

FOUR KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECKS

HEROISM OF BRAKEMAN SAVES PASSENGER TRAIN

Injured Man Crawls Along the Track and Flags the Limited

(Times Leased Wire.) San Bernardino, Cal., March 21.—Crawling through a switch at Laguna Hills in the mountain district of San Bernardino thirty miles from San Bernardino the second section of the fast east-bound "Red Tail" freight was wrecked late yesterday; two trainmen were killed and another so seriously injured that he cannot live. The names of the dead trainmen have not been learned here.

Two Killed.

Pendleton, Ore., March 21.—Two men were killed and two engines were demolished in a double wreck on the O. R. & N. eight miles east of Pendleton yesterday morning. The wreck occurred where the train, headed by the engine, was rounding a curve where the track skirts the Yamhill river; the engine jumped the rails and plunged into the water.

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lighted cigarette down among some rubbish in the corner of an upstairs room, and had gone down to get it ready. On going upstairs later on to see about the stove, he found the room in flames which after some difficulty he extinguished before much damage was done. Had it been a few minutes later the house could not have been saved.

RAILWAY FIREMEN LIKELY TO STRIKE

Hope of Settling Dispute Has Been Practically Abandoned

(Times Leased Wire.) Chicago, March 21.—A crisis has been reached in the controversy between the railroad men and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, and hope has been abandoned. The negotiations probably will be definitely terminated today, and both sides are making preparations to fight it out to a finish.

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CARMEN REJECT COMPANY'S OFFER

FIGHT CONTINUES IN PHILADELPHIA

Strikers Declare They Will Hold Out for Recognition of Union

(Times Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, Pa., March 21.—By a vote of seven yeas to twelve nays, the Carmen's Union to-day rejected the proposition of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company looking to a settlement of the street car strike. The vote was taken after an all-night session.

WHICH?

HUDSON BAY AND PACIFIC RAILWAY

Chief Engineer Says Work Will Be Started This Year

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, March 21.—Chief Engineer Atwood, at Prince Albert, announced to-day that the Hudson Bay & Pacific railway would be started this year. It will be built by British capitalists, headed by A. J. Spicer, and it is believed in London in connection with the King's majesty did not leave his rooms yesterday.

MAN MURDERED.

Mutilated Body Found in Stable Yard at Bakersfield, Cal.

Bakersfield, Cal., March 18.—With the throat cut from ear to ear and the face terribly mutilated, the body of a man supposed to be Charles Main, of Portland, Oregon, was found to-day hidden in a stable yard in the outskirts of the city.

DOMINION AND UNITED STATES TARIFF

Hon. W. S. Fielding Declines to Make Statement at the Present Time

Ottawa, March 18.—Replying to a question by W. F. MacLean in the Commons this afternoon Hon. W. S. Fielding said it would not be advisable at the present moment to make a statement as to the probable tariff difficulties with the United States. He was largely dependent on Canada for its lumber supply, especially white pine, and lumbermen in the Saginaw district say that if a tariff conflict results it will cause the closing down of many manufacturing plants and throw thousands of men out of employment and cause disastrous effects upon this class of business.

PEASANTS SLAY LANDOWNERS

MANY TURKS SEEK SAFETY IN FLIGHT

Constantinople, March 21.—In answer to the summons to the leaders of the peasants, issued two days ago, a thousand armed peasants assembled in the Karditsa district in the province of Thessaly to-day in preparation for an organized movement against the Turkish and Mohammedan landowners.

SETTLERS' EFFECTS.

(Special to the Times.) London, Ont., March 21.—Fifty-seven car loads of household effects and farm implements left London and vicinity for the West in the past fortnight. Trains grow longer and heavier each succeeding week.



PATIENT KILLED IN ELEVATOR.

New York, March 21.—Miss Anna Forsell, who had just undergone an operation in the Seney hospital in Brooklyn, was crushed to death while being carried on an operating cart in the elevator from the basement to the first floor of the building.

AUTO PARTY HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Wire Cable Prevents Runaway Car Falling Into Reservoir

(Times Leased Wire.) Portland, Ore., March 21.—Six alleged "joy riders" are alive to-day because of the presence of a wire cable which held a big touring car suspended in the air over the reservoir in the city park last night after the machine had leaped from the roadway and rolled down a 30-foot embankment.

OLD-TIME TELEGRAPHER DEAD.

Portland, Ore., March 21.—Samuel W. Wingate, one of the best known old-time telegraphers on the Pacific coast, is dead of heart failure at his home here to-day, aged 48. "Sam" Wingate had been employed in the Western Union office for 20 years, the past few years being night operator.

HEALTH IMPROVES

Government Officials Deny the Alarming Rumors Current in London

(Times Leased Wire.) London, March 21.—Despite the favorable reports regarding the condition of King Edward, issued by his physicians at Biarritz to-day, the people are alarmed owing to the fact that his Majesty did not leave his rooms yesterday.

PEASANTS SLAY LANDOWNERS

Several persons killed and wounded—fight with the troops in Thessaly

POSTMAN ARRESTED.

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, March 21.—After having been watched for the past six weeks on suspicion that he was robbing mail, Peter C. Truss, of No. 4 Balminton street, was arrested on Saturday afternoon by Detective Cronin just outside the postoffice.

TWO BURNED TO DEATH.

Cobalt, Ont., March 21.—William Cone, aged 35, and his wife Edith, aged 28, were burned to death in their three-room shack here. The origin of the fire is a mystery, but it is surmised that Cone, who had been drinking, upset a lamp in the front room and falling to make an exit, burned to death. Mrs. Cone dropped on the floor beside her unconscious husband before perishing, after getting him to the kitchen door.

ENGINE PLUNGES INTO GOAT RIVER

THREE MEN ARE KILLED IN CROW'S NEST PASS

Locomotive Rolls 150 Feet Down Embankment After Jumping Track

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, March 21.—Three men were killed in a railway accident yesterday morning at McHeile siding, on the Crow's Nest Pass branch of the Canadian Pacific. A shunting engine was clearing the track for a passenger train when the locomotive jumped the rails and plunged one hundred and fifty feet down an embankment to Goat river, turning over and over on the way down. The dead: James Carson, engineer; Frank Campbell, head brakeman; George Ford, fireman. The latter two were buried under the engine. All the victims lived in Cranbrook.

REVOLT IN LIBERIA.

Washington, D. C., March 21.—The United States cruiser Birmingham has been ordered to proceed forthwith to Monrovia, Liberia, upon the urgent request of the government of Liberia, which has represented to the state department that it is powerless to hold in check the rebellious tribes now in revolt against it. It appears that the tribes of the Greboes, a powerful people inhabiting the regions of the Cabelly river, adjoining French territory to the southwest of Liberia, have rebelled against the Liberian government, and are besieging the town of Hager at Cape Palmas, where there are considerable missionary interests. The object of the insurrection seems to be to force the Liberian government to purchase peace.

MANY INDIANS PERISH.

Over Seventy-Five Reported to Have Died of Starvation Near Great Slave Lake.

HEIRESS TO MILLION.

Brattleboro, Vt., March 21.—Mrs. Harriet B. Howard, a dressmaker, has been notified that she became heiress to \$1,000,000 by the death in Dublin, Ireland, of her grandmother, Margaret Savage.

RESULT OF GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLCHASE

The Principal Winners in the Sweepstakes Drawn in This City

London, March 18.—The result of the Grand National Steeplechase, run at Liverpool to-day: 1, Jenkinson; 2, Jerry M.; 3, Odor. Twenty-five ran.

URGE UNION MEN TO WITHDRAW DEPOSITS

Chicago Federation of Labor Proposes Plan for Combatting Capitalists

(Times Leased Wire.) Chicago, March 21.—Withdrawal of savings deposits of workmen from all the banks in the country on the same day was recommended yesterday by the Chicago Federation of Labor as a means of combatting the alleged efforts of capitalists to disrupt organized labor in Pennsylvania.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY BILL.

Ottawa, March 18.—The Commons banking and commerce committee yesterday reported Monk's bill incorporating the co-operative credit societies with an amendment suggested by the state department, which provides that every society organized shall establish and maintain a guarantee fund securing the deposits made with it, and also providing that every society shall pay into the fund at least 10 per cent of profits until the funds shall equal the maximum held in deposit.

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FIGHT FOR FAR EAST TRADE

U. S. WILL ADOPT AGGRESSIVE POLICY

Action of Russia and Japan Stirs Up the State Department

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., March 19.—As a counter move to the aggressiveness of Russia and Japan in Manchuria, it is probable the United States will enter the Oriental field in active competition with the other nations of the world in obtaining railroad contracts and otherwise advancing the commercial interests of the country. Until now American capital has built only a small amount of railroad in China.

The state department, relying on the assurances of the powers, particularly Japan and Russia, has been content to have only a general interest in the Empire, believing the adopted principles of the "open door" and "equal opportunity" would guarantee to keep open the channels of American trade.

In the past this has been enormous. China has imported millions of dollars' worth of American products every year. But with the new turn of events in the diplomacy of the Far East this trade is on the verge of being demoralized, and the "open door" is no longer a vital thing.

It is quite evident that Japan and Russia have selected Manchuria as their own, if not territorially, then at least commercially, and having control of the railroads which they refuse to relinquish under any consideration, are innumerable small ways placing barriers in the way of the trade of the other nations, particularly the United States.

It is becoming generally evident that the United States, to retain its trade with China, must take more energetic measures than merely to obtain from the powers a reiteration of the approval of the principle of canal opportunity. This is the idea of both President Taft and Secretary Knox, and is in accordance with the new commercial policy of the state department. It is only a question whether the merchants and manufacturers of America are sufficiently awake to the true situation to justify more aggressive measures. Indications are that they are taking more than a passive interest and there is genuine alarm over the threatened, if not actual, demoralization of trade with the Orient.

Secretary Knox has not abandoned the project of building a railroad from Chin Chow to Tientsin and Aigun and steps will be taken to bring the project to completion. This would give the United States an open way to Manchuria and it is believed would have much influence in bringing Japan and Russia to a less belligerent attitude of mind regarding Manchurian affairs.

G.T.P. BUYS TERMINALS

St. John, N. B., March 19.—The most important deal in the commercial development of St. John for many years has just been concluded. The Grand Trunk Pacific has purchased from Harry Gilbert the land around the head of Courtenay Bay, comprising a large area, to be used as a site for its St. John terminals. There are no other terminal facilities on Courtenay Bay, as the C.P.R. and I.C.R. wharves and warehouses are on the main harbor.

LIEUT. SHACKELTON SAILS FOR AMERICA

Antarctic Explorer Will Use Two Ships on His Next Expedition

(Times Leased Wire.) London, March 19.—Lieut. Shackleton, the English officer who holds the record for the "farthest south," sailed for America to-day.

Lieut. Shackleton is planning to make another dash for the south pole in 1911. According to the tentative arrangements which Shackleton has under consideration his main object will be to gather scientific data, and the dash to the pole will be a secondary consideration.

Shackleton proposes to use two ships, at Adair and Adelland, as supply bases.

KING EDWARD'S HEALTH

London, March 18.—That King Edward is seriously ill at Barritz to-day from bronchial trouble is generally believed here.

The King's physicians have reported that he is in a better condition, though still confined to his room.

The King has contracted a heavy cold which aggravated the bronchial trouble.

HUNDREDS OF BUILDINGS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Number of Persons Lose Lives at Yokohama—Seven Bodies Recovered

(Times Leased Wire.) Yokohama, March 19.—Seven bodies of persons burned to death in a destructive fire here yesterday have been recovered and search is being made for more to-day, among the ruins of 500 structures which were totally destroyed in the conflagration.

France has over 20,000 registered physicians, and there are more than 8,000 students in its medical schools.

EXTENDING THE E. & N. RAILWAY

C. P. R. IS PLANNING TO TAP COMOX VALLEY

Purchase of Right-of-Way Between Union Bay and Oyster River

H. E. Beasley, superintendent of the E. & N. railway, who has just returned from east coast points of the Island, makes the important announcement that very shortly the company will commence actual work on the extension of the line to the Comox district. During his trip he completed negotiations for the purchase of a right-of-way from Union Bay to Oyster River, a distance of approximately twenty-five miles. As soon as control of the property is secured, tenders will be invited for clearing and the work rushed with all speed.

The announcement of this move on the part of the C.P.R. is an important one in that it implies that shortly the fertile lands of the Comox valley, pronounced by experts as among the finest for agricultural purposes on the whole Island, will be brought into direct touch with the Pacific Northwest centres by means of railway transportation facilities.

While it is true that the area in which the right-of-way has just been secured lies north of the existing terminus of the E. & N., the scheme is part of the plans for the general extension of the road in the direction of the north end of the Island, and other links necessary to make the line a continuous one will be constructed as soon as opportunity may permit.

Mr. Beasley also inspected the land clearing operations at French Creek, where a section is being prepared for the Salvation Army immigrants. Splendid progress is being made, and the indications are that the land will be placed in the hands of the immigrants at an early date. Good progress is also being made in the work of building the branch line to Alberni.

WARSHIPS FOR TURKEY

London, March 19.—Contracts for two battleships and a cruiser, the nucleus of the new Turkish navy, have been placed with the builders at Elswick, Barrow and Clydebank respectively. The order represents an expenditure of \$15,000,000.

STREET RAILWAY COMPANY WINS

Appeal of the City of Toronto Characterized as a Very Idle One

London, March 19.—The Privy Council yesterday dismissed with costs the appeal of the corporation of Toronto v. the Toronto Railway Company. The case involved the right of the city council to order the street railway to extend its tracks on streets designated by the city engineer. In dismissing the case, Lord McNaughton, on behalf of the judges, declared that it was a singular appeal, and in their lordships' opinion a very idle one.

TWO MEN ACCUSED OF STARTING FATAL FIRE

Woman Dies From Injuries—Church, Two Mills and Several Houses in Ruins

(Times Leased Wire.) Huntington, Pa., March 19.—Mrs. James Miller is dead from burns, the first Methodist church, two planing mills, several residences are in ruins and two men are in jail to-day, charged with arson as a result of a series of destructive fires yesterday.

There is no doubt but that each fire was of incendiary origin. They were started almost simultaneously in various sections of the city, making it impossible for the fire department to cope with the situation.

Mrs. Jas. Miller was an invalid. She was unable to leave her burning home, and she was only rescued after she had sustained burns which caused her death later.

Shortly after the fires were discovered the police arrested Adel Reed and John Earl on suspicion of being implicated in starting the wholesale conflagrations. The property damage is estimated at \$200,000.

AVALANCHE VICTIMS

Bodies of Seven of Unidentified Dead Will Be Interred at Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., March 19.—Slide by side, seven of the unidentified dead who lost their lives in the Wellington avalanche, will be buried at Mount Pleasant cemetery here to-day. A memorial service at the undertaking parlors will precede the burial. Ministers of various denominations will assist in the service.

The Great Northern railway has provided a special plot of ground at the cemetery. The railway company will also erect a monument with the inscription: "To the unknown dead of the Wellington avalanche."

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS

Cleveland, March 19.—The seismograph here shows a record of three earthquake shocks occurring between 6:22 and 6:35 o'clock last night. The disturbance probably was in Mexico or South America.

Fifteen women have been elected to the parliament of Finland.



THE PATIENT PEER.

THE PATIENT—"You don't mean to say I must take that medicine after all! Why, you told me yourself that it was poison!"

NURSE—"Never you mind what I said. You've got to take it now, and, what's more, you're going to be operated on, and we're going to do it!"

—Westminster Gazette.

GRIEVANCE OF WORKINGMEN

DECLARE THAT CITY IS NOT PROVIDING WORK

Ald. Fullerton Proposes to Know at the Next Council Meeting

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Ald. Humber, at last evening's meeting of the streets committee of the city council, made repeated attempts to extract from the acting city engineer an admission that a considerable number of men have been laid off from sidewalk work, but Mr. Bryson stoutly maintained that no men had been discharged.

Ald. Humber did not press his point to the discomfiture of the city engineer, but informed the Times, in response to a request for information, that it is undeniable that a number of men have been laid off, and that these men may be seen standing on the street corners any day.

It is learned also that Ald. Fullerton has information to the same effect as Ald. Humber, and that the former will, at Monday's meeting of the city council, endeavor to find out the facts of the case. Ald. Fullerton is incensed at what he considers a great injustice to the workmen of the city. These men claim that they need work, particularly after the unfavorable winter during which the city was compelled to suspend operations on many public works.

Some time ago Mayor Morley, advised a suggestion that men be laid off, as the various works on which they were employed were finished, so that the scheme of reorganization, which he had in mind, could be accomplished. The men would be re-engaged as the scheme of reorganization was perfected.

But since that announcement his workmen have been laid off, and he has been taken to reorganize the civic staff, and now both Ald. Humber and Ald. Fullerton say that men are out of work, who should be given employment.

Having an indirect bearing on this situation, is a statement by the acting city engineer at last night's meeting, Mr. Bryson, in reply to a remark from the mayor that the city engineer had full authority over the men employed on public works, said he was powerless to do anything until the new city engineer had assumed office.

