

Provincial Legislature

Government Decides Upon Two Sessions Daily to Expedite Business.

The Anti-Wig Bill Passes Its Third Reading on the Division.

Legislature Generally Advanced—Bills Considered at Various Stages.

Wednesday, April 5, 1905. THE House assembled at 2 o'clock and after the customary exercises the following was the order of business:

**Bills.** Mr. Hawthorthwaite introduced a bill to amend the Master and Servant Act.

**Government Motion.** The Premier moved that on this day, and all following days to the close of the session, there shall be two distinct sittings on each day—

one from 2 p. m. till 6 p. m., and the other from 8 p. m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

Mr. J. A. Macdonald asked for an explanation. During the first few weeks of the session, he said, the government had been unable to keep the House engaged for more than an hour or so.

Now they were unduly rushing things. There was no justification for this. He invited an announcement from the Premier with respect to railway matters.

The Premier explained that there was nothing unusual in the proposed motion. It was customary in all the stages of a session, when the House was fairly seized of all the matters before it to observe the advantages of expediting business and that was what the purpose of the motion was.

As for railway matters the government had a number of propositions under consideration and he would like to see them passed as soon as he was able to do so, he would take the House into his confidence with respect thereto.

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Mr. O'Brien amendment was then put and defeated, and the motion as amended by the Attorney-General carried on a vote similar to that recorded above.

**Questions.** Mr. Murphy asked: 1. Has a pulp lease been granted to the Quatsino Power and Pulp Co. of Victoria? 2. If so, what is the rate of rent for the acreage covered by same, the rental on same? 3. Is one of the terms of said lease that a pulp or paper mill shall be erected on the leased premises and operated so many months each year? 4. Has any such mill been erected? 5. If not, is the intention of the government to cancel said lease? 6. If not, why not?

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Mr. J. A. Macdonald introduced a bill to amend the Placer Mining Act.

The bill to incorporate the Institute of Accountants of British Columbia passed third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Sumas Development Company passed second reading.

The bill to amend the Game Protection Act passed second reading.

The bill to regulate immigration into British Columbia passed the committee stage.

The bill to amend the Royal Columbian Hospital Act passed the committee stage.

The House rose at 11:15 p. m.

**Notes.** The bill to amend the land act introduced at yesterday's session of the legislature passed second reading.

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Sir Wilfrid's Disclaimer

He Denies Absolutely Implied Charge by the Manitoba Minister.

Heated Debate in the House and Challenge to Sir W. Mulock.

The Papal Delegate Offers an Explanation of His Interference.

From Our Own Correspondent. OTTAWA, April 6.—The most heated debate of the present session of parliament was precipitated this afternoon by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who anticipated the Conservative cross-examination of the Manitoba minister, Mr. Rogers, of the Manitoba government, who made what his followers call an "explanation" in full and commenting on its various sections.

**The Premier Explains.** "Insofar as there is a charge that there was any interference on the part of Mr. Sharrrett and myself to have the school question considered in connection with the extension of the boundaries of the province, I am sorry to say that I have no recollection of the matter, and I have no shadow of a title of truth in it."

**HUGE RUSSIAN LOSS.** Harbin, April 5.—Complete returns received at headquarters give the total Russian losses in the Manchurian war as follows: Killed and wounded and prisoners at the battle of Mukden as 107,000.

**BOLD HIGHWAY ROBBERY.** Wealthy Merchant and His Niece Attacked in New York Streets.

New York, April 5.—Three highwaymen, with blackjacks and revolvers, attacked a wealthy merchant and his niece early today and beat him into semi-consciousness, and would have robbed him of a large sum of money and jewelry had it not been for assistance given him by his niece, Miss Maline Wylie, whom he was escorting home.

**A BISHOP'S GLAD HE'ND.** Frisco Divine Sets a Good Example to Eastern Brethren.

New York, April 5.—An innovation in the New York Methodist Episcopal conference was established here today by Bishop J. W. Hamilton, of San Francisco, the presiding bishop at the conference which took place at the conclusion of his opening address, he stepped down to the altar and shook hands with every member of the conference.

**UNION OFFICIALS RESTRAINED.** Grand Officers of Locomotive Firemen Served With Injunction.

New York, April 5.—An order directing John J. Cannon, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and Chas. A. Wilson, acting grand master, and other officers of the union, to appear before him on Friday, April 7, to show cause why a temporary injunction should not be issued restraining them from interfering with the operation of "Just in Time" No. 149, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, was signed by Judge Pitkin of the United States circuit court today.

