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## JUDGE LYNCH NOT FINAL

Italy Refuse to Accept His Decree—She Will Demand Prompt Justice

The Shadow of France's Opportunity Seen by Her Leaders in Italy's Position.

European Strains Confident That the Present Strained Relations Will Not Continue Long.

ROME, APRIL 2.—Every effort to obtain the opinion of the U. S. Minister here upon the existing relations between Italy and the United States has failed. The Minister insists that the expression of opinion by the diplomatic representative of one of the nations interested. It has been reliably ascertained, however, that Minister Porter has accomplished much towards the pacification of the Italian Government, and that he has completely won over the Italian Minister, who had already endeavored to induce Premier Di Rudini to be less precipitate in his action. In diplomatic and government circles here the war idea is scoffed at, and it is known that even the withdrawal of Baron Fava has not yet been definitely decided upon. Should he be withdrawn it would be done as the most forcible form of diplomatic protest known, and by no means should be considered the forerunner of an armed conflict between Italy and the United States. Many thanks are given to the Italian Government for its prompt and friendly attitude towards the Marquis Imperiali, secretary of the Italian legation, into whose hands the current business of the Italian legation was placed when Baron Fava presented his letter of recall. Rudini instructs the Marquis to hand the message referred to Mr. Blaine. This message is in reply to Mr. Blaine's note of last night, and in it the premier says Italy has asked for nothing but the regular prompt institutions which are being granted to the parties at New Orleans. It adds that it would have been absurd to claim punishment for the offenders without the guarantee provided by a regular trial. The diplomatic incident, however, is not yet closed. It is declared in precise terms that the Italian Government takes cognizance of the general government's declaration acknowledging the fact that compensation is due to the families of the victims by virtue of the treaty existing between the two countries.

## AMERICAN NEWS.

Stuckley is Dead.

STOCKTON, CAL., April 1.—Judge W. T. Stuckley, at one time one of the ablest lawyers in California, committed suicide, last night, by taking poison. Several years ago, Judge Stuckley was the most prominent Democrat in California, and served two terms as Superior Judge. Deceased, when he ran for the third term, drove him to drink.

Not Anxious to Fight.

NEW YORK, April 1.—A large body of Italians, this morning, rushed to the matriculation bureau for their second papers. They appear to be afraid of being drafted by the Italian government, and are sure that war is imminent.

Washington, April 2.—The latest advices from the Argentine Republic announce that the agents of Baron Hirsch have purchased 400,000 acres of land in the state of Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic, upon which to place colonies of Jews.

Montana's Case.

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 2.—James J. Sweet, of Boulder, Mont., telegraphed the acting secretary of war to-day as follows: "We hereby tender you 5,000 mountaineers from the county of Jefferson, State of Montana, in case of war with Italy."

The Action of an Insulted Power.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—A reporter who called this afternoon on Baron Fava found him closeted with Dr. R. S. Verdi, of this city, and inaccessible. Subsequently Dr. Verdi said: "The case is remarkably plain. Italians have been murdered and the Italian government asked reparation. This government said: 'We can do nothing until Louisiana takes action.' If this government has power to do anything, it is a most serious thing. Why were treaties entered into with the European government if the United States cannot perform that which it promised to do? Will it satisfy European powers to say this crime was committed in the state of Louisiana, and it is without the province of the general government?" Verdi declared that Fava's recall was not due to dissatisfaction with the baron personally, but was the action of an insulted power. How much the late minister did to prevent this, it might never be known, but it is a fact that for at least ten days he delayed doing that which he was compelled to do yesterday. When he received his instructions he at once made an endeavor to have the recall of his minister, and until he was forced to do so did he sever the diplomatic relations of the two countries.

Italian Immigrants.

NEW YORK, April 2.—During the month of March, 42,767 immigrants arrived at this port, 13,494 more than in March 1890. Italy leads the list with 7,899. Several Italian immigrants were detained at the cargo office, to-day, because they had consumption, this disease being classed as contagious under the new immigration laws.

Little Louisiana Swindlers Indicted.

CHICAGO, April 1.—A local paper says: The grand jury has found indictments against proprietors of the Little Louisiana lottery, a concern which has branches in Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and other places. The names of the indicted are John E. Brady, proprietor; John H. A. Dy, local agent, and a man named Walker, who seems to have acted as agent for the concern in the receipt of money, but who has been repudiated whenever any of the tickets sold by him drew prizes. In this and other ways, it is alleged, the Little Louisiana succeeded in avoiding payment in most cases.

A Record.

MARQUETTE, April 2.—A record has been opened at Portage in France, before Judge Ryan. It is being conducted with closed doors.

WINSTON, April 2.—The record in Marquette, so far, has increased Watson's majority from 12 to 93.

Without a Contest.

TORONTO, April 2.—Gilbert McKee, Reformer, has been elected by acclamation to represent South Grey in the provincial legislature.

## BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Preparations for the World's Fair—Don Pedro Visits Queen Victoria in Paris.

Farnell Not Likely to Risk His Seat—The Commonwealth of Australia.

European Opinions as to Existing Complications—Will They Blow Over?

Great Britain at the World's Fair.

LONDON, April 2.—Her Majesty's government has opened communication with Hon. Mr. Lincoln, the United States minister, with a view to obtaining his advice and guidance in the selection and organization of the British commissioner, which it has decided to send to the World's fair at Chicago. Mr. Lincoln will shortly hold a conference on the subject with Lord Salisbury, who has shown every disposition to forward England's participation in the exhibition.

Left for London.

DUBLIN, April 3.—Parnell has left this city for London.

The General's Health Failing.

LONDON, April 3.—General Booth has returned to this city from Glasgow physically and mentally exhausted, and in a critical condition.

A Good Place to Leave.

LONDON, April 3.—It is reported that Emin Pasha is leaving Djibouti.

A Thoroughly Vexed Charge.

SOBIA, April 3.—Prince Ferdinand has joyfully congratulated Premier Stramboulouff on his escape from assassination. A placard has been posted in Sofia containing 30 veiled accusations that Russia was responsible for the crime. "Our enemies," says the placard, "despised of annihilating this country by international revolution, and they thought that both the army and nation detest them, they now have recourse to the vilest means of attacking statesmen in the dark."

There Will be No War.

LONDON, April 3.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily News says that Minister Porter has promised that the Federal government will do everything possible to bring the Lynchers to trial, and that both governments are confident that matters will be early and satisfactorily arranged. The correspondent adds this view is not shared by the Italian people generally.

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UNJUST REPROACH.

The London Times agrees with those who assert that the Italian Premier is "playing to the gallery." We cannot see that he is open to such an accusation. The occasion is one that requires prompt and energetic action. Any man occupying Premier Rudini's position would, from a sense of duty, at once demand reparation from the United States. The honor and the dignity of Italy require that its Government should assert the rights of Italian subjects in the United States, and should demand that those who had taken the lives of the New Orleans prisoners should be brought to justice.

AN AFTERTHOUGHT.

The Hon. E. J. Phelps has a day after the fair, contributed an article to Harper's Monthly to prove that the United States has the right to protect the seals in any part of Behring's Sea. He does not appear to know that Mr. Blaine, whose argument he commends, has given up this contention, as well as the claim to exclusive jurisdiction over the waters of that sea.

soundness of his argument. He knows all about the natural history of the seal, and would, doubtless, without a moment's hesitation, decide the question about which there has been so much dispute lately, which is, whether the new-born seal can or cannot swim.

DEFEATED AGAIN.

The result of the Sligo election is very strong proof that Parnell's influence in Ireland has greatly declined. A few months ago the Irish leader had only to name the candidate he preferred to ensure his election. No party leader ever had greater power over the constituents than he had.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

The cable has just informed us that the labors of the National Australian Federation convention are approaching completion, and that the future title of the confederation will be "The Commonwealth of Australia." The convention has adopted what we know as State Rights, and the Senate, as well as the House of Representatives, is to be elected on a popular basis.

on the side of justice and equity, and its wealth at the service of civilization. May its influence be cast for the establishment of universal peace by laying on sure and solid foundations an Anglo-Saxon confederation, well qualified in every way to take a high place among the nations of the world.

RAILWAY FENCES.

The Attorney-General's amendment to the Railway Act is much needed. Railway companies should be compelled to have their tracks properly fenced and provided with cattle guards at all road crossings. When the regulations with regard to fences are loose or not strictly complied with, railway employees become very careless with respect to animals on the track.

RECIPROcity NEGOTIATIONS.

The Dominion Government has been as good as its word. Two of its members and Sir Charles Tupper have gone to Washington to confer with Mr. Secretary Blaine on the subject of reciprocity in trade between Canada and the United States.

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A ROYAL COMMISSION.

The Labor Question is one which has of late years grown to very great importance. It promises, soon, to be the most pressing subject, which the statesmen, not only of Great Britain, but of the whole civilized world will have to consider.

THE RECIPROcity RESOLUTION.

Our contemporary stigmatizes Mr. Cotton's resolution respecting reciprocity with the Hawaiian Islands and Australia as a wind-baggy resolution. We see nothing wind-baggy about the resolution. It is a very good resolution, and one which every patriotic Canadian ought to support.

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Police Court Intelligence.

John Haggerty, the contractor, is a serious case. He was driving a horse on rock for a new building of street. The facts of the case are as follows: The horse, before he had time away the explosion occurred.

From the Daily Colonist.

As officially announced, the working of the census will be begun this morning. The 6th instant. So Canada to-morrow. The method of obtaining the scope and the extent of the work have already been described.