Mayor Morley—You entirely misunderstand the situation, Mr. Bryson. You are acting city engineer until the new man arrives, and you are clothed with all the powers of the city engineer.

Ald. Ross interjected that the people did not want to pay foremen for walking around town doing nothing. Mr. Bryson insisted that his understanding of the matter was that he was to do nothing as to hiring or discharging men until the new city engineer had arrived.

Mayor Morley said he was surprised that Mr. Bryson should have misunderstood the intentions of the board, and promised to give him definite authority in writing this morning.

TRIES TO END LIFE. Seattle, Wash., March 19.—William Specks, a coppersmith on the Tennessee, swallowed carbolic acid on a downtown street early this morning and was picked up by the police at 3:10 and rushed to the city hospital. Physicians say he has a good chance to live. A love affair caused the attempted suicide. The man fought against any attempt to save his life this morning.

GOVERNMENT BONDS

London, March 19.—The chancellor of the exchequer yesterday announced an issue of \$105,000,000 five-year exchequer bonds bearing three per cent. interest. The bonds are offered at 99 1/4.

BLOODSHED IN THESSALY FEARED

PEASANT LEADERS CALL FOLLOWERS TO ARMS

Turkish Landowners Are Preparing to Resist Attack

(Times Leased Wire.)

Constantinople, March 19.—Leaders of the peasantry in the province of Thessaly, Greece, who are warring against the big Turkish and Mohammedan land owners for a division of their estates, summoned their followers to-day to assemble with arms at Larissa, Pharsala and Velesino.

The leaders admit that they intend to attack the Turks and Mohammedans in the province and likewise the Greek soldiers who have been sent to guard the property owners against the peasants.

The Moslems are preparing for trouble, and a bloody conflict is predicted between the Christian peasants and the followers of Mohammed.

The property owners notified the Turkish government to-day of the latest movement on the part of the peasants. As a result Turkey will protest to the Grecian government, and if necessary Turkey will send an armed force into Thessaly to protect Turkish subjects.

MERCHANT SLAIN IN STORE AT LYTTON

John B. Barrich Shot Down Without Warning—Murderer Escapes

Vancouver, March 14.—John B. Barrich, one of the oldest merchants of Lytton, was murdered in his store early Thursday morning. The police are now on the track of the suspect.

Barrich was 78 years of age, and formerly conducted a store at Thompson. He was burned out eight years ago, when he went to Lytton near Moors Lake.

The motive for the killing is not known. The murderer entered the store and without warning shot the old man and made his escape.

There is intense excitement in Lytton over the tragedy.

THREE CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

Father Dying From Injuries Sustained While Trying to Save Little Ones

Duluth, Minn., March 19.—Fred, Anhold, a settler, is dying from burns and his three children are dead as a result of a fire which destroyed their home near Moors Lake.

At the time the fire started the family were sleeping. Anhold was awakened by the smoke. He dragged his wife to safety and then returned to carry his children from the burning structure. He made several frantic attempts to reach their room, but each time was driven back by a solid wall of fire. He was terribly burned about the body and his hands and face were literally cooked.

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

Elgin, Man., March 19.—John Hardy, a prominent citizen of this town, was seriously injured in a runaway accident yesterday.

GERMAN AND BRITISH TRADE

ATTEMPT TO HAVE UNDERSTANDING

Commercial Treaty is Hoped For by Leading Statesmen in Both Countries

Berlin, March 19.—Persistent endeavors are again being made to bring about a permanent commercial understanding between Great Britain and Germany. The arrangement would take the form of a new treaty in place of the modus vivendi, which for some ten years past has had to be annually renewed.

Three years ago the German Agrarian party was successful in defeating a scheme of this kind when it was brought forward by the then British ambassador, Sir Frank Lascelles. The same party was also responsible recently for defeating a strongly backed scheme for the promotion of an Anglo-German exhibition in London, which would have gone far toward putting the relations of the two countries on a friendlier basis. But now apparently they have been beaten.

Following an extremely friendly speech made by Count Meternich in London, Sir Edward Goschen, the British ambassador, has once more taken up the idea of a commercial treaty and it is making great headway. The scheme has been welcomed by all the leading commercial bodies of Germany and now the government has ordered the preparation of a number of special reports on the subject. These are now being prepared and the German embassy in London will forward them here by the beginning of April. Government officials here say that these reports will insure the adoption of the treaty at the earliest possible moment.

DEATHS FROM PLAGUE

Washington, D. C., March 19.—According to a cablegram received by the navy department to-day, bubonic plague has broken out in the Hawaiian Islands. Two deaths from the plague were reported from the island of Konokas and two on the island of Hilo.

TURBINE ENGINES FOR CARGO VESSELS

Parsons' Invention Expected to Revolutionize Carrying Trade

(Special to the Times.)

London, March 19.—In an address at Institute of Architects yesterday, Chas. Alagon Parsons, inventor of turbine engines, read a paper before the society dealing with the application of turbines to merchant marine ships. Before these turbines have not been applied owing to high initial cost and great cost of maintenance.

Parsons has invented a gearing device which will enable slow speed vessels fitted with turbines to get a knot more per hour on the same coal consumption than if they were fitted with reciprocating engines. The new proposition is expected to revolutionize cargo trade.

HINDU STUDENT IS CHARGED WITH SEDITION

Arrested in London and is Held Awaiting Extradition to India

London, March 19.—Vinayak Sevarkar, a Hindu student, is held to-day to await extradition to India on the charge of sedition.

Sevarkar is accused of being a member of a society that urges the natives to kill Europeans and offer their heads as a sacrifice to the Goddess Kali.

Sevarkar is believed to be one of the leaders in the movement which is considered most destructive of English rule in India. He was arrested as he was leaving on a train for Paris.

WILL ESTABLISH BANK

Standard Oil and Morgan Interests Will Fight for Business in Central and South America.

New York, March 19.—Officers of the Standard Oil and the Morgan interests refuse to affirm or deny the report that the two gigantic interests have combined to wrest the banking business of Central and South America from England and Germany.

For some time it has been rumored that such a step was under consideration, and now it is common gossip that the American interests propose to establish a chain of banks in the southern republics. These, it is said, are to be operated in conjunction with those in the United States.

Such a movement would open up a tremendous banking business. Moreover, it would save the discount rate on \$5,000,000 yearly which goes now to English and German houses merely for exchanging money in connection with trade transactions between the United States and South America.

SHOE FACTORY DAMAGED

Waterloo, Ont., March 19.—Damage to the extent of \$30,000 was done by fire at the shoe factory of Valentine & Martin yesterday. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

The ancient Egyptians used a form of blast furnace as early as 2,000 B. C.

TART SENDS FOR FIELDING

CANADIAN MINISTER ACCEPTS INVITATION

Tariff Matters Will Be Discussed at Conference at Albany

Ottawa, March 19.—Hon. W. R. Fielding has accepted President Taft's invitation to meet him at Albany for a discussion of tariff matters, and left for the New York state capital this morning.

On way to Albany, Rochester, N. Y., March 19.—President Taft to-day assumed a "middle of the road" position regarding the fight in the House to oust Cannon from the speakership and aimed the rules of the lower body. Taft has received a number of telegrams from both the insurgents and the regulars in the Republican ranks of the House. He answered them to-day, briefly, declaring that the fight was none of his business.

The president left for Albany this morning. He arrives there this afternoon and will confer with Canadian and state department officials on the Canadian tariff to-night.

Among the conferees will be the Canadian minister of finance, Hon. W. R. Fielding; Attorney Pepper, tariff expert of the department of commerce and labor; and Attorney Hoyt, counsel for the state department. President Taft asked that a conference be held at Albany on account of the difficulty of securing a conference at Washington.

The president realizes the seriousness of the tariff issue between the United States and Canada. Negotiations will be carried on to decide whether the maximum provision of the Payne tariff shall be applied to Canada after March 31st. The cabinet recently left the matter in the hands of the president, who with Senator Aldrich and the tariff board, will conduct the United States end of the negotiations.

FAVOR MINIMUM TARIFF

Toronto, March 19.—"While in Chicago I spoke to a large number of leading business and railway men regarding tariff issues between Canada and the United States," said Hon. G. P. Graham to a newspaper reporter at the King Edward hotel last night. "They, one and all, were of the opinion that no reason was apparently sufficient to make President Taft impose upon Canada the maximum duty, Canada has done nothing, they thought, to deserve such treatment. These men were representatives, and came from every state in the United States," said the minister of railways.

CONDITIONS CHANGED

Hamilton, March 19.—In proposing the toast "Canada" at the banquet of Manufacturers' Association at the Hotel Waldorf last night, Robert Hobson, former president of the association, said Canada was the only country to which the United States has sent representatives to discuss the tariff question. That showed the growing importance of this country, particularly in the matter of the tariff. Hobson said that the conditions of affairs had been reversed, and Canada had sent representatives to Washington to beg for favors instead of Washington sending to Canada. Things were now as they should be, and if the government at Ottawa would only stand firm on the tariff question the future of Canada would be assured.

THREE GIRLS KEEP SUICIDE PACT

Drink Poison While One of the Number Plays Funeral March

St. Petersburg, March 17.—Elaborate funerals for three young girls, who committed suicide by drinking arsenic while one of their number played Chopin's Funeral March, will be held here to-day. Two of the girls were the daughters of the wealthy St. Petersburg, 20 and 16 years of age. The third was their friend, Miss Larionov.

They met at the Kholmian home according to a pre-arranged plan and rule in India. He was arrested as he was leaving on a train for Paris.

Fifteen other suicides were reported to the police Tuesday, according to information that leaked out from the police officers. Strangely, the majority of those who ended their own lives were girls between sixteen and twenty-two years of age.

CHANGES IN THE COLONIAL OFFICE

One Branch for Self-Governing Dominions and Another for Crown Colonies

London, March 19.—With reference to the Earl of Crewe's recent suggestion of a division in the colonial office with one section for self-governing dominions and another for crown colonies, the Morning Post says that the matter has actually been decided on and before the next Imperial conference the division will be made. The division is also a part of the general plan and direction of a closer connection between governing states and crown colonies recognized as under the special influence.

There are five admirals of the fleet, thirteen admirals, twenty-two vice admirals, and fifty-two rear admirals on the active list of the British navy.

CHALLENGE FROM LORD LANSDOWNE

WANTS PEOPLE TO CHOOSE REFORM

Earl of Crewe Declines Scheme of Lords is aery of Liberal

(Special to the Times.) London, March 19.—Last night Lord Lansdowne's resolution was the House of Lords without the Earl of Crewe's declination of the reform, but for the peer to entirely the hereditaries to their seats. He Premier Asquith to let decide between the cabinet first of reform later, and the suggestion that there great number of representatives in the Imperial parliament. "I do not think," he said, "that I should be grateful for the amount of which would be force of effect should be from force of effect.

Earl of Crewe in a bit reply declared the government that the Lords had always in reform of the Commons, but would therefore want the reform of the Lords. The peers was to go on exactly as before with regard to laws, but with less exposure of view before. He finally decided Lord Curzon for the Lord had the sympathy of the Liberal party. He had never heard of the reform of the Lords, and proposed scheme of reform of the Liberal party.

The opinion is that nothing of Lord Rosebery's proposal will be further debated. Many "back woodmen" are to favor tampering with the principle.

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MONTREAL BANK CL

Montreal, March 18.—Balance sheet of the Montreal Bank for the week ending March 18, 1910, shows a total of \$30,714,330 with \$27,288,900 for the surplus and \$3,425,430 in 1909.

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TAFT SENDS FOR FIELDING

CANADIAN MINISTER ACCEPTS INVITATION
Tariff Matters Will Be Discussed at Conference at Albany

Ottawa, March 19.—Hon. W. S. Fielding has accepted President Taft's invitation to meet him at Albany for a discussion of tariff matters, and left for the New York state capital this morning.

On Way to Albany.
Rochester, N. Y., March 19.—President Taft to-day assumed a "middle" road position regarding the tariff in the House to give the speaker and members of the lower body. Taft had received a number of telegrams from leaders of insurgents and the regulars in the public ranks of the House. He answered them to-day briefly, declaring that the fight was none of his business. The president left for Albany this morning. He arrives there this afternoon and will confer with Canadian and department officials on the Canadian tariff to-night.

Among the conferees will be the Canadian minister of finance, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Attorney Pepper, chief of the department of agriculture and labor, and Attorney Hoyt, counsel for the state department. President Taft asked that a conference be held at Albany on account of the difficulty of securing a conference at Washington. The president realizes the seriousness of the tariff issue between the United States and Canada. Negotiations have been carried on to decide whether a maximum provision of the Payne tariff bill be applied to Canada after March 1. The cabinet recently left the matter in the hands of the president, who with Senator Aldrich and the tariff ward, will conduct the United States side of the negotiations.

Favorite Minimum Tariff.
Toronto, March 19.—While in Chicago I spoke to a large number of business and railway men regarding tariff issues between Canada and the United States," said Hon. G. P. Cahoon in a newspaper report here after the King Edward hotel last night. They, one and all, were of the opinion that no reason was apparently sufficient to make President Taft impose on Canada the maximum duty. Cahoon has done nothing, they thought, to serve such treatment. These men are representatives, and came from every state in the United States," said the minister of railways.

Conditions Changed.
Hamilton, March 19.—In proposing the toast "Canada" at the banquet of the local branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at the Hotel Waldorf last night, Robert Hobbs, former president of the association, said Canada was the only country which the United States has sent representatives to discuss the tariff question. That showed the growing importance of this country, particularly in former years the condition of affairs had been reverse, and Canada had sent representatives to discuss the tariff to beg for favors instead of Washington sending to Canada. Things were as they should be, and if the government at Ottawa would only stand firm on the tariff question the future of Canada would be assured.

THREE GIRLS KEEP SUICIDE PACT

Drink Poison While One of the Number Plays Funeral March

St. Petersburg, March 17.—Elaborate funerals for three young girls, heirs to \$100,000, who drank poison while one of their number played hopkin's funeral march, will be held to-day. Two of the girls were daughters of the wealthy M. Kohn, 29 and 18 years of age. The third was their friend, Miss Lauritz. They met at the Kohlman home according to a pre-arranged plan, and accomplished the end of their death pact by writing letters saying they were tired of life. Fifteen other suicides were reported to the police Thursday, according to information that looked out from the police officers. Strangely, the majority of those who ended their own lives were girls between sixteen and twenty-two years of age.

CHANGES IN THE COLONIAL OFFICE

The Branch for Self-Governing Dominions and Another for Crown Colonies

London, March 19.—With reference to the Earl of Crewe's recent anticipation of a division in the colonial office with one section for self-governing dominions and another for crown colonies, the Morning Post says this has actually been decided on, and before the next Imperial conference the division will be made. The Morning Post also anticipates further changes in the direction of a closer connection of self-governing states and crown colonies recognized as under the sphere of influence.

There are five admirals of the fleet, thirteen admirals, twenty-two vice-admirals, and fifty-five rear-admirals on the active list of the British navy.

CHALLENGE FROM LORD LANSDOWNE

WANTS PEOPLE TO CHOOSE REFORM PLAN

Earl of Crewe Declares the Scheme of Lords is Mockery of Liberals

(Special to the Times.)
London, March 18.—Last night Lord Rosebery's resolution was carried in the House of Lords without a division. Lord Lansdowne accepted the principle of the reform, but refused to surrender entirely the hereditary right of peerage to their seats. He challenged Premier Asquith to let the country decide between the cabinet plan of reform and reform later, and the Lords' plan of reform first. He said the suggestion that there should be a general number of representatives of Dominion overseas in the Imperial parliament, "I do not think the colonies would part with their best men to sit in the House of Lords."

Earl of Crewe in a bitingly ironical reply declared the government favored the bicameral system. He pointed out that the Lords had always participated in the reform of the Commons, and the Lords would therefore want a voice in the reform of the Lords. The object of the peers was to go on exactly as they had done with regard to Liberal measures but with less exposure to criticism. They wanted the victory to be more creditable, but equally certain. He called Lord Curzon's speech "a mockery of the liberal."

The opinion is that nothing will be done of Lord Rosebery's proposals, which will be further debated next week. Many "back woodsmen" are known not to favor tampering with the hereditary principle. Premier Asquith's resolution on the veto question are promised for next week.

The House of Commons yesterday passed the second reading of the bill under which the Indian government seeks power to raise \$125,000,000 for irrigation development for commercial, not strategic purposes.

MONTREAL BANK CLEARINGS

Montreal, March 18.—Bank clearings this week total \$30,714,306, compared with \$27,238,900 for the same week last year and \$25,705,700 in 1908.

FOREIGNERS MAY OWN LAND IN JAPAN

Privilege, However, is Restricted to Those Who Reside in Country

(Times Leased Wire.)
Tokyo, March 18.—The land ownership bill, permitting foreigners to own lands in Japan, was passed to-day by the House of Representatives.

The bill allows foreigners to own land provided they are residents of Japan. An attempt was made to enlarge the scope of the bill so as to permit foreigners residing elsewhere to own Japanese land, but this was defeated.

