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Court of Inquiry Opens-The Coal Bunkers to Be Closely Investigated.

HAVANA, Feb. 22.-The court of inquiry into the Maine disaster opened at quiry into the Maine disaster opened at 10:30 and took a recess at 12:30. Lieut. G. F. W. Holman, navigator and ordnance officer of the Maine was examined at the morning session. The court met at the morning session. The court met the morning session at 1:30 c'alcel. for the afternoon session at 1:30 o'clock ders were issued for a general assemand Lieut.-Commander Wainwright, executive officer of the Maine, was called was instituted.

Mr. Turk found, unfortunately, that to the witness stand. He has been in immediate charge of the wreck since the

fore part of the ship and the others aft. Nearly all the possible salvage has now been made from the cabin. The efforts to reach the ward and mess rooms are frustrated by some unknown obstacle. It is expected to find bodies in these rooms. Two cases of ten-inch ammu-nition have been found, the one having exploded the other full of powder. These were found forward. The work of securing the bodies under the hatch has been most difficult in the dark, but it is hoped that the electric light will be of great assistance. The bodies are much muti-

assistance. The bodies are much inti-lated and some are burned.

Washington, Feb. 22.—All the gov-ernment departments were closed to-day save the navy department, where a few of the officials assembled to receive any dispatches that might arrive and to close the contract with the wreckers for the recovery of the effects from the Maine and the vessel herself, if that be practicable. The signing of the wrecking contract was the most important event of the day, and this concluded the officials closed up shop and went home to enjoy a respite from the rush of the past week.

Captain Sigsbee was heard from in a

despatch which indicates that close attention will be given to the coal bunkers by the naval court of inquiry at Havana. The officials unquestionably have been for some time preparing for any emergency that may arise, but appearances at the department covery would indicate that any necessary orders nave teen given already, and that the cituation was not one calling for immediate activity at Washington. At Norfolk the Monitor and Terror have been ordered to be in readiness, and may be sent to New York later.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—(Special)—The wife of J. Shaw, a farmer of Pierson, Assiniboia, committed suicide by forcing a darning needle into her heart. She had made two previous attempts, by poisoning and hanging, but was rescued in time.

The official assignee's statement in connection with he insolvent estate of George Craig & Co.'s departmental store shows direct liabilities of \$81,489.84, with despatch which indicates that close at-

Criticisms lately passed upon the state of the army and fortifications has caused increased activity in military matters quarters at army posts. A report was circulated that Gen. Miles, as commander of the army, had issued orders for troops at all forts to be on the alert and ready for immediate action. and ready for immediate action, but this was promptly denied by the general's the Conservative candidate for West sensational character occurred in Wash-ington, and on the whole the day was

ONTARIO NOMINATIONS.

Two Elections by Acclamation-The Candi dates in the Toronto Divisions.

TORONTO, Feb. 22 .- (Special)-Nominations throughout the province for the legislature took place to-day. In this city the nominations were: West Toronto-Dr. Spence, Lib.; Thos. Crawford, Foy, Q.C., Con.; W. B. Rogers, Lib. ceedings have been begun for the purbald, Ind., who will probably retire; and Dr. Pyne, Con. North Toronto—Dr. Dewart, formerly editor of the Methodist Christian Guardian, Lib.; and Mr. Marter, ex-leader of the opposition in the legislature, Con. Other nominations Montreal, Feb. 21.—(Special)—Probable was and lighters on the beach at high water is dangerous and occasions damage. Do not be misled by misrepose of depriving Ald. Beausoleil of his seat in the city council as representative of the East ward, on the ground of lack of proper qualification. Beausoleil is the member for Berthier in the federal parliament. legislature, Con. Other nominations throughout the province are generally as agreed by political conventions, except in Prescott and South Bruce, where Mesers. Evanturel and Truax, Liberals, were respectively elected by acclama-

Suffering Stopped. The sufferings caused by constipation, cannot be numbered. All of these troubles can be permanently cured by Laxa-Liver Pills. One Laxa-Liver Pill every night for thirty days, cures constipation and biliousness.

One dollar bottle of Griffith's Norwegian Emulsion is equal in medical value to at least two bottles of any other

NATIVES IN GUIANA.

They Have Been Swindled by Whites But

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 22.-Numerous complaints have been received recently by the government of British Guiana in regard to alleged ill-treatment by white settlers of the Indian natives resident in the back territories contiguous to the Brazilian frontier. Cases of ill-treatment, extortion and unjust bargaining were brought to the attention of the government, and in consequence the Hon. M. Turk, C.M.

Severe Injuries to Passengers and in consequence the Hon. M. Turk, C.M. G., government protector of Indians, was sent to the spot to make an official inquiry. Mr. Turk returned to Demerars on February 1 and his report has now been placed before the authorities. His first visit was to Quilita, a large Indian village near the junction of the Rupunum river with the Essequibo, then he grossed the Savannah country to

Mr. Turk found, unfortunately, that too many of the complaints were made on good grounds. The old chiefs had all died and no successors had been appointed. The absence of these leaders, who had formed a medium of communication between the British Guiana government and the Indians, had been taken advantage of by the settlers, who in many cases had been guilty of unjust and unscrupulous bargaining and open robbery. The natives, who are a peaceful and innocent people, rapidly passing away before the inrush of civilization, had been completely victimized,

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Unprofitable Departmental Store Farmer's Wife Suicides-The

provisions of the school settlement; that s, they will take what the law now allows and look for more in the future.

Algoma, and received a rousing recep-

sensational character occurred in Washington, and on the whole the day was free from rumors by comparison with its immediate predecessors for the past week or more.

ONTARIO NOMINATIONS.

The first dividend to the Commercial for the missions of the Klondike.

The first dividend to the Commercial for the missions of the Klondike. Bank of Manitoba creditors was paid to-

day.
St. Paul visiting aldermen have been dined by the Winnipeg councilors.

DOUBTFUL QUALIFICATION. Member of Parliament Must Prove Up

Retain Seat in City Council.

RAILWAY TROUBLES.

Snow Blockade Adds to the Embarrass ment Accompanying the Rate War.

MONTREAL, Feb. 22.—(Special)—Rail way traffic is demoralized by a big snow storm which has been raging almost without cessation now for three days. There was no C.P.R. train to Toronto last night and the line is still badly plocked. The Grand Trunk also is having its share of trouble, particularly on

ts Eastern division. TORONTO, Feb. 22.—The Grand Trunk

Cork on the Angry Northern Waters.

Escapes Destruction. Crew-Prospects for Raising

Driven Broadside Through a Nar-

row Channel She Miraculously

the "Corona," NANAIMO, Feb. 22.—(Special)—The Geo. W. Elder left Juneau on Monday morning, February 14, with thirty pass engers. The trip was au uneventful one until Queen Charlotte sound was

reached. Then, on Saturday morning at was encountered, and owing to the ship being without ballast she tossed in the mighty seas like a gull and soon became unmanageable in the storm, which was running at 100 miles an hour. At this time the C.P.N. Co.'s steamer Islander, with 400 passengers, was in sight making

The Elder was blown through Goletas channel, and it required the greatest ex-ertion on the part of Capt. Hinckle and Pilot Edwards to keep the craft off the rocks close at hand on both sides. A blinding snowstorm was now blowing and the passengers thought every moment she would go crashing to destruction. The vessel was drifting at the rate of four miles an hour, and at 12 noon got out to sea, when the crew endeavored to hoist sails, and succeeded, but in a few passing away before the inrush of civilization, had been completely victimized, especially over land cases, and their possessions taken away without compensation or redress.

These wrongs have now been in some degree remedied and new captains or chiefs appointed for each district, who hold commissions from the government and who will report any grievance comblained of. Mr. Turk returns with enthusiastic views as to the capabilities of these outlying territories. The land at present affords excellent pasturage and all the soils are pre-eminently suited for cultivation.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST. completely abated but a heavy snow

torm was encountered. Several casualties occurred during the Several casualties occurred during the trip, and all the passengers were more or less injured. Among the most seriously injured is Mr. E. A. Cassel, president of the Juneau board of trade and representative of the Dyea Contract Transportation Company of Seattle, who had his knee can broken by being thrown a darning needle into her heart. She had his knee can broken by being thrown against the describing the storm. Another cabin passenger named Davis, of California, had his wrist broken. The official assignee's statement in connection with the insolvent estate of George Craig & Co.'s departmental store

Elder was blown, is located between Vancouver and Galiano islands, and is not more than half a mile wide, and considering that the vessel was blown broadside through this channel, she had a marvellous escape only accomplished by extremely diffi-cult navigation. The weather-beaten steamer put into Departure Bay this morning considerably worse for her battle, and left for Portland this afterbattle, and left for Portland this afternoon. The following names of passengers were obtained: H. A. Seacome, A.
H. Betie, A. J. Busby, J. W. M. Foster,
C. C. McBride, A. M. Beckwith, C. H.
James, Mrs. A, C. Bates, Wm. and Hy.
Olson, Gus Eckere, F. R. Stokes, J. D.
Rize, Jos. Peal, E. A. Cassel.
Mr. Cassel is at the Hotel Wilson here
and will leave for the Sound in the

and will leave for the Sound in the morning. He has the following notice

Dyea for handling freight in any amount promptly and safely. The old method of landing outfits and freight by boats and lighters on the beach at

week in the northern waters.

The Elder on the 16th stopped at the scene of the wreck of the Corons, where it was learned that providing no accident occurred the ill-fated steamer would be raised by Messrs. Goodall & Co. not later than the end of February.

THE NICKEL INDUSTRY.

VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA THURSDAY FEBRUARY 24 1898

An Export Duty Would Put Millions Into

TORONTO, Feb. 21. - (Special) - The article dealing with the growth of the mining interests of British Columbia and of nickel production in Ontario, after referring to the agitation in various quarters for an export duty, says:

"The ministers are at present too
much engaged in absorbing information regarding the probable effect of an export duty on copper and nickel ore, or matte, to give out any. It would have required very little pressure from Ontario to secure the duty, and that pressure would doubtless be applied when the people of Toronto, Hamilton and other centres in which a refinery might be located understood that the refining in Canada of nickel ore would be regarding the probable effect of an exmight be located understood that the refining in Canada of nickel ore would mean work for a company capitalized at \$20,000,000 and would employ thousands of men. The nickel which was exported as matte last year, as only worth \$498,515, would if refined be worth almost

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

enator Morgan Would Celebrate It by Building in Haste the Greatest Warship Afloat.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—President McKinley to-day attended the Washington's Birthday commemoration exercises of the University of Pennsylvania. The of the University of Pennsylvania. The President was the principal speaker. He devoted himself entirely to eulogizing George Washington. Many representatives of newspapers throughout the country were present expecting that the President would refer to the disaster to the Maine, but they were disappointed. WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—As soon as the reading of the historic farewell address of Washington was concluded by Mr. Lodge in the senate to-day, Mr. Hawley, of Connecticut, chairman of the military affairs committee, called up the bill pro-

viding for the enlistment of two regiments of artillery for service in manning the heavy coast defence batteries which congress has provided in the past two years. There was no opposition to the measure and it was passed by a vote of

52 to 20
Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, offered and secured the addition of a resolution insecured the addition of a resolution instructing the committee on naval affairs to inquire and report to the senate whether a war ship to be named the George Washington and to equal the most powerful in the world could be constructed and commissioned within

ALBERNI AFFAIRS.

Farmers' Institute Organized-Court of In dependent Foresters Established.

ALBERNI, Feb. 21 .- A large and rep sentative meeting of the farmers of Al-berni district was held on the afternoon of Saturday, the 19th inst., in the town hall here, for the purpose of finishing The official assignee's statements of the pilots. Mr. Casel was in the connection with the insolvent estate of and Terror have been ordered to be in readiness, and may be sent to New York stere.

The senate passed a bill to add two arrives are selected for the protection of our coasts by comparison for the protection of our coasts by congress of late years had taken measures for the protection of our coasts by congress of the appropriations for defensive works and great guns, it had not provided the men necessary to operate these works and great guns, it had not provided the men necessary to operate these works and great guns, it had not provided the men necessary to operate these made on the school settlement:

The official assignee's statements of the policits. Mr. Casel was in the contact and directors and and electing officers and previous and electing officers and previous and electing offi portance of such an institution to the district. A number of suggestions were made by those present as to the future work to be taken in hand. After the general meeting adjourned a directors' meeting was held, at which Mr. Wood's appointment as secretary-treasurer was confirmed, and a programme was arranged for the next meeting, which takes place at the town hall, Alberni, on Wednesday March 2 Wednesday, March 2.

The weather continues boisterous with much snow and rain.

A meeting was held in the town hall on the 16th in the interests of the Inde-pendent Order of Foresters, Rev. C. Taylor occupying the chair. The chairman stated that this meeting was called for the purpose of listening to an address upon the objects and principles of the Independent Order of Foresters, from morning. He has the following notice of warning, issued by the Alaska Chamber of Commerce, regarding transferring of freight from steamers at Dyea:

"There are ample dockage facilities at amount of good done by the LOF and amount of good done by the I.O. F., and he thought that the time had come when they should have a lodge of this kind in Alberni. Mr. P. A. Haslam, J. P., agreed with the remarks made by the previous gentlemen, and said that the I previous gentlemen, and said that the I.
O. F. looked after their members while
in health, and provided for them in
sickness, it contributed to their own support in case of total and permanent dis-ability, and at death the I.O.F. promptdumped on the beach and exposed to the ly pays the insurance to their benefici "This is signed by L. G. Kaufman, secretary."

Several passengers of the Elder wish to state that it was only through the great skill of the officers of the vessel that another sad catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as allowed to the people of Alberni and district to avail them selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not selves of the opportunity of as ablighternian catastrophe is not to the chairman and the meeting ad-

Cents and \$1.00.

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All the highest Medical Authorities agree that Cod Liver Oil is most beneficial when administered in connection with Iron and Manganese. Griffith's Norwegian Emulsion is the only Emulsion containing Cod Liver Oil with Iron and Manganese, it is the most perfect and palatable Emulsion the children all like it. 50 cents and \$1.00.

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CANADA TO BE FORCED.

Be Closed Unless Certain Concessions Are Made.

Miners' License Regulation the Subject of This Special Protest From Washington.

New York, Feb. 21.—A Washington despatch to the Sun says: The state The British North American to Enter the department, upon the recommendation of Secretary Gage, has decided to employ cation on the subject will be sent to the of other business. Canadian cabinet to-morrow by the de-

Secretary Gage says that the new subports of Dyea and Skagway were established last year for the purpose of extending better accommodation to foreign shipping, and especially British. American ship owners did not need these subthe coasting trade do not need to use a particular port at which to enter their cargoes. In view of this court-Canadians, Secretary Gage regards Canada's regulations affecting miners'

London, Feb. 22.-Two armored vessels, six protected cruisers, thirteen torpedo boat destroyers and five torpedo boats are now building in Great Britain for foreign governments. A number are purchasable and the Japanese are supposed to have the option on several. The warships ordered for South American

shore. Nothing more was seen or heard of them until the following afternoon, Sunday, when the boat they had used was found lying in a disabled condition one another on a reef, covered by three or four feet of water. The following day, or four feet of water. Monday, an inquest was held, and a ver-dict rendered of 'accidental death by drowning.' The young men were both age, and was the eighth son of the late Walter Scott, Esq., of Bradford, York-shire, and Mr. Smedley, who was aged were found there is reason to believe

wo Houses Destroyed and Four Persons Killed, While Several Miraculously

QUEBEC, Feb. 23 .- (Special)-Four ives were lost by an avalanche at South Quebec, about 7:30 last night. Two houses were destroyed, built directly under the cliff, opposite and a little west out as labor candidates in London, while great skill of the officers of the vessel that another sad catastrophe is not chronicled. The officers claim that they would not be surprised to hear of many accidents during the 36-hour gale of last week in the northern waters.

The Elder on the 16th stopped at the curred suddenly, without a moment's announced, E. E. Towle, independent warning. One house was crushed down and A. Montague, straight Conservative the upper stories of the other were cut clean off from the first story and overturned in front of it upon the street. journed until Saturday, when organization was partly proceeded with, the required number of names being upon the quired number of names being upon the charter.

