commence shortly on the construction of the new wharf at Osborne Bay for Henry Croft, and a large force of men will be employed. Mr. Croft expects that it will be completed in about forty days from the commencement of the operations. The wharf will carry a ferry slip of sufficient capacity to land three ferry cars simultaneously. The contract is in the hands of J. Cartwheel.

D. B. Bogle, one of the well known newspaper men of the province, has been appointed editor of the Colonist, and undertook his new duties last night. Mr. Bogle was editor of the Minor news, and has been connected with several others of the provincial newspapers. He has been a voluminous writer on financial, mining and political subjects, and yields a graceful and vigorous pen. Mr. Bogle has been a resident of the Capital for some time. His many friends congratulate him on his elevation to the wider sphere in which his journalistic talents will now be exercised.

J. Brown, of this city, has invented a neat stenciling apparatus which is on view in the office of A. M. Jones. The machine should prove exceedingly convenient to those using cards or similar forms of advertising. The machine consists of a platform to hold the paper on which the lettering is to be done and a movable cross-piece travelling in a slot-groove. The cross-piece carries two pairs of sharp blades of thin metal, carrying on their ends the letters of the alphabet. By sliding the arm from right to left, the types, which are movable, are marked, and a pointer shows just where each letter has to be printed.

The following extract is taken from the Daily Standard, a paper published in Buenos Ayres, Argentina. Read a copy of it, and you will receive by Her Majestys Post of Bell & Co. "Here writes a correspondent, is a curious coincidence which may interest your readers. At the time of the Royal visit to Victoria, British Columbia, there were four families living in Quebec street, Victoria, named respectively George, Cornwall, York and Sweet, and the eldest, Miss George, had the Christian name of May. This seems too apt to be true, but I have it from my brother, who is a resident of Victoria and knows the people intimately."

(From Saturday's Daily.) C. J. South, of Vancouver, has been appointed representative in British Columbia for the Royal Humane Society of Great Britain.

Rev. Dr. Campbell last evening at the manse united in marriage John D. Bargman and Jane R. Garrison, of Santa Rosa, California.

At the manse yesterday afternoon Rev. Dr. Campbell assisted by Rev. E. G. Taylor, celebrated the marriage of Wong Wa and Miss Loo Gee.

Lieut. A. W. Currie has obtained a first-class, special course, grade A certificate of military qualification. His percentages were: Written subjects, 80; practical, 91; average, 85.

The provincial police have received definite information that the body found on December 31st, near Alert Bay, was that of Mark Corcoran, who was drowned in Johnson's straits on November 18th last.

It is understood that the Lenora & Mt. Sicker Railway Company will commence the construction of their trestle across the E. & N. line at Sicker siding in the near future, now that permission has been granted by the railway committee of the Privy Council.

There was a three attendance of friends at the funeral of the late Edith Conlin, which took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of N. Bassett. Services were conducted by Rev. E. G. Miller. The pallbearers were: L. Reda, R. Purser, F. Blake, L. Bassett, C. Guno and J. Bassett.

Some Victoria marine engineers are planning a diving apparatus which promises much in the way of solving submarine work. The apparatus will be self-regulating, having a propeller to guide it through the water, and a complete electrical appliance. As the apparatus is still incomplete it would be premature to give a full description.

William Munro, eldest son of Mrs. A. Munro, the late Capt. Munro, died yesterday. The deceased, who was 29 years of age, was born at sea on the ship Rothesay. For the past six years he resided in the Nicola Valley. He leaves his mother, one brother, J. H. Munro, who left for Unineca a few days ago, and two sisters, Miss S. Munro, of this city, and Mrs. J. Wilson Smith, of Alnwick, B. C.

In a short time telephonic communication may be had with Crofton. The Mount Sicker Company are extending their private line from Westholme to Crofton, thus giving direct communication between the mines and the smelter town. The Victoria & Esquimalt Company will open an office at Westholme, where communication can be had with the Mount Sicker line. The work of building the line from Westholme to Crofton, a distance of 5½ miles, has already begun, and should be completed next week.