FARMERS NEED MEN

Winipeg, March 18.—Ten thousand men are wanted by the farmers of Western Canada at the present time, and, according to J. Bruce Walker, commissioner of immigration, great difficulty is being experienced in filling the demand. The men are wanted in all three provinces, and when the seeding starts at least 5,000 more will be required. At the present time there are 473 applications on file at the immigration office for men.

NEW ORLEANS MAY HOLD PANAMA EXPOSITION

Delegation Now at Washington Seeking Aid From the Government

Washington, D. C., March 18.—Indications today are that the opening of the Panama canal in 1915 will be celebrated by an exposition at New Orleans. Apparently neither San Francisco nor San Diego will be able to secure a bid for their projected bids.

Shortly in the week a strong delegation from Louisiana, backed by the Democratic party, has been working among the congressmen and their efforts have been decidedly impressive. A number of the committee on exposition, before whom the Louisiana delegates are being in favor of New Orleans as the location for the exposition. There are chances of either San Francisco or San Diego securing the exposition, but the two Pacific cities will be much more to overcome the opposition favoring San Francisco. The others favor San Francisco.

WANT MEREDITH TO TEST PUMPS

AN EXPERT ENGINEER SUMMONED BY CITY

Will Be Asked as to Merits of High Pressure Salt Water Machinery

An effort is being made to secure the services of Wynn Meredith, consulting engineer to the B. C. Electric Railway Company, to report on the pumps and other machinery supplied by the city for the high pressure salt water system by the D'Olier Engineering Company of Philadelphia. Mr. Meredith has been communicated with and asked to act, but no reply had up to this morning been received from him.

The matter of selecting an independent expert engineer to test the machinery was left in the hands of Mayor Morley and the city electrician, Mr. Hutchison. They hope they may succeed in getting the consent of Mr. Meredith to act. The gentleman named is universally conceded to be one of the eminent engineers in the profession on the coast, and his decision in the matter would no doubt be accepted as a final verdict by all parties.

The dispute which has arisen is one which has been standing for several months. The D'Olier Engineering Company of Philadelphia, who supplied certain pumping machinery to the city for the salt water system, in several letters to the City Council, have protested against the rejection of the same on the ground that a fair test of the plant had not been made. To this Mr. Hutchison replied that every opportunity had been given the Philadelphia concern to make such alterations as might bring the pumps up to the specifications, but failure had attended all these efforts.

The City Engineer then took the position that certain conditions in respect to the supply of steam at the station had militated against a successful run of pumps, and they asked that the same be tested by an independent engineer. The City Council yielded to their wishes on this point, and hence the effort to get Mr. Meredith.

The D'Olier company in their last communication to the council, asked that the test consist in part of a public demonstration of the efficiency of the pumps in throwing water, but no such exhibition will be made. Mr. Hutchison said to the Times on Friday that Mr. Meredith's inspection will be confined to engineering tests solely, the idea being to ascertain whether or no the machinery as supplied by the Philadelphia concern comes up to the specifications which they contracted to meet.

SHORTAGE OF CATTLE

London, March 18.—In view of the continued shortage of fresh killed meat the National Federation of Meat Producers has passed a resolution urging upon the government the necessity of further facilities in importation of live cattle. The resolution is solely in reference to Argentine cattle.

ARCHITECT'S WILL

Toronto, March 18.—Matthew Sheard, architect, left an estate of \$89,753. His will stipulates that his tombstone is not to cost more than \$3,500. He divides the estate among his four brothers, one of whom is Dr. Charles Sheard, city medical health officer.

SUFFRAGETTES ADOPT NEW SCHEME

Drive Gaily Decorated Fire Engine Through Streets of London

London, March 18.—The freaks of the suffragettes have hitherto caused more amusement than annoyance to the bulk of Londoners, but more than a little indignation was excited yesterday when seven of them drove a fire engine at a high speed through Westminster at a busy hour. Women wearing burlesque of firemen's uniforms, managed the engine which was decked with suffragette colors. The familiar note of fire gong caused traffic to stop as the engine drew up to let the engine pass and the ears of police, being equally deceived, constables assisted in clearing the way until the move was discovered and the career of the engine was stopped.

BUILDING AIRSHIP TO CARRY 20 PASSENGERS

Professor Lowe, of Pasadena, Promises a Comfortable Transcontinental Trip

Los Angeles, Cal., March 18.—Professor T. S. Lowe, of Pasadena, has begun the construction of a new type of aircraft, the Lowe plane airship, in which he will follow custom of building every comfort and will accommodate 20 passengers and their baggage. A crew of officers will be on duty for duty room service. The first ship will have accommodation for 20 passengers. There will be upper and lower decks and seats in an open layout. The second ship will be designed to carry freight for transcontinental traffic. Cury and cabins will be furnished with sleeping berths and every comfort, and will accommodate 40 passengers and their baggage. A crew of officers will be on duty for duty room service. The first ship will have accommodation for 20 passengers. There will be upper and lower decks and seats in an open layout. The second ship will be designed to carry freight for transcontinental traffic. Cury and cabins will be furnished with sleeping berths and every comfort, and will accommodate 40 passengers and their baggage. A crew of officers will be on duty for duty room service. The first ship will have accommodation for 20 passengers. There will be upper and lower decks and seats in an open layout. The second ship will be designed to carry freight for transcontinental traffic. Cury and cabins will be furnished with sleeping berths and every comfort, and will accommodate 40 passengers and their baggage. A crew of officers will be on duty for duty room service.



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FIGHT AGAINST SPEAKER CANNON

U. S. HOUSE SITS FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS

Lively Scenes Mark Long Debate—Effort to Arrange Compromise

(Times Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., March 18.—After twenty-four hours of debate, recrimination and parliamentary delays, the House to-day decided by a vote of 161 to 161 to take a recess until four this afternoon.

The motion was made by Martin (Republican) and was for the purpose of giving the "Regulars" time in which to frame a compromise upon the Norris resolution, which seeks to break the organization of the House.

Speaker Cannon voted in favor of the motion. Several "insurgents" also supported the motion for a recess, and this is taken to indicate that they favored some sort of a compromise rather than an open split with the supporters of Cannon.

Twenty-six Republicans are acting as "chambers" and leading the revolt against the rules of the House and the methods of Speaker Cannon.

The fight started yesterday when Representative Norris introduced a resolution which had been lying on his desk since the first day of the session to be used when the proper moment arrived for an attack on the Speaker. The resolution provides for a new rules committee elected by the members of the House and on which the Speaker is not eligible for membership.

At 2.40 o'clock this morning a number of Republican regulars left the House chamber and it was thought the debate had been checked because less than a quorum was on hand.

Then the fight took a new turn. An effort was made to get every representative into the House. Warrants were issued for the 200 members absent from the session and Sergeant-at-Arms Casson was instructed to serve them.

As the hours passed Democrats began to complain of the lack of results obtained by Cannon, who was supposed to be drumming up members. Cannon was called in and explained that he was doing the best he could.

During the night Dalzell, Republican, Pennsylvania, occupied the chair. At 6 o'clock this morning Cannon returned to the house chamber. The lines on his face showed the strain he has been under since the unexpected fight started. His appearance was the signal for a new feature of the attack.

SULTAN OF TURKEY SENDS PROTEST

GREECE CALLED UPON TO PROTECT TURKS

Several Wealthy Mohammedan Land Owners Killed by Greek Peasants

(Times Leased Wire.)

Constantinople, March 18.—Despite the strict censorship of dispatches from Athens, reports of further disorders between the peasants and the soldiers reached here to-day.

It was learned that several wealthy Turkish Mohammedan land owners have been killed and their homes sacked by the enraged Greeks, despite the presence of strong forces of troops. The disorders are the result of the government's refusal to grant the demands of the Christian peasants to dispose the big land owners, who are mostly Turks, and divide their land among the peasants.

There is little likelihood that the government will accede to those demands owing to the Turko-Greek treaty, which guarantees the land owners their present rights.

Turkey has protested to Greece and has hinted that unless the fullest protection is given to her Turkish and Mohammedan subjects, the Sultan would consider it sufficient provocation to invade Thessaly, the storm centre.

The situation is considered critical, as it is known that Turkey is anxious for some excuse to occupy the northern province.

MILITARY COLLEGE

Australia's West Point Will Be Similar to U. S. Institution

West Point, N. Y., March 18.—An Australian West Point, which will be in most essentials a copy of the famous institution here, is soon to be established in the Commonwealth. Col. Bridges, representative of Australia on the Imperial general staff of the British army, has just left here on his return to Australia to carry out his duties, carrying plans, documents and syllabi of study which are expected to aid Australia to realize her dream of possessing an army school.

The idea of such a school for the training of Australian officers was originally urged by Lord Kitchener, and it was he, regarding West Point as a model of its kind, suggested that a capable officer be sent to America to obtain data for the proposed military school. Col. Bridges came here last week. Every opportunity was given him for studying the workings of the institution and the system of training. Before his departure he expressed unstinted praise for the school, its officers and the cadets.

TAFT AND THE EDITORS.
Chicago, March 18.—"I am glad to meet the men who do the real work and are not responsible for the editorials," was President Taft's greeting yesterday to the members of the Newspaper Club, where a reception was held in his honor.

After a few friendly words of greeting, the president made an informal address in which he gently prodded the editorial writers.

"I say this," he continued after referring to the men responsible for the editorials, "because I am astounded every day at the many hypercritical statements and the unsound articles that I read on the editorial pages."

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WILL PRESS FOR A COMMISSION

ALDERMAN LANGLEY WANTS FULL INQUIRY

Special Committee of Council Ascertains Cost of the Proposed Investigation

(From Friday's Daily.)
The special committee of the city council, consisting his Worship Mayor Morley and Ald. Langley, yesterday afternoon ascertained from Premier McBride that the approximate cost of the suggested royal commission to enquire into matters arising out of the construction of Smith's Hill reservoir would be \$2,500. This is considered a moderate sum, in view of the importance of the subject to be inquired into, and it is probable that the committee will recommend that at the next meeting of the council, will recommend that application be made to the lieutenant-governor in council for the issuance of the warrant for the commission.

Ald. Langley, a member of the committee who waited in Premier McBride yesterday, was interviewed by the Times this morning. Ald. Langley has always been a staunch advocate of the fullest inquiry into civic abuses which might be discovered, and he is still of the same mind in regard to the reservoir matter.

"I shall certainly urge upon the council that application be made to the lieutenant-governor in council for the appointment of a royal commission," said Ald. Langley. "In my opinion the estimated expenditure in connection with the same—\$2,500—is not excessive, and in view of the important considerations involved the money would be well spent."

"A rather unexpected situation has developed in connection with the proposed inquiry. The council by unanimous vote in the first instance decided on a civic inquiry. But when this suggestion for a royal commission came to be considered the former motion was rescinded, and as the matter stands now, should the board decide not to go to the expense involved in the public inquiry, the expense of which the committee was asked to report on, there will be no inquiry at all. I do not think this will meet public opinion in the matter at all. I shall certainly urge on my colleagues at the council board that we ask for a royal commission."

LLOYD GEORGE INDISPOSED

Chancellor of Exchequer Declares He Simply Needs Rest.

London, March 18.—Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, to-day is on the verge of what his friends fear may be a complete collapse.

The chancellor shows plainly the result of the strain and worry he has undergone in the last six months. The chancellor realizes his condition, but maintains stoutly that he "simply needs rest." His friends, however, fear that he will not take a sufficient rest, owing to the complicated political situation.

SKATING RINK DESTROYED

Simcoe, Ont., March 18.—Lynwood skating rink, the finest in Ontario, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss is \$12,000, with insurance of about \$9,000.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO CANADIAN MINISTER

Col. Seely Says Hon. L. P. Brodeur Has Mastered Naval Situation

London, March 18.—J. Clark, of Toronto, spoke at the luncheon of the Imperial Co-operation League on Canada and the navy. There was a notable contingent present, including Lord Strathcona and Lord Onslow. Col. Seely, the chairman, in proposing the health of the speaker, said Mr. Brodeur was a distinguished and accomplished jurist who had been successful in many cases before the Privy Council.

Mr. Clark said his idea was an Imperial council in which the overseas dominions should be represented, but pending the evolution of an Imperial council Canadian parliament must control Canadian contributions to an Imperial navy.

Lord Strathcona endorsed the address and praised Mr. Clark. Col. Seely regretted Hon. L. P. Brodeur's illness and declared that the Canadian Minister of Marine had mastered the naval situation.

MORE CONTRABAND GOODS SEIZED ON MINNESOTA

Opium, Tobacco and Silk Found Hidden on Oriental Liner

(Times Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Wash., March 18.—There is over \$5,000 worth of opium, tobacco, silk and contraband goods in the United States customs warehouse here to-day, all seized from the steamer Minnesota. Since the big liner dropped anchor in port on March 7th rarely a day has passed without the seizure of contraband goods hidden away on the ship.

The latest hauls include 19 five-tael tins of opium cached deep in the coal bunkers, and fifteen thousand Manila cigars of the finest grade. This attempt at smuggling was unnecessary, as Manila tobacco now, when imported in lots of 3,000 or more and properly declared, is not dutiable. The tobacco will be sold at auction.

CANNOT AFFORD TARIFF WAR

TAFT URGED TO GRANT CANADA MINIMUM RATES

U. S. Commissioners and State Department at Loggerheads

(Special to the Times.)
Toronto, March 18.—A Washington special to the Globe says: "Conflicting advices from the tariff commission, which is substantially the tariff board of the treasury department, and the department of state over the Canadian tariff leaves President Taft in a worse dilemma, politically and diplomatically, than has confronted the Republican administration in many years. From the outset there has been jealousy between the secretary of state and the tariff board in the settlement of tariff disputes with other countries, and in the present crisis, which is in itself bad enough, the jealousy resulted in diametrically opposite recommendations to the president. Knowing the desperate policy of a trade war with a country with which we have so large and so necessary a trade, Prof. Emery and Mr. Pepper returned to Washington convinced that the only course open to this country was to yield and grant our minimum tariff to Canadian shipments. This report was approved by the tariff board, of which Emery is chairman, and in a conference of members of the board with the president last Saturday they recommended that the minimum rates be extended by the president before April 1st, when other considerations in maximum will automatically go into effect against Canada. They pointed out to the president that from an economic point of view this country could not afford a tariff war."

Tariff War Not Expected.
London, March 18.—No very great importance is attached in Canadian banking circles in London to the possibility of a tariff war between Canada and the United States. The attitude of Canada in refusing concessions unless they are reciprocated is obviously logically correct and any hostile action by Washington would place the United States in a very false position, since any increase in the United States tariff would undoubtedly be followed by a Canadian surtax. It is scarcely thought possible that the United States government will venture beyond the region of bluff.

The Morning Post thinks if Canada prevented the application of a surtax on American imports, the voters will be with her. The Big Stick will hurt those who wield it fully as much as the intended Victims.

HON. G. E. FOSTER MUST TAKE REST

Will Not Be Able to Attend the House Again This Session

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 18.—Hon. G. E. Foster will not be able to take his place in the House again this session. He has been in ill health since the MacDonald-Foster trial at Toronto, and his physician has ordered him to go south as soon as he is able to travel.

DWELLING DEMOLISHED

Boiler Blown Through House But Occupants Escape Uninjured

Olympia, Wash., March 18.—A donkey engine boiler exploded at Bordeaux, in the Black Hills, yesterday, while 100 men were at work around it. The heavy boiler was blown entirely through the home of Arthur Sapp, in which his wife and children were at the time, demolishing the building and yet not a single man, woman or child was injured.

Until to-day the townspeople could not believe some one of the many working around the engine had not been killed, but everyone has been accounted for. The wrecked house stood 100 feet from the engine.

MEDIATORS MAY FAIL TO AVERT STRIKE

Railway Managers Refuse to Grant Increase Demanded by Firemen

Chicago, March 18.—An insurmountable obstacle in the shape of an irreconcilable breach on the wage scale question was reported to-day to have balked the efforts of the government officials who are seeking to avert a strike of 25,000 railway firemen.

It was rumored at Congress hotel, where Chairman Knapp, of the interstate commerce commission, and Labor Commissioner Neill are holding the conference, that the railway managers will not concede more than a 2 1/2 per cent. raise of wages.

The fireman demand a 12 1/2 per cent. increase. No announcement is being made of the progress of the deliberations, but the trend of the conference may be followed from statements of men appearing before the government mediators.

TRAINING YOUTHS OF EMPIRE

London, March 18.—At the final meeting of the associated chambers of commerce a resolution was adopted in favor of training in arms of the youths of the Empire.

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL
RECEIVED GUESTS

Many Citizens Attended Gath-
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That most popular institution, St. Joseph's Hospital, was on a fete with 4000 guests, many willows and garlands of greenery on Saturday afternoon, and the handsome costumes of many of the most prominent citizens con-
tributed gayly with the black and white uniforms of the hospital staff and sis-
ters from St. Ann's convent.