**SACRIFICING CIVIL RIGHTS.** An incidental reference to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's disclaimer of any interference with the educational and civil rights of the people of Canada led the speaker to call him to account for a remark which he had made at a public meeting in Toronto.

**EMPEROR WILLIAM AT NAPLES.** German Sovereign Receives Great Welcome to Italy.

Naples, April 5.—Emperor William arrived here today on board the Hamburg-American steamer Hamburg amidst the booming of cannon and ringing hurrahs from thousands gathered about the harbor.

**DOCTORS DEMAND REFORMS.** Moscow, April 5.—The congress of doctors from all parts of Russia, which was summoned to meet in Moscow to devise means for combating the expected visitation of cholera, has adopted as its first step in the anti-cholera campaign the demand for reforms in the execution of the whole of the radical political programme.

**MRS. CHADWICK'S APPEAL.** Stay of Execution Secured Until Hearing in May.

Cincinnati, O., April 5.—A stay of execution in the case of Mrs. Chadwick has been authorized by the United States circuit court of appeals. The stay of sentence is to hold until the further order of the court. Judge Francis J. Wing, counsel for Mrs. Chadwick, said that he expected to be able to present



Provincial Legislature

Budget Debate, Ended—Government Carries Motion for Supply.

Estimates Under Consideration in Committee of Whole—Good Progress Made.

Estimates All Passed—Amendments to the Drying Act Adopted.

THE House assembled at 2 o'clock, and after the customary opening exercises, the following was the order of business:

Reports

The private bills committee recommended the application for leave to introduce a bill to amend the Royal Canadian Life Insurance Co.

The municipal committee reported a bill to amend the Municipal Elections Act, which was introduced by Mr. Macgowan and read a first time.

Budget Debate Continued

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hatchery, but the government had heard nothing since. This explanation was supplemented by information from the Premier that the proposal discussed by Mr. Brown involved the handing over of the whole of the provincial fisheries to Dominion control. This was a serious proposition.

The local government had submitted counter proposals, but negotiations had in a sense lapsed in relation thereto. The following was the order of business between the two governments, and he hoped some solution would be reached to the satisfaction of all concerned.

In answer to a question of Mr. Henderson, the Premier said that Mr. Babcock's salary (\$8,000) was included in this year's budget.

Mr. Babcock was contemplated as his responsibilities as a fishery expert were fully appreciated. To a further enquiry from the member for Newcastle, he explained that the maintenance of this hatchery was entirely the responsibility of a preceding government.

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gested that the government should take precautions to see that the money is properly expended. Mr. Williams wanted information about the vote of \$4000 under the head of immigration.

Hon. Mr. Taitlow said that most of this money was expended in connection with the Immigration Act, in salaries to officers employed to enforce it, etc. Some of the expenditure was attributable to the printing of placards which were sent to the Agent-General for the purpose of assisting in the advertisement of the province.

The committee reported progress and the House rose at 6 o'clock.

Evening Session

When the House resumed at 8 o'clock consideration of the bill was continued in committee of the whole.

An additional vote of \$4,000 for public works in Richmond was introduced from Mr. Patterson. He wanted to know what it was for, suggesting that the Islands district was the object.

The Premier challenged the member for the Islands to say that he had been treated unfairly. If there were any pressing demands he would be pleased to meet us at his office.

The Premier reported progress and the House rose at 6 o'clock.

Mr. Patterson questioned the position taken by the Premier, that it was necessary for him to come to the government to have applications expedited.

The Premier suggested that Mr. Patterson should not reserve all his interest in these matters for the floor of the legislature. He desired to see the member for the Islands to observe his duty to his constituents.

Mr. Patterson contended that the Premier should be called upon to walk over to the government buildings on such departmental matters.

The Premier soothed Mr. Patterson with an assurance that if he did come he would be kindly received.

Mr. Patterson all he wanted was his \$3,000. He promised to take the Premier at his word.

Hon. Mr. Green said that there had been two land sales made in Richmond in the last few days.

Mr. Brown thought the Greenwood vote (\$3,000) was small in proportion to the extra vote in question.

Hon. Mr. Green explained that when the government came to the Islands, estimates prepared for by a preceding government. The Islands appropriation was not made by the present government.

Mr. Patterson insisted that his constituency was being robbed of \$3,000.

