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SOME ADDITIONAL CENSUS FIGURES RETURNS FOR CITIES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA Population of Nanaimo, New Westminster and Rossland—Will Duchess of Cornwall and York Come West?

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—The population of Nanaimo city is 6,130, compared with 4,365 in 1891. The families are 1,291, compared with 1,402 in 1891; and dwellings 1,279, compared with 1,383 in 1891. New Westminster has 6,408, as against 4,978 in 1891; families 254, as against 1,156 in 1891, and dwellings 1,296, compared with 1,148 in 1891. Rossland has a population of 6,138; families 1,363, and dwellings 1,361. There are no figures for 1891.

WEATHER BUREAU OFFICIALS. Important Gathering in Milwaukee—Reports Will Be Received From Northern British Columbia.

Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 27.—Over one hundred weather officials from various all over the United States gathered here today to attend a convention. Professor Willis L. Moore, chief of the United States weather bureau, in opening the convention reviewed the importance, development and extension of the weather service that had occurred since the first convention. He referred to the stations in the West Indies that have been thoroughly equipped and manned by observers of the weather bureau, and said: "Reporting stations have been established at Turib Island and Bermuda and provision has been made for securing daily reports from various points in Mexico. Through these stations meteorological office in London, England, reports are received daily by cable from various points in the British Isles and on the west European coast, and also the Azores. The object of the West Indian service is to give warning to shipping and to American coast interests of the approach of tropical hurricanes. The Mexican reports are useful in determining the approach of storms which advance to our shores from the southwest. An extension of the region of observation also has been made in British territory to Barkerville, and it will keep pace with the extension of the telegraph lines."

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING. Report That Old Miner Was Lowered Into Deep Shaft's

Seattle, Aug. 27.—Edward Mortimer, a miner, is 38 years of age, and is a story emanating from Dawson, where he is said to have been kidnapped and lowered into a deep shaft. His captors demanded \$6,000 as the price of release. The object of the West Indian service is to give warning to shipping and to American coast interests of the approach of tropical hurricanes.

UNKNOWN'S SUICIDE. He Destroyed All Means of Identification Before Shooting Himself. Philadelphia, Aug. 27.—A man who last night registered at a hotel here as B. F. Sheldon, of Boston, was found dead in bed today, having shot himself in the head during the night. Previous to ending his life he had destroyed all means of identification. The suicide left a note saying that if he had any friends he made them to recognize his body. An envelope containing \$2 and bearing the inscription "Mrs. Archibald Nebitt, to be called for," was found in the room.

FOR THE ATTORNEYS. Fees and Commissions Amounting to Over \$400,000 Awarded. San Francisco, Aug. 27.—Fees and commissions, amounting to \$402,517, have been awarded to attorneys and executors of the Fair estate by Judge Truitt, in addition to the \$30,000 given each of the executors by the New York probate court for the administration of the portion in that city. Other heavy fees are yet to be paid, but it is estimated that \$5,000,000 will remain for each of the late Senator Fair's three children.

SMITH'S FALLS, ONT., Aug. 27.—An investigation into the alleged misconduct of the two Methodist ministers, Rev. D. C. Sanderson, of Almonte, and Rev. F. McManmond, of Perth, at Syracuse last week, was opened in the Methodist church here this afternoon. Accused were heard in private. The investigation will be of the most searching nature.

SHAMROCK'S TRIAL. Cup Challenger's Sails Fill Splendidly and She Carries Them Well. New York, Aug. 27.—There was a fine wholesale breeze from the southeast this morning when the sailors on board the cup challenger Shamrock II, began hoisting the yacht's mainsail. The sea was peaked well up, and it set like a board. A sky reaching club-top sail also was sent aloft, and it seemed to be the largest ever seen on a cup challenger. Before noon the Shamrock had passed out to sea in a fifteen knot breeze.

It was while sailing up the main ship channel toward Staten Island on a reach with the wind abeam to starboard that Shamrock showed her greatest speed. Today's trial shows that Shamrock II is not only a very fast yacht in a breeze that puts rail almost awash, but that she is a wonder at pointing. She tackled within eight points. Some of the experts declared that she could work within seven and a half points. Her sails fill splendidly, and she carries them well. By taking in her baby jib topsail while on the wind she was able to point higher. When she eased sheets and gathered away on the return trip it was estimated that she travelled at least 12 knots an hour, while on the beam reach up to Cony Island point she made between 13 and 14 knots, riding away from the press tug and even the Erin.

FATAL COLLISION ON THE RAILWAY. TWO MEN ARE DEAD—FREIGHT CARS WRECKED. Engineer and Brakeman Killed Near Thousand Island Junction, Ontario—Accident on the Intercolonial.

Thousand Island Junction, Aug. 27.—Engineer Miron, of Belleville, and Brakeman Stone, of Montreal, were killed in a collision between east-bound and west-bound trains, freight and passenger, this morning. The locomotive and 14 cars, together with contents, were smashed to pieces. Failure to observe signals on the part of the dead engineer is said to have been the cause of the accident. Another Collision. Halifax, N. S., Aug. 27.—The Maritime express from Montreal on the Intercolonial railway was crashed into by an engine of the Dominion Atlantic railway while approaching North street station last night. Several trainmen were injured as well as some of the passenger cars. The engines of both engines were badly damaged. The accident was caused by the Dominion Atlantic railway man running the engine on the time of the express without receiving orders.

CANNOT USE CAMERA. Law Against Photographers and Artists Being Enforced in Japan.

Yokohama, Aug. 10 via San Francisco, Aug. 27.—The expression of sympathy on the part of the court and the native press on the receipt of the news of the Empress Frederick's death is very genuine evidence of political good feeling toward Germany. This is largely owing to the praise lavished by German officers upon the Japanese troops in China and the favorable impression which they themselves have made when visiting here as the nation's guests.

THE GREATEST ANNOYANCE AND TROUBLE to the foreign tourist continues owing to the rigid enforcement of the law against taking photographs anywhere within the limits of the fortification zones. As these zones include very large tracts, mainly on the chief lines of travel, the result is the almost absolute prohibition of the use of the camera. By tourists Artists will also find it impossible to exploit the country, as sketching is also placed under the ban. The money market continues to improve.

MINEERS' CONFERENCE. Nearly One Thousand Delegates Attend Convention at Hazelton. Hazelton, P. A., Aug. 27.—A convention of representatives of United Mine Workers of America from every mine in the Anthracite coal region began here today with President Mitchell in charge. It is expected to continue three or four days. It is stated by officials of the organization that nearly 1,000 delegates will attend the session.

NO LONGER A MAGISTRATE. London, Aug. 27.—The government has struck the name of Earl Russell from the list of Berkshire magistrates. Earl Russell was sentenced on July 19th by the House of Lords to three months' imprisonment as a first-class misdemeanant, after having been convicted of bigamy.

ATTACK BY BOERS ON BRITISH CONVOY. ENEMY REPULSED BY ESCORT OF YEOMANRY. Nine Soldiers Killed and Twenty-Three Wounded—Parliamentary Leader of Africander Band Under Arrest.

London, Aug. 27.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria to-day, says: "A convoy on its way from Kimberley to Griquatown was attacked near Rooikoppe. The attack was driven off by Capt. Humby's escort of seventy-four Imperial Yeomanry, who lost nine men killed and had twenty-three men wounded. The convoy was brought in in safety. "Rawlinson caught eighteen Transvaalers after a forty-minute gallop in the open east of Edenburg."

MILNER AT CAPE TOWN. The British high commissioner in South Africa, arrived here to-day from England. He met with an enthusiastic reception. Replying to an address of welcome he said there was no doubt whatsoever that the unspicable determination of the people and government of Great Britain was to adhere to their South African policy.