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TWO VIEWS. Said the cynic to the poet: "All your song is lying verse When you take the world and show it...

ONE NIGHT IN NO. 37. A Story of Ghosts and Rats at Bracing Hall.

"Positively not a room, my dear madam; no, not so much as a closet vault," and Dr. Morris smiled blandly, and "washed his hand with invisible soap in imperceptible water."

E. M. JOHNSON, ESTABLISHED 1879.

REAL ESTATE AGENT, CONVEYANCER AND NOTARY PUBLIC

A SPECULATION!

110 Acres, near Beechy Bay, the proposed Terminus of the Victoria and Goldstream Branch of the Northern Pacific Railway. Only \$20 an Acre.

Building Lots for Sale.

- 105-3-Lots, San Juan Avenue, James Bay. \$ 575
104-1-Lots, David and Henry Streets (4) each. 1,200
102-4-Lot, facing the sea, 75x240. 3,500

Ranches for Sale.

- 100-1-1 1/2 acres, Esquimalt Dist., near tramway. 3,000
98-2-7 1/2 acres overlooking Esquimalt Harbor. 5,000
77-2-3 1 1/2 acres Old Esquimalt Road. 5,000

Houses and Lots for Sale.

- 87-3-160 acres, North Arm Burrard Inlet, and improvements, per acre. 50
62-1-62 1/2 acres, splendid farm land; 180 acres cleared; 250 Alder and Cottonwood, per acre. 45

TO LET.

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Houses and Lots for Sale.

- 105-2-7-room House; pantry, bath-room, hot and cold water, double walls and floors, tile hearths, hard oil finish throughout, a most desirable residence, South Turner St., near the sea. 3,750

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BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Matters in Italy—Difficulties Between the Government and the Pope.

Memorial Services for Granville—The Fleet of the Chilean Rebels—Materially Increased.

The British in India—Germany at Chicago—King Otto Wants a Wife.

The Mad King's Latest.

Italy's Manly King.

Viewed in Different Lights.

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The Pilcomayo Joins the Fleet.

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CANADIAN NEWS.

An Avalanche of Snow in Newfoundland Buries a House and Its Inmates.

The Manitoba School Act Criticized in a Collective Letter to Catholic Congregations.

Robert Murray Convicted of Murder—Business Difficulties in the East.

Earnings Increasing.

Remains that are Rife.

Superannuated.

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Down on Stanley.

Paid Nature's Debt.

Dangers of Life on the Rail.

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IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

Effect of the Whitsuntide Recess on Certain Important Measures Before the House.

The Irish Land Question to be Disposed of.

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AN ADVENTURE ON THE GANGES.

The Wrath of a Sleeper Whose Slumber Had Been Disturbed.

On sailing up the Ganges, says a writer in the Globe-Democrat, my boat happened to be moored by the side of a large budgeroo (a Bengal pleasure boat) in which a somewhat choleric gentleman was, as I conceived, at rest.

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BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Romantic Story in Connection With a Member of the Austrian Imperial Family.

The River Seine Stocked With California Salmon—Kumar of Parnell's Marriage.

Gigantic Coal Train. LONDON, April 6.—A gigantic coal train is in process of formation in England, with the object of controlling the output of the mining interests of Yorkshire, Lancashire, Staffordshire and Derbyshire.

Royal Betrothal Announced. LONDON, April 5.—The betrothal of Princess Victoria Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, daughter of Prince Christian and Princess Helene, and Grand-daughter of Queen Victoria, to Prince Armand of Anhalt, is officially announced.

No Mafia in London. LONDON, April 5.—Shortly after the lynching of the alleged members of the Mafia in New Orleans the Italian government, through Count de Robilant, King Humbert's ambassador to the court of St. James, requested the British authorities to ascertain if the Mafia existed in London.

A Bontal from Gladstone. LONDON, April 6.—In reply to a question as to whether Mr. Parnell's statement, made yesterday at the Phoenix park meeting in Dublin, that he (Gladstone) had received dynamite at Hawarden, was true, Mr. Gladstone telegraphed that the utterance was an absolute falsehood.

For the Relief of the Poor. DUBLIN, April 6.—The Countess of Zetland, wife of the Viceroy of Ireland, and Miss Balfour, sister of the Chief Secretary for Ireland, have started on a tour of the distressed district of the western part of the country.

A Bomber's Suicide. LEICESTER, April 6.—The body of Giovanni Corradini, the head of the great firm of Corradini, which collapsed last week, leaving liabilities of upwards of 15,000,000 francs and an asset of 100,000,000 francs, was found floating in the river at Pisa, to-day, and fully identified.

Prince Albert Victor's Health. LONDON, April 6.—Considerable anxiety again exists among the members of the Royal Family and in court circles concerning the health of Prince Albert Victor, the eldest son of the Prince of Wales, and heir presumptive of the British crown.