After all this, the Premier said some more, the Richmond supplementary passed.

One interesting item which escaped discussion was the amendment to the head of public works. It called for the voting of four cents under the head of "water, sewer, and drainage."

When the committee rose all the estimates were passed and the bill was reported complete.

Game Act

Upon consideration of the Game Act, on report Mr. Brown proposed to limit the number of deer which any sportsman may kill in the month of August.

Mr. Fulton expressed satisfaction with the amendment if the House was agreeable.

The amendment passed without discussion.

Hon. Mr. Fulton offered an amendment to prohibit the sale of wild teeth.

He pointed out that in the North it was not uncommon for the Indians to kill considerable numbers of teeth, which were sold for the purpose of extracting the teeth, which were sought after by the Order of Elks.

The report on the bill was adopted.

Dyking Act

The bill to amend the Dyking Assessment Act was committed. Mr. Hall in the chair.

Hon. Mr. Green proceeded to offer a number of amendments calculated to make conditions easier.

Anticipating what was to come, Mr. Oliver took occasion to raise a discussion about the advantages of the bill.

Mr. Oliver contended that the bill would be a benefit to the people of the province.

Mr. Patterson contended that this would be impracticable. If the people could not raise the amount necessary to pay the interest charges they could not assume the responsibilities of maintenance and operation of the dykes.

The committee reported the bill complete with the following amendments adopted on motion of the Minister of Public Works:

The amendments brought down by the government introduced the following changes:

The amount to be assessed against Matsqui district was reduced from \$150,388 to \$125,000.

The time for repayment of the capital charges, in the case of Matsqui, was extended from forty to sixty months.

Rome's Power Behind Throne

Sensational Allegations That Papal Delegate Controlled Action of Government.

Restoration of Separate Schools Made Price of Boundary Extension in Manitoba.

Ministers of the Province Issue Statement Unparalelled in History of Dominion.

WINNIPEG, April 4.—(Special.)—The greatest sensation was caused here this afternoon by the publication of an interview with Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Education, in which it was made clear that Mr. Sbarretti, the Pope's delegate in Canada, submitted certain amendments to the School Act to Hon. Mr. Rogers at Ottawa.

Briefly put, the price to be paid by Manitoba for the extension of her boundaries in respect to the restoration of Roman Catholic schools, was, on his part, the extension of boundaries northward.

Members on both sides of the House cannot understand why Mr. Sbarretti should be the one to propose more advantageous terms to Russia on account of Germany's growing importance in the near East.

At the commencement of the interview Hon. Mr. Rogers emphatically denied the statement in the Toronto Globe that the Manitoba government was desirous of plunging the province into a sectarian quarrel.

He was of the opinion that the Catholics have a right to express themselves at the polls as to the treatment they are receiving from the Dominion government in respect to the extension of the boundary and other matters.

They had been careful to make clear to Premier Laurier that the boundary question is not a sectarian matter.

Coming to the story of the Manitoba delegates' experience at Ottawa, Hon. Mr. Rogers says:

"On February 13 we received a formal invitation by telegram from Premier Laurier to come to Ottawa as soon as convenient. We arrived on the 16th, when we received a letter from Premier Laurier at the Russell House, saying he would be pleased to meet us at his office at mid-day on the 17th."

"During that interview we presented the claims of the province as urgently and as strongly as we could. We would be glad to remain in Ottawa for three days if we would again send for us to Ottawa as soon as convenient."

"On February 20 a letter was received from Mr. Sbarretti."

"This invitation was accepted and His Excellency presented the following memorandum, remarking, if we would place it upon the statute book of our province it would greatly facilitate the early settlement of our boundary question, which would be extended to the shores of Hudson Bay."

His Excellency further added that our failure to do so would mean the loss of our claim for extension westward.

The following is a copy of His Excellency's memorandum, containing the amendments to the Manitoba School Act:

"Copy D, add to sec. 125 B: And when in any city or town there shall be thirty or more non-Roman Catholic children, or in any village more than fifteen of such classes, the trustees shall, if required by a petition of parents or guardians of such number of either of such classes, provide separate accommodation for each such class of children and fit them respectively Roman Catholic and non-Roman Catholic teachers."

"Add to 48 B: And when in any district there shall be fifteen or more Roman Catholic children and fifteen or more non-Roman Catholic children, and trustees shall, if required by a petition of parents or guardians of such number of either of such classes, provide separate accommodation for each such class and employ for them respectively Roman Catholic and non-Roman Catholic teachers."