MERRIMAN ARRESTED. Capetown, Aug. 27.—J. K. Merriman, the parliamentary leader of the Africander Band, has been arrested on a farm thirty-one miles from Capetown. He has given his parole not to leave the farm.

Merriman on Martial Law. London, Aug. 27.—Mr. Merriman recently visited England and urged in inter-tentive a conciliation policy toward Boers. In a long letter to a friend, published here to-day treading on martial law at the Cape, Mr. Merriman says: "Public meetings are forbidden by military force. Quite recently a member of parliament living fifty miles from Capetown, who had a few men to see him, was hauled before a military tribunal. At another place a man was deported because he refused to join the town guard. To crown all, our parliament, where the voice of the people should be heard in legitimate responsible fashion, is suspended contrary to law. The administration of the whole country is carried on by means of the illegitimate misuse of public money. You gag a man, and because he does not make his voice heard, you declare he is contented with his position."

MORE BURGHERS CAPTURED. London, Aug. 26.—A dispatch to the war office from Lord Kitchener says: "On August 19th, 32 Boers have been killed, 179 have been made prisoners and 185 have surrendered, including Kruger, a nephew of the ex-president."

THE COLUMNS ARE MOVING WITH NO appreciable opposition in Cape Colony. The rebels and armed bands are hiding and avoiding our columns with some success. The only contact having been with the command of Scheepers, who is being driven north."

JAMES G. STOWE, the United States consul general at Capetown, has arrived here from South Africa. To a reporter of the Associated Press he said to-day: "I find myself marooned in London. Apparently every berth on steamers bound for America is taken till the end of September, and I am induced to get home where I can do away with official cares, and talk as a private citizen. You know more in London about the military conditions of South Africa than it is possible for any one to know at Capetown."

WHILE I HAVE RESIGNED from the consular service my resignation does not take effect till I receive the order. It is impossible for me to say any thing. You can learn much more from returning officers than it is possible to say. "The South African problem is undoubtedly difficult and complicated. The topography of the country and the mobility of the Boers, whom the English columns are unable to pursue individually, render operations most difficult. The British are feeding many prisoners and providing for thousands of Boer families, all of which is very nice on the part of England, but in the meanwhile the war drags on."

There is a great future for South Africa which peace is declaring. The surface mineral wealth is scarcely scratched. Undoubtedly England is prepared to solve the problem of reunification, but when that will occur, certainly no person at the Cape is able to say. The Diet of the Boers. Ottawa, Aug. 19.—Trooper H. M. Campbell, of the South African Constabulary, in writing to a friend in Ottawa, has the following to say: "On this, the anniversary of our Canadian holiday, I thought it a good time to let you know how the Canadian troops now in South Africa are faring. We had reason to believe when we left Kingston that the Canadian contingent of the S. A. C. would be utilized in its entirety. This, however, has not been the case. We are scattered all over the two colonies, all troops about 100 men each. At present, my particular troop, No. 17, 'British Columbia,' is camped near a small town named Verrenging, in the Transvaal, just across the Vaal river, and about 50 miles from Johannesburg. We have been kept pretty busy, in fact we are always busy. The country here

about is infested with Boers, not large bodies, but small detachments of from 20 to 100 men. It's just like chasing grasshoppers. They never make a stand. We have captured enormous numbers of cattle and sheep, in fact, everything edible has been taken away. Any what those fellows live on is a mystery to me. Fresh air and mountain scenery in large quantities is the only thing I can see. "A rather funny incident occurred the other day. A few of our troops were out on patrol and scattered all around the country in parties of two or three. When the recall was sounded our Sergeant and Trooper Gies, McNew, who I believe comes from the vicinity of Ottawa, were missing. They had been surrounded, captured about two miles from our main body. Beyond losing their horses, arms and clothing, they were unharmed, and returned to camp the same evening.

"Our present position is on top of a small rise, and we have been busy building a fort on it for about two weeks. I have come to the conclusion that handling a pick and shovel artistically is an acquired talent. All the latent genius in the composition is being developed rapidly. Most of the Ottawa boys are at Bloemfontein, O.K.C., and are having just about the same experience as we are in the Transvaal. The dog of Ollie Mann on voyage was deplored by the whole regiment. "Sworn evidence has been brought to my notice by Gen. Elliot, that on June 5th Lieut. Mair, of the New South Wales artillery, and Privates Harvey and Blinn, of the same regiment, were surrendering at Graspan, near Reitz. "I have forwarded to Steyn and Botha copies of these statements. "The war office has telegraphed to Lord Kitchener as follows: "We understand that you have not yet received satisfactory assurances respecting the murder of our wounded at Vlakfontein. In view of the occurrences referred to in your telegram of August 25th, we are of the opinion that you should notify, by proclamation, that the members of any command by which such an outrage is committed may be captured and after trial proceed to have been present on such occasion will be held guilty, whether they actually committed the deed or not; that the leader of the command shall be sentenced to death, and that all other members will be punished with death or less, according to the degree of complicity."

ABDUL HAMID IS NOW VERY WARLIKE. HAS ORDERED MANY GUNS FROM GERMANY. It is Reported the Sultan Will Fight Rather Than Yield to the Demands of France.

Vienna, Aug. 28.—The Tageblatt today publishes mail correspondence from Constantinople which says the Sultan will go to war rather than yield to unreasonable demands; that he is studying plans for defence, and that he has ordered three hundred guns from Germany. Situation Unchanged. Constantinople, Aug. 27.—The French flag was hoisted down from over the embassy of France after the departure of Ambassador Constans, and it will not be hoisted again until diplomatic relations shall have been restored. The staff of the embassy remains here, but there is no change in the situation. "The French consuls in Turkey have been directed to continue to protect French interests. Besides the immediate causes of the disagreement it is pointed out that the difficulties placed in the way of French commercial interests in Turkey contributed to M. Constans's resignation. All the embassies complain of vexatious interference with trade. WITH SIXTY BANDS. Knights Templar Paraded Streets of Louisville, Kentucky, To-day. Louisville, Ky., Aug. 27.—A parade of 30,000 plumed knights marching to the music of three score brass bands, under the most favorable weather conditions, today marked the formal opening of the twenty-eighth triennial convocation of the Grand Encampment of the Knights Templars here. At 9 a. m. the streets were stopped and ordinary vehicles were ordered off the streets reserved for the parade which was a magnificent spectacle. "At the conclusion of the parade, officers of the Grand Encampment and commanders listened to an address of welcome by former Congressman W. C. Breckenridge on behalf of the Legion of Kentucky. Following a brief report by Grand Master Lloyd, the Grand Encampment formally met in secret session. MYSTERY SOLVED. Ponghekeeps, N. Y., Aug. 27.—The man whose severed leg was carried on a car track of the Montreal express to New York, and was found in a box on Saturday night and Monday morning was John Murray, aged 40 years, a worker of the Ontario and Quebec railway, who was struck by a train on Saturday night and instantly killed.

TALK OF PEACE IN STRIKE CIRCLES. PRESIDENT SHAFFER HAS NOTHING TO SAY. Rumor That Settlement May Be Reached Within Ten Days—Tin Plate Mill Idle.

Pittsburg, Aug. 27.—An official statement by the American Tin Plate Company denies that there are any negotiations looking to a settlement of the strike on foot, and authorizes the statement that mills put into operation during the strike will be continued by non-union men, and all men going to work now will be retained in their positions. This statement will have its effects, because of the fact that the tin plate trade has always been considered among the strongholds of the Amalgamated Association, and the decision appears to have been brought about by the association declaring a strike against the tin plate company after the scale for the year had been signed. Notwithstanding the fact that the Amalgamated people claim justification on the ground that their constitution provides for such procedure, the officials of the tin plate company consider that action a breach of trust, and say that hereafter they are determined to cut loose from union labor entirely.