The guests were welcomed by a reception committee, consisting of Mrs. R. B. McKicking, Mrs. H. D. Helmeck, Mrs. George Fraser, Mrs. E. E. Fisher, Mrs. Jas. Raymur, Mrs. M. E. Bigger, Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Mrs. M. McQuade, Mrs. Stewart Robertson, Mrs. F. Allan Alkman, and the formal presentation of the exceedingly gen-
erous linen, "shower" of towels was made to the Mother Provincial and Sis-
ter Superior of the hospital by Mrs. C. E. Wilson. The latter said the shower was a mark of appreciation by the
ladies of Victoria of the good work done by the hospital, and likewise a
pledge of their appreciation of the
same, and in closing the speaker con-
vayed to the hospital the best wishes
of all present for its continued pros-
perity.

In reply, the Mother Provincial
expressed on behalf of the Mother Su-
perior and Miss Mayer, their grateful
thanks for the kindness shown them,
and the Mother Provincial said she
had often heard of the kindness and
generosity of the ladies of Victo-
ria, and the present occasion proved
it. One had only to view the beauti-
fully furnished private rooms of the
hospital to thoroughly appreciate the
generosity of many Victorians.

The presentation was held in what
is known as the "Mother Providence"
room, where a handsome oil portrait of
the late Mother Providence, whose
name is loved and revered by all, oc-
cupies the place of honor. The room
was handsomely furnished as a draw-
ing room by the sisters, and in mem-
ory of one whom to know was to
love.

During the afternoon a delightful
musical programme was rendered by
Mrs. Harry Fowler, Mrs. (Dr.) Helmeck,
Miss Sehl and Mrs. Benedict Bantly.
Dainty refreshments were served in
the Mother Providence drawing room,
by Mrs. Stewart Robertson, assisted
by Miss Helmeck, Miss Sehl and Miss
Tilman; while in the west sun room
Mrs. M. Briggs and Mrs. H. Fullerton,
assisted by Miss Fraser, Miss Ryan,
Miss Nolt and Miss McKicking, pre-
sided over a table gay with daffo-
dils and ferns. In the east sun room,
Mrs. George Fraser and Mrs. McQuade,
assisted by Miss McKicking, Miss
Mellon, Miss Englehart and Miss Grey
served tea.

The beautiful chapel and the nur-
sery with its dainty white furnishings,
since two tiny mortals to have lab-
orily embarked on the troubled sea of life
were duly admired, viewed by the
handsomely fitted up bedrooms in at-
tracting interested inspection and ad-
miration from the guests. Mrs. Bantly
wandered about informally during the
entire afternoon.

A pleasant feature of the entertain-
ment was the vote of thanks tendered
the originator of the shower, Mrs. Miss
Mayer, by H. Dallas Helmeck, K.C., who
in a most happy and genial man-
ner conveyed to Miss Mayer the thanks
of the guests for the shower. Mrs. Mayer
gave them the privilege of being present on
such a happy occasion. Miss Mayer, in
reply, thanked the ladies of Victo-
ria for their most generous offering
to the hospital and hoped to welcome
them again next year.

Among those present who have not
been previously mentioned were: Mrs.
T. W. Egan, Mrs. J. C. McBride, Mrs.
Mrs. Anlan, the Misses Burns, Mrs.
Harry Currie, Miss E. Saunders, Mrs.
Lilke Pither, Mrs. Walter S. Fraser,
Mrs. Jesse Melton, Mrs. A. J. Garesche,
Mrs. Robert E. Taylor, Mrs. T. J. Burns,
Mrs. C. F. Todd, Miss Pearce,
Mrs. Alan Lineham, Mrs. W. Sabin,
Mrs. Gordon Hunter, Mrs. Clinton A.
Harrison, Mrs. M. L. O'Keefe, Mrs.
Evered Criddle, Mrs. McFavish, Mrs.
J. W. Devlin, Mrs. M. W. Ella, Mrs.
Robert E. Henwick, Mrs. H. F. Bishop,
Mrs. J. W. Switzer, Mrs. L. Perkins,
Mrs. Frank Sehl, Mrs. M. Bantly, Mrs.
R. Mellor, Mrs. T. P. West, Miss K.
O'Sullivan, Mrs. Max Leiser, Mrs. N.
Sobbe, Mrs. G. Lubbe, Mrs. Sweeney,
Mrs. L. Pither, Mrs. McTearan, Mrs. R.
L. Fraser, Mrs. E. Higgins, Mrs. F. J.
Clarke, Mrs. Edgar McKicking, Mrs.
H. W. Canavan, Miss Clarke, Mrs.
Thos. Hooper, Miss Lelzer, Mrs. R. W.
Clarke, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Houston,
Miss Stewart, Miss McNiife, Miss Parr,
Mrs. C. H. Topp, Miss McQuade, Mrs.
E. A. Colbert, Miss Madigan, Mrs. J.

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Nose Cup

A necessary addition to the
toilet. The removal of dust and
filth which accumulates in the
nostrils of everyone living
in a city, is a hygienic neces-
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PRICE 35c

Works wonders in cleansing the
nostrils and secret passages from
infectious diseases. It as-
sures perfect breathing through
nose and general improve-
ment in the tone of the whole
system. Affords great relief to
asthmatic sufferers.

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Near Yates Street,
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Taylor, Mrs. W. Duck, Mrs. J. Frith,
Mrs. C. Lombard, Mrs. Plasket, Mrs.
E. Walker, Misses O'Sullivan, Misses
Mellon, Misses Gray, Mrs. M. Carlin,
Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Benedict Bantly,
Miss Haglan, and others.

QUESTION OF A
MUNICIPAL HALL

Gordon Head Meeting Opposed
to Proceeding With Work
This Year

(Special Correspondence.)
Gordon Head, March 19.—On Wednes-
day evening last a municipal meeting
was held in the district hall. A.
Strachan acted as chairman and stated
that the object of the meeting was to
ascertain the wishes of the ratepayers
of Ward 3 as regards the erection of a
municipal hall.

Reeve Joseph Nicholson was first
called on to give his views. Mr. Nichol-
son said that he strongly opposed the
building of a hall at present as the
money was needed for the improvement
of roads and machinery, and that he
was in favor of renting an office in
Victoria.

Councillor Hobbs (Ward 3), came to
the meeting to ascertain the wishes of
his ratepayers. Joseph Tracey was
opposed to the building of a hall be-
cause, he stated, the car line would be
in Gordon Head in a few years and if
a hall for a hall were chosen now it
might be a long distance from the car
line. James Grant, councillor for Ward
5, was in favor of building at once.

With a slight raise on the taxes a good
hall could be erected. Mr. Grant said
that two sites had been offered, one
near the Royal Oak and one opposite
Christmas Hill, on the Saanich road.
He also said that he had been elected
to fight for a hall and he would try
his best to get one as soon as possible.
Wm. Grant said he thought the ques-
tion ought to be deferred until the next
session, however, had a referendum
in regard to the situation.

It was moved by Joseph Tracey and
seconded by William Grant, that
Councillor Hobbs be instructed to op-
pose building a hall this year. The
motion was unanimously carried and
the meeting adjourned.

RAILS LANDED FOR
GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC

Banks Will Build at Prince Rup-
ert—New Wharf
Planned

(Special Correspondence.)
Prince Rupert, March 19.—The work
of discharging rails from the steamship
Cape Breton, has been completed. Mr.
Peterson, formerly of Victoria, the
foreman of the work of discharging the
vessel, is receiving a great deal of
praise for his handling of the men.

The steamer Princess Ena has ar-
rived with 1200 feet of lumber and a
quantity of explosives for Foley, Welch
& Stewart.

G. T. Legg of the Union Steamship
Company, is in Prince Rupert arrang-
ing the construction of a wharf in the
north end.

The sale of town property continues
active. Lots on Third avenue, Second
avenue and on the north side command
good prices.

John Norris, one of the pioneer farm-
ers of Bulkley valley, died while on his
way to the coast. The deceased lived
on the Alderbrook farm, which he owned
one of the finest ranches in the valley.

The Bank of B. N. A. will erect a
building on the corner of Third avenue
and Third street. The Union Bank
building will be situated on the corner
of Second avenue and Third street. H.
E. Wallace, formerly of Rossland, will
erect department stores on the corner
of Fulton and Third avenue. O. M.
Holgerson is erecting a building on the
corner of Sixth street and Second
avenue.

The body of a man was found be-
neath the G. T. P. wharf on the 12th
inst. An inquest will be held. The
remains had been in the water for some
time. He was known as W. Meekins.
F. E. Hunt, manager of the Union
Transfer Company, was married on the
10th inst. to Miss May Sanderson. The
ceremony was performed by Bishop Du
Vernet.

CONSTABLE FAILED
TO "TAG" HIS MAN

Police Court Entertained by a
Study of Chinese Indi-
viduality

Yuen Chung Lung, a Chinese mer-
chant, whom Fred Peters, K.C., said
in the police-court on Friday to be the
Saanich constable, is one of the richest
Chinese in Victoria and can buy up the
whole of South Saanich municipality,
graciously bowed to the court and
maintained he had never killed a pig in
his life. Further, he claimed, he was
not the man whom the constable saw
killing a pig at a South Saanich pig-
ery and therefore his counsel held the
court should not proceed against him.

The Saanich constable, however,
claimed that all Chinese did not look
alike to him, and he was "pretty
near" certain that the merchant in
court was the man who did the slaugh-
tering.

Mr. Peters objected strongly to the
constable only being pretty near cer-
tain, and then the constable said he
was positive. The cases were slung,
and the constable, who appeared for
the municipality, decided not to go on
with the case, advising that the matter
be recommenced when the constable
gets the right man.

Hop Sing, of the tall and thin Chi-
nese type, answered to his name when
called on a similar charge, but Mr.
Peters claimed he was a merchant, too,
and had not killed pigs on the date set
out in the information, in fact he had
never killed a pig at all.

The prosecuting attorney called for
the proof of service of the summons,
and a member of the city police force
came and added further mystery to
the matter. He swore he had served
both Hop Sing and Yuen Chung Lung
with the summonses, but that neither
of the Chinese in court were the men
who claimed those names when the
blue papers were handed round.

Mr. Peters said the names were firm
names, and a firm could not be prose-
cuted for killing a pig. The prosecu-
tion would have to secure the indi-
vidual who committed the deed. The
individual in this case being a Chi-
nese, however, had puzzled with the
city and the Saanich municipality con-
stables.

To kill pigs in South Saanich is
against the by-law of the municipality,
and there are two piggeries there, one
owned by Chinese. The constable saw
the pigs being killed, but instead of
branding the offender with a tag on the
ear of the pig, he simply asked his
name, took a good look at him in the
moonlight, and trusted to his ability
of identification to know him again.

The constables proceeded in the regu-
lar way and the summonses were
served by a member of the city police
force at stores on Government street
bearing the names of the accused per-
sons.

Mr. Alkman on Friday wanted a
warrant issued and sent out with the
constable to bring the men he served
in the stores into court. The matter
ended in a South Saanich constable
said he was pretty near certain that
Chung Lung was one of the pig killers.
Mr. Peters: "He's one of the richest
merchants in Victoria. Do you swear
that he was the man who killed the pig?"
The constable: "I am positive."
Mr. Alkman: "Better dismiss the
cases."
The magistrate: "Dismissed."

VANDALS AT WORK.
New Westminster, March 19.—One of
the most glaring acts of vandalism
that has occurred in the city for some
time, happened the other night, when
seven trees in front of Harry Major's
house on Blackford street, were de-
stroyed. The matter has been reported
to the police and they are doing every-
thing in their power to discover the
offenders. At the next meeting of the
council Alderman J. J. Johnston,
chairman of the finance committee, will
probably move that a reward of \$50 be
offered for the apprehension and con-
viction of the offenders.

STOMACH TROUBLES
Often Come From Weak, Exhausted
Nerves—Great Results From
DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD
When the nerves become exhausted
the first sign of trouble often comes
from the stomach. The nerves under
control the flow of digestive fluids and
the result is loss of appetite, indiges-
tion, nervous headache and sleepless-
ness.

FERNIE'S NEW COUNCIL

Fernie, March 19.—The citizens have
at last elected a municipal government
for the current year.

It will be recalled that in January
the retiring mayor and aldermen re-
fused to accept renomination on ac-
count of certain opposition, and when
polling day arrived there were not
sufficient voters to constitute a
council. Application was, therefore,
made for a new election.

Sherwood Harchmer, barrister, was
re-elected mayor over J. Gates,
hotelkeeper, by 19 votes, and the fol-
lowing aldermen were also elected:
Thomas Beck, 219 votes; P. Kennedy,
38; W. J. Morrison, 222; L. E. Mc-
Donald, 247; Francis White, 210; and
G. F. Johnson, 206. Messrs. Beck,
McDonald and Johnson were mem-
bers of the old council.

AURORA MINE MAKES
VERY GOOD SHOWING

Hundred Tons of Ore Being
Hauled Across the
Lake

Moyle, March 18.—Work is steadily
progressing at the Aurora mine on the
west side of Moyle lake under the man-
agement of Harry Dintick and the prop-
erty is said to be showing up remark-
ably well. A very large quantity of
ore has been blocked-out at the mine
and some 100 tons are at present being
hauled across the lake to the platform
near the railway by H. N. Benton. It
is expected that the ice will remain
sufficiently strong for hauling purposes
until the end of April, after which the
ore will be brought across on a barge.
The company is in communication with
several smelting firms for the treat-
ment of the ore and has not decided yet
as to where it will be shipped. The
proposal to send it to Europe is under
consideration by the management. The
average run of samples of the ore as-
say about 28 per cent iron, 25 per cent
lead and 2 ounces silver to the ton.
A good force of men is employed at the
property.

Arrangements are being made for
the commencement of the season run
at the sawmill of the Porto Rico Lum-
ber Company, two miles east of Moyle,
and it is expected that the mill will be
in operation before the close of the
present month.

ANOTHER BOARD OF
TRADE ORGANIZED

New Body for Richmond and
Point Grey—Officers
Elected

Vancouver, March 19.—A board of
trade, covering Point Grey and Rich-
mond, has been organized at Eburne.
Charles H. Stuart, Warden, the secretary
of the New Westminister board of
trade, who has organized five new
boards in the Fraser valley, attended
and gave the meeting advice in con-
stituting the new board. He re-
marked that it had been said that they
were more closely allied, in inter-
est, to Vancouver; but he took ex-
ception in the statement, saying that
their interests were more akin to
those of New Westminister.

Mr. Hutchison said he did not agree
that they belonged to New Westmin-
ster, regarding Point Grey as a part
of Vancouver harbor. He thought
they ought to pull more with the Van-
couver board of trade and he regretted
that there was no member of that
board present.

Mr. Gibson thought they should co-
operate more with Westminister than
Vancouver. "That they first of all re-
frain from dredging in the drainage
of the mouth of the Fraser river, not only
will Eburne and Point Grey be assist-
ed, but also New Westminister. He
thought that the new board should still
work in harmony with Vancouver."
Mr. Wade said the Westminister dis-
trict included the whole of the north
arm. He recommended that the new
board be incorporated under the pro-
vincial laws, the charter carrying just
the same benefits for all practical pur-
poses and being \$10 cheaper.

A petition signed by 36 prominent
people in Point Grey and Richmond
was handed in by Mr. Hutchison. The
petitioners expressed the opinion that
the time had arrived when the grow-
ing commercial and industrial inter-
ests of the community, etc., rendered
a board of trade necessary.

Mr. Higgins moved that a board of
trade, to be called the Richmond and
Point Grey board of trade, be formed
with headquarters at Eburne; which
was carried unanimously. J. C. Gib-
son was elected president of the board. H.
Marzden vice-president, and W. C. Gor-
don secretary-treasurer, the council to
be chosen at the next meeting, which
is to be held on March 23rd. In the
meantime the new officers will consider
by-laws, so that the board may be
speedily constituted and be in a posi-
tion to take action in regard to the
location of a provincial university and
other matters, now before the govern-
ment.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE
HOLDS MEETING

Addresses by Deputy Minister
Scott and M. A. Jull—
Irish Concert

(Special Correspondence.)
Gordon Head, March 21.—A meeting
under the direction of the Victoria
Farmers' Institute was held in the
Cedar Hill Temperance hall on Thurs-
day evening, the 17th inst. The meet-
ing opened with Monroe Miller in the
chair. Deputy Minister Scott was the
first speaker. Mr. Scott spoke of his
trip to Europe with the British Colum-
bia fruit and said that he wished to
become acquainted with the people and
to find out their wants. The second
speaker, M. A. Jull, provincial poultry
expert, spoke on poultry and economi-
cal feeding. A fair sized crowd was
present and the lectures of both speak-
ers were thoroughly enjoyed.

On Monday evening the 14th inst.,
Rev. R. Shannon, a lately returned mis-
sionary from China, delivered a very
interesting and instructive lecture on
that country in St. Aidan's church, Cedar
Hill.

On Friday evening the 18th inst. the
annual Irish concert was held in the
district hall under the auspices of the
Gordon Head Mutual Improvement So-
ciety. After the programme and re-
freshments a dance was held, the music
being supplied by Messrs. Hill and H.
Diabler. The programme was as fol-
lows: Song, W. E. Hill; recitation,
Malcolm Darnett; song, Miss Shirley
Oferhaus; song, Joseph Tracey; song,
Miss Marlon Oferhaus; recitation, S.
Pollock; song, W. E. Hill.