"Hon. Mr. Rogers then quoted a long letter sent by the delegates to Premier Laurier prior to their departure, in which they pointed out that they were not content for them according to his promise. On behalf of the province they:

ENTERED A STRONG PROTEST against his decision refusing to grant the extension of the boundaries westward and urging that extension northward should engage his consideration during the present session."

Hon. Mr. Rogers then goes on to say regarding Sir Wilfrid Laurier's silence:

"What more natural conclusion can be arrived at than that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not willing to make any statement which might be construed as a reflection upon the delegates? It is probable that the polite invitation of Mr. Sbarretti might be acted upon by Manitoba."

"In this way Sir Wilfrid Laurier thinks he can secure political advantage for his friends in this province. This is a palpable and deliberate attempt to force the local government to do something which would be a disadvantage to the province and a benefit to his Liberal friends in power here."

"I deny the right of LAURIER AND SBARRETTI to undertake to mix up the matter of separate schools with the extension of our boundaries. It is a deliberate attempt to force the local government to do something which would be a disadvantage to the province and a benefit to his Liberal friends in power here."

"We have no desire in Manitoba for double dealings. This, however, appears to be the favorite course of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. For example, in 1896 he signed an official statement declaring himself to be entitled to credit for the final settlement of the Manitoba school question, while immediately afterwards he sent a correspondence brought down in the parliament of Canada, the following extract from a letter to Cardinal Rampolla, which he had written to the Pope:

"It is desirable, if not necessary, that the mission of Merry Del Val should be renewed, or rather, continued, in the event of his death, in the midst of us for a more or less prolonged time as a credited representative of the holy see."

Hon. Mr. Rogers then, after dealing with the appointment of Mr. Merry Del Val and the petition of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and forty odd members of the Manitoba legislature, says:

"It is idle for any person to assume that Mr. Sbarretti would presume to make a suggestion of the terms or conditions which he would like to see imposed upon the province of Manitoba and his colleagues. And, on the other hand, Sir Wilfrid's attitude carries with it the implication that he is in a position to make an arrangement, as is evident by his creation of EXCUSES FOR DELAY, as well as his failure to give reasons for the same; and further, by his unfairness in bringing down one side of the case and attempting to secure a pre-judgment from the people without their having Manitoba's reply to his minute-of-council of March 21, which was given to this government on March 31."

SUSPECTED TERRORIST JAILED.

St. Petersburg Police Arrest Anarchist Disguised as Driver.

St. Petersburg, April 5.—(1.15 a. m.)—The police arrested yesterday in the Newsky Prospect a man disguised as a carriage driver, presumably belonging to the same organization as the twelve persons who were arrested last week for the supposed connection with terrorist schemes. There is little doubt that there was a plot directed against the life of Governor General Trepoff and the latest arrests indicate that the terrorists are acting on a concerted plan and auxiliaries and books to the actual perpetrator of the assassination.

Harbin, April 4.—Affairs at the front generally are quiet, extending for kilometers by Gen. Mischenko's Cosacks. Reports are being received of the movement of a Japanese flying column northeast through the mountains in the direction of Taitshar.

The loss of commissariat stores at Mukden, Hussian, The Pass, Kailhan and Changtun has been a heavy deprivation to the Russian army.

As a result the price of forage and provisions has considerably increased.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS DELAYED.

Russia and Japan Will Not Yet Discuss Termination of Conflict.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—The announcement that President Roosevelt has left Washington on a vacation trip is accepted here as evidence that the efforts to draw Russia and Japan into peace negotiations have come to grief for the moment. No definite account is offered of exactly what happened, but the general impression is that Japan either declined to treat upon the Russian basis, or demanded a direct reply that there was a Pacific disposition.

The Novos Vremya, in discussing the relative advantages of an Anglo-Russian-French and German-Russia agreement, finds the latter probably easier of accomplishment and possibly more advantageous to Russia on account of Germany's growing importance in the near East.

FIVE HORSES DESTROYED.

Animals Afflicted With Glanders Killed in Prevent Spread of Disease.

A Colonist reporter yesterday morning had an interesting visit from Dr. E. H. Harlan, a veterinarian surgeon, and inspector under the Contagious Diseases of Animals Act, respecting the announcement made at Monday evening's meeting of the council to the effect that glanders and influenza are very prevalent amongst the horses in this district.