Is Parnell Married? LONDON, April 6.—A sensational rumor was abroad, to-day, in the lobby of the House of Commons, to the effect that Parnell has been privately married since the O'Shea divorce proceedings, and not to Mrs. O'Shea.

Death of a Famous Stationer. LONDON, April 6.—The celebrated stationer "Ironomy," whose rise, "Stirling," died last week, is dead. Many turf-groves believe that "Ironomy" was the grandest stationer of modern times.

Queen and Kaiser. LONDON, April 6.—The Kaiser and Queen Victoria will meet at Darmstadt about the end of April.

Baron Fava's Departure. ROME, April 6.—Minister Porfirio, in an interview, showed evident surprise that Italy had executed her threat to recall Fava, but said he was convinced of the speedy and amicable settlement of the pending difficulty despite Fava's departure.

California Salmon in the Seine. PARIS, April 6.—The Seine has been restocked with 40,000 California salmon.

A Romantic Story. LONDON, April 6.—A Vienna despatch says the death of Count Franz von Moran Abazia brings up one of the most romantic stories connected with the Imperial family of Austria.

DEED OF A GIRL. Ten-Year-Old Miss Dragged Another to Death. A remarkable story of frontier heroism being told by a young lady sixteen years of age from Childress, a new town in the State of Texas, where she lives from that town she makes a trip each day on a pony.

A EUROPEAN WAR CLOUD.

It Is Faintly Visible Over Bulgaria—Russia to Give the Word—She is Ready.

A Bold Course in the Balkans—Tottering Condition of the Triple Alliance.

German and French Military Strength Contrasted. BERLIN, April 7.—A tremendous separation has been created in military and political circles in Berlin by the appearance of a pamphlet written by General Bogdanovskiy, of the Russian army, on the relative strength of the French and German military establishments.

A Poor Prospect. LONDON, April 6.—Disputes have arisen between employers and employes in the tinplate industries in Wales, and the possibility of a strike is increased daily.

WRECK OF THE AGRIAN. Lost on a Moonlight Night in a Calm Sea—Aground on a Coral Reef. Extraordinary Self-Possession of the Passengers—Every Soul Saved—The Vessel Abandoned.

AMERICAN NEWS. The Excitement is Over. WASHINGTON, April 4.—It is again announced that the State department has nothing to make public to-day, respecting diplomatic correspondence.

Disallowance of Manitoba Acts—Negotiations for Reciprocity With the U. S. Deferred. OTTAWA, April 6.—The Government has decided not to interfere with the legislation of Manitoba, abolishing the Catholic Separate School, and the official French language in the Legislature and courts of that province.

Will Retire Into Private Life. QUEBEC, April 6.—It is rumored that Hon. Mr. Gagnon will retire into private life, even giving up his seat in the council, and that Dr. Brien will succeed him in the councillorship.

HOLY WAR IN MANITOBA. QUEBEC, April 6.—Canada may now have on her hands a big religious fight, as well as a political one, over the Manitoba school act, which was recently adopted by the legislature there, and which prohibits religious instruction in public schools in Manitoba.

Death of a Friend Official. MONTREAL, April 6.—The Grand Trunk Railway Co. has lost one of its most influential and respected officials in the person of Henry Bead, Assistant Treasurer, who has just died at his residence in this city.

PARNELL IN DUBLIN. Sunday Meeting in Phoenix Park—Parnell's Threat Against the L.R. Party. DUBLIN, April 5.—Notwithstanding the steady down-pour of rain, 9,000 persons assembled at Phoenix park to-day to assist in the demonstration of the Amnesty association and protest against the continued imprisonment and alleged inhuman treatment of Irish and Irish-American political prisoners by the British government.

NEW FREIGHT REGULATIONS. For the Shipment of Goods from the Ports of the U. S. by the Canadian Pacific. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6.—Secretary Foster, to-day, directed that the existing Treasury regulations be changed, so as to permit the taking of domestic merchandise from ports of the United States by the Canadian Pacific railroad to Revelstok, B. C.

THE NEW ORLEANS AFFAIR. The Excitement Cooling Down—The Usual Correspondence Over the Matter. MONTREAL TO NEW YORK. The Central Road to Build Through the Adirondacks. CHAUTAUQUA, N. Y., April 5th.—Vice-President Webb of the Central Hudson road, who has been prospecting this region, has agreed to build a railway from Malone through the Adirondacks, between the Saranac Lake south to a point on the Central, between Shenectady and Herkimer, provided that Franklin county gives \$30,000.

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Day Affairs.
The victim of Tuesday night's accident...

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McKay and Mrs. Sutton, Miss Coventry, Mr. McKay and Mrs. Smith...

FOR CHARITY'S SAKE.
Preparations Completed for the Grand Ball.
The fishing touches in the supper room...

Charity Ball.
Ladies are now almost ready for to-night, and no doubt Victorians will look upon a vision of beauty...