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The charter is and excaped practically unsharter. whole family named Labrecque were in The Heavens Obscured for Days by Red Angers, his wife and six children. The

TARTE'S LIBERAL ENEMIES Will Complain at Ottawa of an Unfair Di

MONTREAL, Feb. 23 .- (Special)-The Without Ballast She Tossed Like a Globe's Ottawa correspondent, in an Sub-Ports of Dyea and Skagway to anti-Tarte section of the Quebec Liberals are preparing for an organized kick, their grievance being the method of distributing government patronage in Montreal and elsewhere. There have been mutterings of discontent for some time, and now the local malcontents have made up their minds to ventilate their grievances at Ottawa.

BANKING AT DAWSON.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23 .- (Special)-The strong measures of retaliation against Bank of British North America has Canada unless the Ottawa government about decided to open a branch at Dawshall consent to modify the regulations affecting the issue of miners' licenses in Alaska. It is expected that a communi
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A GREAT CARRIER.

the Atlantic.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 .- The new White Star freight and passenger steamship ports, since American vessels engaged in Cymric, the largest cargo carrier in the world, has arrived here on her maiden Speedy Arrangement of the Deal trip from Liverpool. She met rough weather all the way across, and she was esy, extended mainly for the benefit of forced to run at about three-quarter speed. Her time was 11 days, 2 hours and 49 minutes and her average speed ada's regulations affecting miners' licenses as ungenerous and unreasonable. The state department, it is expected, will represent to the Canadian steadiest ship he has ever been aboard. pected, will represent to the Canadian steadies ship and a glass full of water on one of government that unless the regulations He put a glass full of water on one of the saloon tables when leaving Livershall be modified, the subports of Dyes and Skagway will be abolished by the treasury department.

WARSHIPS FOR SALE.

Number in Great Britain Being Built for the saloon tables when leaving Liverpool and not a drop was spilled on the passage. On her trial trip the Cymric made about 17 knots per hour. Her engineer, Richard Owens, expects to cover the distance between New York and Liverpool in about eight days. This is the saloon tables when leaving Liverpool and not a drop was spilled on the passage. On her trial trip the Cymric made about 17 knots per hour. Her engineer, Richard Owens, expects to cover the distance between New York and Liverpool in about eight days. This is the saloon tables when leaving Liverpool and not a drop was spilled on the passage. On her trial trip the Cymric made about 17 knots per hour. Her engineer, Richard Owens, expects to cover the distance between New York and Liverpool in about eight days. This is the saloon tables when leaving Liverpool and not a drop was spilled on the passage. On her trial trip the Cymric made about 17 knots per hour. Her engineer, Richard Owens, expects to cover the distance between New York and Liverpool in about eight days. This is the saloon tables when leaving Liverpool and not a drop was spilled on the passage. On her trial trip the Cymric made about 17 knots per hour. Her engineer, Richard Owens, expects to cover the distance between New York and Liverpool in about eight days. This is when the seas are smooth.

THE PASSENGER WAR.

anadian Interests Will Be Served by Victery of the C.P.R. Over the United

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—To-day's Evening

Harbor wharf to cross the water to their own home, Westfield, on the opposite with the interests of American roads, Van Horne. Afterwards Mr. Sifton. Van Horne. Afterwards Mr. Sifton vith the interests of American roads, van Horne. promoted by a C.P.R. victory over the through Van Horne. Sir

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.

The Government Quite Done For According to the Chief Opposition Organ.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.-(Special)-The World says of the election: "Judging there was a misunderstanding between from the reports received from all parts Mr. Smith and his Montreal friend. men were both from the reports received from all parts. However, it is maintained that the gov-Island and the of the province the defeat of the present ernment did not give Mr. Smith a very popular on the Island and the gloom caused by their untimely death administration seems inevitable. The is universal. Mr. Scott was 26 years of is universal. Mr. Scott was 26 years of the late will carry the four Torontos, the two soon as he knew the government's in-Walter Scott, Esq., of Bradford, York-shire, and Mr. Smedley, who was aged 22, was a native of Burton-on-Trent. From the position in which the bodies were found there is reason to believe were found there is reason to believe that Mr. Scott, who was a powerful swimmer, was himself drowned in his efforts to save the life of his younger comrade, Smedley."

The funeral took place from St. Marks' of Church, yesterday.

AVALANCHE AT QUEBEC.

are to be redeemed. All the Middle-sexes, including Hon. G. W. Ross's seat, including Hon. G.

didate, has retired. Joseph Martin, independent, is in the field in North Essex. Shoultice, Conservative, retires in Centre Bruce. Shore, independent, dependent, dependent in East Middlesey. In London. drops out in East Middlesex. In London in North Oxford besides Pattulo, Liberal and Kanfman, independent, previous were nominated.

SAND STORM AT SEA.

Sand Permeating the Air.

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 23.-The steamer Roslyn Castle from Table Bay, arrived

Loyal makes the food pure,

Hamilton Smith Says He Would Build Railway for Quarter the Subsidy Promised.

Prevented the Submission of His Offer.

The Commons Goes Electioneering -Booming Edmonton Route-

Yukon Crops.

made a statement concerning Hamilton Smith's offer to build the Yukon railway. The correspondence embraces a letter from Smith to Premier Laurier, written last week, containing the offer already published. Mr. Smith began by pointing out the great advantage of the Telegram says editorially: "Good luck to the C.P.R. Canada's sympathies will be entirely with the C.P.R. in the fight which it is making to secure a lion's warships ordered for South American governments are considered as being for sale to the highest bidders. Thompson Bros. say that Spain had arranged to man the two remaining destroyers of the four campleted some time ago at the Clyde Bank yards, but they were not delivered, presumably owing to lack of payments.

THE DOUBLE DROWNING.

THE DOUBLE DROWNING.

A correspondent sends the following more complete story of the very sad accident at Salt Spring Island, on Satur-

> Laurier concluded by reading a from Van Horne, in which the said he had not made any offer to Sifton for the construction of this railway, that he was not authorized by Mr. Smith's company to do so.

> This ended the statement read by Premier Laurier. It seems to show that

and the coming premier.

In Monck, Beck, the independent canthe Edmonton route. The curiew by-law was wiped out last-

> Awarded Highest Honors-World's Fair, DR:

MOST PERFECT MADE. A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free nia, Alum or any other adulterant GO TTARS THE STANDARD.

WIRE TO THE

The Great Project for Round the World Connection Through Alaska and Siberia.

An Old Scheme Which the Klondike Rush May in Part Revive.

(From the Seattle Press-Times.)

In June, 1895, during the Cariboo gold mining excitement, the press dispatches from Ottawa contained the information that the Canadian Pacific Railway Com-

poles and wires for these 900 miles have stood, and examinations made three years ago resulted in the discovery that much of the wire is still stretched and can be put in working order without a "I was something of a youngster in can be put in working order without a very great outlay of capital. The great

the scheme to span Behring Straits by means of a cable, the distance being short, and found practicable. The overland telegraph line was to extend to Cape Prince of Wales on this side of the sea and crossing the straits, connect the Siberian shore at Plover Bay. From I now recall the schooner George S.

will always be read with interest. In when the news was received to stop her down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to their to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to the down in the water she would have quence the merchants are up to the water she would have quence the merchants are up to the water she would have quence the merchants are up to the water she water first trans-Atlantic cable, but it was answered: found to be a failure, and electrical engineers announced that it was impossible to transmit a message so great a distance as 3,000 miles under water. For ten years the matter was unsettled, and the Western Union Telegraph Company's Russian extension was originated, being a separate company, but having magazine writer, information and mathe same stockholders as the parent terials which have since made him company. Millions of dollars were spent wealthy and famous, and given him a in setting men at work and securing satisfactory routes and in sending out exploration parties, and finally the great work was commenced on a gigantic scale. Early in the spring of 1866 word was flashed over the world that the second Atlantic cable was a complete success, and at the same time the Russian extension was abandoned. As an illustration of the great loss suffered, it is sufficient to mention that on this extension. It is the formula of the state in setting men at work and securing satin setting men at work and securing satisfactory routes and in sending out exploration parties, and finally the great work was commenced on a gigantic scale. Early in the spring of 1866 word sufficient to mention that on this exten- claimed, to repair the line and extend it sion of this old-time telegraph line the to Forty Mile Creek on the Yukon, with cost of transportation of materials and branch lines to Sitka and Juneau. The supplies of all kinds equalled \$1 a pound. Prospective great development of the The materials were abandoned, and the Supplies were sold to the Hudson Bay part of the line a good business propositrappers for 1 cent per pound.
It is of interest now to note that the

prices paid for ordinary articles of necessity at that time were about the same demanded at the present moment from the miners at Dawson City. It is also interesting to note that the proposed line would have passed very near the present townsite of Dawson. If the line the great Siberian railway." had been extended as far as the Klondike, then an unknown stream, and having no place on the map, it is very likely that in sinking holes for the telegraph poles, the rich deposits of placer gold would then have been discovered in which event the previous generation would have experienced the gold excite-

ment now prevalent.

Seattle and the Puget Sound region were closely identified with the great proposition during the period of nction on this division, and there are still in this city men who were then in the employ of the companies interested. J. M. Lyon, ex-postmaster of Seattle, was then an operator in the employ of the California State Telegraph Company, afterward absorbed by the Western Union, and he was sent by the company to New Westminster, where he was manager of the local office. Another well known Seattle man who was then in the work is George W. Harris, late auditor of the Seattle, Lake Shore & dental

Eastern railroad. In 1864-5 he was quartermaster on the schooner George W. Wright, which carried supplies from San Francisco and materials to the workmen on the frontier of this coast, Alaska and Siberia. Of course there was no American Alaska then; it was Russian territory. There were several ships and schooners in the fleet of the company schooners in the ficet of the company and all were engaged in the same business. The employees all wore uniform and deported themselves in regular military style. The ship Nightingale was the flagship of the squadron.

I recently had a talk with J. M. Lyon, Seattle's ex-postmaster, and in recalling the incidents of those days, he said:

"I was with the California State Telegraph Company in those days. You see, this company was tne rival of the Western Union, and operated and controlled all the lines west of Omaha. Well, they neard about the trans-Rusthat the Canadian Pacific Railway Company contemplated reoccupying the old telegraph line running up into the mining camps of the Cariboo country, British Columbia, which was constructed thirty-five years ago, but which has long since been abandoned. Now that gold the care described to the transfer and the captures of the transfer and the transfer and the captures of the transfer and the transfer since been abandoned. Now that gold toward Behring sea. They were actually has been found on the Klondike, talk of re-operating this old line and extending they were several years previous to that it to the new gold fields has been reit to the new gold fields has been renewed. The proposition recalls a mass of facts connected with the early history of this Northwest country that reads like a romance to the present generation. Thirty-five years ago the people of the world were talking about this abandoned telegraph line just as fervently as they have been talking about the Klondike gold discoveries. So important a part did this old line play in the history of the time, that reference to the enterprise is to be found in encyclopedias and in books of general reference. Its construction was an essential part of a scheme to encircle the earth pedias and in books of general reference. Its construction was an essential part of a scheme to encircle the earth by wire, leading from New York to St. Petersburg via Seattle and Behring Sea, but the project was abandoned in the spring of 1866, when the trans-Atlantic cable proved a success. The cable connected the Old and New Worlds by wire but three thousand miles in length, wire but three thousand miles in length, while the overland project via Seattle and Behring sea contemplated the building of 21,000 miles of telegraph lines.

It will be recalled by those acquainted with the history of the enterprise on this with the history of the enterprise on this content that the telegraph line was extended that the telegraph line was extended that the telegraph line was extended to burn the place all winter, and the operation of the tide of miners coming to Victoria increases every day at a great rate.

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Inst at the customs munition, and there were portholes to build up rapidly. Then by the next barking here had nothing to worry them in departing, having been long enough the Skagway News, just received by Cap-lary here will be a railway line from a Canadian coast point to the Yukon direct, and the Americans will decidedly wish to way oughly with everything required for the trip. Both steamers carried all the cargo they could handle, the Alki having of the undertaking. ended for over 900 miles northwest of New Westminster into the heart of a previously unexplored country. The preliminary surveys, the exploration parties and the actual construction of this line alone cost \$11,000,000, all of which was totally lost when the operation of the Atlantic cable commenced. During all these intervening years, however, the other heart of the preliminary surveys and the perilous position they were be glad to hear from him, because I would not know from one day to the unpleasant pictures of blood and scalps

very great outlay of capital. The great those days, but I have a vivid recollection of this work was increased by the ample provision for the future which the company made in the shape of supplies Bay and Port Clarence. While most company made in the shape of supplies
sent into the country—hundreds of thousands of tons of wire, all kinds of construction implements, wagons, etc.
While this is of great local interest because of its proximity to the Sound and Seattle, the company made just as expectations or Relative to the Sound and Seattle, the company made just as expectations or Relative to the Sound and Seattle, the company made just as expectations or Relative to the Sound and Seattle, the company made just as expectations or the studies and to have a sound for the seat and to have a sound from Seattle, the company made just as expectations or the studies and to have a sound for the seat and to have a sound from Seattle, the company made in the shape of supplies

Seattle, the company made just as expectations or the seattle studies and the seattle studies are seattle studies and the seattle studies are se tensive preparations on Behring Sea, in so far as built, came from Seabeck, from Northern Alaska and in Siberia. It was Adams, Blimm & Co's mill. Mr. Adams Plover Bay inland there is now about Wright, the bark H. L. Rudgers, ship 350 miles of poles erected with wires Nightingale, schooner Milton G. Badstretched, reaching across the snowy land visited only by an occasional polar Onward. The latter was aiterward lost. bear, a few reindeer, and perhaps crossed at intervals by bands of travelling with supplies, with several others of the

Eskimo, who have always looked with awe upon the mysterious monuments of human ingenuity. From Port Clarence, south of Cape Prince of Wales, and extending about 200 miles southward, is another 300 miles of poles and wire, during the winter. When the ice began titterly useless for commercial purposes.

The line was so well constructed, however, that it is believed to be in good

The completion of the Atlantic cable and the success of the venture was a ondition, even now.

The history of the building of these great shock alike to the Russian extenlines and the commencement of a work sion company and to the employees. that would encircle the world by wire When Mr. Harris was asked how he felt

> "How did I feel? I felt that I had lost my job! That was all that worried me about that time. I had a soft snar —nothing to do but to draw my pay

when payday came around."

It was this great venture that afforder George Kennan, the noted lecturer and wealthy and famous, and given him a place in the literature of America. He

tion, and its ultimate extension into the heart of Alaska is quite probable. Indeed, it is within the bounds of possi bility that not so many years will elapse before the orginal idea of the projectors of the line is carried out. Behring sea is crossed, and a connection is made with the trans-Siberian line which will follow

AN ACTOR TALKS.

Tells What Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder Did for Him and His Wife-Truly Friend to the "Profession."

"I can but proclaim Dr. Agnew's catarrhall Powder a wonderful medicine, particularly for singers and public speakers or who have a tenedncy to soar throat, hoarseness, tonsilits and catarrh. Myself and wife ere both subject of extern and tonness, tonsilits and catarrh. Myself and wife are both subjects of catarrh and tonsilitis. We have tried most everything, but have never found anything to equal this great remedy. For quick action it truly is a wonder worker. I couldn't be without it by me and I am continually recommending it to my brother professionals." Al. Emmett Fostell, 207 East 101st street, New York City.

For sale by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

Bass' XXXX on draught at the Occ'-

SIMPSON LINE.

C.P.N. Will Run Steamers Direct From the Coast Up the Stikine.

States Port.

Stikine route. The company has come some weeks to come. to the decision that they will put on a line of steamers as soon as navigation on the river opens, to run from Port Simpalthough it has been announced that war line in Canada. The navigation of the Stikine, as is well known, is as free to Canadians as to United States people, treaty rights securing the privilege to Canadians, through the strip of Alaska at the mouth of the river. The plan which the company intend

carrying out is neither new nor novel. for several years ago a steamer ran from Port Simpson right up the Stikine to the Canadian line. The steamer was the Western Slope, and in 1878, when the United States began to show a somewhat

of the United States ports.

One lot of six from Hanford, CallThe vessels the C. P. N. intend to fornia, put up at the Oriental yesterday, utilize are the R. P. Rithet, Yosemite intending to outfit in Victoria. They and some others.

THE TEES IN A BLOW. A Storm Catches Her and Carries Her Dan-

gerously Close to Shore.

When trying to make Shushartie Bay from the Queen Charlotte islands on Saturday last the steamer Tees had a nar-row shave from being totally wrecked.

some huge boulders on shore. The sea was not very rough, or had it been there would have been a wreck. The steamer's propeller was kept in motion, and with the signal bell indicating half speed and the two large anchors out forward the vessel lay straining heavily on the latter's chains for twelve hours. Every moment of that time was one of extreme anxiety for the time was one of extreme anxiety, for the steamer was surrounded on every hand by dangers which she could not possibly have avoided in event of those chains enapping. Capt. Gosse feared the worst would come, although he says the pas-sengers could have made shore safely. staunch, and in every ways safe and

comfortable to travel on. FALSE REPRESENTATIONS.