OPERATIONS TO BEGIN ON FERRY PROJECT. V. V. & E. Company Granted Permission to Expropriate Land For Line Between Cascade and Grand Forks.

Yancover, Aug. 28.—A Japanese died this morning at Steveston as the result of injuries received in an assault by two other Japs. He was alleged to have struck another man with a knife. Three Japs have been arrested. D. R. Wilde, general manager of the Imperial Bank, left this afternoon for Victoria. He says his bank will ship gold from Bat Portage and other eastern mining points to Vancouver assay office. Capt. McKenzie returned this morning from New York and St. Paul, where he is said to have made final arrangements for the immediate beginning of operations on the Gulf ferry project, in which the Great Northern is interested. "Capt. C. C. Bennett, of Baden-Powell's "Silver Cross" corps, formerly of Vancouver, was recently captured by Dewet and is still held a prisoner. This news came in a letter here to-day. An order was made by the Supreme court this morning for permission to the V. V. & E. Railway Co. to expropriate land for a railway line between Cascade and Grand Forks, and the permission of affidavits, the name of J. J. Hill was frequently mentioned, and the argument in support of the application was that the contract was already made and the line would be built immediately. A taxpayer started an action this morning in the Supreme court to restrain the city from expending \$5,000 for the Duke of York's reception.

STRIKE OF STEEL WORKERS. Pittsburg, Aug. 26.—President Theo. J. Shaffer, of the Amalgamated Association of Iron & Steel Workers, tonight declared absolutely that he had no objection to reported peace negotiations for the settlement of the strike, and that if such a move had been started it did not have the official sanction of the organization. Nevertheless the subject will not drop tonight. It is said the conciliatory committee of the civic federation, already prominent in the matter, is fully prepared to carry on negotiations and will, if necessary, endeavor to secure the good offices of Archbishop Ireland, Bishop Potter, Daniel Hanna and Seth Low, co-members of their organization, to give such prominence to the committee that the proposal will be received by the Steel corporation.

In the meantime both sides to the controversy make claims to a victory. The steel people point to the gains they have made all along the line in the way of securing men and starting plants, while the Amalgamated officials say that instead of losing ground the association is gaining every day, and that while the combination has succeeded in starting a few plants, they are not turning out merchantable matter, and are losing money and being valuable machinery. The steel people ridicule the claims of the association and point to the failure to induce the South Chicago and Duquesne men to strike as evidence that the strength of the Amalgamated association has departed.

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IN NO HURRY. Sultan Has Not Yet Settled the Claims of Three Frenchmen.

Paris, Aug. 26.—Sultan Abdul Hamid's persistence in procrastinating methods continuing to disturb the Turkish relations with France. His trade giving satisfaction in the quays question was taken as indicating that he would accept the entire French claims. But M. Constans telegraphed yesterday that the Sultan was still holding out against the payment of the claims of three Frenchmen, dating back many years and amounting to several million francs. M. Constans telegraphed yesterday that the Sultan was still holding out against the payment of the claims of three Frenchmen, dating back many years and amounting to several million francs. M. Constans telegraphed yesterday that the Sultan was still holding out against the payment of the claims of three Frenchmen, dating back many years and amounting to several million francs.

OFFICIAL DENIAL. Madrid, Aug. 27.—Premier Sagasta denies the report that the Russian government has asked authority to establish a coaling station at Port Mahon, Island of Minorca.

ELEVEN ARE DEAD AND NINE MISSING

THE ENGINEER SAID GOOD-BYE TO HIS WIFE

Had Presentation of Explosion On Steamer City of Trenton—Searching For Bodies of Victims.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 29.—Eleven known dead, nine missing and twenty-two injured is the record made by the explosion of the boilers of the steamboat City of Trenton on the Delaware river yesterday afternoon.

All night long city firemen, policemen and employees of the Wilmington Steamboat Company, which owned the vessel, worked in and around the burned and blackened hull, searching for bodies of victims. Hundreds of men are dragging the river bottom with grappling irons to-day, and they will continue to do so until every person is accounted for.

According to the statement of the widow of the dead assistant engineer, John P. Chew, the man had a presentation of death. Mrs. Chew says that before leaving home for work on Tuesday night her husband said: "Lizzie, I may never see you again. I have a presentiment that there will be an explosion on the boat. If there is, there will be no escape for us. The fire is running at too high a steam pressure, and if an accident should occur I and many others will be killed."

Of the twenty-two persons taken to the hospital attached to the Philadelphia house of correction, all are reported as doing well to-day, and it is not believed that any of them will die.

August Reinhardt, expert machinist employed by the Neefe & Levy Shipbuilding Company, the builders of the City of Trenton, received word yesterday that there was no doubt in his mind that the explosion had been due to the exhaustion of the water in the boilers. He gave it as his opinion that the boat was being run too fast and that exhausted the water.

The boat was fifteen minutes late when she left her wharf yesterday afternoon, and it is stated that much of this lost time had been made up when the explosion occurred.

Death List Increasing. Philadelphia, Aug. 29.—From the most authentic reports received up to 2 o'clock this afternoon, it is believed that at least fifteen persons lost their lives in the steamboat explosion on the Delaware river yesterday afternoon. There are eight bodies at the morgue, of which six have thus far been identified. The list of missing numbers between ten and fifteen, of which at least half a dozen are surely dead. Nine injured victims still remain in the hospital, and twenty-two others have been discharged from the institution since the explosion.

Grapping for the bodies supposed to be in the river is going on without intermission. The sea valves of the burned steamer have been closed, and the water in the hull is now being pumped out. It is believed by the police officials that some of the missing will be found in the bottom of the vessel.

WILL BE REWARDED. Detectives and Others Are to Be Compensated for Capture of Winters.

San Francisco, Aug. 29.—President Reardon, of the Selby Smelting Works, announces that the reward of \$25,000 which was offered for the arrest and conviction of the thief or thieves who stole over \$300,000 worth of gold bullion on the night of August 5th, will not be paid as such, though the detectives and others who were instrumental in recovering the treasure and sending the robber, John Winters, to jail will be liberally compensated for their services.

Winters was under arrest when the reward was made, and President Reardon says his conviction was expected. The company, however, thought he had accomplices and feared also that the gold had been taken out of the country, and for these reasons the big reward was offered.

ARCTIC EXPLORATION. Steamer Returns After Landing Party at Camp Ziegler.

Christiana, Norway, Aug. 29.—Steamer Freiof arrived at Hammerfest to-day and reports that she successfully landed the expedition at Camp Ziegler in latitude 80° 24' north and longitude 55° east and longitude 55° 52' (correct) east of Alger Island. All the members of the expedition were in good health, and dogs and ponies were in excellent condition after their long voyage. The steamer left Camp Ziegler on August 23rd. The weather conditions were favorable for the start of the expedition. Mr. Borchgrevink is to start northward on August 24th by what is called the interchannel route across Markham Sound and between Austria Sound and British Channel.

MANITOBA NEWS. Post Office at Alton Robbed—Customs Official Dead.

Winnipeg, Aug. 27.—The Alton, Manitoba, post office was robbed last night of stamps and cash to the value of \$77. The postmaster was slain and lost \$77 of his own money. The thief must have been an expert, as no damage was done to the safe.

A severe windstorm passed over the Yorkton district yesterday, damaging many buildings.

Neil Shaw, a well known citizen and member of the customs service staff, dropped dead on the street to-day.

D. W. Mills, a business partner of Premier Roblin, was arrested yesterday at the instance of Mr. Roblin, charged with having stolen \$10,000. It is charged that Mills disposed of cattle and failed to make returns of the same.