Benovolence, Liberty and Concord.
These are the characteristics of the Independent Order of Foresters. The members of the above named society will be glad to learn that the certificates have arrived...

The New Methodist Church.
The new church of the colored class for the new Methodist church has arrived from Col. Wells' establishment in London, Ont. The walls of the body of the church will be frescoed in terra cotta pink with fine Romanesque designs...

Cooper & Brown.
Mr. Geo. A. Cooper, who has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business in this city for the past two years...

Hour to be Observed.
Than Earliest.
The hours before mid-day are the most beautiful of the day...

The Diocesan and Parish Magazine.
It is a record of the work done by the Church of England in the diocese of British Columbia. It is published monthly, and edited by Rev. Geo. R. Taylor...

THE DOMINION ILLUSTRATED.
The current number of the Dominion Illustrated contains a series of biographical sketches of the lately appointed Archbishop of Canterbury and of the late Rev. H. L. Jones of Kingston...

With Thanks.
The matron of the Jubilee hospital returns thanks to the ladies and gentlemen mentioned in the following notice...

ON'S ENEMY.
from the Emperor Most Hated.
from the Emperor Napoleon most on earth has just been published...

Without the consent of congress the President cannot leave American territory during his term of office. When the Western Extension railway, N. B., was completed, President Grant could not attend the celebration on British soil...

New Salmon Canneries.
Mr. Alex. Ewen is about to begin the erection of a new salmon cannery establishment on Lion Island, adjacent to the old cannery so long familiar to people on the Fraser...

A GENEROUS OFFER.
Major Dupont will Present an Ambulance to the Jubilee Hospital.
Tuesday's meeting of the Jubilee hospital board, though the business brought forward was of little interest or importance...

Funeral of the Late Miss Longworth.
The funeral of the late Miss Jane Longworth, daughter of the late Capt. Longworth, of Guelph, Ontario, left the residence of the Hon. John Robson at a quarter to two, yesterday afternoon...

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The Attorney-General's bill to amend the Constitution Act, strikes out the description of the Victoria city electoral district and the Victoria electoral district therein contained...

following grounds: (1) misdirection; (2) verdict against the weight of evidence; (3) excessive damages granted; (4) the absence of Mr. Green, a material witness for the defence...

FIVE HAPPY COUPLES.
Society Gathers at Christ Church Cathedral to Witness a Decidedly Brilliant Affair.
Other Nuptials Celebrated in More Private Fashion—A Busy Day For the Clergy.

Weddings, and rumors of weddings, were the two topics which monopolized femininity's attention in Victoria, yesterday. Four were celebrated during the day, and three were, of course, many more in prospective to talk about...

At the Revere House, Pandora street, the home of Mrs. F. Murgidge, at 9 in the evening, that lady's daughter, Miss Hadie E. herself a popular Victorian now, although she is only been resident in the city for a year or so...

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.
Capt. Jas. Irving's Proposal for a Ferry from Port Angeles to Victoria—The Loan by Law Decried—Tenders for the New Market—Miscellaneous Business.

His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Holland, Munro, Robertson, McKillop, Richards, Renouf, Smith and Coughlan took their seats last evening, at 8 o'clock sharp, for the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted...

From Capt. J. P. Piper, guaranteeing to run a railway ferry boat from Port Angeles to this city in consideration of a bonus of \$40,000 and ten acres of land...

From Charles Kent, asking for instructions as to granting licenses to quack medicine vendors, to dispose of their wares at the street corners. Referred to the license committee with power to act.

Mr. Herbert G. W. Fortescue, of Tacoma, and Miss Gertrude McLennan, of London, England, were united in marriage last evening, at 7 o'clock also, by Rev. Mr. Watson, and left for their future home, Tacoma, by the City of Kingston.

From several real estate owners requesting that a lamp be placed at the corner of Vancouver and Johnson streets. Left to the Electric Light committee.

From several real estate owners asking the Mayor to grant a license to the City of Victoria, for the erection of a new market building. Adopted.

From Eberhart & Taylor, enclosing certain by-laws. Received and filed. The B. C. Agricultural Association law by-law was introduced and read a first time.

Tramway Extension.
Tenders Invited for the Construction of the Life to Oak Bay—The Park Service.
In this morning's issue tenders are called for by the Electric Traction Company for grading the new line to Oak Bay...

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AMUSEMENTS.
Mr. Ward and Mrs. Bowers Bid Victoria Farewell—How They Will Return.
An Evening of Good Music at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms—Good Templars at Home.

The date for Frederic Archer's next organ recital in this city has not yet been fixed. Mrs. G. Bridge's younger pupils intend to give an entertainment entitled "Callie's Christmas," at Pithharmonic hall, on the 27th inst. The proceeds are to be devoted to the Christ Church Cathedral building fund.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms, last evening, a large audience enjoyed an especially good concert programme, which was introduced by Mr. Muir, the chairman, in a neat speech, promptly at eight o'clock. One of the features of the evening was the auto-harp solo by Master Carmody...

