





MINE

Recover-

long and be- hall and laid the coverings... the fire hall... the men offered a number of sailors inducements to desert from a ship at Esquimaux...

Men Asked To Desert

Two Men From the Sound Arrested on a Serious Charge.

Organized Effort to Prevent Ships Coming Here For Crews.

A case of interest to shipping men, particularly those who make their headquarters in Victoria, came up in the provincial police court yesterday.

Ship-owners whose vessels load on the Sound have been bitterly complaining for some time of the charges made by the shipping agents on the Sound for supplying crews and arrangements...

When they learned that the British bark Dunstaffnage, Capt. Forbes, which had loaded wheat at Tacoma, was coming here for a crew, they decided to make a stronger effort to prevent it...

There is lots of evidence to show that the men from the Sound were not particularly how far they went if they could stop the captain of the Dunstaffnage...

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It's a Short Road

from a cough to consumption. Don't neglect a cough—take

Shiloh's Consumption Cure

Cure when your cold appears. The "ounce of prevention" is better than years of illness.

Words cannot express my gratitude for the good Shiloh's Consumption Cure has done for me. I had a chronic cough—was in a dangerous condition. Shiloh's cured the cough and saved me from consumption.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure is sold by all druggists. It is a safe and reliable remedy for all cases of consumption, cough, and asthma.

Write for illustrated book on consumption. Sent without charge. J. S. STURGIS, Niagara Falls.

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THE YOUNGER SON.

If you leave the gloom of London, and you seek a glowing land, Where all except the flag is strange and new...

When the plant herd is moving at the rising of the sun, And the prairie is lit with rose and gold...

When the wattle-blooms are drooping in the sombre oak-leaf shade, And the breeze is blowing from the west...

When the purple, vine-clad slope the argent river dreams; The roses almost hide the house from view...

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BURNED THE BISCUITS.

Cracker Plant Destroyed With Heavy Loss.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 16.—The plant of the Maryland Biscuit Company was destroyed by fire to-night. Loss about \$100,000, covered by insurance.

Mr. Gallagher—Rumors fly, don't they, Miss Finnigan?

Yes, Finnigan—indeed they do; awfully this week went on without payin' his bill—Columbus (Ohio) State Journal.

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SMELTER OPTION.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—(Special)—Messrs. Devereaux and Littlejohn, of New York, who are associated with the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate in the option on the Trail smelter, left for Trail this afternoon to examine the property.

The appointment of Dr. Landerkin to the Senate has been made. He will take his seat on March 6.

Council Shimlin left for Toronto to-night. While here he has been the guest of the Governor-General and Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

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Delegates

Are Satisfied

Hon. D. M. Eberts Tells of Government Mission to Ottawa.

Dominion Ministers Favorably Consider the Claims of B. C.

Last evening the British Columbia delegates to Ottawa returned. Owing to the news of the explosion at the Union mines, Mr. Dunsmeuir left the city for Vancouver and took the steamer Joan to Comox.

Hon. D. M. Eberts, the attorney-general, was met at the boat by a Colonial representative. He expressed regret that the Premier had been called away by the sad news of the mine accident, and could not be personally seen.

He said that Mr. Dunsmeuir was greatly affected by the news of the explosion and was unable to reach the scene of the trouble, in order to render what assistance was in his power.

Asked as to the result of his visit to Ottawa, Mr. Eberts said he had reason to feel satisfied that the mission would bear fruit in the future.

He had arrived at Ottawa at rather an unfortunate time, as, owing to the death of Her Majesty and the nearness of the session, the ministers were all very busy.

However, they had given the delegates a patient and careful hearing, not only as a committee of the whole, but individually the ministers had requested and recommended submitted to them on behalf of the province.

Many questions were asked, and called for particular attention, and these were afterwards discussed with individual ministers for good purpose.

"What about the railway policy?" Mr. Eberts was asked.

The minister was thoroughly conversant in all its details, all the essential facts bearing upon the case, and the position of the province, and he presented fully, particularly in reference to railway extension on Vancouver Island, closer connection with Kootenay and Yukon.

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Orders to Disband Them

"A" Company Third Royal Canadians Will be Withdrawn from the Province.

Matter of Arrangement Connected With the Disbanding Gets Newspaper Notoriety.

As previously announced by the Colonel, the disbanding of "A" company, 3rd R. C. R., has been decided upon...

The following is the correspondence between the Provincial government and the Dominion government...

Under ordinary circumstances the disbanding of the company would not be an accomplished fact until some time in April...