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

Report That It Will Be Discussed at Meeting of Rulers.

London, Aug. 28.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail confirms the report that Emperor Nicholas and Emperor William will meet at Danzig on September 10th.

"The Czar and Czarina will leave St. Petersburg in the Russian Imperial yacht Standart escorted by the cruiser Sreolana, August 29th, for Fredericksburg, where they will meet King Edward."

"I have learned also on the best authority that the Czar is now disposed to intervene with regard to the Transvaal and that the war will be discussed with M. Loubet, King Edward and Emperor William."

Loubet on Czar's Visit. Montpellier, France, Aug. 27.—M. Loubet before starting for Paris to-day, addressed a deputation representing the municipality of Montpellier, and in the course of his remarks referred to the forthcoming visit of the Czar as providing the best basis for the union of the two peoples was considered a powerful pledge for the security of peace.

Kruger Interviewed. London, Aug. 27.—The Daily Telegraph publishes to-day a long interview with Mr. Kruger at Hillersum, on Lord Kitchener's latest proclamation. The correspondent says:

Mr. Kruger, who seemed greatly improved in health, spoke vehemently of the idea that anything had been changed except the attitude of the British. He insisted that the tactics of the Boers were still as regular as at the beginning of the war. Their forces, he said, were smaller, and were divided into small parties because the British had divided their forces into innumerable small columns.

He contended that Lord Kitchener's proclamation itself recognized that the Boers had a regular administration and army. The proclamation could have but one effect—to embitter the burghers and intensify their resistance. He said that the question whether any protest against the proclamation was still under consideration, but that this matter was of little import to the burghers, who did not look to Europe for approval, blame, or instructions.

Having characterized the proclamation as "the blackest crime," Mr. Kruger closed the interview by calmly calling Heaven to witness that the story of a Dutch conspiracy against the British was an "abominable lie, the most mischievous and diabolical lie ever coined since man first entered the world."

He said, however, that peace was still possible on the basis of give-and-take, and that the Boers were ready to make reasonable sacrifices, and to give satisfactory guarantees on the basis of independence and free pardon to colonial Afrikaners.

ADVANCE IN GRAIN RATES. Result of Meeting of Traffic Officials at Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 29.—Two important meetings of traffic officials were held here yesterday, and as a result it was finally decided that all grain rates should advance on October 21st to the following figures: Chicago to New York, for domestic use 17 1/2 cents per 100 pounds; for export 16 cents. The present rate for both domestic and export is 15 cents.

Chicago to St. Louis, 15 cents per 100 pounds, seven cents to the Mississippi river, and 10 cents to Chicago. This was practically a restoration of all traffic rates.

COUNTERFEITER CAPTURED. His Outfit Seized in Eastern Oregon—Perfect Machines.

Baker City, Oregon, Aug. 29.—In Eastern Oregon, on Snake river, Deputy United States Marshal A. A. Roberts, of Portland, and a special agent of the treasury department have captured a counterfeit outfit for making counterfeit money. E. B. Coon was captured while in the act of repairing his tools. An accomplice, a young man named Bud Butts, was also taken. Coon is a jeweler and the machines for making counterfeit money and reading machines are perfect, and it is said that the gold coins he turned out would pass anywhere. Coon has made a confession.

RECOVERED THE TORPEDO. Spanish Carbineers at First Wish to Keep It.

Madrid, Aug. 29.—While the British fleet in Spanish waters was manoeuvring to-day a torpedo, which had been launched, stranded on the shore in front of La Linea. A party of man-of-war-men sent to recover it were prevented from doing so by a detachment of Spanish carbineers. The landing party, after being strongly reinforced from the fleet, overpowered the carbineers and took over the torpedo.

JOCKEY KILLED. Was Thrown From His Horse While Riding in a Race.

Carbondale, Ills., Aug. 29.—Chas. Hodges, a jockey from Vienna, was riding the horse Mino in a half mile dash, and when within a few feet of the wire Mino suddenly fell, heading her neck and throwing the rider headlong fully thirty feet. Hodges died soon afterwards.

HERSCHEL'S SUCCESSOR. Report That Lord Strathcona is Likely to Be Member of Joint Commission.

London, Aug. 26.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Daily Chronicle believes, will be appointed successor to the late Lord Herschell as head of the delegation representing the British interests in the joint high commission.

CABLE TO JUNEAU. Seattle, Aug. 29.—The laying of the government marine cable from Skagway to Juneau was completed on August 21st, and is now in operation.

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Paid Penalty For Crimes at Dawson On Friday Last—Salmon Cannery Meet to Fix Prices.

Vancouver, Aug. 29.—A special from Dawson says O'Brien was hanged on August 23rd. He was defiant till the last, and spent his time on the gallows cursing the officials. It was expected he would break down and confess, but he never moved a muscle. His last words were: "I did not kill Clayton, Relfe and Olsen." Though he was sane, he claimed to be the Virgin Mary. He asked for a burial place outside the prison lot.

Advices have been received here that American cannery will not ship to the Old Country, but will market all their salmon in the States. Local cannery are having a meeting to-day to fix prices. H. W. Treat, who has arrived here, says Van Anda is now being taken care of by an English syndicate and will resume operation at once.

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Increasing Forces at Mills. Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 29.—The strike continues quiet and devoid of interesting features. While the strikers still express satisfaction with the prevailing conditions, the Steel Corporation is slowly but steadily increasing its forces at the plants already in operation, and are now preparing to open more mills.

The report that the amalgamated lodges were voting on a peace proposition was denied by Mr. Schaffer, who said: "There has been no vote of any kind taken by the lodges. They have taken votes on their account, but none has been ordered since the strike began, and no vote has been taken by the executive board."

VICTORIANS AT OTTAWA. Dominion Rifle Meeting—Third Day's Shooting—Winnings of Local Shots.

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—The third day's shooting at the Dominion rifle meeting to-day was under the best of weather conditions. The trapshoot match was the only one finished to-day. The 16th Royal Grenadiers won the cup. Bandsman Dawson, Guards, 34, won \$20; the following with 33 points each won \$15: Capt. Stuart, 10th Regiment; Sgt. Pellow, 10th Regiment; H. Ross, 13th Regiment; Co. Serjt. Major Richardson, 5th C. A., who had 32 points, got seventh place, and Sgt. Schenckman, M. R., 27, 34; Corp. Gavin, 5th C. A., 26, 34.

DEATHS FROM YELLOW FEVER. Only Two Fatal Cases in Havana During Month—Experiments With Mosquitoes.

Havana, Aug. 27.—Of the eight persons bitten by infected mosquitoes in connection with the experiments conducted by the Yellow Fever board during the last three weeks three have died. Three others who took the fever are expected to recover and two have not yet developed the disease.

WILL NOT RESIGN. Mr. Hays Denies That He Intends Giving Up Position as President of Southern Pacific.

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Reading, Pa., Aug. 28.—A. H. Beschor, the former chairman of the strikers' committee of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad employees, was brought here to-day. He was captured at Allentown on Thursday night. Beschor is charged with embezzling money contributed to carry on the strike.

APPLICATIONS FOR BILLS. London, Aug. 26.—Tenders for £1,000,000 in twelve month treasury bills were received at the Bank of England to-day. The applications amounted to £7,347,000.

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DESTROYED BY MOB.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 29.—News has reached here that a mob has burned the remaining buildings belonging to Wm. Radcliffe, at Grand Me lakes. It was the burning of the Hotel Otis recently by a mob that caused Mr. Radcliffe to call on Governor Orman for troops to protect his property, and also caused the report that Radcliffe had appealed to the British government for its protection, claiming to be a subject of Great Britain. The trouble, it is said, began when one of Mr. Radcliffe's guards killed a ranchman in a controversy over the right to fish in the lakes. Since then the main buildings on Radcliffe's place, including the fish hatchery, have been destroyed by mobs.