Miss A. Condit, who for some time
has been visiting Mrs. R. W. Collins of
Mt. Tolmie, has returned to her home in
the east.

H. Lester of Placentia, N. F., is in
the district on a visit to his sister, Mrs.
Wm. Bradshaw.

Miss Evelyn May of Cowichan, is
visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. E. May of
Mt. Tolmie.

Miss Lena May, who is attending
Miss Gordon's school in Vancouver, is
spending her holidays at her home.

ANOTHER BRANCH BANK
TO OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Royal Bank of Canada Demon-
strates Faith in Future of
Victoria

(From Monday's Daily.)
Victoria will to-morrow take another
step forward on the path of commer-
cial progress, when at 10 o'clock the
Victoria West branch of the Royal
Bank of Canada will be opened for
business. This makes the second branch
bank to be established in Victoria,
within the space of two months, a
splendid record considering the season
of the year. It is not improbable that
at an early date another branch bank
will be established at Oak Bay by one
of the leading financial institutions of
the city.

The branch of the Royal Bank will
be in charge of A. C. Futcher, for some
time accountant of the city branch.
Quarters have been secured in a com-
modious building on the corner of
Catherine street and Esquimalt road.
The Royal Bank of Canada has had an
exceedingly prosperous career in Victo-
ria, and especially since T. D. Veitch,
the present manager, has been in
charge.

BUILDING POWER TOWERS.
New Westminister, March 18.—The
erection of the two towers on the New
Westminister bridge by the Interna-
tional Contract Company for carrying
the high power wires across the river
for the Fraser valley branch of the B.
E. R. has been commenced. A scow
has been moved up to the bridge con-
taining the steel girders, and these are
being placed in position, the holes for
them having already been prepared.

UNRULY DEPUTIES.
Hungarian Premier and Minister of
Agriculture are Driven From
Chamber.

Budapest, March 21.—Extraordinary
disorders prevailed in the Hungarian
parliament to-day, the Magyar
ras hurling ink wells, books and other
missiles at the ministers' heads, put-
ting them to flight. Premier Von Hede-
vary and Count Szerepi, minister of
agriculture, were struck by ink wells
and painfully injured.

Fruits

RHUBARB, per lb... 15c
CRANBERRIES, per lb 15c
PINEAPPLES, each... 25c
BANANAS, per doz... 35c
ORANGES, 3 doz. for... 50c

Vegetables

LETTUCE, per head... 5c
CELERY, per head... 10c
CABBAGE, each... 15c
CAULIFLOWER, each, 15c
ASPARAGUS, per lb, 20c

The Family Cash Grocery

CORNER YATES AND DOUGLAS STREETS
PHONE 212

DR. WATT'S GUESTS
ENJOYING THEMSELVES

Smallpox Patient Out of Dan-
ger and All May Be Freed
This Week

(From Monday's Daily.)
It is expected that the quarantine on
the 46 passengers and part of the
crew of the steamer Montezuma which
arrived at William Head ten days ago
will be lifted at the end of this week.
Rev. John Salmon, the patient, has
done wonderfully well and is now out
of danger. Considering the fact that
he is seventy-two years of age this is
a rather wonderful thing.

The quarantined crowd have been
having a good time. Saturday was
particularly a big day. The guests
played a football match against the
quarantine officials and beat them; the
ladies played a hockey match, and in
the evening a big concert and dance
was held. Naturally the quarantined
crowd feel William Head rather quiet,
in spite of the beauty of the place.
They will be very glad for their term
of detention to expire.

ORE OUTPUT GROWS.
Half a Dozen New Shipping Mines
Added to List in Southeastern
British Columbia.

Nelson, March 21.—Half a dozen new
shipping properties were added to the
list last week. The total tonnage is in
excess of the average, and the outlook
for mining generally has a decided up-
ward tendency that will further im-
prove as the spring advances. Total
shipments of the week are \$721 tons,
and for the year to date 57,584 tons.
Shelter receipts for the week, 45,521;
for the year, 499,857.

BOGUS HEIR PLEES.
Seattle, Wash., March 10.—Two dif-
ferent bodies taken from the Wellin-
ton avalanche, now at a local morgue,
have been identified as that of Jacob
Brackmann, a wealthy rancher of Wa-
shington, and a huge number of people
claiming relationship, ranging from sons
and brothers to distant cousins, have claim-
ed both corpses.

Which body is that of Brackmann is
puzzling the undertakers and coroner.
The latter has learned that Brackmann
leaves an estate valued at \$40,000 to
\$50,000. Yesterday he charged one of
the "sons" with lying, and the bogus
heir fled without making a denial.

DIED.
ROBERTSON—On the 17th inst. at St.
Joseph's hospital, in his 73rd year,
John Robertson, a native of Perth-
shire, Scotland.

Received a further shipment direct
from the NOTTING-
HAM FACTORIES of
LACE CURTAINS
prices from 50c to \$8 per pair.
SPECIAL SNAP, Nottingham
Curtain, lace, 52 in. wide, a
yard 55c

"BON AMI STORE"
734 Yates Street,
Shelton & Son, Proprietors,
Phone 1678.

Pursuant to the by-laws of the said
Company, notice is hereby given that the
Annual General Meeting of the Victoria
Lumber & Manufacturing Company, Lim-
ited, will be held at their office, 915 Gov-
ernment street, in the City of Victoria, on
Monday, the 4th day of April, 1910, at 2 p.
m., for the purpose of electing directors
and transacting any other business that
may be brought before the said meeting.
E. J. PALMER,
Local Secretary.
March 1st, 1910.

Important Sale of
Cordwood Equipment

Stewart Williams & Co.
Duly instructed by IAN MAIR, ESQ.,
will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on his
farm on the
BURNSIDE ROAD
ON
TUESDAY, MARCH 29th,
Commencing at 11 o'clock—
THE WHOLE OF HIS UP-TO-DATE
Machinery, Wagons,
Tools, Etc.
For getting out Cordwood,
ALSO HIS
Household Furniture, Etc.
Including 3 H. P. Portable Saw, very
strong Cordwood Wagon, Black-
smith's outfit, Spring Wagon, Light
Express, Two-Wheeled Cart, Phaeton,
2 Tons of Oat Hay, Chaff Cutter, sev-
eral sets of Double and Single Har-
ness, Saddles, a quantity of Tools,
Tarpaulins, Dump Cart and Harness,
Cultivators, Seeders, 50 Cords of Wood,
Grindstones, Pumps, Harrows, Lawn
Mowers, Truck, Garden Frame,
Separator, Churn, Washing Machine,
Wringer, 1/2 H. P. Sturt Water
Cooled Gasoline Engine, English Lathe,
6-inch swing screw cutting with soft
centering and independent chuck;
Vice, Drilling Machine, Cross-cut
Saws, 3-100 power Gasoline Lamps,
Steeleyards, good Kitchen Stove and
Boiler, Kitchen Treasure Table, Chairs,
Cooking Utensils, Dinner Set, Trays,
Scales, Selzogen, very handsome In-
land Sheraton Bookcase, Bed Lounge,
2 Oak Stools, Deck Chair, 3 Oak Chairs,
Bamboo Whatnot, Oak Desk, Card
Table, very fine American Organ in
perfect order, Roller Top Desk and
Office Chair, Wicker Chairs, Arm
Chairs, Bookcase, Oak Cabinet,
Net, Fire Screen, Curtains, Carpets,
Rugs, Bedsteads and Mattresses,
Toilet Ware, 2 Hall Chairs, Cupboards,
Sewing Machine, a quantity of Lambs-
wool and Shingles, 2 very fast trotting
Ponies about 14 hands, 2 good Milch
Cows, about 20 Chickens, Bull Calf, and
other Goods too numerous to mention.
Luncheon will be served on the
grounds.
Take the train to Stewart's Crossing,
on the E. & N. Railway.

Important Sale of Horses,
Hacks, Buggies, Etc.

DOMESTIC POLICY OF GERMANY

IT RESISTS DEMANDS OF THE PEOPLE

This a Potent Factor in Her Attempt at Securing Allies

Berlin, March 21.—A reactionary domestic policy based on absolute rule and an utter disregard of the wishes of the people does not pay. This plain truth, which has long since become evident in most civilized countries of the earth, is being driven home to the Kaiser and his chancellor, Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg by hard facts.

Prussia, the greatest and the predominant state in the German Federal Empire, possesses a parliament based on a high exclusive property franchise, which debars the masses of the citizens from electoral rights. Prussia, which by virtue of its predominance, rules Germany, is the stronghold of militarism and of extreme political reaction.

Persia has a parliament elected by a popular franchise, and by a secret ballot; Turkey has become a constitutional state, but the Prussian system remains intact, and the Kaiser and his chancellor are obstinately resisting the demands of the people to be entrusted with a share of government. This policy is producing disastrous consequences for Germany.

The keynote of the European situation is the awe-inspiring struggle for supremacy between England and Germany. England is striving to maintain her pre-dominant position in Europe, and Germany is putting forth every effort to replace her English rival as the supreme power. In this contest, both countries are collecting friends and allies. Both are endeavoring to form combinations of countries under their respective leaderships. Consequently the relations between Germany and other countries are a matter of profound importance. Probably when the critical moment comes the share taken in the Atlantic struggle by the other powers will decide the issue.

For many years past German foreign policy has aimed at detaching other countries from England and attaching them to Germany. Germany has wooed all her neighbors in the hope of wearing their affections from England. The strenuous efforts made by the German Imperial government to secure the confidence of other countries have been frequently frustrated by the suspicion caused by Prussia's reactionary domestic policy.

Germany keenly desires the friendship of Russia. For the moment Russia is weakened, but the process of recovery from the disasters of the Japanese war is rapidly proceeding and the Russian army, with its millions of soldiers, is a formidable force, and capable of playing an important part in any European conflict. Moreover, Russia flanks the eastern frontiers of Germany, and a Russian fleet sails the waters of the Baltic sea. Russia attached to Germany would be a welcome rear-guard; Russia opposed to Germany would be a most dangerous enemy on a vulnerable flank.

Ever since the accession of the present Kaiser, German foreign policy has been aimed at conciliating Russia, but Prussia's domestic policy has estranged the Russian people to such an extent that the predominant feeling in Russia is extremely anti-German.

The Russian people are struggling for political liberty and constitutional rights, and they are firmly convinced that the Czar's resistance to their demands could not be maintained unless Prussia's political reaction encourages and strengthens Russia's political reaction, so that the Russian people look upon Prussia as their worst enemy, and Prussia being the predominant state in Germany, their dislike is extended to the whole German Empire.

The result is that with the exception of a limited court party all the politicians and all the newspapers in Russia are continually denouncing Germany as the last upholder of medieval political tyrannies. So long as this popular feeling prevails in Russia—and it will prevail so long as Prussia remains the stronghold of reactionary domestic policy—the Russian Empire and the German Empire is impossible.

For two decades Germany has been striving to obtain predominant influence in Constantinople, the key position of the world, and the situation not only in southeastern Europe, but also in Asia Minor. South-eastern Europe and Asia Minor offers two of the few remaining opportunities for new markets and Germany by securing the ascendancy of Constantinople over Turkey, has long hoped to capture these markets for herself.

The present rulers of Turkey, the Young Turks, abhor political tyranny, and are passionately attached to popular rights and liberties. During their long and weary periods of exile prior to the downfall of Abdul Hamid and absolutism in their country, they lived in London and Paris, and learnt to love and admire the forms of government existing in England and France. They have no sympathy with German absolutism and German foreign policy is falling in Constantinople owing to the dislike entertained by the Young Turks for that reactionary domestic policy of which Prussia is the exponent.

The Kaiser's domestic policy is even tending to estrange his close ally, Austria. The Poles of the province of Galicia form one of the most powerful political groups in Austria and they are sworn enemies of Germany because Prussia persecutes the Polish inhabitants living in the East Prussian provinces.

Austria is growing year by year more and more a Slavonic country. The Poles are Slavs. All the Slavs in Austria sympathize with the sufferings of the oppressed Poles in Prussia. The Prussian persecution of the Poles in Prussia is steadily wearing away the links between Germany and Austria, the foundation of Germany's security.

The same feeling is very general in Europe. Little countries like Denmark and Holland look upon Germany as the arch-protector of medievalism in poli-

DESERTED SHIP TO BE NEAR VANCOUVER GIRL

Seventeen-Year-Old Apprentice Gets Away Second Time From Wray Castle

(From Saturday's Daily.)

"Clement must rejoin ship" is the ultimatum delivered in brief dispatch from the father of young C. M. Thurston, apprentice, who deserted from the British ship Wray Castle last week, and was later arrested and returned to the ship by United States Deputy Marshal J. F. Statter at Tacoma.

Whether Clement will "rejoin" seems to be quite another question, for he has again escaped from the ship, and every effort to locate him has so far been unsuccessful. The ship leaves Tacoma today for sea, bound for Callao with a cargo of lumber, and Capt. Phillips says he hopes to be able to carry the young apprentice with him when the vessel tows from port.

Clement Thurston is 17 years of age and he signed as apprentice on the Wray Castle when she left Europe last year for the Sound. While the ship was at Vancouver, B. C., discharging cargo, Thurston is said to have become enamored of a young girl of that city and now wishes to quit the life of the sailor and be near his sweetheart.

Watching his chance last week he deserted from the Wray Castle. Later he was arrested by Deputy Marshal Statter at the instigation of Capt. Phillips. The lad was returned to the vessel and was thought to have abandoned all idea of staying ashore. He was evidently only waiting for another favorable opportunity to desert. Tuesday afternoon the chance came. Capt. Phillips was ashore and during the afternoon a rovobat pulled alongside the Wray Castle and the young apprentice, after informing the mate that he had permission from the captain to go ashore, left the vessel in the rowboat. He has not been seen since, though the authorities have been searching for him.

When Thurston was returned to the ship after his first desertion, he appealed to Vice-Consul Agassiz for permission to remain in this country. Mr. Agassiz took the matter up with the young man's father by cablegram, and yesterday the ultimatum came from the father declaring that his son must rejoin the ship.

The receipt of the cablegram is rather a poser for Capt. Phillips and the vice-consul now that the youth has again disappeared.

Capt. Phillips stated that every effort was being made to recapture Thurston, and that he hopes to have him aboard before the ship leaves this afternoon. Since the Wray Castle arrived at this port her former steward has been signed off and Capt. Phillips said he believed the steward was responsible for the desertion of Clement.

STEAMER RUPERT CITY MAY BE SOLD SOON

Ethiopian-American Company Talking of Purchasing Vessel for Siberian Trade

According to Seattle newspapers the steamship Rupert City, which was on the run between Seattle, Prince Rupert, B. C., and Southeastern Alaska ports for a few weeks last year, may be sold to the Ethiopian-American Steamship Company, of Los Angeles, a corporation of negro capitalists, who will operate a line of two steamers between Los Angeles and Liberia.

Negotiations were opened up between the Mackenzie company, of Vancouver, owners of the boat, through Surtess Hope, of Seattle, who is conducting the transfer of the property. Mr. Hope says that the negotiations, which had been pending, would be terminated on Monday, and that while a sale had not yet been definitely settled upon, it would probably go through unless something material should be known by now had no knowledge. The Los Angeles company has not yet secured either of the two boats, and if pending negotiations go through the Rupert City will be the first to go out on the new line.

The Rupert City is a steel screw steamer of 2,388 tons. She was built by the Barrow Steamship Company, of Barrow, in 1888. Last summer her business proving unprofitable she was taken off the run, and has been anchored at Vancouver, where she is now undergoing repairs.

Recent dispatches from Vancouver, however, stated that she would again go on the Prince Rupert run during the coming season.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Stockholm, March 19.—Carl Lindhagen, mayor of Stockholm, and a member of the second chamber of the Riksdag, who interpolated the government as to its promised action in the matter of woman suffrage, has received a reply.

In substance it was that the authorities will make a statistical research to discover if giving women the right to vote will have an influence on the marriage relation, tending in the direction of a suicide, and if the government will be guided according to the conclusion reached.

NELSON Y. M. C. A. SECRETARY.

Nelson, March 19.—Will Anderson, the general secretary of the Nelson Y. M. C. A., has reached the city, and assumes his duties at once. Mr. Anderson began his career as a Y. M. C. A. secretary at Galesburg, Ill., which organization he served for several years. From there he went to Alton, Ill., and under his leadership they secured a \$50,000 building and equipment. He now comes direct from Freeport, Ill., where he was general secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

CAPTAIN TROUP RETURNS HOME

PLACED ORDERS FOR UP-TO-DATE STEAMERS

Attended Meeting of Lighthouse Board—Aids to Navigation Asked For

Two new steamers were ordered by Captain Troup when in the Old Country and other vessels were inspected with the idea of buying in order to augment the fleet this season. That is the news brought by the captain, who arrived last night after being away since November last. In an interview this morning the captain said the new steamers would be a great addition to the fleet on this coast. One of them, a single screw vessel, is to be fitted more luxuriously than anything on the coast. She will resemble the Princess Charlotte in arrangement, but her fittings will put the older steamer away in the shade. She will be guaranteed to make a speed of 16 knots, will be 290 feet long with a beam of 46 feet and a depth of 17 feet. The Fairfield Company, the firm that built the Princess Charlotte, will be the builders.