An Ontario Lady Compels a Merchant to Pay Her Damages.

dyes home, used them according to directions, and was sadly disappointed with the results. The color was anything but a Navy; in truth, my materials were spoiled. I at once took the materials to the merchant and told him his dyes were frauds. chant and told him his dyes were fraues. He offered to give me more of the same dyes or my money back. I refused both offers, and after I threatened law proceedings he thought it best to pay for the materials spoiled. This merchant will never again have the chance to sell me any more dyes. I shall go where I can get the Diamond Dives et any time they are wanted. I have Dyes at any time they are wanted. I have nad my last lesson with poor dyes."

New Brunswick Loan. St. John, Feb. 21.—(Special)—The cent. The Bank of British North Am-

erica bought the bonds at 96.

announced the withdrawal of its grant for the maintenance of the Institute. claiming it is useless to the colony. This probably will be followed by other on the stock exchange here 81½; in Australian colonies taking similar London 831/4. action.

Waterproof mackinaws with or without hood. B. Williams & Co.

Only two cases occupied the attention of the police magistrate yesterday morning. One of these was against an Italian named Antone Parnell, charged with assault. The other was the result of a

tracas between two boys. Both were dismissed. A BATTALION order by Lieut.-Col. Gregory, of the Fifth, announces the following promotions in No. 1 Company

This Will Avoid Any Necessity For

Trans-shipping at a United

States Port.

To be sergeant-major, Sergeant Russell, vice Wilson, who has taken his discharge; to be sergeant, Corporal Trimen, vice Russell, promoted. Boxing, even with six-ounce pillows, occasionally dangerous, as instance a

The numerous attempts that have been made unfairly to injure Canadian shipping trade with the North has had the effect of making the C.P.N. Company consider some plan by which people bound for the Yukon can be altogether independent ol Wrangel in taking the Stikine route. The company has come

News from the scene of the trouble in son direct up the Stikine and to tranship was initiated in the little Central Amertheir goods just across the boundary ican republic more than two weeks ago no one appears to know yet what the rumpus is over, who is responsible for it, and how far it has progressed. Two British warships are at the scene of dis-turbance for the protection of citizens of the flag, yet no advices whatever have been received at Esquimalt of the progress of events.

From All Parts of the Continent Miners Come to Victoria to Outfit.

Every Day Sees a Large Addition to

are H. W. Betts, H. M. Noel, Charles H. Pepys, P. A. Lamphier, A. T. Oliver and J. W. Lewis. They tried Tacoma and of the Stikine.

Three miners all the way from the She was on her return from Dyea and Skagway and Capt. Gosse, one of the yesterday. They put up at the Domin-Shagway and Capt. Gosse, one of the most skillful of Northern navigators, was fortunately in command. After leaving Skadwell bay, Queen Charlotte island, Seattle where they have put in the past the steamer ran into a fierce wind and a blinding snow storm. Being light and high out of water, the southeaster gave the vessel more resistance than she had power or weight to contend against. In spite of her engines going at full speed, she was carried by the wind in towards a rocky shore. Both anchors were lowered in 91 and they are only the advance ground for the steamer ran into a fierce wind and a three weeks. These men are Peter Dorwind in towards a rocky from New York state, are at the Wilson, Both anchors were lowered in 90 and they are only the advance guard, for fathoms of water, but the vessel never ten companions are on the way from the stopped until within a cable length of East to join them and will likely reach Victoria to-day or to-morrow. They like Victoria prices, and as a result Victoria merchants will likely get the outfitting. Another little party are Neil McLeod, Wm. Sprague. John Swanson and W. Houlton of Eureka. They are at the Dominion, and intend to outfit here in Victoria. They go into the Yukon by the Stikine. J. R. Watson and C. R. Watson, two brothers, the one from Los Angeles and the other from Arcola, Illinois, are at the Dominion, here to outfit.

These are just parties picked out at andom from among the many on the

coming in.
One of the biggest parties is that headed by Mr. P. J. Pearson of Chicago.
There are sixteen in the outfit and every

oit of their supplies were purchased in ictoria. The party are at the Queen's. From the far southern portion of the United States Mr. H. C. Scott, of New goods here.

Not only are the men from the more distant parts of the continent surprised at the facilities for getting their outfits ere, but having once found out that fact they send away newspapers and information to their friends advising them to come to Victoria to outfit.

A THREAT TO FRANCE.

If She Desires War With England Her Wish Will Doubtless Be Gratified.

Sokoto, says it cannot credit the report, and reproves the levity of the press regarding a grave situation. "The presence of a French force at Argungu," th. Times declares, "would be so fligrant a breach of any possible construction of the Anglo-French treaty at Bussuah that nothing but its immediate withdrawal could avert the most deplorable conse-

Other papers publish articles urging Lord Salisbury to intimate plainly that province of New Brunswick has floated Lord Salisbury to intimate plainly that million dollar forty year loan at 3 per Great Britain's limit of "Squeezeability"

has been reached.

The Morning Post says if France is Imperial Institute.

London, Feb. 19.—The future of the Imperial Institute is threatened by the action of the colony of Victoria, which has announced the withdrawal of its grant.

C. P. R. Shares.

DYSPEPSIA INDIGESTION, HEART-BURN and all Stomach Trouheart squickly relieved and cured by FLORAPLEXION. Sample bottly free by mail or druggists. Every drop is worth its weight in gold when you need it. Address Franklin Hart, Dept. Z, New York

OUTER DOCKS CROWDED GIVEN BACK BY DEATH.

Northern Bound Ships Attract Thousands to the Ocean Docks-A Notable Day.

Americans Come in Swarms to Secure A Fortunate Chance Prevented Him Canadian Licenses-A Christ-

has set in the camera artists have been the north. The Pakshan did not pull out until after 2 o'clock, and accompanying her at the docks were the big American steamships Alki and Queen besides a number of merchantmen. It was early in the morning when these latter steamships arrived and in order that their passengers might secure Canadian licenses both had to remain in port until noon and after, yesterday. The Queen carried 550 passengers, including 108 infantrymen from Vancouver Barracks, under Captain Eastman. These are on their way to Skagway, to preserve law under the stars and stripes. About a score of prospective miners

joined the ship here, and it was interesting to note yesterday that while they, as also the Alki's crowd—over 200 peo-ple—were falling over one another in

been placed in, and in all \$20,000 has been spent in making her more suitable been spent in making her more suitable or requirements of trade. She took away 75 passengers, including Dr. Matthewman and party and five or six others from Victoria. She also had 450 tons of freight, 113 horses and cattle, and 15 dogs. The steamer is scheduled to sail again on March 8 and will make Victoria a port of call on all her trips. Among other crowds brought in by steamers from the Sound yesterday was that of the City of Kingston, arriving early in the morning. She had one hundred and affected passengers nearly all of whom are Americans and are here to purchase heat of Tombstone, Arizona, were also or requirements of trade. She took away among the many small parties arriving 75 passengers, including Dr. Matthewyesterday. They put up at the Dominman and party and five or six others are Americans and are here to purchase NEWLY CHRISTENED.

There was a little christeniny cere-mony performed over in the Star shipyard yesterday that was unique in character. The two river boats that have been here building for the Canadian Development Company have assumed proportions now that entitle them to names and realizing this manager Yorke

In Telling of the Curing Powers of

plies. The long-promised rush is indeed here for there are numerous parties also has used the Heart Cure and can be equally as strong testimony of the wonder ful benefit received." It relieves in 30 min For Sale by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall &

THE funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret Brown took place yesterday morning from her late residence, and the Roman Catholic cathedral, where mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Nicolaye. Orleans, and a party are putting up at the Victoria and are getting all their cemetery, the remains being placed by the side of those of the deceased's late husband, who died about two months are.

Half-cent, black; one-cent, green; two-cent, purple; three-cent, red; five-cent, blue; six-cent, brown; eight-cent, orange; and ten-cent, dark purple. These are the only denominations of the London, Feb. 21.—The Times, com-menting editorially on the news from new stamps yet issued, and the appear-ance of the less common specimens will be awaited with curiosity. One thing has been noted to the discredit of the new issue, and that is that they appear to shed the ink of the cancelling stencil. A sample stamp that has been through the post office is now at the Colonist office that would defy an expert, and un-

> Although no petition in that regard has yet made its appearance in the local legislature, it is altogether probable that a resolution will shortly be introduced n the house, suggesting that the Dominion government introduce legislation giving preferential rights to British subjects over aliens in the upper Yukon mining district. The junior member for Cowichan-Alberni, in debating the speech from the throne a few days ago, mentioned that the federal government should be asked to withhold mining privileges in the Klondike country from foreigners, unless precisely similar privileges were extended to Canadians in the countries from which these aliens When asked a few days later if he intended to present these views in a esolution to the house, Mr. Huff said that he believed steps in this direction Victoria city members.

The One Victorian of the "Clara Nevada's" Crew Is Still Among the Living.

Sharing His Shipmates'

On innumerable occasions have the The most welcome letter that ever outer wharves been crowded, but the came to Victoria bearing the address of gathering on Sunday was perhaps the Mr. Emery of the Postoffice cigar stand, largest ever seen in the vicinity. Young was received by that gentleman yesterpeople were perched on elevated places day. It was a short and unimportant where views were obtainable for a radius communication in itself, but it came of half a mile around, and the scene was from Fred. Emery, his son, and as Fred indeed an animated one, well worthy of the ever-present photographer's atten-Ulara Navada and the only Victoria tion. In fact, since the northern rush man of the crew of that ill-starred craft, he had not unnaturally been mourned as has set in the camera artists have been dead during the several days passed. Vieing with one another as to who will How he escaped sharing the fate of his secure the finest picture. The attraction former shipmates does not make a story at the wharves was the many ships for either, for it was just an illustration of commonplace chance. He had fallen in with a Boston party on the trip up, and this party, who propose building a good hotel there, induced him to leave the Navada at Dyea and enter their service. That was how it came about that he escaped the destruction that encompassed the ship.
News of the Nevada's loss had not, in-

t lifted a great weight from the parent's heart. They had had a hard trip up, he said, the steamer acting like an old tub men, he slowly tottered to the hotel. and the majority of the crew keeping drunk and fighting the greater part of the time, the rowdy element being so conspicuous that the steward, Dan O'Donnell, would have been thrown overboard on the up trip had not the captain interfaced. aptain interfered.

ing 35 dogs and 18 horses.

At 11 o'clock yesterday morning the steamer Farallon, looking spick and span as a result of her recent overhaulties.

Span as a result of her recent overhaulties.

To California from the upper Yukon golds are mostly flew in the looking of the number, and taking ican capital will con their joint fortune, variously estimated from \$90,000 to \$120,000, to \$120,000, to \$120,000 to \$120,00 ing, came is from the Sound and filled a having been located in but four berth some hours after the others had sailed. This is the Farallon's first trip point of Eldred island, there is more in over five weeks, and since she was than a possibility that this treasure may came on to Victoria, and prices here are last here a great improvement in her ac- be found, as well as any bodies that have so satisfactory that Victoria gets the commodation has been effected. Extra been held by the explosion—torn hull. Englishmen, under the leadership of comforts for passengers have been provided for, and engines and boilers have left the North, the diver, who accombate the results of the victoria gets the commodation has been effected. Extra been held by the explosion—torn hull. Englishmen, under the leadership of Viscount Avonmore left here on December 13th last for the Klondike. Since panied the Rustler on her search from ber 13th last for the Klondike. Since Juneau, had been down but once, identi-

yashed ashore.
In the north, even more emphatically

than on the Sound, the people condemithe negligence which permitted the Ne vada to be sent north as a floating coffin, inefficiently officered, and with boilers hoisted colors yesterday, naming one leaking so badly that firemen could not be kept aboard, as one of those who forsook the ship in the north expressed it, "to be scalded to death." W. F. Saportas of Skagway, but formerly of New York, was one of those lost with the steamer, delayers that both extractions and with obliers. clares that both at Simpson and at Ju-neau the Nevada was forced to lie up in There were 21 of them on board and every one had his baggage in hand ready at a moment's notice to take to the lifeboats. Had the Tees any freight to hold her down in the water she would have doubtless made headway through the storm, for she is a good sea going vessel, staunch, and in every ways safe and in every ways s spection that is alleged to have made this terrible fatality possible, that they are now preparing a petition to Wash-ington asking for the criminal prosecution of the Puget Sound inspectors of boilers and hulls.

> In answering the attack made by Mr Macpherson of Vancouver, Hon. Col. Baker in the legislature Monday maintained that no exception could be taken were being improved just as speedily as Considerable interest appears to be taken locally in the new issue of postage taken locally in the new issue of postage taken locally in the new issue of postage that the changed colors of which are still a subject of considerable speculation. The colors are now as follows: demand for increased accommo while a vote would be placed in the esti serious members when he argued with all apparent seriousness that too great reliance was not to be placed o opinion held by so many people in Brit-ieh Columbia that insanity was caused in many cases simply by reading the opposition newspapers.

> THE legislature have been having load f fun during the past few days in constition with Mr. Macpherson's atand, had promised to send a carload of ves to the bachelors of East Koote nay -and had not fulfilled this all-im portant compact. In explaining his position later on, Hon. Col. Baker laughingly admitted the impeachment. He even went further and declared that he had offered to go to England and pick out the ladies, afterwards accompanying them out to this country and seeing them safely delivered. The reason this agreement had not been executed was simple -owing to the very wise and liberal policy of the government in opening up roads and otherwise making the district accessible, it had not been necessary, as the women had got in of their own accord, and the very man who had sough and obtained his promise quoted was had already been taken by one of the now the father of a large and interesting family. Laughter and applause followed the explanation as a matter of course,

MR. MULOCK'S ATONEMENT.

He Offers His Fortune to Repay Losses Through His Company's Collapse

TORONTO, Feb. 21.- (Special) -At a meeting of the shareholders of the defunct Farmers' Loan and Savings Com. pany to-day, a letter was read from Mr. Mulock offering to pay every cent with-in his means of his liability to the creditors of the company.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

reliminary Contract Actually Signed and British Money to Be Taken,

London, Feb. 19.-The Saturday Review confirms the report that the Chinese loan will after all be made by Great Britain, and says: "We are informed that the preliminary contract has actually been signed. Delay in the fulfill. ment is caused by the Chinaman's joy in dallying over the bargain." The Foreign Office does not confirm the statement of the Saturday Review.

MR. GLADSTONE.

The Aged Statesman's End Believed to Be Very Near at Hand.

London, Feb. 19.—It is said Mr. Gladstone is coming home to die. A taveller who saw his departure from the Rivera and his arrival at Calais, reports a striking change in the old statesman's appearance. Arrangements had been made News of the Nevada's loss had not, in-deed, reached Dyea when Fred Emery wrote home, and without being aware of was carefully assisted down the steps,

THE DREDGING POTLATCH.

Mercier the Middleman for a Rich United States Syndicate

MONTREAL, Feb. 19 .- Joseph A. Mer-

BADLY BROKEN UP. Misadventure of Swell English Outfit Bound for the Klondike.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—Thirteen young ber 13th last for the Klondike. Since

the fact that in all the 200 miles of coast along which the Rustler steamed in her search for survivors, there are but three human habitations—besides which, the fresh fallen snow would have long since have covered any debris that may have washed ashore.

To the north even more emphatically pagne as part of its outfit.

THE MAINE INQUIRY.

Cestimony Will Be Kept Private Until Finding Is Announced—This "Only Fair to Spanish Government."

HAVANA, Feb. 21.—The board of inquiry into the Maine disaster met on the lighthouse tender Mangrove at 10 o'clock this morning. Captain Sigsbee, the commander of the Maine, was the first witness called. He was under examina-tion until 1 o'clock this afternoon, when

out the following: "Owing to the deli-cate situation, the board has decided to make nothing whatever public. I do not know what testimony may develop, and it is only fair to the Spanish government not to tell the public the testimony until all has been received and the find ings have been considered. Due care will be taken for the rigid enforcement of this rule and all stories purporting to come from the court should be set down as false."