THREE MEN DROWNED IN TEXAS OIL WELL

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British Columbia and other portions of the West have no reason to be dissatisfied with the record of the ten years that have passed away. The measure of our prosperity has not been as full as it might have been if mining booms and labor troubles had not cast a shadow upon our chief industry.

Let the croakers in Ontario who vociferate that their province is being wronged take note that in this young country also the centre of political influence must ultimately find its way West. The premier province, as they delight to call it, has no vested right in the position which it has so long occupied as the predominant political factor in the Canadian confederation.

We may, we trust, be permitted to point out these things without being charged with sectional feeling. It is time for the Ontario Tories to look around and find out where they are at. That is all. We have nothing but good wishes for New Ontario as part of the Dominion. We all pray that abounding prosperity may abound from the East even to the West.

"LIFE SAVING" APPLIANCES.

Is there any systematic inspection of the life-belts and other life-saving paraphernalia stored on steamship plying in Canadian coast waters? This question has been suggested by the finding of what is alleged to be a life-belt on the beach or wharf at Juneau. It seemed from its extraordinary weight to be so heavily stuffed with cotton that it was not open and an examination made. The popular conception of a life-belt is that it is a band of cork capable of sustaining a human body, alive or dead, on the surface of the water.

PASSING OF LACROSSE.

The lacrosse clubs of Canada should disband until a new generation is in a position to play the game. The players of the present day seem to know too much about the art of injuring opponents without infringing the letter of the law. The referees have been appointed so, but they appear to be helpless. The experience of the West has been that of the East also. A loud protest has ascended and has had no effect. Accidents will happen in all kinds of sports, but when spectators have no choice but to watch the brutal work of players whose chief mission on the field appears to be to maim and to win games by intimidation or to stay away they will not play.

Every number of the game in British Columbia knows where the storm centre of ruffianism in the province has for a long time been situated. The Victoria players have not been to blame. They have long and faithfully stuck to the legitimate style of playing for the ball and not for the "disabling" of the man who is elected and dangerous. Unless radical measures of purification be taken the prospects of lacrosse in British Columbia for the year 1902 are far from bright.

DEFENCE OF THE EMPIRE.

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The Cornwall home was broken up, the players were used up, and the Shamrocks won. The game has become too scientific altogether. It has degenerated into such skillful displays as are given in the prize ring, and it is not in getting the necessary machinery in motion. The Times has no desire to reflect upon the conduct of anyone. We have purposely treated the memory of those who are gone and the conduct of certain of the crew who yet live with the utmost tenderness in spite of serious charges from more than one quarter.

A COLORED PRODIGY.

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ABOUT RAILROAD FREIGHT RATES.

proved that his sentiments came from the right place. He sang a song of his own composition, of which the following is the first verse: Oh, the British lion is a noble seon, And proud in his conscious might, A terror to those it knows are his foes, For he always defends the right, And yet so mild that a little child Might pat him and need not quail, And pat him on the crown and stroke him down, But beware how you tread on his tail.

INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

Now that the excitement produced by the news of the wreck of the Islander has in a measure subsided and a number of the victims of someone's blundering, or recklessness, or worse, have been laid away, it is time to consider the question of an investigation. An inquiry, deep and thorough, must be held; and no time should be lost in instituting it, before witnesses who can give important testimony have scattered to remote parts. We understand it is necessary for some one to make a formal demand for an investigation before anything can be done by the representative of the Marine and Fisheries department of the Dominion government. There are many people who are anxious for light upon certain points, and no doubt they will lose no time in getting the necessary machinery in motion.

COMMISSIONER MEETS VICTORIA SHIPPERS.

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The cannery managers in every instance did all they possibly could to help the medical and sanitary officers, and it required a good deal of knowledge and tact to deal with Chinamen, Japs and Indians, who know nothing of vaccination and none too much of cleanliness. W. R. Lord, J. P., the popular manager of the Boston and North Pacific, kindly placed his private boat at the disposal of the medical staff, so that the canners and other places along the Skeena could be visited at any time, night or day. In all there were twenty cases, with the death of only one child, distributed as follows: Kincolt, on the Naas, 6; on the Skeena, Moore's Cove, 3; Standard, 8; North Pacific, 3.

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was charged. The distance was 1,000 miles, and yet from this city to two points, a distance of 600 miles, 85 cents was imposed. This was obviously unfair to the coast cities. The reason given by the company for this is that unless the above quoted rate was maintained the scale of local rates around that territory would be upset. It is also claimed that American roads affected the situation. He contended, however, that the coast cities should have the same rate as Winnipeg.

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commencing at 10 a.m. The meeting was held in the lounge of the church, Mrs. Gordon Grant provincial president, presiding. De- cal exercises were first conducted, helpful and practical Bible reading by Mrs. Street on the subject of as illustrated by the teaching remainder of the morning's session

in the consideration of re- There was a large and representa- tive attendance of the members of the union. Westminister, Nanaimo, Chilliwack and Victoria being pre- sents.

report of the treasurer of the pro- vision showed receipts amounting to \$1,000, and an expenditure of \$1,000, leaving a balance of \$151.48.

the last half hour was devoted to reports from the different unions. Spofford spoke of the increase of during the 18 years the W. C. T. U. has been established, and of the progress made in the different de- parts. Mrs. Cunningham testified of the life of the union in New West- minster, although the number of active members was small.

Watson and Mrs. J. Brown spoke of their work in Vancouver. They said much on the increase in spite of continual changes in the population. Nicholes, of Nanaimo, gave an address on the temperance work of the Indians.

the convention then adjourned. The afternoon the convention met at 2 p.m., when the president de- livered her address. Reports on hospi- talities, and other matters were read. W. C. T. U. will be received. The evening at 8 p.m. a reception will be held at the residence of Mrs. David

for which a cordial invitation is extended to all delegates and visitors. An address of wel- come will be read by Miss Perrin and followed by Mrs. J. Brown, and the remainder of the evening will be devoted to proceedings of a solely character.

programme for the convention, in- cluding this afternoon, is as follows: Wednesday afternoon, 7:30 p.m. Opening; reading minutes; report of the on nominations. Corresponding secretary's report; president's address; report of super- intendent of hospital work; report of superintendent of health and heredity; report of superintendent of literature and news; Journal; adjournment.

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Friday Morning. Opening; reading minutes; com- plete reports. Election of officers; prayer service; adjournment.

Friday Afternoon. Opening; reading minutes; report of the on resolutions; appointment of a committee; new business; adjourn- ment.

Friday Evening. Occupied by Rev. Mr. Barraclough. Addresses by Rev. W. I. Clay, J. H. Hart, Dr. Wilson, Mrs. Millar, Prof. Fletcher.

WILL VISIT STATES. Redmond to Sail for New York Early in October. Mr. Redmond, secretary of the reception committee, will sail for New York for an additional \$1,000 for reception expenses.

Ald. Yates was sure the council had decided upon \$5,000 and the opposed granting any further amount. He favored laying the request on the table. Ald. Stewart moved in amendment that it be granted, but Ald. Cameron con- sidered the matter. The question was de- cided at considerable length, and ultimately it was decided to refer the matter to the committee, and the recep- tion committee to be informed that the council did not see its way clear to grant the additional appropriation.

Victoria City directed attention to the depredations of wandering canines at the Ross Bay cemetery. Referred to the cemetery committee.

TO AND VICTORIA WRECK SUFFERERS

THE COUNCIL OPENS SUBSCRIPTION LIST

Contributes Sum to Start It—Solons Held Late Session Last Night, Discussing Varied Assortment of Business.