It is learned on presumably good authority that the matter of the disbanding of the company...

NOT A PLEASING INCIDENT. In connection with the disbanding of the company...

Col. McKay states that it is only fair to him to say that he has taken up with the authorities at Ottawa...

"No Eye Like the Master's Eye."

You are master of your health, and if you do not attend to duty, the blame is easily located.

Heart Trouble - "I had heart trouble for a number of years and different medicines failed to benefit me."

A Safeguard - "As I had lost five children with diphtheria I gave my remaining children Hood's Sarsaparilla as they were about to start school."

Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints. Hood's Pills cure liver, kidneys, and bowels...

CHINESE IMMIGRATION.

Correspondence in regard to British Columbia's Request for Greater Restrictions.

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Extract from a report of the committee of the honorable the Privy Council...

Paris, Feb. 18. - The weather is less cold here and in this vicinity to-day...

FRASER VALLEY DELEGATION

Will Confer With Board of Trade and Executive Council To-day.

The Fraser Valley delegates spent a busy day yesterday arranging for conferences and interviewing all those whose influence or advocacy might benefit the government.

It had been hoped that the delegation of the board of trade was also approaching, and a special meeting arranged for 10:30 this morning.

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The Paardeberg Gate Memorial

First Steps Are Taken Towards Collecting the Necessary Funds.

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THE INJUNCTION STANDS.

Application on re Rabby Estate Dismissed With Costs.

Chong Man Chook vs. Kai Tung - An application to examine a defendant as a judgment debtor...

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Mount Tolmie Creamery

Farmers of Victoria District Will Establish a Butter Factory.

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Boers Derail Another Train

Cars With Kitchener's Baggage Aboard Wrecked by the Enemy.

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Influential Delegation

Representatives of Fraser Valley Ranchers Will Wait Upon Government.

Monster Petition for Coast to Kootenay Railway to be Presented.

The first member of the legislature to arrive in the city is John Oliver, M.P. for Delta, who came over from the Mainland last night by the Princess Louise. Mr. Oliver came thus early as guide and mentor to the most influential delegations that ever visited the Capital. The delegation is composed of representatives from all the municipalities in Westminister district, and its object is to wait upon the executive council and present a monster petition, bearing thousands of signatures of the voters and ratepayers of the agricultural districts of the Fraser valley, praying for railway connection with the Coast and an outlet for the produce of their ranches to their natural markets.

The gentlemen composing the delegation are: Charles Hill-Tout, president of the Settlers' Association of British Columbia; H. T. Thrift, secretary of the Settlers' Association of British Columbia; John Oliver, M.P.; Delta; A. C. Wells, reeve of Chilliwack; W. H. Ladner, reeve of Ladner; C. Carmichael, reeve of Surrey; A. Hawkins, reeve of Matsqui; Robert Fraser, alderman of Vancouver; Councillor Burnett, Surrey; Councillor Leary, Ladner; G. E. Corbould, N.W. Westminister Board of Trade; G. Andrews, alderman of New Westminister; and Councillor Burr, Ladner.

Mr. Hill-Tout courteously explained to a Colonist representative the objects and desires of the delegates. They represent the entire agricultural population of the lower Fraser valley, who have suffered for many years for want of transportation facilities to convey the produce of their industry to market. The delegation represents the result of many months of agitation by the Settlers' Association of British Columbia, which has held meetings and spread the propaganda of a railway for the Fraser valley persistently in season and out of season, ever since its organization. A railway from the Coast to Kootenay has been the rallying cry of the association, and now its labors are crowned by a success which cannot fail to impress the government.

The delegation, which hopes to lay the petition and the arguments in support of its prayer before the members of the government to-day, will urge the construction of a railway from the mouth of the Fraser to the Kootenay country as a government work, as it is felt that such a step would insure to the farmers and miners further east an adequate service at a minimum of freight and passenger rates. If the government cannot see its way to assume the work but decides to entrust the construction and operation of the railway to a company, the delegation will impress upon the executive the absolute necessity of safeguarding the interests of the public by providing that the government shall have control of the freight and passenger rates, so that the railway cannot make exorbitant charges, ruinous to the

country.

It will probably be suggested to the government that it provide in any charter granted to a company, that the railway should on at least one day in every week, carry freight and passengers at a minimum rate of, say, \$1 for passengers for the round trip from Chilliwack to the Coast, and freight not to exceed \$2 per ton. This suggestion is the principle of the monster petition better than no bread, the delegates feeling that the railway company should be restricted in all times, but deeming it, if nothing more can be obtained, to have one day in the week when farmers can take their produce to market at a reasonable cost.