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perial Legislation in This Direction -Liability of Company Pron

London, Feb. 19.-Two bills which have been introduced in the House of Lords, and which will undoubtedly bemates this year for properly heating the entire building, the chief causes for complaint thus being removed. The hon. Described in the extended much interest. One of them proposes to make an authorized translation an infringement of a minister provoked a smile from the most copyright, and extends the copyright to come laws, have excited much interest. copyright, and extends the copyright to lectures and sermons with the power to forbid newspaper representatives to print them.

In addition, the bill provides that magazine authors are the owners of the copyright of their articles after three years, and novelists are protected from ramatization. The other bill prevides for the reform

of company promoting, making directors, promoters, etc., liable for loss arising from false statements, and also providing a penalty of imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years.



STILL IT'S PR

The Opposition Now Over the Speech Ag by Clause

Objection to the Del Country's Business-Questions Ans

Although the majorit ment members confider that vesterday would w of the debate on the throne, such was not to tion, after the last of th one had discussed the co expressing a desire to r debate by taking up the the message seriatim. will be done has yet t -the point was not ye the house rose last eve Pooley having moved t of the debate.

After prayer by Rev. J PETITIONS DEAL Mr. Graham presented the people of Kettle rive

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Mr. Forster, to a question of privilege, again complained to the Speaker of difficulty in securing organization of the Public Accounts committee, also stating that the officials of the treasury refused to permit individual members of the committee to have access to the records of the department. He charged that the government and its members on the committee were seeking to evade their duty on the pretence that the business of the committee could not proceed

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tendent of mines." What kind of a fossil this was he could not say, but at

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Hon. Mr. Martin—I deny that. When the third member for Vancouver states that I made any tour in the company of Mr. E. M. Jonnson he is making a statement that is untrue.

Mr. Cotton—I hope the Chief Commissor of mines. What kind of a fossil this was he could not say, but at any rate the government had nothing to do with it. As a matter of fact, there had been no loss of life in the Kootenay through there having been no inspector of mines. Bince 1885, he found that the of mines as petition from Mr. Booth presented a petition from Mr. Booth presented a petition from miles up to Telegraph Creek, from the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles when the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles of mines. Wr. Hume asked leave to introduce a bill in re the S. E. Kootenay railway. Jennings points out that if an accident of mines. Wr. Hume asked leave to introduce a bill in re the S. E. Kootenay railway. Jennings points out that if an accident of miles up to Telegraph Creek, from the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles when the down the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles were the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles when the seventies are petition from the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles up to Telegraph Creek, from the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles when the seventies when the seventies are petition for a railway. Mr. Hume asked leave to introduce a bill in re the S. E. Kootenay railway. Jennings points out that if an accident when the seventies when the seventies when the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles up to Telegraph Creek, from the seventies. Little canyon is 96 miles when the seventies when t ment that is untrue.

Mr. Cotton—I hope the Chief Commissioner will withdraw the expression.

Hon. Mr. Martin—I will do nothing of the kind. I state what is true and what I am prepared to prove on the floor of this house.

Mr. Cotton replied that he felt compelled to credit the Grand Forks paper from which he quoted, and which refered to the state which is to be reached by the new rail-way, was frozen over on the 27th of Cotton replied to credit the Grand Forks paper from which he quoted, and which reference was in any way attributable to the gov-

no fireman could work around them without being scalded. The matter is to be made the subject of a formal report, with a request that criminal proceedings be initiated.

A KLONDIKE TRUST.

Syndicate Formed to Control and Work the Different Creeks-Telephonic Communication to be Established.

Not many hours after the Danube reached port, the C.P.N. Co.'s steamer Tees made her appearance from Skag-way, Dyea and Wrangel yesterday, bringing among her passengers a party of seven from Dawson. They all left the golden city at practically the same time with perhaps a day or two intervening.
They are E. M. Sullivan, of Victoria;
J. E. Scoville, of Syracuse, N.Y.; J. Mc-J. E. Scoville, of Syracuse, N. 1.; of Market and the North-West; E. T. Hartland and H. W. Hartland, brothers from Chicago; C. E. Thompson, of Tacoma, and C. W. Blattner, of Chicago. Mr. Scoville left Dawson on January 9 with a train of three dogs and reached with a train of three dogs and reached

the coast over the Skagway trail on February 12. He went into the country last November and is a partner of E. M. LeRoy Pelletier, correspondent of the Harper publications, and who remains at Dawson to look after the mining interests of both. Perhaps the most interesting news that Mr. Scoville brings concerns the formation of a syndicate or trust at Dawson by which it is proposed by combination of the claim owners to

ment will assert and protect their right vigorously."

Several other questions, of little general interest, were duly put and answered.

In connection with Dr. Walkem' resolution for a select committee to interest the conduct of the agent general's office in the conduct of the agent general various creeks, and there are many of the other biggest claim owners in with us. The trust is formed just so that the

Marvellous Case in Manitoba.

Paine's Celery Compound Proves a Wondrous Blessing

Miss Parr Says: "After the First Dose I Felt New Hope and New Life Coming."

Nervous Prostration, Mental Depression, and Excruciating Sufferings Are Banished.

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND THE GREAT LIFE BUILDER AND VITALIZER.

Wells & Richardson Co., Dear Sirs:—For severl years I have had weak nerves, and was gradually running down, and last March I was prostrated with nervous debility. My sufferings were excruciating in the extreme; I really thought there never was another who sufficient with the sufficient was a sufficient was a sufficient with the sufficient was a sufficient with the sufficient was a sufficient was a

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From THE DAILY COLONIST February 28.

Provincial Legislature Have An other Day Debating the Reply to the Speech.

Mr. Speaker Rules That It May Be Taken Up Again Seriatim.

The legislature yesterday continue the debate on the address in reply to speech from the throne, which now seems as if it would last several days longer, for upon the point coming up as to whether the address could be discussed clause by clause, the Speaker ruled that it could, and consequently the debate reopened. The first two clauses being merely formally passed without comment, but when the third one was reached Mr. Cotton moved an amendment, declaring that the mortgage tax is double taxation and that free miners' licenses should not be required of mine laborers. This was declared out of order by the Speaker, and the debate at this point was adjourned till to-day.

The house opened with prayer by Rev. J. F. Betts.

PETITIONS RECEIVED. From Chas. Hav and others, resident of Kettle River and Boundary Creek urging support of railway charters for railroads through said districts.

ailroads through said districts.

From Wm. McKenzie and others, for leave to present a petition for a private bill to incorporate "The Yukon Railway and Navigation Company.

Hon.C. E. Pooley then resumed the de bate on the speech from the throne and in opening said: opening said: "In addressing the house I have no department to defend and I only speak to the general policy of the government, and before proceeding I have much pleasure in complimenting the gentleman who had moved the address in a neat speech, and the gentle man who had in such sound common se remarks seconded the same, but cannot congratulate the member for New Westminster city, who has only complimented these gentlemen because it was the custom of the house to do so ver, who stated that the mover had to call in the assistance of Kipling, and the seconder had to call Providence to his assistance. It would have been much better if the junior member for Vancouver had called in some one to assist him, as he then would have been able perhaps to reduce the mass of figures which he inflicted upon the house yesterday in some sort of intelligible manner. But, Mr. Speaker. with all the skill and manipulation of these figures he could not make them show that the province is not in a very healthy and progressive state. I could not but be struck by the happy, jubilant smiling and confident expression upon the faces of the members of the opposit tion when they attended at the opening of the house and naturally conclud felt by the country at the general proc perity and the expectant greater advancement at no distant day; but what was my surprise upon enquiry to find that these smiles of satisfaction were due to the fallacious reports sent to them that three days after the opening of the house the government would be voted out, but now they find that the report was without foundation and that the government members are fully in accord with the ministers, they have gone into of collapse, and we see ne hungry longing upon the same hungry longing upon their faces as they look at the treasury benches, which are still so far from them. And they have the same look o gloomy, settled despondency in their faces which I as a member of this house have noticed for the last 16 years and is indelibly fixed upon my memory. The senior member, who has been followed by others to the same effect, has en-deavored to belittle the new parliament buildings, but the weight of his remarks was addressed to the fact that these buildings had been placed at Vicmade a question at the last general election and the government were strongly supported at the polls. The honorable gentleman also stated that the buildings were built before they were required Now, sir, with this remark I take issue The infant province of British Columbia has outgrown its swaddling clothes and requires to be attired in raiment fitting the position she has now taken among the provinces of the Dominion; and fully believe that in a very few years the province of British Columbia will be recognized as the richest province in the Dominion, if not the most populous. You cannot keep it back." Mr. Pooley then referred to the re-

marks of Mr. Macpherson, who in a long desultory speech had brought charges of extravagance against the gov-

ernment, and the gravamen of the charge

was that the government had had to send to Chicago for alteration a tablet

on which was chronicled certain events connected with the new parisant buildings. Now when an opposition member in the course of an hour could

travagance against the government the opposition was pretty weak. He had heard at each closing session the most direful prognostications of the position

tions, in fact positive extinction was al-ways foretold, but the results had not

justified the prophesies. During the de-bate one after another have adopted the

same happy allusion to the government's extinction, and Mr. Cotton to wind up

with, after deluging the house and the government with a mass of figures, actu-ally preached the funeral oration over

the government. He had no doubt that the remarks were heartfelt, but it would

require more than a simple jumble of figures to induce the people of this province to place the honorable gentleman, though of such pronounced financial

ability, in the position of minister of finance. He thought that the govern-ment, which had done all it could with

the means at its command for the advancement of the province, and he

a sufficiently strong position to carry on the good works which they had inau-

Applause.)

vernment after the general elec-

resolutions brought before that convention for the cost of operating railways, showing the of the house, but he was averse to curpurpose of trying to show that the Liberals did not want to be bound down in cent. In the Old Country, he said, member. party lines in the provincial election. where the wages are from one shilling Mr. Forster next claimed that the amendment to the license law last year ating railways is certainly very much gave the power not to the property owners, but the residents, to say whether a tleman had not had the fairlicense should be granted or not. He claimed, too, that the accident to Capt. Hall, superintendent of the Le Roi mine, was caused by the buckets not being properly protected. That the hon. gentlemen opposite had In reply to the president of the council he maintained that the opposite had apparently not taken into consideration the immense benefit this road had been the countries. the council he maintained that the opposition were just as anxious for the prosperity of the country as the government, and that where they differed was that the opposition believed in prosperity for the province in general while the government believed in prosperity for individuals. Touching on the Shuswap and Okanagan railway aid he maintained that while the bonds were guaranteed to the country. Flour mills had been the country mills had been the country. Flour mills had been the country mills had not not the country. Flour mills had not not the country mills had not not not not the country mills had not not not not not not not no anteed at \$25,000 a mile by the govern-Shuswap & Okanagan. He contended ment at 4 per cent. the bonds were sold that within a very short time this road

necessary provision as the province tions had been sent to the coroner to rehad the right already, and could not dispose of it without enactment.

Mr. Forster took exception to Hon. C. He would also read letters from Dr. Clen-Hon. D. M. Eberts, after congratulat-

est way in which they had expressed their they did not deem it necessary to hold views, proceeded to criticize the remarks of the opposition against the Attorney-General's department. The leader of the opposition had made a bitter and an on with the investigation because they uncalled for remark when he said that there was collusion between the mem-bers of the executive and someone his department. He regretted that such higher in authority to withhold assent an occurrence as this should be intro-from the alien labor bill passed last duced into the politics of the country. session. The leader of the opposition had no right to make any such uncalled for counts which he had been asked to exremark. So far as the late lieutenantgovernor was concerned, Mr. Eberts
said he spoke advisedly when he stated
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counts which he had been asked to the tween July, 1894, and December, 1897.

This was carried.

On motion of Mr. Semlin, seconded by
Mr. Williams, it was resolved to bring
down copies of correspondence in regard they advise him in his line of action.

He acted on his own responsibility and reserving his approval of the bill, and he must have had good and cogent reasons for so doing, for while the governor-general's assent had been given ferred to by Mr. Kellie and concluded ernor-general's assent had been given to all the other bills, it is withheld from the alien labor bill. In this connection Mr. Eberts quoted the remarks of the present Minister of Justice when asked by Senator Macdonald whether Japs would be excluded from the Yukon? Hon. David Mills being reported on that occasion as follows: Thompson case should be against the from the Yukon? Hon. David Mills St. Thompson case should be agained ing reported on that occasion as follows:

"Japan was recognized as a civilized department.

Mr. Helmcken rose to make a few reprivileges of the country within the domain of international law. Moreover, tention of the house to the fact that the Japan was a powerful nation as well as a civilized one, and personally he doubted if it would be a practical step to attempt to place the people of that nation on a different footing from other civilized duty to work together for the good of the nations in this regard." The government of this province had nothing to do
with the non-assent to the bill Mr.

Eberts affirmed, and he hoped the leader of the opposition very high terms to the contractors on the would stand up and recall his remark. Mr. Eberts also defended had performed, and believed that in his department from being responsible the matter of the Alien Labor Act for the revised statutes not being put in it was their duty to see that when force sconer. The report from the commissioners was not received till February 12, and a special Gazette was at once issued bringing into force all the sta-portance that the legislature should protutes except those which first require tect its own people in every possible the assent of the house. Mr. Macpher- way. He believed that the asylum was son had made a furious onelaught on the government for reckless expenditure in as the unfortunates sent there had in paying a resident physician for the past undoubtedly benefitted greatly fort Steele. Mr. Eberts showed that a from the treatment received, and the doctor there was a necessity on account house should do all in its power to ameliof the number of miners, and it was in the interest of these people that the expenditure was made. Turning to the remarks of Mr. Forster on the Crow's Nest he could have wished this session, and coal lands, Mr. Eberts remarked that as consequently had not heard the discusthe crown grants had a clause in them sion in all its details; but if all the rethat 5 cents a ton royalty had to
be paid on every ton of coal mined,
he only hoped that more coal lands would
be given away on the same terms. It had
marks were of the calibre of those he
had heard to-day from the leader of the
opposition he concluded he had not lost
much. (Laughter.) Great stress had been stated that the coal seam was 120 been laid upon his continued absence.

the good works which they had inau-open up the country—to make it access-the house—what was wanted was action, purated for the benefit of the province. ible. The second member for Vancou. ver (Mr. Macpherson) talked a very ab. Mr. Hnuter in rising to a point of

Mr. Forster (Delta) in beginning his surd proposition when he spoke as hedid order took the view that the speech about the Nakuap & Slocan. He read could not be considered seriating extracts from the Year Book of Canada Dr. Walkem quite agreed that this about the Nakusp & Slocan. He read could not be considered seriatim.

Dr. Walkem quite agreed that this for 1896, giving the average proportion of would be a departure from the procedure

at 80 cents on the dollar, or \$20,000 a mile, and while the province paid on \$25,000 a mile the road never cost more than \$15,000 a mile, so that the company pocketed \$5,000 a mile on the trans- whistle of the locomotive would system with the road never cost more than \$15,000 a mile, so that the company pocketed \$5,000 a mile on the trans-action. He accused the government of unduly favoring the C.P.R. and of giving away public lands to companies without adequate returns. Mr. Hunter had spoken of the Dominion grant to the Valvon & Taslin Lake railway as a mon-specific property of the Coast for treatment. The state of the state of the grant fight if at Vancouver or Westmin-aroa all right if at Vancouver or Westmin-aroa arose, being adjourned on the presentation by Major Mutter of an amendment, the might mention that the vote had been carried by a large majority, which included the leader of the opposition. He congratulated every mechanic who had been engaged on the work. Referring to Kootenay, he spoke of the Coast for treatment. The state of the grant first if at Vancouver or Westmin-aroa arose, being adjourned on the presentation by Major Mutter of an amendment, the relevancy of which is challenged by the senior member for Vancouver City. Yesterday's proceedings were introduced with orange of the senior member for Vancouver or Westmin-aroa arose, being adjourned on the presentation by Major Mutter of an amendment, the opposition. He congratulated every mechanic who had been engaged on the work. Referring to Kootenay, he spoke of the cow which was said to have caused the great fire at Chicago, saying to the Coast for treatment. The state of strong and unparalleled monopoly when that gentleman had been connected with that existing fifteen years ago should be sufficient answer as to whether the conservative and mossback insti
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Dr. Walkem—"The people of Nanaimo did not condemn it. They voted for it."