The city council wrestled with a variety of subjects last evening, running the entire gamut of communication, re- ports, petitions, complaints and by-laws, in that remarkably quick time of a little less than three hours.

Communications were as usual the first item on the programme. The secretary of the public works de- partment, Ottawa, informed the council that the minister approved of the Point Ellice bridge plans as submitted to him. Filed.

The Agent-General of British Columbia wrote stating that he had inserted advertisements regarding the municipal elections in papers in England and Scotland. The cost was £20. Referred to Messrs. Bodwell & Duff, representing property along the mud flats, inquired the attitude of the council respecting the question of compensation arising out of the filling in of the flats.

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Some discussion ensued as to the expediency of appointing the committee, and the duty of the council. The principal duty would be to point out to the property owners the advantage of having the hole filled up. Finally it was decided to appoint the committee—"It will be a desirable thing," said an alderman naively remarked. The committee was appointed to consist of Aids, Yates, Cameron and Kinsman, who will report the result of the conference to the council.

The deputy minister of marine and fisheries reported that the Dominion government were favorable to complying with the council's request for the purchase of land across the James Bay mud flats on which the bridge now stands be- granted, and the council, he wrote, may therefore go on with the work.

The mayor remarked that in company with the city engineer he had inspected the strip of land along the south side of Belleville street, and they thought it would be desirable to have a house for 100 feet wide in front of the Parliament buildings. The communication was finally received and filed.

G. H. Barnard, in referring to the advisability of an improvement in drainage facilities on Belcher street, dealt with the desirability of the septic tank system being inaugurated—a system which he believed would be a nuisance. Referred to the special septic tank committee.

Daniel Adams complained of the nuisance caused by the odor of cooking from a brick veneer building with a chimney entered the rear of his premises on Broad street, proving a source of great annoyance to his tenants.

Ald. Beckwith favored the suggestion, which was adopted. Ald. Williams said that undoubtedly if the attention of Lord Strathcona was directed to the case he would contribute substantially.

The mayor introduced two amend- ing-by-laws, referring to the Government street paving and the widening of Menzies street. They were read a first time.

A by-law providing for the expropriation of the lot on the corner of Government and Wharf streets was introduced and read a first time, but after amend- ing the Koch Bay bridge traffic regula- tions was introduced and laid over, after which the council adjourned.

WHITE HORSE THE TERMINUS. The W. P. & Y. Railway Will Not Build Down to Dawson.

President Graves, of the White Pass & Yukon railway, says that his company has no intention of extending its line from White Horse to Dawson, holding that it would give them no better facilities than at present in handling business. "While our road was being built from Skagway to Bennett," he said, "it was pretty generally believed that that would be the terminus, notwithstanding the fact that we had made no improvements beyond that temporary one. When we reached Bennett we made no stop in construction work, but continued on down the lake and across the country until we reached White Horse.

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EXPORT DUTY ON GOLD RECOMMENDED

GOVERNOR ROSS SO ADVISES GOVERNMENT

Would Substitute It For Royalty On Gold—Thousand Acres of Woodland To Be Thrown Open.

If the views of Governor J. H. Ross, of the Yukon Territory, are to prevail at Ottawa, the present session will be the last upon which the royalty upon gold will be collected in the Klondike.

In the opinion of the chief executive officer of the best of Canada's placer gold pro- duction, the imposition of an export duty on the precious metal which is extracted from the creek beds and the hillsides of the Klondike would be far more effective, and an altogether more rational system of deriving revenue than the present one. A recommendation to that effect has already gone forward from the governor to the government at Ottawa, and although it is unlikely that any change will be made in the method of raising revenue in the North this year, his advice will certainly have great weight with the administration in formulating their policy with regard to the Yukon next session.

The advantage of this system was explained in conversation with a representative of the Times. Under the royalty tax there is a rebate on the royalty in the form of a natural desire of the miner to avoid the payment of tax which is always more or less irksome. Under an export duty little loss need result, for the penalty of con- fiscation would probably be attached to the finding of gold crossing the boundary line upon which the export tax had not been paid, and no company or individual miner would risk the loss of the trifle in the way of duty. The new system would apply to the corporations and banks as well to the miners. The customs officers at the boundary line would weigh the gold there and exact the necessary duty before allowing the gold to proceed.

This would apply to all gold going out of the territory, and would thus apply to Canadian miners from other provinces as well as to those from south of the 49th parallel. Discrimination might be shown, however, by providing for a rebate on gold sold in Canadian cities, just as a rebate on the royalty is now given in the cities of Victoria and Vancouver.

The governor, who as mentioned yesterday intends to remain in Victoria until the 4th, and then return to his labors on the steamer Hating, expresses himself as highly pleased with the conditions obtaining in Dawson and the general character of the camp and the outlook for its future. "It is one of the best law-abiding places on the face of the earth," he said this morning, "and will compare favorably with any city in Canada or the United States in that respect."

The exodus to Nome, upon which so much has been said, was of only minor importance in his opinion. It did not deplete the camp of its better citizens, but it drew to the mouth of the river the more undesirable class represented in the gamblers, sure-thing men, and similar characters, whose presence, while it does not detract from the value of the territory, was of doubtful benefit to the camp.

Regarding the permanence of the district as a gold producer he has no misgivings or doubts. Only the fringe of the gold belt he believes has been touched, and he thinks that thousands of acres of gold-bearing territory remains still to be exploited by the adventurous argonaut.

Of course old methods are becoming obsolete," he remarked, "and the mining of the future will be on a scale considerably in advance of that represented in the pick and shovel era. But on the other hand the demand for good mining is now on a strictly commercial basis, and the investor can now go into the camp, plot out his ground, and make a reasonably accurate estimate of the amount of gold which he can take from it. The element of chance has been eliminated from the calculation."

The question of fuel is, of course, one which just now is a most serious problem for the miner. The problem has not yet reached the acute stage, for there is still sufficient wood in the country to meet all demands made upon it, and the situation will be further relieved by the removal of a reserve, which the governor intends to make upon his return, from about a thousand acres on the Klondike river. This belt of timber land was reserved originally for mining purposes, and the time seems ripe for throwing it open. It extends for eight or ten miles along the banks of the Klondike river, and the belt probably averages about a mile in width. Some of it will be suitable for milling purposes, and the remainder will be available for the miner.

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The introduction of oil as fuel for the locomotives and steamers of the White Pass & Yukon Railway company, Governor Ross thinks is a very different matter, and he is not in favor of the adoption of that fuel for use on the machinery of the creeks. It is estimated that one ton of oil is equal to four cords of wood, and with the proposed tanks on the cars on steamers the handling of the commodity would be much handier than coal. Its comparative cheapness would be another element in its favor. At present electricity is being employed by many of the companies which are close enough to the city of Dawson to utilize that source of power. Electric shovels and ploughs are operated on the hillsides, where the miners now turn over nearly all the earth on their claims, stripping the paystake and then taking it out ahead of them. The gopher workings and becoming a thing of the past. However, as he came up the

BURIED BENEATH SWOLLEN WATERS

DAMAGE DONE BY AN OVERFLOWING RIVER

Displayed by Boxers. Earthquake in Japan Destroys Many Buildings—Notorious Placards.