The second steamer is a twin screw fitted for the trade among the islands. She will be of much lighter draft than the other, 210 feet long and with a forty foot beam. The builders are Bow and McLachlan, of Paisley, the same ones who built the steamer Camosun and the engines for the Princess Royal and the Princess Beatrice.

The new steamers will be finished in November next and are expected to reach this coast about the time of the Christmas holidays.

Asked as to deals for other steamers Captain Troup said that nothing had been closed. He did not deny that the company was trying to secure steamers to handle the trade this year, but as nothing definite had been done he declined to say any more about them.

Speaking of the shipbuilding trade in the Old Country, the captain said the yards were rather quiet and all the firms were very anxious to secure contracts.

While on his way home Captain Troup attended a meeting of the lighthouse board in Ottawa. The board recommended to the government that a light should be placed at Bellin Passage, south of Cortes Island; some buoys in the second narrows at Vancouver, and a light at the entrance to False Creek. As all the recommendations of the board have been carried out by the government, it is to be assumed that these will also receive favorable consideration.

Further, the board recommended that the submarine signals which have been used so successfully on the Atlantic coast should be installed here. The shipmasters on the Atlantic speak very highly of the new method of signalling and the board were unanimous in recommending the adoption of the system here.

Captain Troup will be a busy man for a few days. Files of letters need reading and dozens of subjects are to be considered. On account of his personal popularity the captain will be welcome back to the city by both the officials and employees of the company, and all his wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

RUSSIANS REPLACING JAPANESE AT HAWAII

Since the big Japanese strike at the Hawaiian Island a number of Russians have been imported to take the places of the Asiatics. The result has so far been very successful, and the agent in Russia who is sending out the immigrants has received orders to stay his hand for a time until it is seen how the experiment will work. It is believed that the first batch of Russians arriving they refused to go to work on the plantations. Gradually their supply of money became exhausted and they then demanded that they be taken back to Russia. They said they would go to work on the plantations if they were guaranteed a certain scale of wages, given free furnished houses, and a number of other things.

One by one, however, hunger was driving them to work. The women and children were being cared for by the charitable inclined, but the men were given no food. That is the latest mail advice regarding the situation. It is probable that ere this all have gone to work.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Vancouver, March 18.—The annual meeting of the Sixth Regiment D. C. O. R. Rifle Association was held in the drill hall, and officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Honorary president, Lieutenant-Colonel F. W. Bouthors; president, Lieutenant Chas. Milne; vice-president, Lieutenant J. S. Matthews; financial secretary, Sergt. S. W. Tannar; statistical secretary, Corporal W. L. Hunt; auditor, Lieut. F. W. Ward.

The association's representatives to the Blasley shoot next June will be Capt. W. H. Forrest and Capt. W. Hart-McErg.

During the evening there was much lively general discussion, covering many points for the ensuing year, all of which were, finally embraced in the form of suggestions and recommendations to the incoming rifle committee, members of which will be elected by the various companies on Monday evening.

STOLE JEWELRY.

Aberdeen, Wash., March 19.—Edward Dugas, aged 18, has confessed to the police that he robbed the home of Frank Demitio of jewelry valued at \$50 that he might give to his school teacher, and is in the city jail to-day.

The boy gave his teacher a gold bracelet yesterday. The robbery of the Demitio home was also reported to the police. The teacher, fearing that the boy was a thief, reported the case to the police, and the arrest resulted.

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- ENGLISH CAPE GLOVES, 1 dome fastener, in tans only. Per pair **1.00**
- Same as above, in six button length. **1.50**
- CHILDREN'S GLOVES, in Dent's and fine kids. Per pair, 75c and **90c**

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- Our Neckwear showing for Spring contains many new ideas calling for your early approval. It is always worth while to look over our Neckwear Department when in the store.
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MANY STRIKE LEADERS JAILED IN AUSTRALIA

Ninety Foreign Vessels Are Awaiting Cargoes at Newcastle

A summary of the strike situation in Australia which has been published in the San Francisco Commercial News gives the point of view of the ordinary commercial man very clearly. It is as follows:

Last year was absolutely the best that Australia has ever seen, and but for the criminal coal strike everything would have been booming. The miners are now hopelessly beaten and disorganized, their leaders sent to jail, and they themselves left impoverished. There will be no more coal strikes for many years. The real instigator of the strike, Bowling, has been sentenced on two charges to two and a half years. The other two officers who were charged with him have received sentences of eighteen months, three others eight months, fifteen others two months

VALUABLE OPIUM CACHE DISCOVERED

Valuable Drug Hidden Beneath a Wharf at Vancouver

Vancouver, B.C., March 19.—The discovery of \$1,000 worth of opium concealed in a neatly contrived hiding place under the Canadian Pacific wharves was made here late yesterday by a railway bridge foreman, who reported his find to the Canadian customs officials, the latter destroying the drug. The tins of opium were so hidden that they could only be reached in a rowboat at high tide and had evidently been concealed there but a short time when found.

INDUSTRIAL WORKER DEAD.

Spokane, Wash., March 19.—S. O. Chinn, who contracted diabetes after being fed only bread and water for 35 days in the city jail, died at the hospital last evening. He was given the bread and water diet in punishment for his participation in the recent I. W. W. fight. His funeral on Sunday will be attended by several hundred people.

The longest term a British Prime Minister has held office during the last two centuries is 29 years 328 days (Robert Walpole); the shortest, two days (the Earl of Bath).

SAYERLYN MURDER CASE.

Watska, Ill., March 19.—Peter West, the Peoria millionaire, brother-in-law of Mrs. Sayerly, accused of murdering her husband, J. B. Sayerly, a banker, created a sensation here today by declaring that he would spend his entire fortune in Mrs. Sayerly's defence.

West and his wife are regarded as important witnesses for the defence. West recently was reported to be in California and the defence hoped to have him return before the trial of Mrs. Sayerly, her father, John West, and Dr. William Miller, who are also charged with Sayerly's murder. The defence sought a postponement of the trial, but the prosecution charged that West had disappeared for the purpose of causing a delay.

West's reappearance was a great relief to the defence, and he was expected to testify that although Sayerly was supposedly rich, he (West) had been from insolvency for years and had actually supported the family.

West's gifts to Mrs. Sayerly amounted to thousands. It is also reported that West had been in the city and was all done with the knowledge and consent of Sayerly, the defence charged that Sayerly asked his wife to endeavor to get money from West, which to straighten out his debt at the bank.



CHINESE DO WORK EUROPEANS MAKE

Country is Tired of Preyed Upon by Nations

"The Chinese do the work and the Europeans make the money the cry everywhere in China according to Captain W. Smith, who arrived yesterday on the India. Mr. Smith is an experienced traveler and has been over thirty years in the East. He says that the Chinese have been overworked and have lost several of their best river steamers on the Yangtze. He says that the Chinese are being preyed upon by other countries and that they are tired of being preyed upon by nations.

"There is a great revival of spirit in the Chinese mind," said the captain yesterday. "The Chinese are making more of a nation every day now than a slave nation made in a year. It is education, in trade and commerce, that is making the Chinese a nation. He will be one of the nations of the world."

"What do you think of the peril of the Chinese?" asked the reporter. "People do not know what is going on when they talk of the yellow peril," was the reply. "The Chinese are simply a nation that is being preyed upon by other countries and they are tired of being preyed upon by other countries when they do find them they will not be aggressive. They are simply a nation that is being preyed upon by other countries and they are tired of being preyed upon by other countries when they do find them they will not be aggressive. They are simply a nation that is being preyed upon by other countries and they are tired of being preyed upon by other countries when they do find them they will not be aggressive."

THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE

Lucky Numbers in the Grand National Steeples and Salmon Stakes

- The drawings in the local national steeplechase took place with the following results:
- Salmon Drawings
- 7753, Abeland; 8859, A. Atrato; 2456, Axle Pin; 4669, Bloodstone; 8711, 8723, Borough; 6967, 2222, Bushido; 4668, Butt Cacker; 7525, Cannock; Captain Farrell; 1635, Caubeen; 299, Duffey; 6742, Flaxman; 1592, G. 6539, Glenside; 7544, H. 4312, Holy War; 7751, H. Jenkinson; 8472, J. Jerry; 4859, Kilnucklin; 8 the Scarlets; 7112, K. Leinster; 6459, Logan; Lord Chatham; 7600, 6338, Lurcher; 3558, Little Mitchelltown; 8485, Moor Moorside II; 6228, Mous Fortune; 3875, Newry; 1388, Oak Park; 1027, Paddy Maher; 8543, P. 668, Phaethon; 9139, P. Playboy II; 7153, Preece Rathvale; 2045, Rorr; 3 round Danes; 509, Shady Girl; 8664, Sir Simon Passe; 7021, Sir 1728, Sore Toes; 4810 5839, Tom West; 1011, Vale; 2134, What Shanks ham; 4402, Wild Fox II; Ham the Fourth; 9160, Wy Morris Drawings
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SLEEPING DRAUG AND SOOTHING

A mother should never give a sleeping draught, or opiate of any kind, to a child, or a doctor who gives a sleeping draught to a child. All these things are an overdose may kill. When you give your child a sleeping draught, you are giving him a dose of government poison. It does not contain any opium or narcotic and cannot harm—but always dolefully promptly cures all natural sleep. Sold by Dr. Williams at 25 cents. Dr. Williams' Medicine Co.,

"The Young Ladies' church sent an enjoyable evening with Mrs. at her home, 142 1/2 W. A. S. Roberts gave an address on 'Temperance' and made added to the

PEOPLE MUST ACT SAYS THE MAYOR

HIS WORSHIP'S REMEDY FOR MUNICIPAL ILLS

Says All That is Necessary is "To Look Situation Fairly in the Face"

His Worship Mayor Morley, in a letter to the editor of the Times, which is appended, points out the remedy for the various ills which afflict the city in respect to its municipal administration, declaring that all that is necessary in order to secure the desired measure of reform is to "look the situation in the face and exercise the same common sense in running the city that proves successful in private enterprise."

At the close of last year the mayor issued a report showing a clear financial balance for 1909. On taking office the council of 1910 were started with a deficit of the B. C. Agricultural Association of \$23,500. Later they were confronted with a shortage on the James Bay Improvement By-law of \$21,000, and on the Salt Water Fire Protection By-law of \$10,000. Now comes a demand for \$30,000 to improve the Smith's Hill reservoir blunder, also a demand from the school board to redeem a promise made by the council of 1909, that on condition of the board paying a shortage on the road on the purchase of two small pieces of property, the council of 1910 would provide the balance of \$5,500 out of the general revenue to complete the transaction. Also \$2,000 for the cost of the royal commission.

The above items aggregate a sum of \$92,000. Add to this the possible additional expense of straightening out the water pumps, law suits and other matters incidental to 1909, and the council of 1910 stands faced with a charge upon its general revenue amounting to \$100,000. All these items are for purposes representing a deficit for 1909, and there is no assurance that there are not still further surprises in store.

Another matter of still greater importance as being a direct contravention of the act, open to liability under the act, is the using in 1908 and 1909 of money voted at the end of 1907 for the specific purpose of a modern public incinerator, with all appliances for collection and disposal of garbage by the city. This by-law was authorized by the people for the sum of \$54,000, and could not be legally used in any other part for any other purpose except by a new consenting by-law of the rate-payers.

Unknown to the public \$20,000 of debentures of which the sum of \$5,500 and \$5,540 was used for the purchase of lots in Spring Ridge under the guise of a possible use some time for a city yard or rather yards (feeling that the lots are wanted) in which the city garbage wagons might be kept. \$5,086.13 has been spent in experimenting with a home-made miniature incinerator, the first construction of which was an absolute failure.

A record loud to say nothing of the worry and additional labor entailed. Naturally everyone is anxious that responsibility should be placed, not only for the reservoir blunder, but for all civic mismanagement. This can be done without the expense of a commission and all the citizens of Victoria need is to look the situation fairly in the face and exercise the same common sense in running the city that proves successful in private enterprise.

While no practical results are likely to accrue as to the reservoir itself, a royal commission will indeed be welcome at any pecuniary cost if it leads ultimately to a change from our present system of city government to a business proposition.

A. J. MORLEY, Mayor.

RUSSIAN PEASANTS ARE SWINDLED

Collectors Take Up Subscription for Prayers and Pocket the Money

Kieff, March 18.—Taking advantage of the ignorance and superstition of the Russian masses, swindlers in many parts of the empire are reaping a harvest in the shape of subscriptions for special prayers for the delivery of the world from Halle's comet. In Kieff and vicinity the scene is general and correspondingly profitable to the solicitors. Widely scattered leaflets describe the comet as "a sign of God's scourge and the harbinger of universal war and famine, if not of the end of the world."

The money secured, of course, never gets to the churches and monasteries for which the donors intend it, and inasmuch as there seems no disposition on the part of the authorities to check the wholesale frauds, the suspicion is growing in certain quarters that the police are getting their share of the plunder.

The 12-in. Elswick guns used in the British navy weigh 8 tons and the shells from them can penetrate nearly 4 ft. of wrought iron at 2,000 yards.

FLYNN KNOCKED OUT BY LANGFORD

Boston Man Wins in Eighth Round After Vicious Fight

Jeffries' Arena, Vernon, Cal., March 18.—In one of the most vicious contests ever witnessed in Los Angeles, Sam Flynn yesterday knocked out Jim Langford in the eighth round of what was to have been a 45-round contest. A right uppercut to the jaw was the blow that finished Flynn. His face was badly cut and his jaw was broken. He tried to rise, but was counted out while on his knees. After the fight Langford smiled at Flynn and in reply to a remark, said: "Don't let me kill you. It was apparent that the Boston man would win from the very first round, and it was only a question of how many rounds the fighting fireman would last. In the fourth round Flynn showed at his best his boxing tactics, but even in this round he seemed to be weak. The fight by rounds follows:

Round 1.—They shook hands and Flynn forced a clinch. They fought desperately in the center of the ring. Langford hooked right to jaw. Then followed a fierce mixup, each landing rights and left. Langford uppercut with right and they clinched. Langford hooked right to the jaw and sent Flynn's head back. Flynn came back with right to body. Langford hooked right to head. Langford sent right to head and they clinched. Flynn showed up well fighting. Langford landed a hard right to the nose and hard right hook to the stomach. Langford repeated to the body with right. Flynn was bleeding while Langford was unmarked.

Round 2.—Langford sent a straight left to nose and they clinched. Flynn kept boring in. Flynn landed right to head and forced Langford to ropes. Langford attempted to put Flynn down with a right to jaw. Flynn was fighting desperately but Langford was the stronger. They clinched in the center of the ring and Langford reached the body with right and left. Flynn was wild. It was a fierce contest and Flynn was in trouble. Langford's round by a big margin.

Round 3.—They came together in the center of the ring and exchanged furious rights and lefts. Langford sent Flynn down for the count. As Flynn rose, Langford attempted to put Flynn down with a right to jaw. Flynn was fighting desperately but Langford was the stronger. They clinched in the center of the ring and Langford reached the body with right and left. Flynn was wild. It was a fierce contest and Flynn was in trouble. Langford's round by a big margin.

Round 4.—They sparred at the opening and Langford shot left twice to the body. Flynn was fighting wildly and was cautioned by the referee. Flynn smiled at the newspapermen over Langford's shoulders, but it was a poor attempt to appear at ease. Langford left and right to the face and laughs at Flynn's wild attempts to return. Flynn sent right to jaw but his blows lacked steam. Langford sent three uppercuts to the jaw in a clinch. Langford's round.

Round 5.—They clinched in the center of the ring and Flynn reached the stomach with left and right. Langford landed right to the jaw and left and nearly knocked Flynn over. Flynn closed frequently to avoid punishment. Langford sent straight left to jaw and gets away without a return. Sam sent left and right to the jaw and they clinched. Langford punished Flynn's stomach and staggered him with a left to the jaw. Flynn rushed Sam to the ropes and reached the center of the ring. Flynn was staggering at the bell.

Round 6.—They sparred at the opening and Langford reached jaw with two rights to the stomach. Sam jabbed Flynn three times with his left and a moment later swung right hard to the jaw. Flynn was left to the body and Flynn closed in and landed right to the stomach. In the inching Langford sent three lefts to the jaw. They jabbed left to stomach and repeated to the jaw. Langford seemed to have slowed up somewhat. Even round.

Round 7.—Flynn landed right to the head. Langford put left to nose and they wrestled about the ring. Flynn sent hard right to stomach. Flynn sends right to jaw and seemed the stronger. Langford smiled and jabbed left to nose and right to the body. Flynn closed in and landed right to the stomach. In the inching Langford sent three lefts to the jaw. They jabbed left to stomach and repeated to the jaw. Langford seemed to have slowed up somewhat. Even round.

Round 8.—They exchanged lefts and Flynn rushed Langford to the ropes with left and rights to the head. Flynn landed left to stomach and repeated to the jaw. Langford sent straight left to stomach. Flynn bored in and sent Langford to the ropes. Langford jabbed left to stomach and right to the body and Flynn closed in and landed right to the stomach. In the inching Langford sent three lefts to the jaw. They jabbed left to stomach and repeated to the jaw. Langford seemed to have slowed up somewhat. Even round.