Mr. Hill-Tout called attention to the wide difference in the passenger and freight rates on the Washington side, which he alleged were much more reasonable than those charged by the C. P. R. He declared that the present condition of affairs in the Fraser valley was intolerable, many of the farmers, distressed by failure to make a living in the face of the high transportation charges, and after many years of hard work having to abandon their fertile farms and seek fortune elsewhere.

The text of the petition which is to be presented to the government is as follows: To the Honorable the Premier and Members of the Executive Council of British Columbia: Your petitioners are residents, settlers and property owners in the agricultural municipalities of Delta, Surrey, Langley, Matsqui, Sumas and Chilliwack, in the district of New Westminister. Your petitioners desire to urge the great necessity existing for railway communication between the municipal districts and the Coast cities of the province by means of a bridge over the Fraser river at the city of New Westminister, thereby giving us access to the markets of our own province; That the section of country in which your petitioners reside has not enjoyed in common with more favored portions of the Dominion, the great measure of prosperity that has been unobscured during the past few years. This fact is largely owing to the almost utter lack of facilities for reaching the markets of the world; That the lands within the municipalities referred to are largely undeveloped, waste and unproductive, and in great need of population; That your petitioners believe the construction of the proposed railway and bridge will very materially assist in promoting a change in the existing order of things by affording a means of ready access to the markets, which will also cause a large influx of population, and thus the lands will become developed and productive. Your petitioners believe, in view of the importance of this work and its value to the future interests of the province, that no charter should be granted to any company giving them exclusive control of the railway and particularly of the bridge. Your petitioners respectfully request the work may be undertaken and constructed, and either operated by the government, or under strict government supervision, as to the franchise, rates and charges, in the interest and for the benefit of the province at large. And your petitioners, etc.

THE BRITANNIA MINE.

A New Deal Closed for the Sale of the Property.

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—(Special)—A general meeting of the Britannia Copper Company's stockholders was held to-day, and the sale of the company's mine on Howe sound to Moran and Bewick, of London, for \$150,000, payable in 90 days, was authorized. H. Walters, managing director, and Mr. Boscowitz, jr., were instructed to proceed to England and complete the transfer, Messrs. Moran and Bewick purchased the property once before, but owing to the death of one of the partners, defaulted in the time the amount is to be paid in one cash payment, after paying \$50,000, and the contract was cancelled. This time the amount is to be paid in one cash payment. The representative of Moran and Bewick here says they will develop the property at once, spending \$1,000,000 in development and equipment.

THE BY-ELECTIONS.

Hawthornthwaite Chosen by Acclamation—A Contest in Vancouver.

Nanaimo, Feb. 18.—(Special)—John Hawthornthwaite was elected by acclamation to-day to fill the vacancy in the local house created by the resignation of Ralph Smith, M.P. Vancouver, Feb. 18.—(Special)—J. F. Garden and Robert Macpherson were nominated to-day as candidates for the Vancouver by-election.

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Memorial From Yukon

Changes in the Mode of Administration Proposed by a Committee.

The committee of the Yukon council appointed to draft a memorial to the federal government respecting the wants of the Yukon Territory, which memorial was despatched to Ottawa in the last mail, state the want of money in its first paragraph. It says: "That the local council should control matters; for this purpose a subsidy should be granted by the Dominion government to the territory of not less than three times the subsidy allowed to the provinces per capita, and other territories in the Dominion for the reason that the population of the territory is at least 95 per cent. adult and productive, and produces a much larger revenue to the country than a similar number in any other part of the Dominion; and also the fact that the country is new and a much larger initial expenditure is required than in earlier settled parts of the Dominion.

If this is found impracticable or objectionable, an export duty might be established on the territory by an ordinary act of commerce and collecting the duty from the person who carries it out of the country. "If this is objectionable, the establishment of an assay office or offices in the territory would be preferable, the government to require by legislation the transport of all gold the product of the territory to this office, the assay of the gold and the issuing of certificates for its value, negotiable in any part of the Dominion, and the same to be required to be enacted in view of the proper administration of territorial affairs.

The reduction of the royalty to 5 per cent. on the gross output, exempting a larger amount from royalty on each claim than is at present exempted. "That only owners of claims and those interested in claims be asked to take out miners' leases.

"That the order-in-council preventing all employees of the Dominion government from having any interest in mining property be repealed. "That the building of a hospital for the temporary care of insane patients in the territory be undertaken by the Dominion government.