The enterprising firm of Messrs. Taylor & Haggart, Yates street, are manufacturing enamelled and brass bedsteads equal in quality and character in price to Eastern makers, and should

be encouraged throughout the province. The most of the machinery has been manufactured on the premises, and Mr. Taylor holds a number of patents, one of the best inventions being in the moulding room, where twelve chilled castings can be turned out at once. If this concern is encouraged they intend to increase their plant, and will give employment to a large number of hands.

J. E. Church, grand master workmen, A. O. U. W., states that the dispatch dated Toronto, February 17th, that the grand lodge, A. O. U. W. of Ontario, would increase the rates of assessments 25 per cent, has no connection with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, as Ontario seceded from the order in 1896, and set up business for themselves, but cling to the name that has been so long used by thousands of homes for 20 years. Whatever the order does or any laws they may see fit to enact, can only affect the province of Ontario. The remainder of Canada and the United States all work under one law.

Lieut. Hardy, the first Lieutenant of H. M. S. Egeria, has been appointed to the command of H. M. S. Waterwitch, engaged in the survey service on the China station, and will leave by the next outgoing Empress liner to join her. Another officer, well known to Victoria, Captain E. C. Egeria during her last commission, Lieut. C. S. Simonson, is the navigating officer of H. M. S. Waterwitch, and was recently promoted to Hongkong to Miss Baynes Reed, of this city. Among the new year promotions was that of Lieut. H. B. T. Somerville to commander. Commander Somerville was the first lieutenant of H. M. S. Egeria last commission, January 14th, 1897, to February 25th, 1900.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The funeral of the late John Sullivan took place on Saturday afternoon from the Victoria Undertaking Parlors, and later from the R. C. Cathedral. Services at the cathedral were conducted by Rev. Father Althoff, and at the cemetery by Rev. Father Latemer.

Mathew Gibson, of Comox, died at the Jubilee hospital on Saturday. His remains will be shipped from Hanan's undertaking parlors to his home by tomorrow's steamer. The deceased was 30 years of age, and leaves a widow and several small children.

A stick of cordwood across the feet of a railway track, some distance out of town on Saturday, caused the engineer to bring the train to a standstill in time to avert disaster. If placed deliberately, there is room in the penitentiary for somebody.

To writing the New York Engineering and Mining Journal Herbert Carmichael, government essayist, says: "I see that the finding of platinum in rock has been noted for the first time by the engineer in the mining journal as occurring in Wyoming. I am informed that in rock in British Columbia in the year 1895, and mentioned the fact in the report of the minister of mines for that year. The metal occurred as fine wire-like filaments in a fine grained dark basaltic rock."

The medical health officer, Dr. H. M. Robertson, and Sanitary Inspector for James Wilson, made their regular quarterly trial to the Dairy and Lazarus estate yesterday afternoon. They were accompanied by Aids. Grahame and Worthington, Dr. Garesche, a press representative, and others, the party leaving on the Sadie at 9:30 o'clock. They found little change in the condition of the properties, therefore, the young ladies recently taken charge being most energetic of the lot. The chairman of Kamloops did not put in an appearance until the party were about to leave. After landing the usual quarterly provisions, they left for the city, arriving shortly before three o'clock.

The annual meeting of the Dairyman's and Live Stock Association will be held at the office of the department of Agriculture on Wednesday and Thursday the 20th and 21st. The program is as follows: Wednesday, 20th instant, 2 p. m., address of welcome by His Worship the Mayor; reading of the minutes; president's address; financial statement; account of auction sales; business of past year; evening session 8 p. m.; secretary's report; discussion.

Then Mr. Martin made use of the term that it was a "low, blackguardly trick."

It is a blackguardly, low, dirty thing to point out me of my seat," he repeated. "With all respect, I do not think it is right." "Yes I do," said Mr. Curtis, springing to his feet. "You have stated you are no longer leader of the opposition in a newspaper interview, and therefore you should go over to the government side, where you belong." The galleries broke out into loud cheers.