The Japanese consul at Hankow has reported to the foreign department under- standing of the situation according to Oriental advice brought by R. M. S. Empress of China, that the water in the Yangtze had then been rising steadily for some time. On the 9th, the water at Hankow was 43 feet above the normal level, and at Kiukiang on the 10th it was 46 feet above the normal level. Mr. Segawa passed by Kiukiang on the 11th, and the water at Hankow were under water on the 11th, but the town and settlement were dry. The river banks below the city were damaged in several places, and the dwellings be- neath were to be seen, the dwellings being under water. The natives had taken refuge either on board junks or in the hills. The country was one vast sheet of water. The steamers Tung Ting, the settlement at Kiukiang appeared to be under water to the depth of two feet. The houses outside of Anking were mostly submerged. The scene down the Yangtze was much the same, a slight terrible beyond description. The Chinese on board the steamer said 20,000 persons had already perished in the flood. This number may be somewhat exaggerated, but the damage to property is beyond calculation. If the water still increases the losses in Hupeh, Hunan, Kiangsi and Anhui will be most disastrous and result in serious financial trouble to the government. Most of the water seems to have come from Tung Ting lake, in Hunan, and Han Yang lake, in Kiangsi, and the worst damage is in these two provinces.

Telegraphic communication between Kiukiang and Hankow has been interrupted for days and the river steamers have found great difficulty in proceeding. There being nothing to indicate the level of the river, the steamer Tung Ting of the Taku Co. went around just above Hankow some days ago and a Russian steamer met the same fate somewhere between Kiukiang and Anking. The captain of the Tairi Maru states that navigation has been much more dangerous since the flood than it is in the winter when the water is low.

A Chefoo dispatch of the 14th inst., says: "Six thousand mounted bandits have been driven from their position by the Russian forces operating in eastern Manchuria. The bandits crossed the border into Corea, Russian reports say. The Russian troops were ordered to cross the river in pursuit of the bandits as they were under orders from home to be careful not to enter Corea territory."

The Japanese Standing Army Corps, which arrived at Chefoo on the 10th and again proceeded to Shanhai-kwan. Russian authorities are now proceeding to take up their settlement in Ten districts, and the Japanese are endeavoring to take up their settlement in the land in the locality, there are very few foreign holders—the railway, mining and steamer companies and one British partnership, not above half a dozen in all, and these are riparian owners. Other prospective concession-holders have so far done little or nothing, with the exception of the Italians.

The Hongkong Telegraph, writing on the 14th inst., refers to the threatening placards which have been appearing in Canton. The paper says: "Our Canton correspondent wrote a few days ago to say that robbers were on the increase. Fitting climate for the robbers, they are unable to cope with these bad characters, despite the number of heads that have fallen of late. Now comes news of an anti-foreign placard posted in Canton and a placard, too, which is evidently a Boxer manifesto, or directly inspired by them. The pretext given for this denunciation of foreigners is that the Chinese tax which has been levied in Canton is occasioned by the necessity of paying an indemnity to the foreigners, and it hints that until such time as these same foreigners and Christians are bundled out of the country, the foreigners are insatiable.

"We do not know whether there is much to be feared from a placard of this sort. It may be the work of some vague bond, or, on the other hand, it may be the first sign of the population of South- ern China being stirred up to deeds of bloodshed such as occurred in the north last year. The floods on the rivers in the vicinity may have something to do with it, for these anti-foreign placards always crop up whenever any disasters fall upon the people.

"One thing, however, the placard shows plainly, and that is how very small is the impression which the expedition of the allied powers has made on the people. The document states that the Middle Kingdom has never been defeated, and goes on to say that if funds are forthcoming, the Boxers are ready to oust the foreigners and have already begun to do so. It is a pity that the hope that our prognostications will come true, but we fear that if peace is to be ensured for any length of time, the powers will have a great deal more work to do than they imagined when they first took the matter in hand, and that their task is not, as they seem to fondly imagine, all but completed."

Dr. Drummond will appear at the opera house on Thursday evening, September 5th, under the patronage of Sir Henri Holt, and will read among other things, "The Habitant," the "Cure of Chalmat Alban," "Johnny Courteau," "The Corduroy Road" and "Mon Frere Camille," besides several selections that have not yet been published in the Honor the Lieut.-Governor will preside.

BETTER FREIGHT RATES. Dominion Official Will Meet Business Men To-Morrow Regarding the Matter.

Prof. S. J. McClean, the official chosen by the Dominion government to inquire into the freight charges made on the different railways of the Dominion has seen word that he will be here to-morrow at 11 o'clock, when the shippers of the city will have an opportunity of laying their case before the commissioner.

This meeting will not be confined to members of the board of trade, but will be open to all the business men of the city who are interested in the matter of better freight rates by the railway com- panies. A cordial invitation to all such is extended by the board of trade. Mr. McClean to learn if that he possibly can regarding the question, which he is specially commissioned to investigate.

TWO MEN KILLED. Fight Among Railroad Graders in New Mexico Resulted in Two Deaths.

Deming, N. M., Aug. 27.—A free for all fight among the graders on the Bisbee railroad, in the neighborhood of 100 miles south-west of here, resulted in the killing of two brothers named Hoffman, subcontractors, and the wounding of three other men, names unknown.

GOVERNOR ROSS SO ADVISES GOVERNMENT

Would Substitute It For Royalty On Gold—Thousand Acres of Woodland To Be Thrown Open.

If the views of Governor J. H. Ross, of the Yukon Territory, are to prevail at Ottawa, the present session will be the last upon which the royalty upon gold will be collected in the Klondike.

In the opinion of the chief executive officer of the best of Canada's placer gold pro- duction, the imposition of an export duty on the precious metal which is extracted from the creek beds and the hillsides of the Klondike would be far more effective, and an altogether more rational system of deriving revenue than the present one. A recommendation to that effect has already gone forward from the governor to the government at Ottawa, and although it is unlikely that any change will be made in the method of raising revenue in the North this year, his advice will certainly have great weight with the administration in formulating their policy with regard to the Yukon next session.

The advantage of this system was explained in conversation with a representative of the Times. Under the royalty tax there is a rebate on the royalty in the form of a natural desire of the miner to avoid the payment of tax which is always more or less irksome. Under an export duty little loss need result, for the penalty of con- fiscation would probably be attached to the finding of gold crossing the boundary line upon which the export tax had not been paid, and no company or individual miner would risk the loss of the trifle in the way of duty. The new system would apply to the corporations and banks as well to the miners. The customs officers at the boundary line would weigh the gold there and exact the necessary duty before allowing the gold to proceed.

This would apply to all gold going out of the territory, and would thus apply to Canadian miners from other provinces as well as to those from south of the 49th parallel. Discrimination might be shown, however, by providing for a rebate on gold sold in Canadian cities, just as a rebate on the royalty is now given in the cities of Victoria and Vancouver.

The governor, who as mentioned yesterday intends to remain in Victoria until the 4th, and then return to his labors on the steamer Hating, expresses himself as highly pleased with the conditions obtaining in Dawson and the general character of the camp and the outlook for its future. "It is one of the best law-abiding places on the face of the earth," he said this morning, "and will compare favorably with any city in Canada or the United States in that respect."

The exodus to Nome, upon which so much has been said, was of only minor importance in his opinion. It did not deplete the camp of its better citizens, but it drew to the mouth of the river the more undesirable class represented in the gamblers, sure-thing men, and similar characters, whose presence, while it does not detract from the value of the territory, was of doubtful benefit to the camp.

Regarding the permanence of the district as a gold producer he has no misgivings or doubts. Only the fringe of the gold belt he believes has been touched, and he thinks that thousands of acres of gold-bearing territory remains still to be exploited by the adventurous argonaut.

Of course old methods are becoming obsolete," he remarked, "and the mining of the future will be on a scale considerably in advance of that represented in the pick and shovel era. But on the other hand the demand for good mining is now on a strictly commercial basis, and the investor can now go into the camp, plot out his ground, and make a reasonably accurate estimate of the amount of gold which he can take from it. The element of chance has been eliminated from the calculation."