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AFFECTING COURT SCENE.
Touching Retirement of Justice Stephen From the Bench.
LONDON, April 7.—There was a most affecting scene to-day in the Queen's bench division of the high court of Justice. It was occasioned by the fact that Judge Stephen, justice of the Queen's bench, whose health is said to have become seriously impaired as the result of the worry and annoyance he was compelled to endure during and after the trial of the celebrated Maybrick poisoning case...

Refused to Toast the Queen.
LONDON, April 8.—A sensational scene occurred at a dinner given last evening by the Devon Congregational Union, at Tavistock, Devonshire. The presiding minister, the Rev. Mr. Davis, when called upon to respond to the toast "The Queen," said that he could not conscientiously do so, and that he would therefore ask the Rev. Mr. Johnson to perform the function. Mr. Davis was at a loss to explain to Mr. Johnson and to the other guests present that the latter gentleman (Mr. Johnson) might, if he felt so disposed, also toast the Prince of Wales and all the members of the royal family...

Rich Gold Find in Ontario.
MARMORA, April 8.—One of the richest gold mines that has been found has been opened up here, on the property formerly owned by Col. Brown, of Belleville. Free gold, as big as wheat, can be found projecting through the rock. The vein is now twenty feet wide below the falls, in fifteen feet deep and is widening out.

Seven Years for a Homicide.
LONDON, Ont., April 8.—Judge Falconbridge has pronounced a sentence of seven years in the penitentiary upon Robert Murray, the murderer of W. A. Rowe, of Stratford.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.
THE UNDERSIGNED, Importers and Dealers in Tea, hereby notify the Trade generally that the letters "M M" in its own Specific trade marks, and name for Tea imported and sold by them, as such trade mark is registered in Ottawa, Canada, at the Department of Agriculture, Copyright and Trademark Branch...

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The Colonist

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1891.

PERFECTLY CONSISTENT.

The Times seems ready to go into hysterics because we expressed ourselves favorable to a measure of reciprocity with the United States...

trial, that they had been in force in one form or other for very many years, and that they did not benefit any class of the people...

THE RIGHTS OF CHINESE.

A very important and interesting decision was given by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council...

IRRECONCILABLE.

The News-Advertiser keeps on growling at the School Act. It will not admit that when a measure once becomes law the best and wisest thing for a good citizen to do is to give the new law a fair trial...

Our contemporary, however, is not at liberty to attribute to us arguments that we did not use, or put into our mouth words that we did not utter...

To take our advice, which, as the reader sees, is to give the law a fair trial, the News-Advertiser says "would be as injudicious as it would be contrary to the plan followed in other controversies on matters of general interest."

The example cited by our contemporary shows that it imagines its readers to be densely ignorant and incapable of understanding the simplest argument.

Our correspondent says that we have commented very strongly on the action of the striking miners at Wellington...

In ordinary transactions, where business men cannot agree, they are as good friends when they part as when they meet.

Yet what would be looked upon as intolerable among men in their ordinary dealings with each other, seems to be considered perfectly legitimate by some of the unions.

The reader sees that constitutional questions of the gravest and deepest kind were involved in this case of the refusal of a colonial custom house officer to take a Chinaman's head money...

It is clear in their Lordships' opinion that when the master of a vessel has committed an offence by bringing a greater number of Chinese into a port of the Colony than the statute allows...

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THE YOUNG COMMONWEALTH.

One of the difficulties, which the Federation Convention, at Sydney, had to get over, was that of representation.

Ex-Minister Phelps, in claiming for Uncle Sam the seals that swim in Bohring's Sea, wherever they may roam, will find that his theory is opposed to the principles of law...

The seals which Mr. Phelps contends are the property of the United States were never reclaimed from the wilderness of their nature.

As soon, therefore, as they get outside the territory of the United States, they are, according to the highest legal authority...

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TEA Young Hyson. Write R. H. JAMES 23 PORT ST.

THIRTY-TWO BY ATLANTIC

Petition for the Release Wilson, of the Seaman Firemen's Union

Lord Randolph Churchill at Epsom—Death of a Servative Member

Lady Dunlop's Troubles. LONDON, April 9.—The troubles which have been visited upon the singer (Miss Bilton, the singer)

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OLD WATCHES.

From THE DAILY COLONIST, April 7. LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.
of to Ottawa.
It is reported that on or about the 22nd instant, Messrs. E. C. P. Barnard and Mara will leave for Ottawa to attend to their parliamentary duties.

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AIMO NEWS.
Navy Wife - Rumored
a Naas River Trader
in Victoria.

Mule - An All Night
Service - Comple-
tion of a Bridge.