Mr. Forster went on to say that the grainting of the coal lands in the Crow's Nest district was against the interests of a few of the province in the interests of a few agent general's office, Mr. Eberts said of the counts as presented the most caused the prosperity in that the government had been the cow which caused the prosperity in Kootenay. As to redistribution, he which caused the prosperity in Kootenay. As to redistribution, he would stand by the government in whatever course they decided to pursue. The prosperity of the resolution in reply to the address, which revenue of the province and the greatfire at Chicago, saying that the government had been the cow which caused the prosperity in Kootenay. As to redistribution, he would stand by the government had encouraged dairy-training of the contract of the railway had been warrent and the country now as compared with that the government had been the cow which caused the prosperity in Kootenay. As to redistribution, he would stand by the government had encouraged dairy-training of the country for the expenditure and more than counterbalanced the seeming loss only, as the increased prosperity of the farmers amply reimbursed district in the province and was consequently in a position to speak on the third section of the resolution in reply to the address, which revenue of the province and the greatfication to the increased revenue of the province and the greatfication to the increased revenue of the province and the greatfication to the increased revenue of the country for the expenditure and more than the country for the expenditure and more than the country for the expenditure and more than caused the prosperity in the trailway had been warre of the province in the interests of a few agent general's office, Mr. Eberts said they had been most unfortunate, and the Australian policy was the best, for the country to build and own its own railways and not give its land away in thing in the world, and that it was his sparsely exhausted were the lounder duty to prove such a statement. grants. So nearly exhausted were the public lands of the province that now, when a railway asked assistance, they be a railway asked assistance, they be a railway asked assistance, they brand him as a falsifier. He referred to had to get it in cash. He proceeded to discuss the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway, and claimed that by the terms that were now being asked, it meant that the people of British Colum-Macpherson to get up and produce the bia would have to put up the money for names of those who had traduced Mr. two-thirds of that railway, and that Vernon. If he did not, he ran the risk being so, he contended that either the of being called the originator of the reprovince should build and own its own ports himself. While he Mr. Eberta was railways, or else the companies should in London, he had visited the agent-pay for their own roads. He would general's office three and four times a except from the rest of the government the Premier, who really did want to do right by the people of the province, but the only trouble was that the men around him prevented him from doing so. The government took credit took credit took treat the rest law are took to the rest law are t for putting a clause in the act last year did justice to his office. Referring to to control the rates of railways, but Mr. the Thomson drowning accident, the Foster claimed this was a very un- Attorney-General stated that instruc-E. Pooley acting as legal adviser to the denning and the undertakers, Messrs. E. & N. railway in his private capacity, Center & Hanna, which would give the and ended by saying that while he was called a socialist, the government were anarchists, for they did not govern for the good of the people—they governed for the few and not for the many.

The world give the waster whether the matter. Mr. Eberts then read numerous letters, and these all went to show that it had been through no fault of the department that an official investigation had not been made. Continuity has a said that the matter had been reing, he said that the matter had been re ing the mover and seconder on their able addresses and the sincere and hon-

progressive policy of the government had been inaugurated by their predecessors.

to 150 feet wide, and if that were the case the royalty would bring in \$7,500 an acre; but even putting it at 10 feet there would be a royalty of from \$7000 to \$8,000 to \$100 felt quite confident that after the general election now approaching the present government would be sustained by the government would be sustained by the votes of the people and would return in a sufficiently strong position to carry on Slocan railway the one desire was to slowed to interfere with the business of

member. Col. Baker believed that any reason able person would acknowledge that the subject had been very much discussed -he might say exhausted, and it was simply wasting the time of the house to

continue it further. Mr. Turner said it had never been the intention to discuss it paragraph by pa-

ragraph.
Mr. Speaker ruled that it was per fectly in order to discuss the speech seriatim, agreement or no agreement. The speech from the throne was Mr. Stoddart, in continuing the debate, thought considerable time had already been lost. On the subject of the terday, only three of the paragraphs of buildings, he had been sorry to hear the the address in reply being opened to dis-

senior member for Vancouver (Mr. Williams) say that they would be all right if they were on the mainland. He himself did not expect them to cost quite so and the government's resolution was

such a statement, and Mr. Stoddart continuing said the statement was something like that. The buildings would be all right if at Vancouver or Westmin-

The first two sections of the address were read a second time without comment, but when the third section was could not see that it was a source of reached Mr. Cotton had an amendment gratification to the province that only to offer. This third section is the one \$200,000 had been spent in West Koote-congratulating the house on the de, nay when that district had to pay \$350, velopment of the province, and to it Mr. 000 to the revenue. The member for Cotton desired to add a clause trusting Lillooet (Mr. Stoddart) had complimentthat measures would be laid before the ed the government on building rail-house abolishing the mortgage tax and roads, but not one dollar had the govdoing away with the necessity of labor-ernment expended for railways in his ers in metalliferous mines taking out a

free miner's license.

He moved this as an amendment, sec onded by Mr. Graham. Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out

resolution of which Mr. Cotton had to the already given notice this session. Mr. Cotton appealed from this ruling, tion to the \$5 mining license paid but the Speaker was sustained on the by miners, and claimed this was ollowing division:

YEAS-Messrs. Sword, Forster, Macbherson, Huff, Williams, Smith, Kellie, Mutter, Helmcken, Baker, Turner, Marin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden and McGregor

NAYS- Messrs. Kennedy, Vedder. Kidd, Semlin, Cotton and Graham-6. The debate was then adjourned until o-day.

MOTIONS.

A motion moved by Mr. Kennedy and econded by Mr. Sword was carried, asking for correspondence in regard to the reopening of Campbell's Creek school. Dr. Walkem, seconded by Mr. Stod-dart, moved for correspondence in regard to the employment of Japs and Chinese underground in metalliferous mines. This was carried.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Stoddart, for a return in regard to revenue and experditures in districts between July, 1894, and December, 1897.

estimates were brought down it would to an investigation against Constable

that the standing orders had been com-plied with in the following bills: Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886; B. C. Tin Plate and Metal Co. With regard to the petition of the C.P.N. Co., it exceeded the notice in that it applied for power to engage in the business of a trading company, but the committee recommended its admission.

The report was received.

BILLS INTRODUCED. Col. Baker introduced "An Act to amend the Coal Mines Regulations Act. This was read a first time and second reading fixed for Thursday. The following private bills were read a first time and referred to the proper

To incorporate the Alice Arm Railway.—Mr. Huff.
To incorporate the South East Kootenay Railway Company.—Mr. Hume.
To incorporate the Kootenay and

MESSES, T. MILBURN & Co., Toronto, Ont. DEAR STRS,—I have used Hagyard's Yel- final but a just redistribution that the low Oil for my children when they had bronchitis, and always with great success. I use it also for sore throat, and can say there is nothing to equal it as a sure cure.

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His Honor's Opening Speech Finally Disposed Of in the Local Legislature.

mendments Offered But Promptly Negatived-Expediency of the Mertgage Tax.

finally disposed of in the legislature yescussion by proposed amendments. These in turn were overwhelmingly negatived, eventually passed as presented. Con-Mr. Williams denied having made sideration was then given to Mr. Cotton's government would be justified in incur-repeating the muddle he had already ring the expense of a wagon road. Clauses act.
Mr. Kellie (North West Kootenay

(Mr. Kellie's) district. True they had guaranteed the bonds on the Nakusp & Slocan, but that was not the same as giving \$750,000 to the E. & N. railway. Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out (Ories of No! No!) Well, it was the of order on the ground that it embodied Dominion government gave the money to the province to make over to the railway. He took excep-

unfair, as the farmers in their districts should be just as properly called upon to pay a \$5 tax. Then he objected to the taxation of \$100 on mining companies. How would the Premier like to have to pay a tax of \$100 before he could sell goods in his store.

Hon. Mr. Turner—I pay \$300 for a mining companities, and as things were at present the dishonest millmen were cinching the bate, agreed with much that the opposition had said regarding the hardship not infrequently entailed on the borrower by house, and the clause immediately there the payment of this tax. He had perhe taxation of \$100 on mining compa-

Mr. Kellie maintained that the gov-ernment should be ashamed of itself, in-

tead of calling that kind of revenue a ource of gratification. The clause, after some further debate was passed, an amendment for its elimi-nation, proposed by Mr. Kellie and Mr. Humes, being rejected on the following livision:

Yeas-Hume, Forster, Macpherson Kidd. Vedder, Graham and Kellie-7. Nays—Kennedy, Huff, Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Smith, Mutter, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden and Mc-

Gregor-22.No further discussion arose until clause 8 was reached of the resolution in eply, this section foreshadowing the re-listribution of the electoral districts of remarks with reference to the London eply, this section foreshadowing the re-

that the government would give the redistribution measure most careful consideration, so as to ensure just representationin all parts of the province. He could not agree with members opposite that the present should be a final redistribution. He had great hopes in British Columbia, and should be sorry go think that the province had ceased its trowth. It was very apparent that the troops and the same order of the reply of the province had ceased its trowth. It was very apparent that the province had ceased its trowth. It was very apparent that the province had ceased to the consideration of the reply resolution for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for it incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place.

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To amend the "Vancouver Incorporation of the electoral districts must be of.—Mr. Williams.

To incorporate the British Columbia Metalliferous Mines, Iron, Steel, Tin-plate and Metal Company.—Mr. Hunter.

The house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

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sure of redistribution would be withheld.
As to the last redistribution measure, he maintained that it had been emi nently unfair, particularly as it gave two members to Esquimalt with its four two members to Esquimalt with its four hundred voters, and but one to the Delta with its electorate of eleven hun-

unjust, and held that the amendment proposed was out of order as disrespectproposed was out of order as disrespect-ful to the Crown.

Mr. Speaker held that the amendment

measure of redistribution had been unjust, and the house in consequence had a right to ask for assurance that the present measure would be more satisfactors may be more satisfactors. The same would be more satisfactors may be satisfactors and thus he was compelled to

that notice should have been given of the form of taxes on his property and such an amendment, quoting May (page taxes on the loan, this double taxation 171) in support of his position. The dis- often falling very heavily upon him at ussion was immediately diverted to the a time when he was least able to bear it point of order, in answer to which Mr. Smith (West Lillooet) referred to the resolutions before, and as his views were ninth edition of May (page 223), and Mr. unchanged on the subject involved again Kellie (North West Koetenay) proposed opposed the proposal brought before the further 48-hour adjournment of the house. The tax complained of was

In reply to Dr. Walkem, Mr. Speaker or's own contract and uoted May's Practice (pages 275, 236 and 276), ruling that the objection taken had not to deal. If it was desired to hould not be sustained

amendment, it was put to vote and neg-

Kellie-12. Nays: Huff, Smith, Helmcken, Baker, make up for the change by increasing furner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, his rate of interest. It was a fallacy to

McGregor-18. Section 12—"That it is pleasant to hear that the timber industry has shown marked improvement during the year -being reached.

Kidd, to add to the clause: "And we double taxation, for there is no statutory trust that for the benefit of the province, obligation upon the borrower or mortgaand all concerned in the lumber busi ess, some measure providing for logscaling by the government will be laid

and object of his resolution, maintaining that the log-scaling legislation of a few years ago had been in the proper direction, and should have been continued in force. It was on the right clearly set forth by the president of the lines, just and fair to all parties, and council. No doubt the borrower was approved by all who wished to deal hon-

chiefly interested had not expressed desire for the continuation of the government scaling of logs; that in fact this ment scaling of logs; that in fact this opposed the resolution upon their good was both expensive and at the same luck in being monied men, which would time unnecessary, as so decided at a account for their opposition. He held general meeting of loggers held only a that necessity was as strong as law in ew weeks ago in Vancouver, when these compelling the borrower at

Mr. Sword commented that the Brit sh Columbia scale was still in force throughout the province, not the Spalding scale. It was manifestly unfair unless the scaling of all logs were carried mittee, and as things were at present

house, and the clause immediately there-after passed, 15 to 12, the resolution in sonally felt it a hardship, but he knew reply being at once agreed to in its en-tirety and passing through the usual

PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Forster directed the attention the house to the fact that, while at the last sitting of the house, he had answered the denial by the member for South Nanaimo of his statement that the people of Nanaimo had opposed the Esqui-malt & Nanaimo railway grant, by stating that the people of Nanaimo had pe-titioned against that grant, the petition being on the records—the Colonist report of the proceedings contained no refrence to his explanation.

Hon. Mr. Turner had also a question distribution of the electoral distri same subjects which the Statist had condition of the loan you seek, to consument was still temporizing in the redistribution matter, and in concluding his remarks proposed as an amendment to add as a rider to the clause, "and we trust that such measure will rectify existing irregularities in the representation of the clause, "and we trust that such measure will rectify existing irregularities in the representation of members and will provide for equal representation to constituencies similarly situated."

The senior member for Vancouver, Mr. Williams, seconded the amendment. Hon. Mr. Turner replying to the observations of the opposition leader stated that the government would give the redistribution measure most careful considering in the referred also to the comment upon the incident published by the News-Advertiser, in which it was attempted to contradict what he had said about the Statist by saying that Hon. Mr. Gladstone had testified to it as an authority on financial subjects. The connection here was far from clear, but what he wished to deal with was the matter of his alleged naming of the Statist as a scurrilous paper—which had not done. What he had said was that if one paid the Statist enough for its advertising it would give the project advertised; a good send-off." Another point which he wished to deal with as a privilege arose out of the report in the justice, had at one time proposed as a servation of the proposed as a servation of the justice, had at one time to the comment upon the incident published by the News-Advertiser, in which it was untarily. In the event of the exist ing legislation being changed untarily. In the event of the exist was desired. The loan companies as desired. The loan companies of the change to make extra interest out of the change

privilege, referred to the reply of the Attorney-General to his curfew law single tax, for it it prevailed, the owner

appeared to be in order, urged that better provisions be made for members, in the matter of a room, which they at present sadly lacked.

Major Mutter and Mr. Williams supserted this request and Mr. Speaker. sent sadly lacked. ported this request, and Mr. Speake

said that it would receive immediate attention.

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Hon. Mr. Martin-It is already receiving attention.
THE TAX ON MORTGAGES.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Cotton moved, seconded by Mr. Semlin, "That in the opinion of this house the double taxa-the taxes omit from the assessment rolls

Delta with its electorate of eleven hundred.

Hon. Mr. Turner corrected the last speaker, who had either misunderstood or was purposely misquoting him. He had not said that the government would not said that the government would not said that the government would not give a fair redistribution at the option of this house the double taxing the present system of taxing mortgages is an injustice."

The mover held that the amendment of existing legislation in relation to the mortgage tax had long been admitted scheme presented itself of meeting the points at issue. Whether the head wears a cap or a crown not give a fair redistribution at the cadaches will come. Burdock Blood present time quite the contrary—but three successive premiers of the provestrates cures all forms of headache. It is that a final redistribution just now was ince—Hon. Mr. Robson. Hon. Mr. Robson. Hon present time—quite the contrary—but three successive premiers of the province—Hon. Mr. Robson, Hon. Mr. maintaining that the element of competimpossible.

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Davie, and Hon. Mr. Turner. It had tition had been overlooked in the prebeen urged in explanation of the delay diction that loan companies would make ished the fourth bottle."

assumption that any measure would be in carrying out these promises of re
MRS. W. MACKLIN, Cypress River, Man. submitted to the house that would be form that the revenue from the mort-

gage tax was required by the province, but now that the provincial revenue had so greatly expanded, the province could no doubt get along without this small contribution the collection of the contribution of the collection of the contribution of the collection of was neither disrespectful nor irrelevant, contribution, the collection of which and
Mr. Sword contended that the last Quibbling over the matter was unnecesactory before passing the clause under pay more taxes on his property than the man who was not compelled to borrow. Dr. Walkem took the point of order He had to pay double tribute—both in

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Hon. Mr. Pooley had opposed similar ouse. The tax complained of was ebate in order that members might personal property tax, and if paid as have time to consider and introduce alleged by the mortgagor, it was not by amendments. make illegal all obligations which it was No further debate arising on the possible for a person to take upon himself by contract, taxation must cease enatived, the section passing as originally tirely. If the changes suggested were framed on the following division:

Yeas: Sword, Kennedy, Hume, Fors- altered—for if the personal property tax ramed on the following division:

Yeas: Sword, Kennedy, Hume, Forster. Macpherson, Kidd, Vedder, Wilwas to be fixed upon the lender of money liams, Semlin, Cotton, Graham, and without his being able to secure it from the borrower, the lender would simply make up for the change by increasing Stoddard, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, suppose for a moment that if this tax Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden, and were removed the people who borrowed money would have a cent less to pay. Mr. Sword-Do I understand the presi

dent of the council to say this is not double taxation? Hon. Mr. Pooley-I certainly thought that I had made myself clear-it is not

gor—if he assumes the liability it is voluntary contract. Mr. Sword supported the resolution, holding that the mortgage tax if not The mover briefly explained the scope technically such, was to practical purposes, double taxation.