"That the Dominion government be asked to confer representation in the Dominion parliament to the Yukon Territory, if the territory is entitled to it, under the same terms and conditions as it has been conferred on other outlying portions of the Dominion. "That all mining machinery be placed on the free list in the Yukon Territory. "That creek claims shall be 500 feet long and 700 feet wide, measured in the general direction of the creek or gulch, and the base or axial line of the creek shall be the line of measurement. The area of 350 feet (measured on the surface) on each side of the base line, established by the D. L. S., under the instructions of the gold commissioner. "That the Dominion government be requested to vigorously cleanse the blood with Paine's Celery Compound, the world's best and greatest of invigorators and cleansers.

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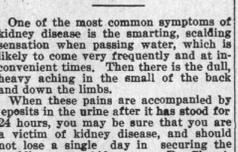
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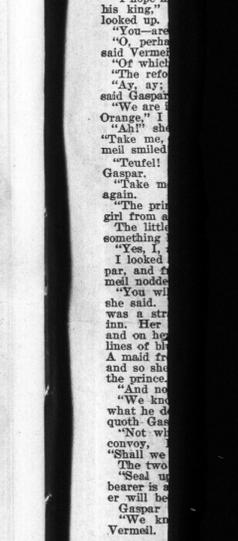
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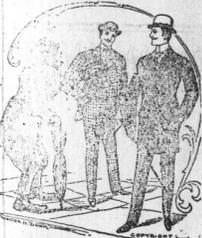
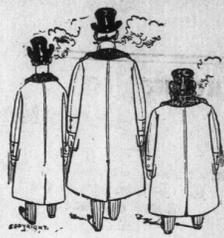
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(Continued from Last Edition.)
Such was the purport of the paper he bore. I read it and passed it to Gaspar. He shrugged his shoulders. "He seems anxious, the great Alva," said he. "Sandglen! This tells little," cried Henri Vermel. "You think so?" I answered and fell a-thinking. "Where is d'Antorgas?" at last I said to the Spaniard. There was no answer. "You are fond of silence, my kidnapper," said Gaspar. "We can gratify you with the opportunity for eternal silence," Vermel said with a chuckle. "I will wait three minutes; then—speak or die," I said shortly. "Ay, the Spaniard is hard as iron to others, but—give the devil his due—he is cast in steel himself. "Will you answer?" He shook his head. I nodded to our two troopers. But the girl ran forward—I think we had all forgotten the girl—and caught my hands. "No, no," she cried. "He must not die. "Gott! 'tis his own choice," grunted Gaspar. "Will you speak," I asked again. "I die for the faith and the king," he cried, and I signed to the troopers again and turned away while the girl hid her face. "I hope his faith is a better color than his skin," grunted Gaspar. The girl looked up. "You are one of the faith?" she cried. "O, perhaps, mademoiselle, perhaps," said Vermel. "Of which faith," I asked. "The reformed—the faith of Orange," said Gaspar. "We are in the service of the prince of Orange," I said. "All!" she clasped her hands in joy. "Take me, take me with you," Vermel smiled behind his hand. "Tempt! The ways of women!" said Gaspar. "Take me to the prince," she cried again. "The prince? Are you mad? You—a girl from an inn?" "The little mixt drew herself up with something like a smile. "Yes, I, a girl from an inn," she said. I looked at her from her to Gaspar, and from Gaspar to Vermel. Vermel nodded. "You will find I am worth taking," she said. I eyed her again. Truly, she was a strange maid to come from an inn. Her hands were small and white, and her hair was black and ran the thin lines of blue under the clear white skin. A maid from an inn! Scarcely only that, and so she came with us on her way to the prince. "And now for d'Antorgas," said I. "We know neither where he is nor what he does; only Alva is in a hurry," quoth Gaspar. "Not where he is, truly; he brings a convoy, I wager my horse," said I. "Still we send him a guide," said Vermel. "The two looked at me in silence. "Seal up the parchment again. One bearer is as good as another. The bearer will be your guide." Gaspar chuckled. "We know not where he is," said Vermel.