Grand Forks, March 18.—Mrs. Galer, wife of H. H. Galer, president of the British American Trust Co., Vancouver, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at her home near this city. Mrs. Galer had been out walking, and upon returning home tired, lay down on her bed. Five minutes afterwards she died, apparently from heart trouble. Mr. Galer is expected here to-day from the Coast.

IRISHMEN HONOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL DINNER THURSDAY NIGHT

Eloquent Speeches, Sweet Music and Rousing Songs Were Features

Irishmen of Victoria have every reason to be proud of the success of the banquet which was given Thursday in honor of their patron saint. There were nearly one hundred and fifty guests of the old sod, Canadians of Irish parentage and friends of the race assembled in the dining-room of the Dominion hotel, and after enjoying an excellent dinner they spent a pleasant three hours listening to Irish music and some very good speeches.

The room was decked in green and the tables were prettily set. Behind the chairman was an Irish flag, surrounded by the Irish welcome, "Caeil Mille Failithe," and flanked by the Union Jack. E. B. Thomson, who was in the chair and there were present as guests Hon. Richard McBride, Mayor Morley, Fred Davey, M. P., R. F. Green, and A. E. Smith, United States consul.

The toast of the King was loyally honored and was followed by one to the president of the United States, to which Consul Smith responded. Mr. Houston spoke for the toast of the evening, Ireland. He expressed his sense of the privilege and honor of replying to this toast, and presumed that he was Irish-born.

"The highest honor in the world," said one of the company, a sentiment which met with instant approval. Mr. Houston went on to say that if St. Patrick had not been born in Ireland, as some maintained, he should have been, for he was worthy of that honor. It was the spirit of St. Patrick which touched all things, and the ages, animated that great island and its people. The greatest of Irish products were its men and women. Some remained at home, while thousands went abroad into the world to work and make it what it ought to be, bearing the name of Ireland high and true, men and virtuous women. It should be the aim of all there go onwards like St. Patrick with a heart full of love for his fellows and working for the benefit of the world.

Premier McBride responded for Canada and British Columbia. "The land of our adoption," he said before he said, so far as related to hospitality of the kind, had he so pleasurable received and accepted an invitation. "The Columbia was the adopted country of many an Irishman, and was able to adopt not only the Irish but Ireland as well. While Irishmen were too modest to claim perfection in any of the arts, they were not so in the art of laying the foundations here, whether in affairs of state or matters of commerce and development, a considerable part had been borne by Irishmen. "The Dear Little Shamrock" and "The Veteran"; A. E. Craddock contributed "Phil, the Fluter's Ball"; and other humorous selections. The musical end of the dinner had been given up, as near perfect as was possible, and still more so the Irish woman (cheers) she undoubtedly was perfection. In the history of the Empire, of which she formed a part, she had always taken a prominent place and done their duty nobly. 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PESCAWAHA HAS BEEN REPORTED CALLED AT MONTEREY FEW DAYS AGO

Schooner Had 209 Skins—Other Schooners Are Leaving

A week ago the schooner Pescawaha reached Monterey with 209 seal skins, the result of her spring catch so far...

LAND SEEKERS FROM UNITED STATES

First Excursion-Party of Season Has Arrived at Calgary

Calgary, March 19.—The season's first personally conducted private party of American land-seekers arrived in Calgary this morning...

ROSSLAND STORES DO NOT CLOSE ON SUNDAY

Council Turns Down Request For the Passage of By-Law

Rossland, B. C., March 17.—The question of the closing of stores on Sunday formed the most important subject which came before the city council at its last meeting...

EARL GREY PAYS VISIT TO ALBANY

Canada's Governor-General Guest at Luncheon of University Club

Albany, N. Y., March 19.—Albany welcomed both President Taft and Earl Grey, governor-general of Canada, to-day. The city was gay with bunting and British and American flags were displayed on every side...

SPEAKER CANNON IS DEFEATED

ELIMINATED FROM RULES COMMITTEE

Allies Gain Victory in the U. S. House of Representatives

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The last preliminary fight, before the main question of the day was the overruling of the speaker's decision against the Norris resolution by a vote of 182 yeas to 160 nays.

Washington, March 17.—Vancouver's estimates for 1910, as tabulated by the city council in committee, reach the sum of \$2,153,213.72, as against a little over \$1,700,000 in 1909.

TROUBLE IN INDIA IS SERIOUS MATTER

Traveller From Assam Blames Lord Minto for Not Dealing With Situation

India in a bad way, according to information brought by W. H. Lyall, manager of a big tea plantation in India, who arrived on Friday on the steamer Empress of China...

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On the passage out from Newcastle-on-Tyne to Fugate Sound, which has recently been completed by the French barque Duc d'Aumale, Capt. H. Leheve, now at Tacoma discharging cargo...

SHAWNIGAN ASSOCIATION BUILDING IS READY

Grand Opening Dance Will Be Held in Pavilion on April Twenty-First

Formal arrangements for the welfare of the Shawnigan Lake District Association were proceeded with last evening when the board of directors of that body met...

Another meeting will be held at the J. B. A. A. on Tuesday evening next, when all the sub-committees will be appointed and final arrangements made.

John Virtue and Harry Austin Paid Flying Visit to New Port.

EMPRESS IN FROM JAPAN

OVER TWO HUNDRED PASSENGERS ARRIVE

Some Interesting Passengers From Oriental Points

With 207 passengers and about two thousand tons of freight the Royal Mail liner Empress of India arrived on Friday from Hongkong via Yokohama.

Other passengers were: Mrs. Pike, wife of Commander Pike, of H. M. S. Monmouth. Mrs. Pike was born in this city.

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ILLINOIS MURDER TRIAL

Watsela, Ill., March 18.—Owing to the general discussion of the Sawyer murder case throughout the county, the state's officers are experiencing difficulty in securing a jury to try Mrs. J. B. Sawyer, her father, John Grunden, and Dr. Wm. Miller, charged with having murdered the woman's husband.

TRIAL RUN

Princess Victoria Made Excellent Speed Coming From Vancouver.

On Friday afternoon the steamer Princess Victoria made her spring trial trip with Captain Troup and Port Engineer McDougal on board.

NEW CHURCH

New Westminster, March 17.—Work has been commenced on the clearing of a site for a church to be built by the Roman Catholic population of Fraser Mills, the necessary property having been donated by the proprietors of the big mill.

DEAD MAN AT THE STEERING WHEEL

Auto Driver Dies Suddenly and Occupants of Car Have Narrow Escape

S. John, Kas., March 19.—Speeding across the Kansas prairies in an automobile at twenty miles an hour, with a corpse at the steering wheel, and saved from death or serious injury by a straight and smooth road, was the strange experience from which Mrs. O. B. Shepherd and three of her friends are recovering to-day.

ASSESSMENT LARGER BY TWO MILLIONS

New Westminster is Growing Fast—Estimates for the Current Year

New Westminster, March 17.—The assessment of the city has been given out as \$7,445,000, which is about \$3,000,000 more than it was last year.

RS. HETTY GREEN GIVES SITE FOR ART PALACE

Will Form Part of New York Memorial to Christopher Columbus

New York, March 18.—Mrs. Hetty Green will indirectly make New York by an Easter offering valued at \$500,000, according to Miss T. Brizzi, director of studies at the Christopher Columbus university, to-day.

TWO NEGROES ARE LYNCHED BY MOB

Confessed They Aided Prisoners to Escape From Jail

Memphis, Tenn., March 19.—Charlie Richardson and Bob Austin, negroes, were taken from the jail at Marion, Ark., yesterday by a mob of 50 men and lynched.

WIRELESS ON STEAMERS

Washington, D. C., March 18.—The Senate committee on commerce has recommended for passage the Bourne bill providing for wireless telegraph apparatus on steamers.

LOGGERS GET DAMAGES

Vancouver, March 18.—Rhine Fakema, plaintiff in the three trial damage case against the Brooks-Scanlon Logging Company, has been awarded damages for \$4,500 and costs by a special jury.

FUNERAL OF JOHN HOUSTON

Nelson, March 17.—The funeral of the late John Houston, four times mayor of Nelson, was the largest ever seen in the Kootenays.

VENTURE LEFT CLYDE EARLY THIS MORNING

Should Arrive Here in Time for Celebration Twenty-fourth of May

(From Saturday's Daily.) A cable message was received this morning by John Barnsley, superintendent of the Bosworth Steamship Company, stating that the new steamer Venture left Old Kipstick, on the Clyde, this morning for Victoria.

RIOTS AT BOGOTA

Bogota, Colombia, March 18.—Attempts to renew the street car service this evening caused serious rioting, which continues. The American legation is under police guard, and all Colombians employed by the American company owning the railway system are in serious danger.

RECEIPTS—Sundry licenses, etc., \$88,100; rentals, \$7,870; fees and receipts, \$198,730.20; government grant, \$85,000; water collections, \$300,000; taxes, 20 mills net on \$76,881,820 assessment, \$1,347,636.40; total, \$2,123,336.60.

Expenditure—Board of works, \$282,240; new work, \$111,960; scavenging, \$55,159; new, \$20,617; library, \$17,558; interest and sinking fund, \$388,995.11; waterworks, \$228,325.46; health, \$10,720; fire and light, \$167,578; new equipment, \$28,000; electrical, \$82,216; police department, \$178,653; pound, \$4,300; park commissioners, \$31,390; school trustees, \$412,121.15; finance, \$167,669; grants, \$94,850; total, \$2,153,213.72.

The tax rate will probably remain at 20 mills.

The resolution carried by a vote of 192 to 153. Many Republican regulars, foreseeing the defeat of the Cannon bill, voted to overturn the resolution.

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GOVERNMENT POLICY ON NAVY IS THE RIGHT ONE

Ralph Smith Delivers a Notable Speech in the House of Commons in the Course of the Naval Debate.

In the course of the navy debate at Ottawa a speech was made by Ralph Smith, member for Nanaimo, which has been very highly spoken of, both for its merits as a piece of oratory and for its value as a contribution to the subject upon which Canadian politics at the present moment...

Mr. Speaker: I am following my hon. friend's own argument. He explained last night that there was very serious danger in this country, and then they declare across the Atlantic to assist the Empire in any emergency that might arise on the other side...

Coming from a maritime province, as I do, in fact, coming from the farthest western constituency in Canada, I think it is incumbent on me as a member of that particular district, to have a view on the question...

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to give instructions as to whether or not the naval or military forces should be sent to the protection of the British Empire. My hon. friend thought that was a very serious omission. I do not know exactly where he meant to place the responsibility, you have to have the responsibility somewhere...

Mr. Speaker: Does the hon. gentleman propose to read section 4, without reading section 18, or does he read section 18 into section 4, and if the Government can act what is the necessity of my hon. friend's proposal...

The thought struck me at that moment that even in that case, my hon. friend's proposal would be an action on that occasion? He had no right to say a year ago when this resolution was unanimously adopted, but no sooner did this government...

My answer to my hon. friend is simple. As I said, he controverted two things in the policy of the government last night. He said that the government were destroying the constitution of this country...

My hon. friend made a great deal of a statement of the Premier in his address, which he repeats to the House with great amusement of the hon. gentleman opposite. That was why I put myself out of order by making the remark I did...

Now, I want to ask the House to bear with me for a few minutes while I discuss the three principles which are before the House. We are called upon as members of this House to vote for or against three things...

difficulties under which British diplomacy operated. I do not say that every negotiation in the past has been carried on to the best interests of the Empire, but I do say that the men who had the responsibility of carrying out these negotiations did the best they could in the interests of the Empire...

Mr. Burrell: I would like to ask the hon. member if he considers there is an emergency, and if so, what does he propose to do?

Mr. Smith: I intend to make my own speech in my own way, and I will answer my hon. friend on the question of an emergency before I get through. I propose to go from one point to another in logical sequence...

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The statements that this paper makes have an important bearing upon the question. Let me read the article for Yale-Cariboo, who is alarmed about the crisis. I know that my hon. friend will appreciate the sentiments that come from the source...

"The conviction of the indivisibility of the Empire, which grows deeper and deeper in the British mind and eventuates in the fact that the Empire is expressed in the speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Borden on creating a Canadian navy was introduced in the Canadian House of Commons. We have always maintained that the colonies ought not to be harassed into making contributions to the British navy; that an Empire which is to have any reality cannot be maintained by the colonies on the centre on the circumference from which exists and flourishes by the spontaneous desire of all the different parts of the Empire...

Let me read another passage from the same editorial: "Last April it was reported that Victoria and Vancouver would combine to give a Dreadnought upon consideration they preferred not to divert any money from their policy for a good many years. The Australian navy. The decision of Canada was understood also to be in favor of a local navy, but nothing definite was known till Sir Wilfrid Laurier made his statement on Wednesday. The man would be ungrateful and unromantic, indeed, who could read that statement without feeling that it was a movement that has been begun which is destined to go on from strength to strength. It is quite impossible now that there should be any return on the part of Great Britain to the principle adopted by the imperial defence committee in 1906. The imperial defence committee then approved of the Australian proposal to maintain a local navy. It acted on the advice of the admiralty, which was to the effect that an efficient navy is one and indivisible, that small local navies independent characteristics could not be readily absorbed into the royal navy in an emergency, and that the best assistance that the dominions could give the Mother Country would be regular contributions of money, Canada and Australia, in their different degrees, have rejected that advice; and though they have not done so, the admiralty point of view, we think on the whole that Canada and Australia have decided wisely. There are two chief objections to the policy which I have described. One is that the British taxpayer would be tempted to regard them as made in relief of his own pocket."

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statements that this paper makes an important thing upon this nation. Let me read the words of Cariboo, who is alarmed about the crisis. I know that my hon. friend will appreciate the sentiments I am to mention. I refer to the London Spectator for January 15th, 1910, which says:

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It is quite impossible that there should be any return to the status quo ante bellum... The Mother Country would be a large contributor to Canada and Australia...

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FORMAL OPENING OF CANOE PASS BRIDGE: Premier and Minister of Public Works Will Attend Ceremony. New Westminster, March 19.—The official opening of the bridge at Canoe Pass connecting Westham Island with the mainland of Delta municipality, will take place on Tuesday, March 29th, and will be an occasion of some moment to the people of Westham Island. Premier McBride and the Hon. Thos. Taylor, minister of public works, will officiate. They will be the guests of the Westham Island people in the evening in company with F. J. MacKenzie, M.P.P., Delta, they will be tendered a banquet at Ladner. The banquet will be served in the Odd Fellows' hall and it will be quite an elaborate affair, the Westham Island people having decided to show their appreciation of the bridge by treating the premier, the Hon. Mr. Taylor and Mr. MacKenzie, in royal style.

FORMAL OPENING OF CANOE PASS BRIDGE: The bridge, which was constructed by the provincial government at a cost of between \$35,000 and \$50,000, was finished in December and first swung open on Christmas Eve. It formed a welcome Christmas gift to the people of Westham Island, who have been saved much expense and inconvenience since its construction.

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VANCOUVER TAX RATE: Vancouver, March 19.—The Vancouver tax rate has been fixed at the mill figure, the same as in the previous year. The gross levy is 2.2, divided as follows: Schools, 4.26 mill; interest and sinking fund, 6.38 mill; general taxation, 11.68 mill. The city council held a special session and completed the formal arrangements in the passage of the necessary by-law. Slight alterations were made in the estimates, including an addition of \$6,000 in the finance contingent fund; the advancement of the associated charities' grant by \$2,000; reduction of S. P. C. A. of \$250, and Victoria Order of Nurses to \$50. The estimates were balanced by placing in the anticipated receipts an amount of \$57,777.12 on account of arrears of taxes.

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GOVERNMENT POLICY ON NAVY IS THE RIGHT ONE

(Continued from page 10.)

able Canadians have already begun to shout for a fleet. This is to take the form of an 'emergency contribution'.

Here is a statement of Mr. McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, in answer to the ravings of Blatchford. Britain has now seven Dreadnoughts in commission, Germany has two; when Germany has four Britain will have ten, when Germany has five Britain will have twelve, when Germany in two years will have thirteen Britain will have twenty. He concludes by saying: 'I have not referred to ships of an earlier type than the Dreadnoughts. We have an overwhelming superiority in that class of ships. The navy scare has not the slightest foundation in fact.'

Blatchford a Paid Agitator. I have also a statement from Mr. John Burns, a responsible minister, who ought to be taken by the hon. gentleman for a greater authority than Robert Blatchford. Both the hon. members for Yale-Cariboo and Kootenay endeavored to prove to this House the existence of a conspiracy for the development of the Old Country by the writings of Robert Blatchford—Robert Blatchford, the Paid agitator of Tory politicians, the gentleman who for years was willing to write for pay on the other. An hon. gentleman who mentions the name of Robert Blatchford as a British subject and as an evidence of the 'existence of a crisis in Great Britain' does not believe in the principle of self-government in a country like Canada. Is there any man willing to destroy the principle of responsible government, and to send a contribution of \$200,000,000 or \$25,000,000 to Great Britain at the instigation of Robert Blatchford? Yet, Robert Blatchford was held up to us by the authorities who were looking for a true statement of the condition of Great Britain to-day. The hon. gentlemen were willing to accept a reason of that kind believing, that as Robert Blatchford was a man who could find a good reason; at any rate, once every forty-eight hours. Mr. John Burns says in effect exactly what I am saying now.