C. April 6. - Mrs. Rey-
Burke (Patricio de Burko)
police court to-day. Mrs.
she goes back to her hus-
band for one of the other to
Patsy was concerned, she
of him. Reynolds pressed
Patsy, and it stands ad-
judged.

On this evening, tells of the
of a Naas river trader,
October. His name was
He went to Victoria and
got his money and disapp-
nothing has been heard
hought, says the Free Press
in Victoria for his money.
a telephone service com-
pany, to-night.

On the morning, on
and
shot himself in the calf of
his right leg, on Sunday.
The man's river bridge has been
under way for some time.
Wagstaff, was kicked in the
leg, this morning, in the
course of a game of football.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

First Session of the Sixth Parliament.
FORTY-NINTH DAY.

The SPEAKER took the chair at 2 o'clock.
After prayers by Rev. M. L. Rugg.

VICTORIA AND N. A. RAILWAY.
MR. BEKER presented the report of the
railway committee reporting the Victoria
and North America Bill, which was
received and ordered to be printed.

In reply to MR. COTTON,
HON. MR. ROBINSON said it was the desire
of the Government that the House should
sit every night this week, except to-night.
There might, however, arise circumstances
which would interfere with this.

SPEAKER'S RULING.
MR. SPEAKER said: "Upon a point raised
by the Hon. the leader of the Opposition,
the bill (No. 89) intituled 'an act to
declare valid certain bills passed by the
municipal council of the municipality of
Surrey,' cannot be considered as a public bill.
Rule 50 of our Rules and Orders expressly
lays it down that bills for doing any mas-
ter or thing which in its operation would
affect the rights or property of other parties,
or relate to any particular class of the
community, or for making any amendment of
a like nature, are not to be considered as
public bills, but as bills of a private nature,
and after the publication of the usual notices,
the bill in question aims to indemnify the municipal
council of the municipality of Surrey for having
exceeded the powers conferred by the
'Municipal Act,' 1885. May, page 788.
9th edition, says that bills for 'enlarging
or altering the powers of charters and
corporations' are private bills of the first class.
And on page 745, same edition, says, that
whether a bill be for the interest of an
individual, a public company or corporation,
a parish, a city or county, or other locality,
it is equally distinguished from a measure
of public policy in which the whole com-
munity are interested." I rule that the
order for the second reading of said bill
cannot be moved.

THE MINERAL BILL.
The House went into committee on the
Mineral Bill. Mr. Forster in the chair.

Clause 85 provides that "should any
partner fail to keep up his free miner's cer-
tificate, such failure shall not cause a for-
feiture or act as a private bill, but the share of the partner
who shall fail to keep up his free
miner's certificate shall become vested in his
partners, pro rata, according to their
interests."
The clause elicited considerable discus-
sion, the contention being that, in
the event of any lapse, it should be to the
Crown, and not the remaining partners.

In amendment to clause 89, Mr. Kellie
proposed that "any partner making de-
fault in his partnership to share in the
annual work required by section 24 of this
Act, after receiving a notice specifying the
amount due by him, shall, if such amount
be correct, be personally liable therefor to
the partnership, and if the bill were passed
it should be so sold." His object was
to protect the poor miner against the
capitalist.

The amendment was, however, lost, only
two members voting for it.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the following
amendments were adopted: To have the
Mining Recorder's office open upon such days
and hours as the Lieut. Governor in coun-
cil, may from time to time appoint, and,
failing any particular appointment, shall
be kept open.

"Any company of free miners who locate
and record adjoining mineral claims to be
worked by them in company as a mining
partnership, as provided in Part III of
this Act, shall be bound to perform upon
any one of these claims all the work re-
quired to entitle them to a certificate for
work done for each claim held by such com-
pany, and upon being satisfied by affidavit,
setting out fully the particulars of such
work, that it is equal one hundred dol-
lars for each claim held by such company,
the mining recorder shall issue a certificate
for each of such claims."

After passing a number of sections, the
committee reported progress, and
asked leave to sit again.

The Assessment Bill was read a third
time and passed.

RETURNS.
HON. MR. ROBINSON presented a return to
an address asking for correspondence
respecting the disallowance of the Provincial
legislature of 1881 respecting the opening
of a toll trail from the boundary of Alaska
to a point north of Lynn Court, British
Columbia; return of the Ballot account
made by the returning officers in 1890 to
the Supreme court.

The house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

NOTICE OF MOTION.
By MR. KELLIE, to ask for correspon-
dence in council, etc., between the
Government and the Dominion Government,
or other persons, concerning the refusal of
the Dominion Government to issue Crown
Grants for mineral claims of the "Twenty-
mile belt," in this province, because of
alleged defects in the survey of such claims,
or any other causes relating thereto.

FIFTIETH DAY.
Tuesday, April 7th.
The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.
After prayers by Rev. M. L. Rugg.