Dr. Harlan corroborated the information, but said glanders had not reached the epidemic stage. Not infrequently one or more cases are found at the season of the year, but the present outbreak had proven quite a serious one. It was found necessary to kill one animal last week and yesterday a meeting of the council to one farm were destroyed. He knew of no other cases and believed that the disease would speedily be stamped out.

Every precaution was being taken. The various public watering troughs have been closed, and if owners of horses exercise good care in the spring season with small danger of their animals contracting the disease. Influenza is just now quite prevalent amongst horses, but not in a virulent form. The disease is common to all horses and is a special care of during the spring season with its changeable weather. Dr. Harlan said he had spoken authoritatively.

Senator Templeman said the reason why he dropped his amendment last year was because the British Columbia government had not given any subsidy for the Grand Trunk Pacific contract with the government. He believed Hays' promise was binding. The subject of the Grand Trunk Pacific was discussed by the speaker.

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Templeman Has Faith

Thinks Grand Trunk Pacific Will Commence Construction on Pacific Coast.

Says He Has Private Information Indicating Morse Was Only Bluffing.

A Lively Debate in the Senate on Question of Mr. Hays' Letter of Promise.

From Our Own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, April 4.—The obligation of the Grand Trunk Pacific to British Columbia was the subject of a lively debate in the Senate today. Senator Macdonald brought up the matter of Mr. Hays' letter of last year and expressed the hope that Senator Templeman would do his best to see that the province got justice.

Senator Templeman said Mr. Hays last year had written him a letter, in which he considered binding on the company to commence construction at the coast simultaneously with Winnipeg. He only was sure that the company had not given any subsidy from British Columbia from the newspapers. If Senator Macdonald had any private information, he thought that gentleman would change his opinion on more careful perusal. He himself thought it was only a bluffing written at the time it did and to justify him in dropping a motion he was presenting. He was sure that the line would be definitely commenced at the Pacific Coast at a very early date.

Senator Lougheed asked if Senator Templeman had any private information of the substance of the agreement entered into between himself and Mr. Hays, particularly in regard to the newspaper report that Mr. Morse had obtained large subsidies on account of commencing work at the Pacific Coast and threatened that work would not be commenced unless a subsidy were given.

Senator Templeman said he knew of no reason why the government should commit the British Columbia government in the matter. As a matter of fact, the British Columbia government had not given any subsidy for the Grand Trunk Pacific contract with the government. He believed Hays' promise was binding. The subject of the Grand Trunk Pacific was discussed by the speaker.

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TRIUMPHANT DEMOCRACY

Carries Chicago Majority—Dawn of Public Ownership of Utilities.

Chicago, April 4.—The Republican party today met defeat in an effort to capture the majority of the city council. Monday evening's meeting of the council committed to the policy of the quick-est possible cessation of private franchises for public utilities. Municipal street car lines, valued high up in the millions.

After successfully winning four blinding victories of independents against the Republican party, John Maynard Harlan, of the United States Supreme court, today was defeated in a Republican contest for the city council. The defeat is attributed to several causes, starting with political revenge and with a wide sweep embracing Socialists as well as the victors. Judge Edward Dunne, Democrat, won by 22,000 plurality.

The city, however, was carried by the Republican party in the presidential election by 40,000 majority. He also received the greatest vote ever cast in Chicago for a candidate for mayor. Mr. Harlan received 13,411; Collins (Socialist), 2,233; and Stewart (Prohibitionist), 2,990.

Kansas City, Kansas, April 4.—Elections were held in the larger cities of Kansas today. The Democrats carried with them Kansas and Leavenworth. Topeka elected a Republican ticket. Wm. E. Rose, Democrat, was elected mayor of Kansas city. Leavenworth elected a Republican ticket. The mayor, Finley Ross (Republican), was elected mayor of Wichita, and the entire ticket was successful.

Re-division of Electoral Wards

An Important Recommendation Made to Council by City Assessor.

Submits a Plan for Change Based on Property Value and Acreage.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The important matter of the re-division of the city into three wards on the basis of value and acreage was up at yesterday evening's meeting of the city council, the following special report having been received from City Assessor Langley, which was referred without debate to the streets, sewers and bridges committee for report:

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Victoria: In accordance with your resolution of the 27th ultimo, I have prepared the following proposed re-division of the city into three wards, which I have the honor to submit to you as a very considerable effort. In view of all the vast latent possibilities of my district, I have endeavored to bring the city up with a railway brought to an early fruition.