The question of fuel is, of course, one which just now is a most serious problem for the miner. The problem has not yet reached the acute stage, for there is still sufficient wood in the country to meet all demands made upon it, and the situation will be further relieved by the removal of a reserve, which the governor intends to make upon his return, from about a thousand acres on the Klondike river. This belt of timber land was reserved originally for mining purposes, and the time seems ripe for throwing it open. It extends for eight or ten miles along the banks of the Klondike river, and the belt probably averages about a mile in width. Some of it will be suitable for milling purposes, and the remainder will be available for the miner.

It is only a question of time when the lumber necessary for the Klondike will have to be brought in from the coast. The coast lumber is infinitely superior to the local product, but the freight rates are an obstacle which at present prevents the advent of the output of the coast mills.

The introduction of oil as fuel for the locomotives and steamers of the White Pass & Yukon Railway company, Governor Ross thinks is a very different matter, and he is not in favor of the adoption of that fuel for use on the machinery of the creeks. It is estimated that one ton of oil is equal to four cords of wood, and with the proposed tanks on the cars on steamers the handling of the commodity would be much handier than coal. Its comparative cheapness would be another element in its favor. At present electricity is being employed by many of the companies which are close enough to the city of Dawson to utilize that source of power. Electric shovels and ploughs are operated on the hillsides, where the miners now turn over nearly all the earth on their claims, stripping the paystake and then taking it out ahead of them. The gopher workings and becoming a thing of the past. However, as he came up the

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Mr. Haywood could not refrain from again drawing attention to the question of finance. He disapproved entering into contracts for the purchase of land... The bar matter was another topic of protracted debate.

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W.C.T.U. MEMBERS GREAT RECEPTION

VISITING DELEGATES WARMLY RECEIVED

Yesterday Afternoon's Session—Reports of Corresponding Secretary Received and Address By the President.

Yesterday afternoon the delegates to the annual convention of the W. C. T. U. met for the second time, there being present in all about 50 delegates, among whom were the following: President, Mrs. Gordon Grant, corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. A. Cunningham, recording secretary, Mrs. C. Spofford, and treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Brown; superintendents, Mrs. J. L. McLaughlin, Mrs. J. C. Henson, Mrs. L. Gould, Miss N. Ostrom, Miss S. E. Morden and Mrs. Ellis Keenleyside.

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and Mrs. Spofford, of Victoria, will also give addresses. Addresses at Reception. Miss Perrin in her address of welcome, delivered at the reception at 10 o'clock, last evening, stated that she thought that temperance was not diminishing in its popularity, but that the evil is more open and apparent nowadays. We live more before the public and home life is not as private, because the evil is more open and apparent nowadays.

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THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEET

ANOTHER DISCUSSION ABOUT BAR PRIVILEGE

Arrangements Were Advanced Several More Stages Toward Completion—Various Reports Submitted.

The Board of management of the British Columbia Agricultural and Mineral Association held a meeting last evening, at 8 o'clock, at the headquarters of the association, when business was transacted. H. D. Helmecke, vice-president of the association, presided, and there were present: W. H. Hayward, M. P. F. W. Thompson, South Saanich; M. Baker, W. Clarke, Peirson, C. G. Revans, W. H. Price, W. Dalby, Dr. Lewis Hall, F. Norris, A. J. Morley, F. Sere, W. J. Pendray, Capt. Royle, N. Shakespeare, Dr. J. P. Tolmie and Beaumont Boggs, secretary.

Reports of the various sub-committees were dealt with first. The finance committee reported the estimated receipts and expenditures as follows:

Government grant	\$ 4,000
City	3,500
Subscriptions	2,500
Members' tickets	500
Printed matter	1,000
Grand stand	500
Gate receipts	5,000
Extra fees and floor space	250
Total	\$12,250

Estimate of Expenditure:

Repairs to building	\$ 2,500
Grand stand	1,200
New buildings, etc. (yard)	1,750
Printing	750
Advertising	500
Attendance	750
Horse races and sports	2,000
Medals, etc.	350
Decorations	300
Light and engine power	500
Prizes	7,000
Office expenses, sundries	500
Secretary's salary	300
Total	\$19,000

An appropriation of \$150 as salary for Assistant Secretary Healy was also included. This report evoked considerable discussion, the chairman mentioning incidentally that the object in calling the meeting was principally for the purpose of discussing the important matter of finance.

The discrepancy between the two parts of the statement was a fruitful subject for discussion in which many expedients were proposed to obviate the deficit. Dr. Lewis Hall felt that the appropriations for some of the departments should be curtailed. Others advised that systematic canvass be carried on. This drew from the members of the West ward canvassing committee the verbal report that many people when approached requested them to call later. The general secretary also mentioned in his ward he had heard from Mr. Healy no difficulty later on.

In this connection the secretary observed that he had received \$25 from the British Columbia Agricultural and Mineral Association, which was not included in the financial statement. The feeling was also expressed that in consideration of the patronage they would receive many establishments were prepared to contribute a considerable amount to the funds. It was finally decided that a vigorous united effort should be made in this direction in order to place the report in a better position.

The printing sub-committee reported the publishing of 1,000 posters at a cost of \$21. The expense of their distribution was \$30. Resolutions as follows: The hall committee reported as follows: To the Board of Management, Provincial Agricultural Exhibition, City Hall Committee: Gentlemen—We, your hall committee, beg to report as follows: We have had great difficulty in obtaining the number and extent of exhibits offered. It has been decided to set apart the north wing on the first gallery for the Art Department, and the south wing for the Commercial Exhibits. There is no doubt that several new temporary structures will have to be erected for the accommodation of exhibits. The Art from Works Co., Ltd., have arranged for the erection of a building 60 feet by 30 feet, east of the present impromptu building for their own machinery. We appointed Mr. Norris, Mr. Price and the secretary to arrange for the flags, and we would ask that the sum of \$200 be set aside for the purchase of the same, and the decorations of the hall and entrance. We have the honor to be, yours, very truly, W. H. PRICE, Chairman of Hall Committee.

ferred, and that a further sum of \$100 be set aside for the expenses thereof. The following is an estimate of the expenditure:

Mr. Haywood could not refrain from again drawing attention to the question of finance. He disapproved entering into contracts for the purchase of land... The bar matter was another topic of protracted debate.

Referred to the last moments aboard the Islander, the Daily Alaska Dispatch says: "Capt. Foote was next seen... The money necessary for the project, almost heart-broken passengers to continue on her way."

It seems meet that the first Provincial W. C. T. U. convention of the new century should gather in Victoria, where it was organized eighteen years ago by the regents of her later years that she was born so early in the nineteenth century.

After mentioning the finding of the body of William J. Braealen, of Humboldt, who was killed by the boiler explosion of the ship, the body of Jerry, on which the 50 ounces of gold was found, is believed to be that of Fred Rekte.

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and Mrs. Spofford, of Victoria, will also give addresses. Addresses at Reception. Miss Perrin in her address of welcome, delivered at the reception at 10 o'clock, last evening, stated that she thought that temperance was not diminishing in its popularity, but that the evil is more open and apparent nowadays.

Richmond Union—Reports 10 active and one honorary members. They meet once a month in private homes. Total receipts for the year \$10.50. Sent to provincial treasurer for affiliated dues, \$2.50; for world's missionary fund, \$2; new members received during year, five.

Nanaimo Union—Reports 10 active and one honorary members. They meet first and third Tuesday of each month in the I. O. G. T. hall. They have a total membership of 60. Total money raised, \$10.00. Sent to provincial treasurer for affiliated dues, \$2; for world's missionary fund, \$2.

Victoria Central—Mrs. A. Fleming, Mrs. Tite, Mrs. O. S. Sherwood, Mrs. Loney, Mrs. W. D. P. Pickard, Mrs. Durban and Mrs. L. Goddard. Victoria (Willard Union)—Mrs. F. Adams, Mrs. W. Holt and Mrs. J. H. Toes.

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