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TWO LARGE FURNACES— A MATTE CONVERTER

Description of Plant Being Erected at Crofton to Treat Mount Sicker and Other Ores.

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LIGGENCE.
During applications were made by Mr. J. J. Judd, Standard Copper Co., Butte, Montana, solicitor for security for contestants, stated that him to the effect that within the jurisdiction an affidavit to that was adjourned for this affidavit being

Approval for release over for further action.

Colonel E. C. Lee to serve short term in the U.S. Army tomorrow. He stated he had given leave on at the time when the first action was taken, but that the defendants sought another meeting of date with the object of adjournment until the 17th inst., the plaintiffs, a second adjournment, failing to meet him. He therefore served a notice of attorney restraining the on Wednesday, and, however, which was

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Ro estate of M. J. Smith, deceased—A. D. Crease applied for leave to sell land, which was granted.

RO MAGICAL LIFE SAVER is Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. After years of service and success with distressing Heart Disease, it has relieved many suffering expressions of love and obedience to the Holy Father, our Sovereign Pontiff Leo XIII. It has now been granted, on the application of A. D. Crease.

The word "meancard" is taken from a Greek derivation, which means "the blessed dead" in allusion to the ancient custom of eating at feasts for the dead.

We now conclude by assuring Your Grace that our prayers will ever be offered up

SETTLERS FROM PATAGONIA.

Capt. J. G. Cox says They Are Industrious and Would Make Good Citizens.

Capt. J. G. Cox, of E. B. Marvin & Co., thinks highly of the Welsh settlers in Patagonia, and he hopes that the efforts to secure their transportation to Canada will prove successful. The captain traded with them from Monte Video in 1871-72 and was highly impressed by their industry and energy, notwithstanding the adverse circumstances with which they had to contend.

The colony was settled in Patagonia about 1860, when there was a serious land shortage in Wales. Instead of starting an aggressive crusade at home, like their Irish neighbors, the Welshmen sent a committee abroad to select a suitable place to settle them, which did not succeed in their home. The committee chose the valley of Chubut river, in Patagonia, and about 200 souls went there. Arrangements were made with the Argentine Republic that the colonists were to be exempt from all import and export duties for a number of years, and when they grew to a colony of 20,000, they were to be admitted as citizens in the Argentine Republic with their own laws, language and customs. The republic was to give them mail and other communication with the outside world. The colony did not turn out well. The ship given the colonists by the Argentine republic sank on its first trip with all hands on board and for several years

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Victoria, B. C., February, 1902.
For and on behalf of the congregation of St. Andrew's Cathedral.

Archbishop Christie made a happy reply, in which he reciprocated the cordial feelings of St. Andrew's congregation.

At both services the musical programs were of exceptional merit, the stringed orchestra and the singing of Miss Loewen, Sig. Salvini and others who assisted the regular choir being much appreciated.

Archbishop Christie and Assistants
Blessed Bell Presented by Mrs.
Douglas—Address of Welcome.

THE NEW MINISTER.

(The Almonte Gazette.)

British Columbia is extremely fortunate in obtaining as its representative in the Dominion cabinet a man of such ability and public worth as Senator Templeman, of Victoria, B. C., who last Saturday was gazetted member of the Canadian Cabinet as Minister of Marine. Senator Templeman's promotion is but a fulfillment of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's pledge to give the fast growing province on the Pacific Slope representation at the council board in the red room at Ottawa. The wisdom of this choice cannot be questioned. No man has done more for the Liberal party in British Columbia than Mr. Templeman. We went to the Liberal party at a time when Liberalism was at a very low ebb, and when a man re-

welcome deservingly when anyone suggested that Vancouver Island was rich in mineral wealth. Henry Croft's enterprise has demonstrated, however, that Vancouver Island is a mining field well worth exploiting, and that Victoria has at her own doors a mining district which, if properly handled, will add greatly to population and the volume of business of the city.