Mr. Evans remarked with regret the failure of proposals heard by the municipal committee to divide the Municipal Act into three sections. He also regretted that nothing had been done in the way of creating a superannuation fund in connection with the civil service. In relation to the case for better terms, he suggested that the Dominion government might be asked to take over all the wharves of the province, in relation to which the thin edge of the wedge had already been entered. He thought the local government might do something in the way of protecting the forests from the Dominion exhibition at the Westminister this year he considered worthy of support. It should be made the banner of the year, and the city with other government servants, he thought school teachers were underpaid for the work performed. He suggested that the poll tax might have been increased to five dollars, and the necessity of revising the school system avoided.

Dr. King moved the adjournment of the session.

Mr. McInnes rose to



Local News

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Photographed Autos—A majority of those possessing automobiles and motor cycles assembled at Beacon Hill park on Sunday morning...

Burnside Mission—Sunday marked the twelfth anniversary of the opening of the Burnside Baptist mission, Tenynson road, and there was a large attendance at the special services which were arranged for the occasion.

Goes to London—Mr. George Denny, war correspondent of the Associated Press, after a short visit to his home, left for his post in London last night.

A District Fire—The residence of Mr. James, proprietor of a large dairy establishment on the Craigflower road, was destroyed by its contents by fire at an early hour this morning.

New Cars—New cars are arriving from New Westminster where the B. C. Electric Railway Company builds its cars. One has just arrived and five more are expected during the week.

Parfarell to Dr. Bolton—A large gathering assembled at the residence of David Spencer on Moss street, last night, when an "at home" was held to bid farewell to Dr. and Mrs. Bolton.

Manufacturers Organize—An informal meeting of manufacturers, held yesterday evening in the Board of Trade room, was fairly well attended.

Automobile Livery—An automobile livery is to be established in the city in the near future. Cars of four different classes will be purchased from New York manufacturers...

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Going North—Capt. Wallace Langley, who is having two barges built, will leave for the Yukon river trade, will leave for the north on Friday.

Called to the Bar—Before the Full court yesterday morning the following gentlemen, who have just passed their final examinations, were called to the bar and duly sworn...

Johnson Street Parings—Arrangements are being made by the engineering staff of the corporation for the early commencement of work on the paving of Johnson street from Douglas to Stone.

Financial Notes—The latest market advices to hand state that British Columbia three per cent. inscribed stock has further advanced a point on the London stock exchange, and is now held at 83 3/4.

(From Thursday's Daily.) False Alarm—The fire department was given a run on a fruitless errand yesterday evening at 8:30 o'clock, because a fire had been reported at 815 1/2.

Gift to the Park—Hon. J. S. Helmcken, with characteristic kindness and thoughtfulness, has just donated for the purpose of further adorning Beacon Hill Park, various species of shrubs and trees...

New Car in Service—The latest acquisition to the rolling stock of the B. C. Electric Railway Co., car No. 27, is now in service on the Spring Ridge-Beacon Hill run, and is working satisfactorily.

Swanson Bay Pulp—Actual construction of the pulp mill to be installed at Swanson Bay, Northern British Columbia, by the Oriental Paper & Pulp Co., has commenced about the middle of May.

Inspected Reformatory—F. S. Hussey, superintendent of provincial police, returned yesterday evening from the Mainland. He is back from an inspection trip to the provincial reformatory at Jericho.

The School Record—Supt. Eaton has just issued his statement showing the attendances at the various public schools of the city during March. In forty out of the sixty-four divisions, the regularity was 90 per cent. or over.

Believed That Vatican Will Now Recall Delegate Mgr. Sbarretti. Toronto Discusses Project to Petition Governor General to Interfere.

Montreal, April 5.—It is stated here on good authority that the Vatican has decided to recall Mgr. Sbarretti, the papal delegate to Canada.

Three Dead in Fire Hamilton, April 5.—Three persons lost their lives in a small fire in Dundas street this morning. The victims were early Mrs. Walker and her daughters, Alice, aged 21, and Maggie, aged 18 years.

Chief Alex. Aitken of the Hamilton fire brigade, and one of the best known fire chiefs in the Dominion, was fatally injured in a collision with one of the fire department trucks this morning.

Colonel Harris' Death Prince Albert, N. W. T., April 5.—Col. Harris died last night at 10 o'clock at "last post" call without regaining consciousness from his paralytic stroke on Friday.