"Gott! I could smell a convoy ten miles off," cried Gaspar. "You will go?" "Aye, will you go and guide him to hell if you will." "Nay, not so far; only to Veermut bridge." "What is the use of a bridge?" "Much—when it's broken," said I. So Gaspar and Vermel mounted and galloped off to smell out Don Guzman, and we rode on towards the bridge of Veermut. But by my side rode the girl sitting her horse like a queen—steed and saddle Henri Vermel had found her. For a little there was silence. I was pondering how we had best receive Don Guzman, and ever and anon the thought would come across my mind, how would they like the change? And I who cared naught for Alva, cared more than a little for the man I had seen but once—the thin, weary man, with the great dark eyes at Delt. Suddenly while I pondered: "Why did you kill him?" asked the girl. I looked up startled. "So perish all the enemies of the faith," quoth Vermel. "Nay, not without repentance!" she cried. "Repentance!" said I. "A Spaniard repent! Murder never aided a cause," said Vermel. "One cannot make war in white gloves," I said, and she answered nothing. By long and by last we came to Veermut bridge, the narrow old wooden bridge, to which belong the fame and the honor of the first hard blow struck at Alva the invincible. "To the bridge?" you ask. Aye, to the bridge. On one side were Don Guzman d'Antorgas and Gaspar Wiederman and the convoy; on the other, Alva and Breenhe: two men, between the two only a few miles of causeway and a river. Well, and we, too, were on the bridge. "Halt!" I cried, and down I sprang to see the bridge timbers were like. "Vermel, take you a hundred men, go you a mile or more along the road, let you a mile or more, hang on their rear, see to it that they do not get the right of rear. When they are all but over, charge them, foremost, but do not come on the bridge." Vermel bowed. "And the others," he asked. "There will be no others," Vermel said. "It was a long tale to tell; the sun was setting when d'Antorgas and his men made camp near the long, narrow road with Vermel hanging like a terror on his heels. The convoy came on the bridge; the convoy crossed; the guard was packed thick between the parapets, and then suddenly came a shout that sent the men jumping up a little at one end and fell sideways into the stream, with splash and crash and roar and shriek all mingled in a thick cloud of confusion. The engineer's useful cart, out from the shelter of a copse we charged on the hapless, defenceless convoy at the end of one wild rush. Don Guzman's convoy had changed its owner. "Alva! Alva! Alva! Alva!" quoth a gruff voice in my ear. "Gaspar!"

"Aye, Gaspar," captain. I like a drier road to heaven than a broken bridge. "You led him easily?" "Like a butcher the sheep! Gott! he asked me how to stay in Delt," cried Gaspar with a laugh. "Aye, Vermel is no fool," I answered. "No, no fool," grunted Gaspar shortly. "No-fool." In truth, Vermel had done well, and he brought his men safely across the river, though by Veermut the current is strong and the bank steep. "So cry 'cheek to Alva!' he shouted gallily. "Acht! but not 'mate,'" quoth Gaspar. "Entering down the hill towards us came the girl with the little guard I had left by her riding behind. "O, it was splendid!" she cried while she was still far off, and then as she came nearer and saw the men that lay bloody and torn and trampled before her horse's feet, she stopped sharply and whined round with a little cry. "Acht! the ways of women," quoth Gaspar. "Now, that is how I judge a charge, and he pointed to the dead beneath him. "What if she had seen Henri?" said Vermel with a smile. Gaspar shrugged his shoulders with a chuckle, and I sat silent looking at her as she walked her horse slowly away with the troopers chucking behind her. "Who moves next, captain, Alva or we?" asked Gaspar. I turned to stare at him. "Die! the man is made of iron," cried Vermel. "The man need not iron whom Alva strikes," said I. "Aye, when he strikes," grunted Gaspar. "How if we strike first?" I asked slowly. "Aye, aye, that's war," quoth Gaspar. "Gott! that is no training for it, though," he said sharply, pointing to the convoy. "The men are all right, a swarm of rascals were round a wagon loaded with wine casks, and more than one cask was braced already. I galloped up. "Corried! stand back, knaves," I cried. "Fair words, captain; the fight's over; here is your health," quoth one rascal with a mock bow. "Sides! no! I command? Stand back!" "All in good—," he began, but the sentence was never ended. It was no time to parley. I reached forward over my horse's neck and fired, and the rascal's blood mixed with the spit wine on the ground. "Do I command?" I thundered. "The morning will be the day of our armament and wine to every man, and, cordial no more. Vermel, this is your work." Gaspar and I rode back up the hill to settle our plans, and as we passed the girl suddenly she turned her horse towards me. "Is two murders a day your custom, sir?" she asked. "I did not murder a woman; a woman's scorn is not easy to answer. "When will you send me to the prince?" she asked. "I will send you to the prince," said I. "And till then, sir?" "Till then you must trust me." "Trust—you!" she cried, and her eyes flashed cold, like steel. (To be continued.)