Hon. Col. Baker opposed the resolution as a mere election scheme, the position of the matter having practically though not legally compelled to bear the burden of the impost, but estly in the matter of scaling.

Dr. Walkem held that the parties altering the law as was proposed

afford no relief to the borrower. Mr. Williams congratulated all who practical men had intimated that they assume the payment of the mortgage were not prepared to accept government, tax, and pointed out that this tax had scaling and scalers. He argued that it been held to be undesirable, and accordwould be time enough to make the ingly abolished in the Province of Onchange proposed when the millmen and loggers applied for it by petition to the the example thus set, and also abolish the tax, as promised by three successive premiers, the sense of the province being in favor of such abolitic ground that the tax bears unfairly on a portion of the population least able to bear it.

Hon. Mr. Turner, as on past occasions

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remarks of the senior member for Vancouver, he noted that that mem-ber had been careful not to advocate in

changes in the personal property tax

Mr. Kellie got in his fina hoped, he said, that when th to prepare the provincial government would not forge the Kootenay cow—the cow supplied \$200,000 worth of be other parts of the province of other indirect burdens upon the year just past. pocket that were quite as objectionable The house will sit to-day a —for example there was hardly a lease-holder in the country that did not assume some obligation not contem-plated by statute. The support of the senior member for Vancouver for the Mr. Speaker when he left last evening did not observementer for Comox was on hi did he hear that gentleman resolution could easily be when it was remembered that he repreattempts to attract his atten result what Mr. Hunter was corporations in the country, which did not forget to collect the tax from every to say is unrecorded. Mr. R. P. Rithet, the senio for Victoria City, has arrived seat in the legislature and h borrower, and which would no doubt be among the first to raise its interest charges, in the event of this tax being the public accounts commit abolished, making such legislative action admittedly the most conspice ber on the floor of the house The mining committee is to the excuse. The premier denied that Hon. Mr. Turner had also a question the present tax could fairly be described of privilege, arising out of the reports in as dual taxation, which was unconstituo'clock on Monday. Any per amendments to the Minera tional, as the legislation provided for neither the assessment nor the collection of the impost. It was simply a case Mining Act is requested to gested amendments to the c the committee as soon as ma

> As an outcome of the discus erday Mr. Kennedy has gi a series of questions addre Chief Commissioner as to wh are cut on leases, or on logge computed for revenue; by we the rebate computed on exp ber, and is it the government to abolish the rebate or redu at all. Mr. Kidd is anxion from the Minister of Mines v provincial assessors place on ment roll as personal propert in joint stock companies held olders.
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Their excuse for increasing rates. He maintained that the repeal of the existing tax would be beneficial to the borrower; and as to the point that abolition of this legislation would put more tax ation on the unenumbered land, he quoted a well-to-do supporter of the change in his own district as inquiring "who is better able to pay it than the man who is not burdened with debt?"

Mr. Vedder favored the resolution, holding that the mortgage tax as at present collected bore unjustly on the poor man.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1898.

coast south of the Alaskan boundary.

This is a very remarkable thing to be said by any one assuming to speak with any one assuming the speak with any one assuming authority concerning Pacific Coast ada are at stake, and it is a matter of authority concerning Pacific Coast affairs. We are not prepared off-hand to say how many harbors there are on the coast, but we venture to name a few line indicated." Than ourselves, none and says it is "rare and exceptional" at random, namely: Alice Arm, Port more heartily endorse the sentiment ex-Simpson, Port Essington, Kitimat Arm pressed in the words above quoted, but and Bella Coola. There are others, and in those named we have not thought it contained in the editorial from which worth while to come more than half the distance down the coast from the distance down t distance down the coast from the Alaskan boundary to Vancouver. It seems a startling thing that such ignorance should prevail in high quarters. We are unable to understand how any man who ought to be as closely in touch with the affairs of this country as Senator Scott could possibly make so egregious a blunder. If he followed the discussion of the rival routes for the Canadian Pacific, he would have for the Canadian Pacific, he would have admitting our contemporary's contenknown better. But even if he were so tion, that a road from Kitimat would known petter. But even if he were so unfortunate as to be totally ignorant of the geography of the country, one would suppose that he would have taken the trouble to inform himself before making a natural advantage of immense importance, in view of the necessity for the a speech on the subject.

The people of Canada ought to know bors on the British Columbia coast, and that, indeed, they are very much better than those further north. A glance at as possible. It is only reasonable to be the map will show that the coast is deeply indented, and a moment's perusal of even an elementary work on the sal of even an elementary work of el subject will inform anyone that these indentations are safe to navigation, with abundance of deep water. Weask, with make it impracticable, which, from inour correspondent, what the representatives of this province in the senate were thinking of when they allowed such a statement to pass uncontradicted.

THE ALL-CANADIAN LINE.

We are not surprised to learn by wire heartily endorsed at the Capital. He but the temper of those who spoke was impute dishonorable motives to any one, than usually warlike character. It has has undoubtedly taken the only correct position in connection with railway construction to the Yukon. The Stikinebut more is wanted. The line must be part of anyone to attempt to curb the be above such things. extended to the coast. We must be freed from the possibility of interruption by our neighbors. We observe that the Vancouver World thinks that Alice Arm is the best place for an ocean terminus for such a line, but do not think it is correctly informed. We have made as careful investigation into the subject as is possible, and this does not lead us to entertain the view which commends itself to our mainland contemporary. Like the World, we desire to see the best route adopted. If a route to Observatory Inlet is best, by all means let that be chosen; but if that to Kitimat is preferable, we are sure that the World will be ready with its assistance in securing a railway to that point.

As we understand the matter, the engineer sent out by the provincial governfavorable report of the route via Alice Arm. He went into the interior for some distance and was obliged to turn back and his report does not give much encouragement to those who contemplate an entrance into the country from that point. It is fair to add that Captain Cunningham is very certain that a good route can be got into the interior from Alice Arm, but it is largely a matter of opinion with him. He said to the CoL-ONIST a few days ago that he fully believed there was an available route, but he added that he could not speak with certainty. He felt, however, that his opinion was much strengthened by the fact that a Massachusetts party which had gone in that way intending turned. This seems to corroborate his turned. This seems to corroborate his copinion. It is a fact, however, that the denies that this activity has any con-Western Union surveyors found some exceedingly difficult country in about the same latitude as Alice Arm, and the same latitude as Alice A were in point of fact obliged to give up their survey; but it is always possible in such a country that available routes may be overlooked by the first people,

who explore it. to the possibility of penetrating the address is attempted. We think the Coast Range from Kitimat Arm by an point taken by Mr. Hunter a good one exceedingly level route. The existence point taken by Mr. Hunter a good one, of this way into the Interior has been namely that a member cannot properly known ever since the Canadian Pacific under the rules, when speaking to a surveys. Captain Clifford went over paragraph, enter upon a general discusthe proposed route last year and found sion of the whole address, or the general it very favorable. While we differ state of the province, but must confine with the World on this point, we think there is no difference between us as to the necessity for constructing a railway from some point on the coast below the Alaskan boundary. We quote our contemporary's article on the subject in order that, upon a question of this magnitude and pressing interest, there

report of the proceedings in the Legislature—was made in our issue of yester-day to the Hon. J. H. Turner's telegram of Thursday last urging the Dominion government to immediately consider a measure looking to the speedy construction of a railway from some northerly PLENTY OF HARBORS.

A correspondent draws attention to the fact that Senator Scott stated in parliament a short time ago that there is not an ocean harbor on the Canadian coast south of the Aleskov hardon.

early completion of an all-Canadian route to the Yukon. There is time that there is no lack of the best of har-bors on the British Columbia coast, and to the south and southeast of Telegraph Creek. What is needed is an all-Canadian route to the north, and that as early

> formation before us, do not exist. THE ACCIDENT TO THE MAINE.

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United States Senate on Friday by a is said that a man is known by the com- of the British race to deal with resolution appropriating \$200,000 to be pany he keeps; and there is much truth savage tribes. Special reference has expended in raising the remains of the in the idea that one whose conceptions been made lately in the British vessel. There were not many speeches, of honor are rudimentary is very apt to press to one tribe, which is of a more such as to make it very plain that if simply because he knows his own readibeen governed by ten Englishmen with these is a shadow of ground on which to ness to do dishonorable acts, and cannot one hundred and fifty negro soldiers, hold Spain responsible for the explosion, conceive that persons who have been and so well has the work been done that there will not be the slightest use on the ever so remotely in touch with him can war feeling. In vain will men like Senthat if provision is not made for the through the influence of our represent-They will be swept aside in the rush of issuing of miners' licenses at Lake atives on land and the vigilance of our popular feeling as leaves are borne for- Tagish the United States will close the ward by a tempest. Indeed there will sub-ports of Dyea and Skagway. We almost wholly abolished. Occasionally probably be very little effort made to renot to have been an accident, "decisive steps will be taken in the premises." that war will ensue, for the demands is discriminating against United States that would in such a case be made upon Spain would be of such a nature that they could not be acceded to.

A late Havana despatch says that all mine as the cause of the explosion, and nt last fall did not bring down a the statement is made that there were where the first fiame was seen. This Mining, Trading & Transport Corporaa discovery, but there seems to be some States custom house officer at Wrangel the authorities which have not yet been is disposed to make matters as agreeable

made public. Meanwhile there is great activity in naval and military circles all over the United States. The troops at the principal army stations have been directed to get ready to move at a

A WASTE OF TIME.

Mr. Speaker is likely to have an opportunity to assert his right to enforce the rules of the house when a discus-On the other hand no doubt exists as sion of the several paragraphs of the to the possibility of penetrating the address is attempted. We think the under consideration. Mr. Speaker will no doubt see that, whatever the rule may be, it shall be strictly adhered to, else is by this time, that the members of and from the field of good works a time of the house to no good purpose.

members of the legislature. Lord John Russell, Lord Palmerston and Sir Robert Peel are cited as authority for this proposition, and the speech delivered from the Throne at the opening of the session was framed along lines in keeping with this rule. In another "the place Dr. Todd speaks of the speech as reciprocal acts of courtesy between the Crown and the houses of parliament." In all his references to the address he seems to regard it as a mere formality,

We do not deny the right of members to discuss on the moving of the address fare of the province. We simply say an exceedingly serious thing, but no govreasonable limits, we suggest that the government should permit the opposition to do all the talking and thus put the responsibility for the loss of time where it belongs.

tiser. In point of erudition, compre- tween the two powers in West Africa, hensive states manship and world-wide and that is the only part of the world renown, this is quite true; but when it where there is any existing likelihood of comes down to what affects the honor of their interests coming in conflict. a man, Mr. Turner or any other gentleman is the peer of Mr. Gladstone or any | speak of the progress made by the Britstatesman that Europe ever produced. ish representatives in West Africa in We confess to be totally unable to com- establishing order in communities that prehend the intense smallness of the only a very few years ago were sunk in man who attempts to belittle the stand- the worst savagery. The change has ard by which his associates must be been remarkable, so much so as to ex-A debate on the blowing up of the judged. Perhaps the fact that they are cite surprise even among those who are warship Maine was precipitated in the his associates may lead him to do so. It familiar with the extraordinary faculty

THE statement is made at Washington States government, but if it is, the proissue licenses to any except British subjects. The ground on which the demand is to be made is said to be that Canada matter whether he is a British subject the evidence now points to a submarine or an alien, is allowed to purchase

C. J. McLennan, who has charge of the advance expedition of the seems a late date at which to make such tion on the Stikine, says that the United reason to believe that facts are known to has extended every courtesy to him and as possible to people entering Canada by way of the Stikine river. This is quite in accord with what we have been led to expect would be the case.

THERE is a renewal of the demand for moment's notice. Orders have been re- representation for British Columbia in ceived at Sau Francisco to exercise the the Dominion cabinet. All the arguutmost vigilance in guarding the guns ments for this have been made over and there. At Boston "rush" orders have over again. They are simply growing upon some one. To set the slaves free been given to the force employed on the stronger as time passes; but we have not would be in most cases to make their fortifications, and at the Norfolk navy observed that they are receiving much situation very much worse than it has yard work is being pushed night and more consideration at the hands of Sir

> THE Post-Intelligencer thinks it "palgage. It is a concession that few countries in this world would grant to the soldiers of any other country.

THE Rossland Miner draws attention to the probability of a large output of oil money will be required in this province valuable oil bearing district exists in all sides to increasing the permanent that part of the province. We hope it debt more than can be avoided, and will be possible so to manage this un- many persons are casting around to see developed provincial asset that it may be if they can discover some way of getting kept out of the hands of the Standard Oil what funds will be required without monopoly. Oil properties are likely to going to the necessity of loans. Solely prove very valuable, for the United that there may be discussion, and with-States supply is falling off.

THE death of Rev. Coverdale Watson for he must be satisfied, as every one removes from the Methodist ministry not made with the approval of the govthe opposition are simply wasting the gentleman of commanding ability and of the government will ever know of it earnest devotion. He leaves a large will be when he reads it in the Colonist In spending so many days debating circle of friends, and goes to the grave this morning, we present this plan.

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spatches of day before yesterday looked corded should be entitled to receive a very threatening. The London journals crown grant of the land so recorded, had assumed a warlike tone, and France was given to understand that if nothing short of hostilities would suit her purposes, she could have as much of that sort of thing as she wanted. This has called forth a very pacific utterance from the French government, and the incident may be said to be closed. Several things may be noted in this

connection. One of them is the readi-

any attempt on the part of France to interfere with British interests abroad. War between the two nations would be pers to be followed by something very closely resembling a declaration of war. On the contrary the French minister for foreign affairs has been wholly friendly and exceedingly definite in what he has had to say. His reply to the British "IT is a long way from Mr. Gladstone ambassador seems to put at rest all presto Mr. Turner," says the News-Adver- ent danger of any trouble arising be-

> It is worth while in this connection to these late persistent foes of ours are now living in a most peaceful condition and enjoying a high degree of prosperity.

It is also of great interest to note that cruisers at sea, the slave trade has been a dhow, carrying the French flag, is found probably be very little enort made to reposition will be taken by the United to have people aboard who are undoubtnot retard the progress of the province, edly intended to be sold into slavery, we think it will be worth doing. In the Navy has omerany announced that per response to make is to decline to and these our cruisers cannot rescue, for matters of this kind discussion is highly the reason that the French flag puts the important. It will bring out the weal right of search out of the question, points of a case and develop the strong France being as much bound to prevent ones. Money must be obtained for the the slave trade as Great Britain. On purposes mentioned. If it cannot be land slavery is gradually passing away. obtained out of the public domain, solutely no discrimination against the The condition of the slaves is greatly in view of the fact that it certainly canminers of any nationality. No man, no ameliorated. Their masters must treat not be obtained by direct taxation, the them more fairly, because, if they do not, only course left will be to borrow it. For the slaves can escape and they will not be this reason, the fullest discussion of the allowed to retake them. The result is that question raised by the above suggestion the slaves are rarely ill-treated, and in the cannot fail to be of advantage. course of time the institution of slavery will be totally abolished. It may no officers have not insisted upon the immediate abolition of every vestige of slavery in the districts over which they quite suit some people that the British confronted with a choice of evils. To decree immediate enfranchisement without compensation would be to arouse hostility in the most influential quarters

"Young lady—How old would you take me to be, Baron? The Baron, bowing—Ah, mademoiselle, how can I say? For your accomplishments tell me what your looks deny.—Truth. host lity in the most influential quarters and thereby retard the civilization of the country. To attempt to manumit the slaves and compensate the owners would be to impose a heavy burden of taxation be to impose a heavy burden of taxation upon some one. To set the slaves free twould be in most cases to make their situation very much worse than it has been. The only course left was to make their shoes on.—London Judy. the perpetuation of slavery impossible, and to surround its continuance with so many safeguards as to improve the status of the slaves. This has been done, and we think in the long run it will be found better than any of the

Africa is for liberty and civilization. A TENTATIVE PROPOSITION.

It is very evident that a large sum of out ourselves endorsing the proposition, and with the most unqualified assurance that not only is the suggestion following ernment, but that the first any member

such grant carrying with it the right to the precious and base metal and all minerals without being compelled to do any assessment work thereon; but his holding in all other respects should be subject to the same regulations as apply to other property of any description obtained from the government under the laws as they now stand.