Progress of The Big Will Trial

E. V. Bodwell K. C. for Plaintiff Continues His Review of Evidence.

Continuing his argument before the Full Court, yesterday morning in the appeal case of Hopper vs. Dunsmuir, E. V. Bodwell, K. C., gave instances tending to show Alex. Dunsmuir's mental incapacity, asserting that the very illustrations cited by defendant's witnesses showed that testator retained his faculties unimpaired bore out his contentions.

At this the Chief Justice observed that he could not see that such would indicate insanity if a man who were in the habit of riding in a street car suddenly resorted entirely to carriages, it would be proof of his mental incapacity.

Mr. Bodwell, replying to this observation, pointed out that the water incident was a chain of circumstances which showed a complete impairment of testator's mental condition. Analyzing the evidence given by various witnesses in support of defendant's contention, he claimed they did not count for much in the way of definite proof.

Mr. Wilson advised her not to go back and get them, but to stay in New Jersey, and that she was perfectly happy. Mrs. Dunsmuir agreed to take her husband's advice and not return to California. However, being in an undecided frame of mind, Mrs. Dunsmuir had a conference with her lawyer, Mr. Bodwell, and he advised her to return to the United States.

On going to San Francisco she called on her friends and consulted them about her affairs. She did not know Mountford was at this time acting for James Dunsmuir, in the matter of the will, until she saw the will in the hands of the executor. So she gave Mountford Wilson her confidence and asked his advice. What was the nature of the advice given? She was told that a large part of the matter to be taken into consideration was the fact that James Dunsmuir was a man of high intelligence and of high character.

IN HOTEL LOBBIES. Crofton Seeks a Boom at Rumored Re-opening of the Smelter.

Among the guests at the Driad is E. Young, of Crofton. Residents of the Driad are all well, and the hope of expectation respecting the rumored reopening of the smelter and its resultant boom to business, on Sunday morning was visited by a large party of mining and smelting men.

Herman Spolzenberg and Robert Thord, of Spokane, have been invited to points on Vancouver Island, are among the guests at the Driad. They will leave for the north in a few days, going into the interior via Comox.

John J. Murphy, of St. Paul, a Minnesota lumber magnate, is a guest at the Driad. He is accompanied by E. J. Palmer, of Chelanau.

THE MARKETS OF WESTERN CANADA

The importance of the West to the manufacturers and the wholesale merchants of Eastern Canada are best illustrated by the figures published by the Government giving the value of imports entered for consumption in Manitoba, the Territories and British Columbia during the last fiscal year.

British Columbia... \$10,829,104 \$11,518,827 Manitoba... 5,877,172 14,235,078 Territories... 4,234,306 6,700,719

Excitement at St. Stephen's. Defeat of Government Candidate Causes Great Liberal Rejoicing.

London, April 5.—The House of Commons tonight was the scene of a remarkable demonstration, based upon the defeat of a government candidate in the bye-election for Brighton, a constituency which for twenty years had returned a Conservative member.

Bank for Enderby—Extensive Horticultural Operations. Vernon, B. C., April 5.—(Special.)—The Bank of Montreal is by no means backward in keeping pace with the growing requirements of the Okanagan.

Vanouver Liberals and Provincial Rights. The Liberal Association of Vancouver has had an anxious time in dealing with the separate school clauses of the Northwest Autonomy Bill.

Deal Likely to Be Satisfactorily Arranged—Party Goes to Mexico. A trifle over \$50,000,000 worth of personal holdings was represented by a party of capitalists and mining men, which between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning lounged in the sun on the northern verandah of the Hotel Vancouver.

Manufacturers' Association. A meeting of leading Victoria manufacturers was held last evening for the purpose of organizing a local association to protect and develop the protection and development of home industries.

Motorists in Accident. Monte Carlo, Principality of Monaco, April 5.—Frank Stevens, an American who resided in London, died last night as the result of a motor accident.

Development of Britannia. Yesterday morning was spent in seeing the progress made in connection with the development of the famous Howe Sound copper-gold properties, and then the Britannia came through on the morning train for Vancouver.

NEWS BRIEFS FROM PHOENIX

Phoenix, B. C. April 5.—A contract was let this week for furnishing the timbers necessary for raising the First Street bridge ten feet to conform to the grade of the adjoining avenues.