death penalty in the case of the Chinese implicated in the Boer outrages. Lord Stanley, the financial secretary to the war office, imparted the information that the government had purchased for the troops in South Africa 118,973 horses in Great Britain and 71,874 elsewhere. The English and Irish horses proved the best, and the Americans were next. Of the latter, 21,000 were purchased, while Canada supplied 3,700. Mr. John B. Balfour, chairman of the United Irish parliamentary party, took exception to the oath taken by King Edward in the House of Commons, and declared that, inasmuch as the Catholic religion was described as idolatrous and superstitious, he would oppose the granting of the King's salary. Mr. A. J. Balfour, the government leader, admitted he was no admirer of the form of the words, but hoped the practical question of their repetition was disposed of for many years to come. Under Foreign Secretary was dangerous subject. Mr. Dillon declared that the secretary of state for foreign affairs, to answer questions concerning the practice of cross-examining the subject. Mr. Dillon declared that the secretary of state for foreign affairs had been authorized to refuse a writ of habeas corpus, to answer questions concerning the practice of cross-examining the subject. Mr. Dillon declared that the secretary of state for foreign affairs had been authorized to refuse a writ of habeas corpus, to answer questions concerning the practice of cross-examining the subject.



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A Scene in The Commons

Mr. Chamberlain Replies With No Uncertain Voice on Boer Question.
First Division Brings Government Majority Down to Forty-Five.
London, Feb. 18.—The first division in the parliament of King Edward VII. took place yesterday, and resulted in cutting down to 45 the government's majority of 130. The interest caused by this unexpected event was heightened by Mr. Chamberlain's heated defence of his own policy.
The extraordinary slowness of majority of the strongest British government of modern times was the result of Lord Cranborne's refusal to answer questions relating to the government's foreign policy without previous notice from the questioners. Mr. John Dillon seized the opportunity, and in spite of an unusually large attendance, almost placed the Conservative party in "queer street."
Mr. Churchill's speech came in reply to Mr. David Lloyd-George's criticism of the conduct of the South African war, in the course of which he had denounced the burning of farms and the keeping of Boer women and children in British camps on reduced provisions. These charges created a general uproar, and provoked an angry demand from Mr. Broderick, secretary of state for war, that Mr. Lloyd-George should offer evidence to substantiate his assertions. Mr. Churchill caught the eye of the Speaker and caustically rebuked Mr. Lloyd-George. He maintained that the war in South Africa had been carried on with unusual humanity, and he closed with the declaration of his belief that at no distant date there would be a loyal, peaceful and prosperous Transvaal.
Sir Robert Reid, Radical member for Dumfriesshire, argued that all this could be accomplished without unne-

cessary severity and without withholding terms.
Mr. Chamberlain, springing to his feet, stigmatized the speech of Sir Robert Reid as "devoted to abuse of British officers and the policy of ministers, and to praise of the enemies of Great Britain. He denied that peace with honor was at any time possible before or after the fall of Pretoria.
The policy of Her Majesty's government was declared, "use not varied. Before the invasion of Natal, we would have accepted the most moderate concessions, but from the moment the invasion occurred and the Boers had fired the first shot, the government determined that no share of independence was to be conceded to them.
The Conservatives cheered furiously, rose to their feet from the benches at this assertion and made the chamber ring again and again.
The government, continued Mr. Chamberlain, "challenged the opposition at the general election on the issues of annexation. We challenge you again. (Renewed cheering.) To-night six pro-Boers have spoken and not a single Liberal Imperialist."
Sir Robert Reid objected to the term "pro-Boers," but Mr. Chamberlain stuck to his guns.
"I maintain, I maintain," he said, "that there is no other name for the men who believe every scandalous libel on British officers and soldiers."
"Don't insult us," shouted Sir Robert Reid.
Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain said he believed that, with the development of South Africa, persons of British origin would be largely in excess of the rest of the population.
"Before we grant free government to the Boers," he exclaimed, the Colonial Secretary, "the country must be restored to something like its normal condition. I believe the Boers know well the terms offered them. The time is perhaps not opportune for taking further steps to make these terms known, but I have been in communication with Sir Alfred Milner with a view of taking advantage of any opportunity that might present itself."
The struggle had come to its end. It originated in the determination of the Boers to secure the ascendancy in South Africa, and to believe that in spite of the sacrifice made, this country is of the same mind as when it entered upon the struggle, and will spare no efforts to bring it to a close, and will support no party which seeks to stultify the object in view."
Mid-ringing cheers Mr. Chamberlain, "the head and shoulders of the war," as Mr. Dillon described him, resumed his seat. Mr. Dillon described him, resumed his seat. Mr. Dillon described him, resumed his seat. Mr. Dillon described him, resumed his seat.