The new smelting works are no longer the illusions of an enthusiast, is demonstrated by the fact that cool calculating and successful smelter men, like Messrs. Breen, Bellinger and Fotheringham, have selected Crofton as a smelter site, and are now engaged in the work of erecting substantial reduction works at that point. Men who do not know the meaning of the word "smelter" need not build smelters, unless they are not needed and where they won't pay, and the public can feel satisfied that neither smelter nor bessemering plant would be erected at Crofton if the mining outlook at Mount Sicker did not fully justify the same.

The new smelting works will consist at the commencement of two blast furnaces, the largest with a calculated capacity of 400 tons per day, the second having so great a capacity. The furnace room will be built large enough to accommodate, besides these two furnaces, two additional, each of 400-ton capacity.

Besides these two furnaces a modern bessemering plant is being put in.

This will be a great benefit to mine owners of Vancouver Island, and the cost of the Bessemering plant is feeding the appetite to New York will be saved to a great extent, as the output of the Crofton smelter will consist of blister copper instead of ordinary matte.

The power plant will consist of one compound condensing engine of 550 h.p., of which one side, that is the high pressure, will be erected, and at present will have a capacity of about 275 h.p.

In addition a large boiler house will be erected to supply the converters, whilst two Gonesse blowers will supply the air for the furnaces. The boiler room will contain three boilers of 200 h.p. each. The main stack is of brick 12 feet in diameter, inside measurement, and 120 feet high.

The plant will be fully supplied with electric power and lighting. The works are intended so that they can be rapidly enlarged without affecting their economic character.

It is almost certain that the capacity of the works will be increased at an early date. With the whole Pacific Coast to draw from, increasing quantities of ore will be offered for treatment at the Crofton smelter. The works are intended to treat all ores purchased by the company, also matte, from other smelters, will be sent there and converted into blister copper, thus reducing the heavy freight rates on matte to the Eastern refineries.

A contract has also been let for a wharf which will meet all demands of the large amount of shipping that is expectedly will be done with this new smelting centre. The wharf will be 750 feet in length. It rises with a 4 per cent. grade, so that to meet to this grade there is a curve in the structure for the first 300 feet. The wharf then runs on the level for the additional 450 feet. On it will be four tracks of standard gauge railway and one narrow gauge track. The wharf is constructed to receive ferry steamers, and at the outer portion ocean liners can be easily loaded.

Freight in bulk from the mainland or elsewhere can be readily landed there, and copper ingots can be as conveniently shipped to the markets of the world.

The contract has been awarded to Mr. Harrison vs. O'Brien & Morris—On an application being made for an affidavit of documents, it was ordered that both parties should make discovery of documents within five days, costs to be costs in this cause. Martin Griffin for plaintiff; H. M. Cleland for defendants.

To the Most Reverend Alexander Christie, D. D., Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Oregon:

May it please Your Grace—It is my privilege to address you in the name of the great Diocese of Oregon and welcome you to the Diocese of Grace and welcome you to the Diocese of Vancouver Island. We do so with every longing to please, for we know that you are one beloved bishop, and it is a matter of greatest pleasure to us to know that nothing but the best can be expected of the excited office of Archbishop, which has been filled with so much acceptance of Father Leo XIII, and the people of the ecclesiastical province of Oregon, the Diocese of Vancouver Island, continues to be most watchful and good.

In extending to Your Grace our sincere expression of obedience, we can assure you that we are most anxious to have your blessing upon us.

Rev. Bertrand Ord, who succeeded Your Grace, and we extend our sincerest thanks that in losing you we have in His Lordship Bishop Ord one who was most dear to us.

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PROGRESS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

GOOD ADVANCE IN EDUCATIONAL LINES

Increase in the Number of Pupils—The Minister of Education Submits His Report.

Yesterday afternoon the minister of education tabled the thirteenth annual report of the public schools of the province. The report is prefaced by the superintendent's review of the year's work, of which the following is a synopsis:

The total enrolment during the year was 23,615, an increase for the year of 2,084. Of this number 12,069 were boys and 11,546 girls, an increase of 835 and 1,097, respectively. The enrolment of the five High schools was 584, an increase of 31; at the graded schools 15,460, an increase of 1,047; and at the common schools, 7,571, an increase of 409.