It is claimed that if such scrip were offered for sale there would be a great ness of the British public to take fire at demand for it, and that as high as five dollars an acre could be easily obtained for lands sold under such an arrangement. To explain the matter a little more fully, it may be added that after the sale of this scrip had been authorized, government agents in all parts of the province should be instructed to offer it for sale. The purchaser would simply go to the agent, pay his money and get his piece of scrip, which would be transferrable without endorsement by anyone. In this respect it would be just the same as a bank note. The holder of the scrip could take it and keep it in his pocket as long as he wished, or he could proceed forthwith to locate a piece of ground for any purpose whatever, and immediately upon his entering the fact of his location with the number of the piece of scrip upon the trength of which it had been located, he would be entitled to a crown grant thereof, surrendering his scrip and receiving from the officer a memorandum showing that he had perfected his title

It may be objected to such an arrangement that under it a person having command of a large amount of money might buy and lock up large areas; it may also be objected that to permit a person to occupy mining claims in this way and not work them would be contrary to the whole spirit of our mining laws. We see these objections, and it is because we see them that we throw the question out for discussion without expressing any opinion upon it. At first sight the proposition seems to be an attractive one, but like many an attractive idea, it may not stand as close an inspection as it ought to, in order to be acceptable. We give the suggestion for what it is worth and shall be glad to hear

from correspondents in regard to it. We have sketched the plan in the most general way and we fear very crudely, but our object is to get the idea before the public. If it is practicable to devise some plan whereby it will be possible to get out of our vast domain sufficient money to pay for all needed public improvements and the same time

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"This year's wheel may be chainless," remarked the observant boarder, "but." "But," added the cross-eyed boarder before the other man could finish his sentence, "this year's L.A.W. politics is not chinless."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph. Little Presbyterian (aged three, on his return from the Episcopal Church, where he had been for the first time)—Mamma, the minister came out with a night-dress on and all the ladies were so 'shamed they put their heads right down.—Truth.

Stranger-It seems remarkable to see so many boys sporting moustaches and whis-

Native - Mebby so. But this is a curfew town, you know. - Cleveland Plain Dealer. Bridget (to cross-eyed clerk)-An' hov rez any frish eggs, sor? Clerk—Plenty. Just look this way. ma'am.
Bridget (loftily)—Shure, an' I'll not look
thot way if Oi niver hov any.—Judge.

Professor Knowall-Miss Vernon, what would you say if I were to tell you that vanity is but the looking-glass that reflects imaginary virtues and conceals real Miss Vernon (simply)—I should say you ought to know.—Brooklyn Life.

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London, Feb. 19.—The Standard this morning, commenting editorially on the news from West Africa, says: "The dispatches read by Mr. Chamberlain are of the very gravest importance. A French officer has established with a large force a station at a place we regard large force a station as within our sphere. It must be recognized that the time has arrived to face the situation. The prospect is serious, but no French cabinet can venture to purchase peace by abandoning what is considered an unimpeachable

DOUBLE DROWNING.

Two Men Lose Their Lives in Trying to

N. VIMO, Feb. 21.—(Special)—Mr. unworkable. H. Hadwen, of Duncan's, arrived

Vesuvius Bay in a rowboat to receive mail from the steamer City of Nanaimo, which left Nanaimo on Saturday in a rough gale. The first trace of the upsetting of the rowboat was learned at Cowichan yesterday afternoon, when several letters for the inhabitants of Ganges Harbor were found strewn along the beach. The bodies of the two men have been found and an inquest is being held at Salt Springs Island this afternoon, Dr. Foote and provincial Constable J. Maitland Dougall in charge.

Another despatch received in Victoria vesterday gives the names of the vic-tims as Harold Wilfrid Scott and Frederick Smedley. Scott was an Englishman of means, about 26 years old, who was engaged in farming with his brothers on Salt Spring island. Smedley was employed by them and was about 21. The bodies have been recovered.

THE CHEAP TRAVELLING. C.P.R. Traffic Manager Tells How It Has Come About—Canadian Line Boy-cotted.

The debate on the second reading of the Yukon bill will last into next week. To-day's speakers were McClure, of Colchester, traffic manager of C.P.R. lines west of Lake Superior, being asked what induced his company to make such a gurprising reduction in transcontinental passenger rates, replied: "We concluded that the United States lines were not living up to their agreement. They were cutting rates on every hand and placing their business in the hands of scalpers, and we concluded to give the people the share that the American lines were giving to scalping ticket brokers and cut the rates in half. The net proceeds of a ticket under the old wate that was secured by the United States lines were have the second reading of the yukon bill will last into next week. To-day's speakers were McClure, of Colchester, Maclean, of York, Fraser, of Guysboro, and Hon. Mr. Paterson. There was much mention of Hambour and placing their business in the hands of scalpers, and we concluded to give the people the share that the American lines were giving to scalping ticket brokers and cut the rates in half. The net proceeds of a ticket under the old was induced to believe that the offer was a genuine one.

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close on to 81. MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

A Happy Contralto-Saskatchewan Quartz -Fire at Brandon.

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Miss E. Pauline Johnson returned yes- was proper in the harbor of a friendly terday from a tour as far west as Prince Albert. On arriving in the city Miss Johnson received intelligence by wire that her mother was dying, and without further delay she continued her journey to Brantford.

Mr. D. McMillan, a practical miner, has discovered a deposit of gold bearing quartz near the banks of the little Saskatchewan river, about three miles north of Kemnay Station, in the Brandon district.

At Brandon this morning fire destroyed the building and contents at the corner of Eleventh street and Rosser avenue, occupied by Valde, tailor, and Deselitts, barber. The cause is un-known; the loss is about \$2,000, partly

match to-night between the Winnipegs and the Victorias was a complete walkover for the Victorias, who won by a score of 8 to 0. The Victorias are in grand form.

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grand form.

Rev. John Pringle, formerly of this city, now of St. Paul, Minn., has offered his services for missionary work for the Presbyterisn church in Klondike. A serious defalcation is reported from the books of P. Carriey, secretary-trea-

surer of St. Boniface municipality. The shortage is being investigated.

At Calgary to day Judge Scott rentenced Arthur Collins to two years and nine months in Stoney Mountain peni-

The directors of the Winnipeg hospital have decided to call for tenders for the erection of a jubilee addition. Sufficient

dead of apoplexy. He was formerly heavy. B. Williams & Co.

Mm. Ogilvie leaves for England tomorrow on three months' leave of
absence. He will lecture on the Yukon
Springs Island. On Saturday
a man named Scott and anwhose name Mr. Hadwen did
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to Concord Harbor left for

as the matter is too urgent.

Mr. Sifton said the recent negotiations

was induced to believe that the other was a genuine one.

Public opinion here commends Premier Turner for his telegram to Sir Wilfrid Laurier in favor of the Stikine-Teslin railway being completed as early as possible to Fort Simpson. The impression is general that Canada will not be recovered to the control of the cont secure until she obtains an absolutely all-Canadian route. Senator Macdonald has been appoint-

ed chairman of the Senate committee on A great company is projected to embark in the business of manufacturing nickel steel in Canada. Several multimillionaires are among the incorpora-

The exports increased \$4,000,000 last

coal is fixed at \$10.
Squire Bancroft, the famous actor, gave a reading here on Saturday night in the interest of local charities.

THE "MAINE" HORROR. idence That the First Shock Was No

from Without-The Second Explosion HAVANA, Feb. 19 .- Captain Sigsbee o the Maine in his account of the disaster thus refers to the second explosion: "I gram from New York announces that Miss Edith J. Miller, formerly of this place, out of over one hundred application.

But I in the first of the first place, out of over one hundred application.

But I is a first of the first place arm, B.C.

SAMUEL JACKSON. did not notice the rain of debris dehas secured the position of con-soloist in St. Bartholomew's der that more were not burt thereby. der that more were not hurt thereby. Without going beyond the limits of what power, I always maintain precautions against attack, and the quarter-watch was ordered to have ammunition for the smaller guns ready to hand, so that, in the improbable event of an attack on the ship, it would have been found ready.

It was this ammunition which exploded as the heat reached it." MADRID, Feb. 19 .- A despatch received

blood vessel while skating on Saturday and died in a few hours.

The senior championship hockey match to-night between the Winnipegs and the Victorias was a complete walk.

it was the result of an explosion insid the ship which took place in one of the forward magazines. The fact of the matter is that the discipline and watch ob served on the ship was very lax.'

The Queen.

London, Feb. 19 .- A confirmation of Her Majesty's excellent state of health s found in the official announcement that it is her intention to personally receive the presentees at the first drawing room of the season on February 26th

rection of a jubilee addition. Sufficient funds are now promised.

Hon. G. E. Foster is expected here tomorrow on mining business.

E. A. Gamble, ex-reeve of Assiniboia, its dead of apoplexy. He was formerly of York county. Ont.

Right waterproof peajack—scale Head Ulcers, Blotches. It is a maryellous cure for all such disgusting and disfiguring diseases as Eogusting and

was with Mr. Was with Mr. Davin was in lead the Gold Hills Exploration Company's party to Yukon. He will receive a salary of \$3,000 a year from the company and his expenses, besides an interest in the company.

In the house to-day Mr. Davin was informed that no Indian title exists in the Yukon so far as the government is aware.

Sir Hibbert Tupper was told that the government does not consider it expedient to make any statement now regard.

Sir Hibbert Tupper was told that the government does not consider it expedient to make any statement now regard ing the right to regulate the passage of foreign vessels through the territorial waters of Canada en route to and from Alaska.

Mr. Clarke Wallace was informed that the customs collections in the Yukon to date this year is \$83,834.

Mr. Martin was told that the government does not consider it advisable to insist upon Canadian labor only being employed on the Stikine-Teslin railway.

Notice is hereby given that application at its next session for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of construction as a company for the purpose of construction to a point at or near the flowing the relieve, with a branch following the valley of Nitinat lake, with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines, also to construct retaining dams or other structures on said waters to obtain power for the generation of electricity to be used in connection with said railway and for other purpose, also to acquire lands, bonus or other add railway. H. J. WICKHAM, solicitor for applicants, or insist upon Canadian labor only being employed on the Stikine-Teslin railway.

Notice is hereby given that application will

as the matter is too urgent.

Mr. Sifton said the recent negotiations at Washington were unofficial but without prejudice to Canadian claims to territory at the head of Lynn Canal.

The Lewis River railway and the Kettle River Valley railway bills received their second reading to-day.

The debate on the second reading of the Yukon bill will last into next week.

To-day's speakers were McClure, of Colchester, Maclean, of York, Fraser, of Guysboro, and Hon. Mr. Paterson.

There was much mention of Hamilton Smith's offer, which is to build a railway from Pyrsimid Harbor to Rink Rapids, 288 miles

OTICE—Sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty (160) acres of land described as follows:—Commencing at W. A. Matheson's southeast stake in the Kitamat Tow site thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east 40 cna us to stake of commencement.

December 15th, 1847.

December 15th, 1877.

OTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lan s and Works for permission to purchase 160 ages of land, described as follows:—Commencing at A. K. Munro's southeast stake on the west side of Kittamat Inlet; thence 40 chains south; thence 40 chains west; thence 40 chains north; thence 40 chains east, to point of commencement.

GORDON HUNTER. NOTICE-Sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Hon. The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Wozks for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land, described as follows: Commencing at W. E. Oliver's S.E. stake on the west side of Kit'amat Inlet, thence forty chains south, thence forty chains west, thence forty chains north, thence forty chains east, to stake of commencement.

G. A. KIRK Dec. 15, 1897.

OTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land. more or less situated at the head of Alice Arm, Observatory Inlet, Coast District, and described es follows:—

commencing at a post marked "J.I." near the south-east boundary post of Jno. Rood's claim; thence in a northerly direction 40 chains; thence easterly 40 chains; thence south 46 chains; thence westerly 40 chains to point of commencement.

NOTICE is hereoy given that sixty days after date I intend to make apolication to the Chief commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described tract of land, situated at the head of Alice Arm, Observatory Inlet, Coast District, and described as follows:—Commencing at a post marked "D. S. M." being the south-west boundary pos', near the north-west corn's post of Robert Chambers' claim; thence east 20 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to eastern boundary of R. P. Rithet's claim; thence south 40 chains; thence of shore line to point of commencement; containing about 160 acres.

Dated the 26th day of November, 1897, at Alice Arm, B.C.

MADRID, Feb. 19.—A despatch received to-day from Rear-Admiral Mantero, the Commander of Havana, says that proofs exists in the facts that no dead fish came to the surface after the explosion that wrecked the Maine, and that when the disaster occurred there was not the slightest upheaval of the water, that the explosion was not submarine.

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deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business, and for the general conduct and management of its affairs; and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or con-ducive to the attainment of the objects of

December 15th, 1897.

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We feel confident that any plan which the government may submit to the house for the advancement of the agricultural interests of British Columbia will be received with as careful consideration by the members as the merits of such an important department of industry deserve. Vast as are our mineral possibilities, they must not be allowed to obscure, even temporarily, the unquestionably great prosperity for this province which will result from the full utilization of its adaptation to the various de-

partments of husbandry.

The wealth taken out of a country valuable to it chiefly because of what is expended within the country in exploiting it. We may be able to present a dazzling array of statistics showing our annual output of gold and silver, but unless the province is able to produce within itself the greater part of the food cation with our possessions in that distance therefore in a diplomatic sense the interest of the greater part of the Dominion. If the most cident is at an end, but the papers are products consumed in mining these metals, it stands in the position of a middleman, doing business on a small commission. Its transportation lines and its merchants handle the goods consumed by the miners, and the former carry away the bullion. but the great tant part of the Dominion. If the most absolute guarantees are not obtained on this point no time should be lost. The great trush will be during this coming the point no time should be lost. The still talking about it. Congress has so far been remarkably reticent, but this happy condition of things is not likely to continue for any length of time. We recarry away the bullion, but the great sumed by the miners, and the former carry away the bullion, but the great profit on the whole transaction is secured by the people elsewhere who produce the food, and the outside capitalists who own the mines. If we could

the leading authorities in the world on they are. It is of no use to discuss is the funniest thing on record. No such subjects, Professor Robertson, has said that judicious dairy farming means success in all lines of agriculture. Dr. Twitchell, one of the most prominent authorities on matters relating to farming in the United States, has gone on recard with the same opinion. The reason assigned by both of them is that when oncera farmer begins to realize the reason assigned by both of them is that when oncera farmer begins to realize the reason are incertainty and the construction of a railway to the comic opera writer ever designed anything so grotesque. First we had Dr. Jackson circussing around Lapland after the wedding, among the congratulators, at the wedding, among the congratulators of the Board of Steamboat Insisted a the missives read, was a telegram from St. Louis named Damm. At the wedding, among the congratulators are leading to farm a line of action being decided upon. If there is not the least likelihood of such all lines of agriculture. Dr. Twitchell, one of the most prominent authorities on matters relating to farm in the United States, has gone on recard with the same opinion. The process of the solemn farce. At present the acts of the solemn farce. At present the acts of the solemn farce. At present the friendly shelter of a British Columbia of the Policy and favor a government to have led the government to have led profit there is in carrying on his oper-brought down a measure to build port. ations in a business-like way he will the road at the public expense. find many avenues of success which he We are satisfied that we must never dreamed existed. The direct addismiss the idea of government constructions ask for the removal of postage and they

satisfaction that we read what the speech from the thronee had to say about dairy farming. We believe a wise policy for the promotion than it does to do so at leisure. of this industry means not only that we will have more and better butter and cheese produced in the province, but that we will have better live stock and more of it, including better horses and better hogs. One of the most interesting papers that ever came under our notice was one dealing with horse-raising as an adjunct to dairy farming. Poultry raising and dairying go together in the stimulated and made more profitable by dairy farming wisely conducted. It will pay the province well to spend money money is laid out judiciously. We have one of the best countries in the world by risk. It appears that since the terms of rangement would be quite as reasonable has been fully realized and acted upon we will be in the enjoyment of unprecedented prosperity.

rick. It appears that since the terms of the contract were announced there are as some of the demands made on their others who are willing to discount the behalf.

THE NAVIGATION OF THE YUKON.

that river in Canadian bottoms, and pared to build the road for less. They the end. from present indications there will be a could probably have done so; but a govvery limited number of these available. ernment cannot always afford to wait for It is to be remembered that the conditions surrounding the navigation of the Yukon are exceptional. The river is only open for a very short time each year, and persons having goods to move must therefore seize upon every opportunity of doing so that offers. Hence, if it is to be that only Canadian vessels can her northern gold fields. carry Canadian goods, the purchasers of the latter, to be carried by the water THE UNITED STATES route, will be very seriously handicapped. On the Coast there is likely to be sufficient available tonnage to carry everything that offers. At least there will be no prohibition of Canadian business by the enforcement of the regulation; but it will be quite otherwise on tne Yukon.