privilege and the taking up of the amendments to the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, had been chiefly confined to China.
Lord Cranborne, when the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne was resumed, said commercial interest was Great Britain's principal interest in China. There had been great delay in the settlement of affairs in China, but such delay must be expected in dealing with a nation so backward.
As to the question of indemnity, Lord Cranborne said the British minister at Peking, Sir Ernest Satow, had been instructed to gather together the claims that were to be made.
Referring to the railroad dispute, Lord Cranborne said Russia had announced the government that the occupation of Peking Shan Hai Kwan railroad was only temporary, and that the railroad and merchandise would be restored at the end of the occupation. Russia's assurance respecting the railroads was most categorical. Their occupation was temporary. Lord Cranborne added:
"I am bound to say that in all our dealings with the Russian government in this matter, we have been received in the most friendly way. We have no complaint to make against the government of the Czar."
Continuing, Lord Cranborne said that Russia had assured the government that any agreement between Russia and China respecting the occupation of Manchuria was in the nature of a modus vivendi to prevent disturbances along the frontiers and railroad. It was purely temporary, and although a guarantee was expected by Russia that these disturbances would not break out again, that guarantee would not take the form of territorial acquisition or a virtual protectorate.
In Nin Chwang, nominally under Russian military law, the private rights of foreign communities did not appear to have been interfered with. The presence of His Majesty's government was neither aggressive nor ostentatious.
Sir William Harcourt asked:
"Is it not true that an expedition into the interior of China has been ordered by Count von Waldersee, and if so, does the order affect our troops? At the end of such an operation we might find ourselves in another guerrilla war among a population far greater than the Boers? Lord Cranborne replied that so far as the government was aware, no power was contemplated for greater than the interior of China. If it was so, the British commanders would require fresh instructions. Lord Cranborne also observed that the government did not consider suicide a proper alternative for the

DEWET'S MEN QUARRELLING

Protest Against His Flogging and Half Threaten to Surrender.
London, Feb. 18.—A correspondent of the Daily Mail writes with the British column pursuing Gen. Dewet, says:
"General Dewet has failed to reach his objective, having been headed off in turn from Strydenburg and Hopetown, respectively 35 and 55 miles from the scene of Friday's fighting.
"Last night a meeting of the burghers was held in Gen. Dewet's camp to protest against the indiscriminate flogging of men, and half the force threatened to surrender. Eventually the malcontents decided to fight independently."
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According to the same authority, it has been practically decided, in connection with the scheme of arm reform, to increase the forces by 150,000 men to secure whom it is proposed to increase the pay of the soldiers.
Bristown, Feb. 18.—It is reported that the Boers have occupied Volsburg, communication with that place having been interrupted.
It is asserted that there are 1,000 Boers at Strydenburg and others at Houwater, 18 miles from Bristown.

ROWAND'S KILLING.

Deserviers Is Now Being Held—Claims It Was Self-Defence.
Greenwood, Feb. 18.—The coroner's jury brought in the following verdict on the death of H. Y. Rowand at Denora on Saturday evening: "We, the jury, find that deceased came to his death from a knife-stab in the heart at the hands of J. McGill Deserviers, on the 16th inst. The mother of deceased was communicated with, and the body will be shipped to Toronto for interment. Deserviers' hearing before the magistrate will take place on Wednesday, when he will be committed for trial. The prisoner is confined in the provincial jail, and, while admitting the slaying, says it was done in self-defence."
EDITORS FIGHT.
Honolulu Ladies Cause Newspaper Men to Quarrel.
Honolulu, Feb. 12.—Edwin S. Gill, editor of the Republican, shot and seriously wounded Mortimer H. Stevens, a member of the staff of the Advertiser, in the office of the Republican on the evening of the 9th. The shooting followed a controversy about an article Gill had published concerning some young ladies who were stopping at the Hawaiian hotel.

DR. LAVELLE DEAD.

He Was Formerly Warden of Kingston Penitentiary.
Kingston, Feb. 18.—Dr. Michael Lavelle, warden of Kingston penitentiary from 1885 to 1896, died to-day of general debility, aged 76.