The average daily attendance of all schools was 19,623; incidental expenses, \$2,067.05; average actual attendance, 15,088.28, an increase of 1,650.87. The grand total actual daily attendance made by all pupils enrolled was 2,965,929, an increase of 269,023.

The expenditure for education proper during the year was: Teachers' salaries, \$24,082.23; incidental expenses, \$20,426; for capital account of city districts, \$35,840.76; education office, \$12,121.51; Normal school, \$1,944.30; total, \$31,357.17; less fees for teachers' examination, \$1,320; net expenditure, \$31,227.17.

The expenditure for the construction of new school houses, furniture, repairs and improvements to school property for the year was \$34,369.39.

In addition to the above, the municipalities of the cities of Nanaimo, New Westminster, Vancouver and Victoria expended, in addition to the per capita grants received from the provincial government, the following sums:

Nanaimo	\$ 7,450.17
New Westminster	5,445.61
Vancouver	15,757.50
Victoria	34,708.20
Amount expended by provincial government	\$36,532.31
Grand total cost of education for the year	\$532,692.49
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By referring to the figures quoted above and comparing them with those of the year 1899-1900, it will be observed that the cost of education proper increased from \$284,900.10 to \$312,187.17, or an increase for the year of \$27,287.07. The expenditure made by the Department of Lands and Works increased from \$22,569.90 to \$38,345.14, or an increase of \$15,775.24. The total amount expended by the provincial government, therefore, shows an increase of \$43,053.31 for the year.

The average cost of each pupil in enrolment was \$13.20, and the cost of each pupil on average daily attendance, \$20.67.

The average monthly salary in the city districts for principals and teachers was \$39.26, and the average monthly salary for other school employees, \$20.66.

Following is a statistical abstract of attendance for 1900-1901:

Number of pupils enrolled during the year, 26,615; increase for the year, 2,084.

Number of boys enrolled, 12,069; increase for the year, 993.

Number of girls enrolled, 11,546; increase for the year, 1,097.

Average actual daily attendance, 15,088.28; increase for the year, 1,650.87.

Number of pupils enrolled in High schools, 584; increase for the year, 31.

Average actual daily attendance in High schools, 367.20.

Average actual daily attendance in graded schools, 10,426.71.

Average actual daily attendance in common schools, 4,282.37; number of school districts, 245; increase for the year, 14.

Five High schools, with a staff of 15 teachers, were maintained during the year, as follows:

No. of Regular Divisions.	Attend.
Nanaimo	2 32.15
Nelson	2 55.89
New Westminster	6 74.22
Vancouver	2 52.62

The superintendent notes with gratification the erection of a fine new High school in Victoria at a cost of \$40,000.

The report on the Victoria schools by the inspector is as follows:

Victoria High School—Inspected, March 15th, 1901. The distribution of time among the various subjects, the division of time, the ratio of pupils to teachers, satisfactory; pupils orderly and attentive; the progress is satisfactory.

Victoria Boys' School—Inspected, March 14th, 1901. The classification is good; order and discipline in all classes satisfactory; attention in nearly all the divisions is positive; the progress of the school as a whole is commendable.

Victoria Girls' School—Inspected, March 13th and 14th, 1901. Order and discipline are excellent; the attention in the majority of the classes is positive; the progress is satisfactory.

Victoria, Hillside Avenue—Inspected, March 8th, 1901. Order and discipline good; attention positive; progress satisfactory.

Supt. Ethel reports as follows for Victoria school:

Stratford—During the school year ending June 30th, 1901, the Victoria board of school trustees held twenty-six meetings for the transaction of business, most of which were of a routine character.

Tolson (Div. II)—Inspected, October 30th, 1900. Classification good; progress satisfactory; pupils are quiet, fairly attentive and respectful.

Ward—Inspected, August 23rd, 1900. Satisfactory work shown; school in good order; pupils quiet, attentive and respectful.