We feel sure that when this matter is rought to the attention of the Dominon government, they will see how important it is to except the Yukon from he operation of the regulation governtives in parliament ought to take this precipitate a crisis. Influential papers matter up without delay. If they feel treat the matter thus: They say that hat their hands will be strengthened by resolution of the Board of Trade, we are quite sure that one will be passed on very short notice.

Our Ottawa despatch, received since the aforegoing was in type, shows that their country. They speak of the very the change above suggested has been great precautions taken on board every made, but we print the article without the action referred to has been taken.

CANADA FOR CANADIANS.

We have very much satisfaction in re- thing, added to the temper in which the producing the following from the Toronto people of the United States have for Globe. It is satisfactory because it has some time been towards Cuba, will prothe right ring about it, and also because duce a condition of things very much it shows that the most influential organ like that existing in the magazine of the of the Laurier ministry recognizes the ill-fated vessel, and an explosion may duty of the government in the premises: occur at any moment.

Canada cannot be closed out of her own territory. We believe we speak the made to appear positively that the exwind of every section of the country when we express the determination not to be tricked or intimidated out of our natural rights in that region. If the accept any responsibility for it, and noth-United States congress thinks proper to break a treaty in order to back up the game of Tacoma and Seattle, our government will have to proceed forthwith to meet the situation. It will necessitate more extensive railway building than as a consequence of harsh language to was at first contemplated, and our American friends can be assured that we will not be balked in our resolution to obtain free and unhampered communi-

who own the mines. If we could provided the coast of British Colproduce in British Columbia all the food egraph Creek to the coast of British Colproduce in British Columbia all the food egraph Creek to the coast of British Colproduce in Briti that will be used in this province alone, umbia the people of this province will to Mineral City is 20 miles south of Nakusp, mot to speak of the Yukon, not only would agriculture be in an exceedingly healthy and prosperous condition, but healthy and prosperous condition, but every department of trade and industry to take this particular piece of road in the province atom, with the second to take the province atom, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which add the poor editor until he was as raw as province atom, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which adviver buckles on her garters cow, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which add viver buckles on her garters cow, which add the poor editor until he was as raw as province atom, and the province atom, and would be vastly stimulated. Besides hand and build it as a government work, be able to locate Mineral City on the this an enormous amount of permanent so as to avoid any question as to the map; but you cannot find by reference wealth would be added to the province amount of subsidy to be given; but this to the News how often that paper is to have to." in the shape of improved farms, build- seems impossible. The government be issued. We judge it to be weekly. ings, live stock, and so on.
Our own view of the case, and it is not a hastily formed conclusion, is that there is no conclusion, is converted with a raison. Our own view of the case, and it is not a hastily formed conclusion, is that there is no one line connected with agriculture which it will pay the province as well to stimulate as dairying. One of the last accounts the united States for the present we must deal with things as the funniest thing on record. No

vantage of successful dairying is very tion and look to the work being done by are not making any special protest great, but it is not equal to those benefits private contractors. This being the against its reimposition; but it is only case, the question of subsidy at once fair to say that they have made all their Holding these views it was with great satisfaction that we read what the satisfaction that we read what the much more to build a railway quickly postage they will have no way of recoup-

There is one thing to be said in favor the charge will be a direct taxation of such a subsidy as that promised to upon the publishers. Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann, namely, WE are not surprised that offers are that in such a case it is the contractors being made by Americans to build railwho take all risks in regard to the permanency of the Northwest gold fields. ways into the Yuken from points on Lynn Canal; but what we all want to see The government is not out a dollar. is an all-Canadian line and no other. It They give up land which may of course be exceedingly valuable, but the con- is bad enough to permit foreigners to tractors take the chance of the bottom carry away from the country what gold and dairying. Indeed it is impossible to suggest any line of husbandry that is not tively speaking. It might be difficult trade and transportation for a government to justify a very large trade and transportation. expenditure of money on the construc-WE wonder how it would suit our however promising it appears to be, neighbors to have Canada declare that tion of a railway to a country, which, dustry, provided, of course, that the government as fortunate in having without reporting at our custom houses found capitalists willing to take the and taking on an escort. Such an ar-

MR. GLADSTONE seems to be rapidly future as the gentlemen above named have done. We all remember that this failing. His is one of those natures was the case when the contract was which may be expected to give way all awarded to Messrs. Stephen and Smith at once when the time for breaking up suty for aftering the coasting regulations so far as they apply to the navigation of the Yukon. Under these as they now stand, Canadian goods must be sent up that river in Canadian better the sent up pared to build the read for less than and Smith at once when the time for breaking up at once when Mr. Cotton's annual contribution to the welfare of mankind in the shape of an abstract proposition about what he people of this class to come along with

calls the mortgage tax slipped a cog yesterday. When did it come about that terms might not have been got than those agreed upon with Messrs. Macthe legislature was a mere debating kenzie and Mann, but we do say that society to discuss abstract propositions? Canada can afford to give a large area of COMPLAINTS from Puget Sound that unproductive land for the purpose of Canadian steamboat inspectors are neghaving an all-Canadian road built into

their offers. We do not say that better

unfortunate, because it will leave the

mind of the people of the United States

are signs that little will be necessary to

done in case a United States war vessel

man-of-war to prevent accidents of this

It is evident that unless it can be

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wards each other. The De Lome in-

cident still rankles in the American

cident is at an end, but the papers are

THE newspapers of Canada did not

mind. Spain has apologized for it, and

ligent of their duties sound very strange. The Puget Sound papers ought to allow a week to pass without an accident to an AND SPAIN. American steamer on this coast before indulging in such talk. It is very probable that the cause of the catastrophe which destroyed the

THE Columbian wants to know whose battleship Maine will remain a mystery. fault it is that the legislature does not The terrific force of the explosion apsit in the evenings. No one's fault; but pears to have so completely shattered a misfortune due to long precedent, that the vessel that it will be little else than would very often be better honored in guess work attempting to decide whence the breach than in theobservance. the destroying blow came. This is very

ANOTHER day has passed, and still the address is under discussion. And yet in a disturbed condition. Already there everything has been said that is to be

MR. KENNEDY'S proposed amendment threats were made as to what would be to the address was a somewhat irregular way of bringing up the question on which sailed into Havana harbor. They add he wished to express an opinion. The that the sailors from the Maine were best way to call attention to matters of constantly insulted when ashore, and that kind is by a motion to adjourn the every disrespect was shown to the flag of house.

THE Ontario elections are the engrossing subject among politicians just alteration so as to show the reason why kind, and they have unearthed now. The campaign has been vigorously prosecuted on both sides, but the Liberals who insist that accident is out have many advantages in their favor. The chief cry of the Conservatives has of the question. This sort of been that "it is time for a change." This may prove a taking shibboleth, but it is a great risk to trust a campaign chiefly to such an issue.

In VIEW of the fact that the Grand Trunk has been advertising Seattle as the great Yukon outfitting point, we do not think that Victoria will waste much sympathy on it because of its present fight with the C. P. R.

If you or your children are run down, have become thin and pale, if you easily become tired, Griffith's Norwegian Emulsion with Iron and Manganese, will restore the flesh and color, and build up the system. It is a perfect flesh forming food and tonic, price 50 cents and \$1.00, by all druggists.

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She-Mr. Brown does not pay his wife much attention.

He-No; the only time I ever heard of

gas exploded.

"Do you like poetry, Nellie?" "Yes, George." "What kind do you like?" "Well, whenever I see you walking I admire the poetry of motion."

A Kentucky editor said silver buckles on sources, \$97,294 94.

"Old Gladstone. Look how he goe

have to."

A teacher had told a class of juvenile pupils that Milton the poet was blind. The next day she asked if any of them could remember what Milton's greatest affliction

Brooklyn Life.

A Kansas man who was married recently

"My friend," asked the go-as-you-please missionary, "are you travelling the straight and narrow path to the best of your humnd narrow pant to the best ble ability?"

The man in the evidently-sometimesslept-in-suit said nothing, but handed over his card. The missionary read:
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—Indianapolis Journal.

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THE LAND REPORT. eresting Information From the Department in Charge of Hon. George B. Martin.

The annual report of the chief com-

missioner of lands and works as to the business of his department during the past year, flatly and emphatically contradicts the opposition contention that the making of roads and bridges has pro-gressed less satisfactorily than in former years—for 117 pages are given of solid information concerning road work in all parts of the country. Besides this road work, sixty-six contracts were awarded on tenders publicly invited, and full de-tails of which are given in the report, the appearance of which so soon after the period dealt with testifies to the thoroughness of the system prevailing in the land office under Hon, Mr. Martin's regime. The timber inspector's statement in his report to the chief commissioner gives the following statement of timber and cordwood cut during 1897, not including that from the Dominion or the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway lands, per returns sent in by the saw mills and others: On crown lands, 61,961,647 feet; on timber leaseholds, 39,014,010 feet; total, 100,975,657 feet; the royalty payable thereon, \$50,487.82. On private property, 4,963,740 feet; not subject to royalty. Total, 105,939,397 feet. Estimated amount to be allowed for rebate on exportation, \$17,358.57; net royalty on timber would then be \$33, 129.55. Add royalty collected on cord-wood, \$12,354.40; total net royalty, \$45,483.65. Add rental accruing on \$45,483.65. Add rental accruing on timber leases in 1897, \$46,931.29. Add licenses, special, 78 at \$50, \$3,950. Add licenses, grant 1897, \$46,931.29. net revenue derivable from timber

information:

Pre-emption records.
Certificates of improvement.
purchase
Crown grants.

FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY. Additional Inspectors of Steamboats an

Hulls to Be Appointed in British Columbia.

boat inspectors in this province and to establish new offices for them in some offices were to be established throughout the Dominion. The examinations, he stated, would be conducted in the office of the inspector here, and might possibly last two weeks—or a much shorter time.
Applications for the inspection service are to be accompanied with proofs of former experience, together with testimonials as to sofriety and character, which must be satisfactory to be considered by the examiners. For the position of boiler and machinery inspector applicants require to have echnical qualifications of not less than the requirements of a first-class engineer, with satisfactory knowledge of engines and boilers; while for the position of hull inspector a knowledge of the strength and construction of vessels and heir safety will be required.

The action which the government is taking in this line of service will be the neans of relieving steamboat inspector . A. Thomson and inspector of hulls, Capt. R. Collister, of a vast amount of work. At present the duty of these offcials requires at times their presence half a dozen places in the province once. The increased activity in the Northern business giving employment to so many craft and being the cause of construction for so many new ones,tak up a great deal of the present inspector,'

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According to the San Francisco Call, According to the San Francisco Call, the steamer City of Columbia, on her way from New York with a party of gold hunters, touched a hidden rock while entering the harbor of Valparaiso the other day. She is not thought to be seriously damaged, but nevertheless Captain Baker will put her on the drydock for repairs. The passengers on the City of Columbia are making a holiday trip of it, having stopped at all the points of interest so far between New York and Valparaiso. The vessel is now out sixty-three days, and it will probably be some three days, and it will probably be some time in April before she gets to San Francisco.

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THE CITY MARKETS. Biddy" Getting Out a Big Supply of Egg "On the Lay" to Supply the Klondike Rush.

Within the last few days eggs have started on a decline, the price having dropped five cents on the dozen on both the local and imported product, and the best quotations this winter have probbeen seen. Meats remain practi cally unchanged but there is an upward tendency in poultry. Produce dealers are now quoting oats a notch higher than last year, but hay appears to be pretty steady, notwithstanding the big demand for it in the north. The current retail

Hay, baled, per ton 15@20
Cheese, per lb. 15@20
"American, per lb. 15@20
Eggs Island, per doz. strictly fresh. 30
"imported, per doz. 25@30
Butter, fresh, per lb. 25@30
"Creamery (Eastern) per lb. 27½@30
"Dairy (Eastern) per lb. 25
"B. C. Creamery, per lb. 35

| Salmon, per lb | 10@12 |
| Salmon, per lb | 20 |
| Kippered Salmon, per lb | 20 |
| Kippered Salmon, per lb | 20 |
| Halibut, per lb | 15 |
| Rock Cod, per lb | 6@8 |
| Smelts, per lb | 6@8 |
| Bloaters, per lb | 10 |
| Kippers, per lb | 12 |
| Lim Cod | 6@8 |
| Finnan Haddies per lb | 12 |
| CAMBE | 20 |
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prices are as follows: 

 Rolled Oats, per 7 10s.
 90@1.00

 Potatoes, per 100 lbs.
 90@1.00

 Cabbages, per lb.
 3

 Lettuce, per head
 8

 Tomatoes, per lb.
 15

 Rhubarb, per bunch
 17.00@18.00

 Hay, baled, per ton
 17.00@18.00

 Cheese, per lb.
 15@20

pedigreed live stock, is retiring from ranch in Chilliwack, having control devote his time entirely to new work. He has been appointed to portant position on the prost Daily Province of Vancouver.

Dr. Watalett, M. E., leaves in Machine 1988. Mackenzie river to-morrow with a Mr. Hearst, of the San Francis

Wrangel with sixty passengers. ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

A Former Victorian the Chance Vict Revolver in His Own Hand.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 25.—(Special nep Whiffen, formerly of Victori engaged in the office of Mr. Town gistrar of titles, accidentally sho self in the head this morning whamining his revolver in the rear residence preparatory to shootin He died this afternoon from the of the wound

The mother and brother of the man reside in Victoria, where the ceased has many other friends who shocked at the sad news convertible of the control of the he above despatch.

Irving, president of the Montreal club, will leave for Klondike on 2, and will be accompanied by tw members of the M. A. A. A., I Fisher and Thompson, besides tw men from the Lower Provinces.

Take Up Mining Location the Yukon. Brewers Want Compensat Direct Taxation Submitt Plebiscite.

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NEWS OF THE CA

Aliens Likely to Be Forb

[From Our Own Corresponde OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—The ger pression in official circles is government will make regular hidding aliens from taking up locations in the Yukon. A. M. Burgess, commissioner of ion lands, is lying at death's d

had a stroke of apoplexy yeste to-day his entire body is paraly can hardly live through the nig Messrs. Wills, Livernash and ville, the miners' delegation fro son, had a conference with Minister Smart to-day regard mining regulations.
Lieutenant Kenneth Burne
Battalion, 5th Regiment, real
commission. John Spottiswood
pointed Second Lieutenant provi
Senator Templeman arrived

Senator Templeman arrived day, making his first appearan his appointment, only to find Senate will not meet again until? The Dominion brewers had a view with the government to-day want the question of direct taxation up for loss of revenue, submitted people for decision. people for decision.

The Governor-in-Council has asked to approve of the plans of t N. railway for a wharf at Nanaim

(From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—An ultimate come to the government from Wa ton that unless facilities are a American gold hunters to procur ers' certificates at Tagish the out Dyea and Skagway will be abo thus practically closing Lynn C

Canadian trade. Canadian trade.

Mr. Blair is seeking to revia agreement with the Grand Trun Drummond County railways in cation with the extension of the colonial to Montreal. Last session opposition showed the one-sided the bargain which compelled the minion to pay 2½ per cent. on the of improved terminals or tracks, with Grand Trunk will have to pa one-half per cent. This provision modified.

Mr. Perry, the member for Prince Prince Edward Island, die morning after having been ill sin fore the session opened. The re have been forwarded to Prince Ed Island for interment.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER.

United States Consul Speaks Well Station—A Handy List of Prospect VANCOUVER, Feb. 25.—(Specia the last consular report of U.S. ( Dudley of this port, which has bee all over the United States and ha copied in full in New York and C

newspapers, Colonel Dudley spe the importance of Victoria and couver as points of departure for A and gives the Canadian cities a kind reference in regard to their In the U.S. consulate are the of all the Americans who have ou here since the rush commenced. ticulars are given as to each pros and the book will be a very valua ference when friends commence

quire for those who have taken p J. T. Wilkinson, who has been successful as a breeder and impo pedigreed live stock, is retiring fro

aminer, and ten others, on a prosp tour. They take with them a provisions.

The steamer Tees left to-de

For Klondike. MONTREAL, Feb. 25 .- (Special)-

A Postmaster to Go.

ORILLIA, Feb. 25.—(Special Office Inspector Hardware was i on Tuesday, and has given it out cially that the present postmast be suspended in a day or two.