I shall not take time to read some extracts from speeches by the leader of the opposition a year ago. He has set himself against the policy of establishing a Canadian navy. When I was thinking this thing out, I said to myself: I wonder if I could not commit a few extracts from this hon. gentleman's speech to memory. In favor of a Canadian navy, we are not getting anything better. What was the position by the leader of the opposition ten months ago? We know his position now, what was it ten months ago? Let me remind the Minister of Militia that the leader of the opposition less than twelve months ago conceived the importance of a Canadian navy to be so great that he was willing to lay the land defense of this country, and then said we should spend half the money we are now spending for militia to formulate a Canadian navy. He laid stress on the land defense of Canada, and then trade in comparison with its overseas trade, and contended that the argument was preponderantly in favor of a naval policy as against a land militia.

Said the leader of the opposition: Ninety-two per cent. of the trade of this country passes over the sea, whilst the remaining eight per cent. passes over the land. For this land business we subscribe an average of \$8,000,000 a year. What would be wrong in taking three or four million dollars from the land defense and substituting for a strong, magnificent protection of this country? I supported that principle because just a few weeks before I had made some little complaint in this House against the enormous expenditure on the militia from the standpoint that the ministers were contracting the appropriations for public works in the country generally on account of the financial conditions, and that when we were reducing the expenditure for productive public works, we might have seen our way at that particular time for that particular reason to decrease the large expenditure made on the militia for that particular year. When the leader of the opposition put up his argument I agreed with him entirely. I shall read one sentence from the hon. gentleman's speech. He said: 'I venture to submit to you, Mr. Speaker, and to the members of this House, that the expenditure in defence of our shores by the British Empire, in defence of the waters of the ocean which are immediately adjacent to our coasts is of immensely greater advantage and of immensely greater importance than the expenditure which, year after year, we are disbursing in connection with the military forces of this country. I am entirely of opinion, in the first place, that the proper line upon which we should proceed in that regard is the line of having a Canadian naval force of our own.'

I submit that is a marvellous exhibition to have these words from responsible leaders of great national parties. There can be no change in any conditions or circumstances which would correspond to the enormous change in these opinions. What has happened in these months that Canada should have a navy ten months ago and should not have a navy to-day? Perhaps the scare has been scare for good. Perhaps the hon. gentleman thinks there is no such thing as an emergency. If a Canadian navy to-day is not necessary because hon. gentlemen think there is not an emergency, by what line of reasoning can they suppose that there ought to be two Dreadnoughts? If it is not necessary to build up the protection of this country for the defence of Canada, for the trade of Canada, what particular reason is there that we should send \$20,000,000 or \$25,000,000 out of this country over which we would have no control? I submit that there is no reason or logic in the position hon. gentlemen have taken.

Two Contrasting Speeches. Another hon. gentleman, the hon. member for North Grey (Mr. Middlebrooke) made a very magnificent speech last year, and of course he switched around just as quickly as did all the rest of the hon. gentlemen. I wish to read a few words of my hon. friend's

speech of a year ago. I read it just three hours before he delivered his speech this year, and as he addressed the House I was able to compare his speech of this year with his speech of last year, and to observe the wonderfully quick change that he had made. Let me read a few sentences: 'We are here today to protect the Dominion of Canada, a country that has a population of 7,000,000, a country that is thirty-three times as large as Italy, eighteen times as large as Germany, eight times as large as France, nearly as large as the whole of Europe, and slightly larger than the United States. We are here to protect the commerce and the productivity of the Dominion of Canada. We are here to protect seven thousand miles of coast line on the Pacific coast.'

Now, I expect the support of my hon. friend in connection with the handling of the matter to be built for Esquimaux in my district. 'We are here to protect 7,000 miles of coast line on the Pacific coast.' If that was his position ten months ago, what has happened? May I not say that he has changed his mind to protect the 7,000 miles of sea coast on the Pacific, and support the government policy when he has an opportunity?

Mr. Speaker, it seems to me that the policy of establishing a Canadian navy is part and parcel of the great work of development in this country. If it is a reasonable thing for Canada to build a railway from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and to transport the products of this country to foreign lands, but principally to Great Britain, is it not equally reasonable that these products should be protected on the seas? If it is reasonable to open mines, to build factories and railways, to develop the country to such an enormous extent, are we doing, does my hon. friend consider it unreasonable that we should commence, perhaps in a small way, but as soon as possible to provide ourselves with the means of protecting some measure of the products of this country and of supplementing the navy of the Empire at some future day when a more serious emergency arises than any that exists to-day?

I do not intend to read any more of the speech of my hon. friend from North Grey. But he spoke of the magnificent productions of British Columbia, and Alberta, and Saskatchewan, and Ontario, and Quebec, and New Brunswick, and that important province down by the sea, the province of Nova Scotia, and asked if hon. gentlemen did not consider that these were the things we ought to protect, and that this was not a reason why we ought to commence as soon as possible to provide for a Canadian navy.

Mr. Middlebrooke: I ask the hon. gentleman this question: Does he say that my speech of last year indicated that I was in favor of a Canadian navy; and if he does, will he allow me to quote my own speech to show that I am in no such position?

Mr. Smith: Mr. Speaker, I did not intend to take up so much time, but now I am driven to read my hon. friend's remarks. Made the statement that my hon. friend made, that the great business of this country was to protect the industries of this country from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

Mr. Middlebrooke: By means of the British navy.

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Mr. Smith: Mr. Speaker, experience has shown that the British navy is very excited. Experience this afternoon proves that hon. gentlemen always act before they think. I was not contending, I could not possibly contend, that the hon. member was opposed to a contribution to the Empire. What I contended was that last year he was in favor of developing a Canadian navy, and that last year he was in favor of developing a Canadian navy, and that last year he was in favor of developing a Canadian navy, and that last year he was in favor of developing a Canadian navy.

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What naval force? Mr. Middlebrooke: The naval force I referred to is the naval force of the British navy, as recommended by the admiralty.

Mr. Smith: My hon. friend has made a very satisfactory explanation, and I am quite right in contending that he was advocating a Canadian naval force, but he says it is the kind of force which the British admiralty recommended. I was not questioning whether he wanted a little or a big one. I was simply declaring that a year ago the hon. gentleman advocated the establishment of a Canadian navy. In a little while, my hon. friend proposed against that statement and his friends around him applauded, but he finally admitted that he did want the establishment of a Canadian navy on the condition that that statement and the recommendation of the British admiralty. Well, even that is a Canadian navy, and that is what I am talking about.

Now, I wish to say a word about what my hon. friend the member for Victoria. He made a speech in which he deplored the fact that the Imperial navy was withdrawn from the Pacific and the rest of Canada. But what did he say in that connection? He said it would be a fortunate thing if, out of the regrettable incident of that kind, there should arise a better result, and that it should lead to the establishment of a Canadian navy. That is what he said, and what I contend is the tenor of his speech was in favor of a Canadian navy. I do not suspect that he will cast his vote for a subscription to Great Britain and against a Canadian navy. The thumb screw has evidently been put on the other side as well as this. What is the kind of thing which works both ways. The hon. member thinks that the Liberal government have a patent for the rights of the sea, but the hon. member for North Toronto and his followers, could not twist the hon. gentleman around as they do, unless there was a thumb screw on the other side.

Mr. Weathercock Opposed to the Colonies. I appeal to my hon. friend from East Grey as one of the old members of this House, one of its most respected, intelligent and experienced members, that can the people of this country expect from a party which could dilute a policy in this House on one of the most important questions that ever came before the country and support the policy of the hon. member for North Toronto as well as themselves on record as positively hostile to that same policy. Why, hon. gentlemen opposite have not begun to reflect on the weight of the opinion in the matter of the British Empire. It is an easy thing to turn around. It is easy to say one thing to-day and the opposite to-morrow, but the intelligent electorate of this country want a man who is a combination of men to do the business of this country especially in questions of national defence, on stable foundations.

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The hon. Minister of Militia and Defence will bear me out in saying that the hon. member for North Toronto, who represented in that conference to suggest that the proper thing to do was to look after Canada, and by so doing they would be looking after the Empire. My hon. friend represented in the last one, was in favor of giving Dreadnoughts, or making contributions towards the maintenance of the British Empire. That is the declaration? I have the record, and one of the most respectable reviews in Australia, one of the strongest men in Australia to-day is entirely opposed to the policy of a contribution, and that they have started out to defend themselves. They are in favor of the creation of an Australian naval defence within a few years will be a handsome contribution to the integrity of the British Empire. That is all in favor of the policy of Great Britain herself.

What British House Thought. Now, I will read a resolution which was passed in the Imperial parliament in 1892, and that policy has been maintained ever since. 'That this House (while fully recognizing the claims of all portions of the British Empire to Imperial aid in their protection against perils arising from the contingencies of Imperial policy) do hereby recognize the fact that the British Empire, but they were making provision in that resolution for the Imperial policy of the hon. member for North Toronto, who has been in the colonies under the disadvantages that accrued to them from the operation of the Imperial policy.'

It is of opinion that the colonies exercising the rights of self-government should undertake the maintenance of their own internal order and security, and ought to assist in their own external defence. That resolution was passed unanimously by the Imperial parliament. In 1895, the Colonial Defence Act was passed. Its object was to enable the colonies to provide for the maintenance of their own internal order and vessels of war, and also to raise volunteer forces to form part of the royal navy reserve established under the provisions of the Colonial Defence Act of 1895. This is the kind of act you are talking about.

The members of such reserves will be available for general service in the Royal Navy in time of emergency, and will be available for the maintenance of a colony to place them at the disposal of the Imperial government. Sir, when hon. gentlemen come to this House and propose that this country should undertake the maintenance of its own internal order and security, and ought to assist in their own external defence, they are proposing that this country should undertake the maintenance of its own internal order and security, and ought to assist in their own external defence.

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controlled and spent in Great Britain. It would not be long before we should have another such lesson as was taught when a large part of this continent was torn from the British Empire. Mr. Speaker, the great secret of the development of British life in Canada lies in giving to every citizen of Canada the chance to work out his own salvation. Therefore, I maintain that no policy has ever come before this House that will do more for the development of our national spirit than the policy now under discussion.

What does this policy mean practically? We are not building navies for the purpose of having shipsyard and docks, but we are building docks and shipsyards because we are going to build a navy. Hon. members opposite have said that the strongest argument in support of our policy is the argument of the leaves and fishes. These are not the objects of this policy, but they are the results of this policy if carried out in a reasonable and business-like way. Am I to assume that these hon. gentlemen opposite do not want to build our own shipsyards, to dig our own docks, to develop our own mines, to construct our own ships, to employ our own sailors and fishermen? Am I to understand, as declared by the hon. member for Vancouver, that what we want is to go back to the Crown colony stage, and, every time we are in trouble, crawl to the feet of the parent country and implore her to intervene and help us?

I say, sir, the policy of this government adds to the great name of this country, and gives an opportunity to the increasing intelligence of our citizens to go forward in national development, national manhood, national character, national strength, national defence, which, fifty years hence, will cause every man in Canada to wonder that any party in this country should have the want of foresight or audacity to question the necessity for the establishment of a naval force for our country.

MANUFACTURERS SEEK SITES IN VICTORIA

Development League's Work Brings Many Inquiries All the Time

Two communications from manufacturing firms in search of sites are among Secretary McGaffey's latest mail, and bear testimony to the value of the work the Vancouver Island Development League is doing. Mark Wright, Charlottetown, P. E. I., intends to move his house furnishings and bedding factory to Victoria and wants information as to available buildings. The factory would be situated in the outskirts of the city. Among the firm's output are wire and stuffed mattresses. Mr. Stanley, Iowa, is a manufacturer of gasoline engines, who was recently burned out and seeks another location. He has written to the Development League to ask the prospect of establishing his business here.

To both these inquirers Secretary McGaffey is sending the fullest information. He is having a steady stream of such inquiries from every part of the continent. J. Craighead, secretary of the Canadian and General Emigration and Passenger Agency, London, has written for information as to the opportunities offered in this section of the British Columbia for domestic help, and this is being sent him.

The same good work being done here is also going on at the Nanaimo and Ladysmith branches, as well as at other island points.

FROM A SHADOW TO ROBUST HEALTH

Is the Change Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Made in a New Brunswick Wick Woman

Anemia—bloodlessness—is a trouble confined largely to women and growing girls. Its victims are pale; they lose all strength—the least exertion greatly fatigues them and they suffer continually from headaches and depression of spirits. Nothing will cure anaemia so quickly or so surely as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—they have cured thousands of cases, not only in Canada but throughout the whole world. They do this because they make good blood. Among those cured by these Pills is Mrs. T. Chalmers Hartley, East Florenceville, N. B., who writes: 'At the age of sixteen I fell away to a mere shadow. I had scarcely any blood and suffered from all the distressing symptoms of anemia. Doctors did not help me in the least, and acting on the advice of a friend I began taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They effected a remarkable change in my condition; indeed I really believe they saved my life, as I have been well and strong ever since I took them. I also recommended the Pills to a neighbor's daughter who was similarly run down, and they also completely restored her health.'

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W. L. Collins, of Quesnel, and A. C. Murray, of Fort St. James, managers of Hudson's Bay Company's posts, have arrived in Victoria on a vacation trip. Mr. Murray reports that the fur trade has been very poor the past season, owing to scarcity of animals, due to the depredations of bands of wolves and coyotes. Mr. Murray is of the opinion that the sales of the present season will bring the highest prices of furs of all varieties on record in the long history of the Hudson's Bay Company.

SPLENDID WORK OF THE W. C. T. U. MISSION

Congratulations Offered by Leading Men at Opening of New Building

On Friday afternoon the formal opening of the new W. C. T. U. mission on Store street took place. The programme included addresses from the Bishop of Columbia, Bishop Macdonald and Rev. H. A. Carson. His worship the mayor was also present, and gave a short but inspiring talk. Mrs. Willcroft occupied the chair during the afternoon.

Bishop Perrin, who was the first to speak, complimented the union on having secured such an excellent building for the mission. It would fill a long felt want by providing a shelter for our men, a bed for a specified time, meals and a bed for a specified time. Bishop Perrin declared that this system had been adopted in England and which would enter into the character of an experimental system. Should it be shown that by contract the sidewalks can be laid at a lower rate than by the usual method, it is certain that the latter system will be abandoned entirely.

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FIRE IN PREMISES OF MELROSE COMPANY

Damages to Amount of \$1,500—Fireman Hill is Injured

Dense, thick, black smoke, belching from the broad street windows of the storehouse of the Melrose Paint Company, was noticed on Friday about 9 o'clock, by a passer-by, who rapidly turned in the alarm and brought the fire brigade out in time to prevent any of the contents of the storehouse from being destroyed. The cause of the fire was traced to a defective wiring in the premises. The fire was fought by Chief Davis, who crawled on hands and knees up the stairs by the elevator shaft through the smoke. Several lines of hose were run out and within half an hour the fire was subdued. All the available hydrants in the Fort, Douglas, Government streets, and the block were utilized, and a good water pressure obtained. The fire was fought from the Broad street entrance and a passage-way made by the firemen to the store for the waste water to run out. At times from the outside of the block the fire, judged by the immense volume of smoke, appeared to be gaining headway, but the firemen gradually gained the control.

The damage is estimated at \$1,500 to the premises and stock of paint, varnishes, wall paper, moulding, etc., but is covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is attributed by the chief of the fire department to defective wiring. Fireman Hill, stationed at the Pandora street station, sustained an injury to the right arm. He was in the building when a heavy roll of lead fell and struck his arm cracking one of the small bones. He was taken to his home and medical aid secured. The work of the brigade was watched by a tremendous crowd, and as the men made their way in through the smoke expressions of praise were heard. The fire chief said that the smoke was intense and that many of the men, in spite of the fact that they were provided with respirators, were played out before they had been very long in the building.

The actual seat of the fire was on the mezzanine floor, where the firm had stored a large stock of moulding. In storing this it is believed that the electric wiring became displaced, the bare wires coming in contact with the wood and starting the fire. The chief of police directed that the sales of the force in keeping the crowd in order and out of the danger zone and away from the working firemen, on Fort and Broad streets.

MUST RESORT TO CONTRACT WORK

STREETS COMMITTEE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION

Important Departure Decided on at Friday Evening's Meeting

If any considerable progress is to be made this season with the immense amount of local improvement work to be done by the corporation it will be necessary to resort very largely to the contract system instead of that of day labor. This point was made very clear at Friday's meeting of the streets committee of the City Council, and after full consideration of the situation, the committee will issue to the city engineer to call for tenders for not less than two nor more than the miles of concrete walks—sidewalks—along the work of the most pressing character that must now be done. The nature of an experimental system. Should it be shown that by contract the sidewalks can be laid at a lower rate than by the usual method, it is certain that the latter system will be abandoned entirely.

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May Be Cited on Contempt Court

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