Excitement at St. Stephen's. Defeat of Government Candidate Causes Great Liberal Rejoicing. London, April 5.—The House of Commons tonight was the scene of a remarkable demonstration.

Bank for Enderby—Extensive Horticultural Operations. Vernon, B. C., April 5.—(Special.)—The Bank of Montreal is by no means backward in keeping pace with the growing requirements of the Okanagan.

Vanouver Liberals and Provincial Rights. The Liberal Association of Vancouver has had an anxious time in dealing with the separate school clauses of the Northwest Autonomy Bill.

Deal Likely to Be Satisfactorily Arranged—Party Goes to Mexico. A trifle over \$50,000,000 worth of personal holdings was represented by a party of capitalists and mining men.

Manufacturers' Association. A meeting of leading Victoria manufacturers was held last evening for the purpose of organizing a local association to protect and develop the protection and development of home industries.

Motorists in Accident. Monte Carlo, Principality of Monaco, April 5.—Frank Stevens, an American who resided in London, died last night as the result of a motor accident.

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Delayed by Fierce Storms. St. John's, Nfld., April 4.—The long overdue steamer Jupiter, from Liverpool, arrived here today after a passage of 27 days.

Mining Magnates Inspect Britannia. Negotiations for the Smelting of Howe Sound Ore at the Crofton Smelter. Deal Likely to Be Satisfactorily Arranged—Party Goes to Mexico.

Another Combine. Cunningham Steamers Will Be Tied Up for This Summer. There will be no competition between the steamers running on the Skeena river this year.

The Olympias. Sailed Yesterday for Honolulu—True-bridge in Command. Steamer Olympia left yesterday from the Sound for Honolulu with Captain John Truebridge, who recently resigned from the liner Minnesota, in charge.

Mate Nearly Drowned. Third Mate Christensen of the Titanis Swept from Collier. Several colliers passed in yesterday. The Wellington passed up from San Francisco to Ladysmith to load coal for a return voyage.

The Little One's Appeal. New York Tribune. Amos Phelps Stokes Jr., secretary of the Yale corporation, takes a profound interest in children.

Mysterious Assassin on Trial. Moscow, April 4.—The trial of the murderer of the Duke Sergius will occur before a class jury, but behind closed doors. The police enquiry has failed to establish the identity of the assassin.

Protest Against Mayor's

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Nitrate of Soda... THE STANDARD FERTILIZER... Any Hop Grower who will send his name...

CANCER... R. D. Evans, discoverer of the Famous Cancer Cure, desires anyone suffering with cancer to write him...

CORRIG COLLEGE... Beacon Hill Park, Victoria, B. C. Select High-Class BOARDING College for BOYS...

EMPIRE CREAM SEPARATOR... The Separator that Turns Cream into Butter in the Procession... It is the best separator...

Baxter & Johnson... Agents. 83 Wharf St. Victoria

CATTLE RANCH FOR SALE... The estate of the late Paul I. Gilles, deceased, situated at Nicola Lake, Ysola district, B. C., containing some 4,700 acres...

NOTICE... NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act" that all persons having any claims against the estate of Sir HENRY PERING PELLEW...

THE DANGER FOR THE... Warsaw, April 4.—While was asleep last night in the which are the three policemen...

Severe Chest And Painful Cough... Demand Prompt and Effective Treatment... The great danger in this class is "delay."

DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE... will ease the cough, soothe inflamed throat and loosen phlegm.

DROPPED ALL OTHERS... "I dropped all liniments but Nerviline because I found Nerviline the quickest to relieve pain."

Price 25 cents per bottle... Nerviline is a good remedy for the past fifty years has been Polson's Nerviline...

Buy Site For Old Men's Home... Eleven Acres Near "The Willows" Have Been Obtained by the Corporation.

C. P. R. Urges Expedition in Filling In Gorges on Big Hotel Site... An unusually large amount of particularly interesting business was transacted at a thoroughly businesslike fashion...

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE... Death Occurred Yesterday Morning of Edward Mallandaine... (From Tuesday's Daily.)

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Florence M. Munslie High And Dry... Sealer on Way Here Is Being Salvaged on Basis of Fifty Per Cent.

Insurance on the Str. Tacoma Was High—City of San Diego Reported... (From Wednesday's Daily.)

RATES ADVANCE... Japanese Will Pay More Money for Fare Home After May 1... Effective on May 1 there will be an increase in steamer transportation rates...

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