J. B. EAGER.

Smallpox Attacked Him and He Is Now Isolated.
Toronto, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Mr. J. B. Eager, a resident of Toronto, who travels in Manitoba and the West as a representative of the Beech Brush Co., was stricken down with smallpox to-day and removed to the isolation hospital.

The Colonist Serial Story "My Lady of Orange" Tuesday, February 19th

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Encouraging Reception

Fraser Valley Delegates Secure the Co-Operation of the Board of Trade.

They Interview Members of the Government and Express Their Satisfaction.

The Fraser Valley railway delegates met a committee of the council of the British Columbia Board of Trade yesterday morning, according to appointment, to explain the objects of their visit to the Capital and to ask the board to co-operate with them in urging the government to grant the prayer of their petition.

The members of the council of the board of trade present were: Messrs. L. G. McQuade, vice-president, in the chair; A. Mars, J. G. Cox, H. J. Scott, T. W. Patterson, O. H. Lugin, A. B. Fraser, G. A. Kirk, Lindley Crease and E. Elworthy, secretary.

That railway connection between the above-named districts and the Coast cities of Western Vancouver, Victoria, and Esquimalt, is most urgently required, together with a railway and traffic bridge over the Fraser river at New Westminster.

That the construction of the railway, to run east as far as Chilliwack and the bridge, is a matter of paramount importance, not only to the districts and cities, but also to the province at large.

That the section of country between the coast and the mountains south of the river, is the largest tract of agricultural land available for settlement, in the province, a very large proportion of which is lying waste and unproductive, while immense quantities of agricultural products are being shipped from foreign and outside sources, to the value of several millions of dollars annually.

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be satisfied with a road as far as Chilliwack; they left it to those whose interests lay beyond to agitate for the continuation of the road to the Kootenays.

Mr. Thrift pointed out that the area of productive agricultural lands which the proposed railway would serve was approximately 10 miles by 65 miles in extent, within the municipalities represented, containing over 350,000 acres of fertile land, with a further eastward an additional 80-mile belt, which was included in any municipality.

He dwelt upon the great importance of the development of this land to the general welfare of the province, and drew attention to the pitiful state of affairs when, with thousands of acres of magnificent lands within easy reach, the people were sending hundreds of thousands of dollars away annually for agricultural products which could be grown in production, and of the finest quality at home.

Mr. Thrift said that fifteen years ago many settlers in the Fraser valley borrowed money on their holdings to "prove up" and pay for the land, being pressed to do so by the officials of the Dominion.

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ROGERSON-HALL. Victoria and Vancouver Interested in a Marriage Ceremony Last Evening.

A very pretty home wedding took place last evening at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. Hall, 110 Johnson street, when Mr. E. B. L. Rogerson and Miss Rose A. Hall were married by Rev. W. H. Barradough.

The bride was beautifully attired in white organdie, over ivory satin, trimmed with the customary orange blossoms. She was attended by the Misses Hall and T. Rogerson, who were gowned respectively in white organdie, over blue silk and white, over pink.

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Received With Open Arms

Modern Knights in Khaki Warmly Welcomed by Victoria Citizens.

Large Crowds Turn Out in the Rain to Greet the Heroes.

A drizzling downpour, half rain half snow, that turned a sloppy slush as it reached the ground, rendering walking a misery, and life generally a bore, was the atrocious quality of weather which prevailed last evening.

The Victoria members of the South African field force had assembled an hour before at the Drill Hall, and headed by the band of the Fifth Regiment, marched down to the landing stage to meet their old comrades.

Immediately that the Chalmers' lights were dropped the volunteers were through with spectators, who kept up a continual cheering and firing of caps and bows.

There's old Bill Nye! "Hello, Nick!" "Are you there, Sammy?" For several minutes there was a general shouting and cheering, and the order was once more restored, the company fell in, and the procession started on its way.

The route of the procession was along Wharf street to government, along Government street to Johnson street, to Douglas, Douglas to Yates, Yates to Broad, and along Broad to the Drift.

The dinner, which was an informal affair and confined to the visitors and their Victoria comrades, was a thoroughly enjoyable one. The dining room was tastefully and appropriately decorated, and as all the boys brought their own plates, the excellent menu was not slighted.

Many of the visitors and their friends accepted the invitation of the City Band, and danced at the A. O. U. hall, where they enjoyed themselves for a few jolly hours.

AT VANCOUVER. "V-A-N" said a leader's voice in no small way. "V-A-N" replied a score of throats, and then all joined in a chorus of "V-A-N" from the Van. Long Tom, Pom Pom, Paardeberg!

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