Sooke—Inspected, October 24th, 1900. Classification good; progress satisfactory; order and discipline are good; pupils are quiet and respectful.

Strawberry Vale—Inspected, August 1st, 1900. Order and discipline forward; school in good condition.

Tolmie (Div. I)—Inspected, October 30th, 1900. Classification good; progress satisfactory; pupils are quiet, fairly attentive and respectful.

Ward—Inspected, November 2nd, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; pupils are quiet, fairly attentive and respectful.

West—Inspected, November 2nd, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; pupils are quiet, fairly attentive and respectful.

Victoria, North Ward—Inspected, March 8th and 9th, 1901. Order and discipline good; progress since former visit satisfactory.

Victoria, Rock Bay—Inspected, March 8th, 1901. Progress satisfactory; order good.

Victoria, South Park—Inspected March 11th and 12th, 1901. The work of this school as a whole, is satisfactory; attention generally positive; classification excellent.

Victoria, Spring Ridge—Inspected, March 8th, 1901. Progress satisfactory; order good.

Victoria, King Street—Inspected, March 11th, 1901. This school is in good standing; progress since former visit is not very satisfactory.

Victoria, North Ward—Inspected, March 8th and 9th, 1901. Order and discipline good; progress since former visit satisfactory.

Victoria, Rock Bay—Inspected, March 8th, 1901. Progress satisfactory; order good.

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Victoria, South Park—Inspected March 11th and 12th, 1901. The work of this school as a whole, is satisfactory; attention generally positive; classification excellent.

Victoria, Spring Ridge—Inspected, March 8th, 1901. Progress satisfactory; order good.

March 12th, 1901. Order good; progress satisfactory; pupils industrious.

Victoria West—Inspected March 7th, 1901. Classification, order and discipline good; I would recommend that more explanations of the work done by the pupils be exacted from them.

Victoria East—Visitors of Victoria the following report is given:

Cadboro—Inspected, September 18th, 1900. Classification good; order good; progress generally, satisfactory.

Cedar Hill—Inspected, August 17th, 1900. Classification good; progress satisfactory; pupils quiet, attentive and respectful.

Coldwood—Inspected, October 22nd, 1900. Classification good; progress satisfactory; pupils attentive and quiet.

Cowichan—Inspected, February 5th, 1901. Classification good; progress satisfactory; order good.

Croftower—Inspected, September 19th, 1900. Progress satisfactory; order good; pupils quiet and amenable to discipline; attention positive.

Departure Bay—Inspected, September 19th, 1900. Work of the school satisfactory; order good; discipline good pupils quiet, attentive and respectful.

Duncan—Inspected, August 21st, 1900. Classification good; order good; pupils quiet, attentive and respectful; progress satisfactory.

Elk Lake—Inspected, August 14th, 1900. Pupils properly classified; school in good standing.

Eskimo—Inspected, September 19th, 1900. Progress satisfactory; the class is too large for one teacher; the pupils are amenable to discipline, quiet and respectful.

Geddes—Inspected, September 18th, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; frequent change of teachers affects the standing of this school.

Gibson—Inspected, September 14th, 1900. Classification good; progress fairly satisfactory; frequent change of teachers affects the standing of this school.

Glenelg—Inspected, September 14th, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; frequent change of teachers affects the standing of this school.

Glenora—Inspected, September 14th, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; pupils are quiet and attentive.

Goldstream—Inspected, October 25th, 1900. Classification good; progress fairly satisfactory; order and discipline good.

Gordon Head—Inspected, August 17th, 1900. Classification good; progress fair.

Lake—Inspected, August 14th, 1900. School in good standing; a marked improvement since former visit.

Lake—Visitors—Inspected, September 14th, 1900. The work of the school is satisfactory; reading in junior classes commendable.

Ganges—Inspected, November 1st, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; only; order good; pupils are quiet and attentive.

Goldsborough—Inspected, October 25th, 1900. Classification good; progress fair; pupils are quiet and attentive.

Gordon Head—Inspected, August 17th, 1900. Classification good; progress fair.

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