A petition from John Clapperton and
others, of Nicola, (re Nicola, Kamloops &
Similkameen R.R.) was read and received.

IN COMMITTEE.
The Bill to confirm the sale of the site of
the Royal Hospital, Victoria, was
through committee, and was read a third
time and passed.

ANIMAL CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.
The House went into committee, Mr.
Hauker in the chair, on the message of His
Majesty, with the Bill to prevent the spread
of contagious diseases among horses and
other domestic animals.

After some discussion as to the report in
the papers on the disallowance of the Mani-
toba Act, in the course of which the At-
torney-General said he had no information
other than had appeared in the newspapers.
He did not, however, think that the Do-
minion Government would be disposed to
disallow the present Bill, were it passed.

The committee reported the bill, which
was read a first time.

The Supreme Court bill was read a third
time and passed.

INDENIFYING THE MINING COMMISSION.
The House went into committee on the
message with the bill to indemnify the
members of the Mining Commission.

HON. MR. BEAVER presented against leg-
islation of this kind as an interference with
the independent action of a member of the House.

The bill did not propose to do more than
pay the expenses incurred, which, as in
other cases, has been among them, the
committee of the Wellington mat-
were necessary in order to have the work of
the country performed. It charged the
leader of the Opposition with inconsistency
in his course, contrasting his present action
with the message of His Majesty, which
a bill to legalize the course of one of his own
colleagues.

COL. BAKER supported the action of the
Government in availing itself of the services
of the member for West Kootenay.

MR. SWAIN, strongly opposed what he
described as an attempt to corrupt a mem-
ber of the House, had he been capable of
being so corrupted.

MR. BROWN pointed out that there were
special circumstances in this case - the thor-
ough acquaintance of the member
with the subject of mining, and
the excellence of the legislation
which the Mining Commission had in-
troduced. He stated that the action of the Government in availing
itself of the services of the member who
could not be expected, not only to give his
time but to pay his own expenses.

Corroborating the principle
of the independent action of Parliament ought to
be vindicated, and no member should receive
pay from the Government for doing any ser-
vice for the administration without being
compelled to go to his constituents.

MR. HALL dwelt upon the importance of
the action of the House upon the
commission, who had been able from his
place to point out the reasons for and the
advantages of the different provisions of
the new Mining Act. He objected to the
too straight-forward view of the matter being
taken.

HON. MR. TURNER said the member for
West Kootenay had declined to accept any
remuneration, all that it was proposed to
give him for the important services which
he had rendered was to reimburse him for
two or three months he had served on the
commission. In England members had
recently been recouped for expenses they
had incurred in connection with several
parliamentary bills, and it was proposed to
pretend that this should not be the case here.

MR. KELLIE said that he had no intension
to be reimbursed for his services, and
as for the expenses incurred he begged the
Hon. the member for the House upon the
Bill, to reimburse him for the same.

MR. BOOTH objected to the withdrawal of
the Bill. The man best fitted to serve on
the mining commission was the member for
Kootenay, and some of the remarks which
had been made use of this afternoon were
indeed, in his opinion, unwarranted. He
trusted the bill would not be withdrawn.

HON. MR. POOLEY said it was a question
of principle that was now involved. A
member's services were certainly well worth
his expenses, and if the bill were passed it
would be for the member for West Kootenay
to then say whether or not he would accept
reimbursement.

DR. MILNE quoted section 28 of the con-
stitution, providing for the independence of
members, and he said the House
should be bound by which he said the House
should be bound.

HON. MR. DAVIS said this was not a
matter of individual rights, but it was one
of principle. There were, as was the case
with every rule, and it ought to be con-
sidered for a member of the House to render
the province a service for which he was
particularly well qualified. Had there been
any understanding as to remuneration in
the bill, it would have been inserted in
section of the Constitution Act. The Gov-
ernment had not, however, attached any
emolument to the commission, and the
member for Kootenay had no claim upon
them. But the House was in a position to
not simply the House, and the Government
was competent in this case, for the House in
its wisdom to do what the Government could
not do. There had been no hint to
understanding with the member for Kootenay
that he should receive anything, nor did
he expect anything; but to prevent
him suffering a pecuniary loss was the
object of this bill. The Finance Minister
had said there were precedents for this bill
in Great Britain. There was no country
where this bill was so close to the consti-
tution, from which ours was taken, as did
Great Britain, and the British commission on
agriculture and labor contained members of
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message will be referred to committee of the
House to-morrow.

The House went into committee, Mr.
Anderson in the chair, on the Governor's
message transmitting the bill to authorize
the Creation and issue of Inscribed Stock.

The committee reported the bill, which
was introduced and read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Turner, the
House went into committee, Mr. Swain in
the chair, on the message of His Honor with
the Debt Consolidation Bill.

The report of committee was adopted,
and the bill introduced and read a first
time.

THE LAND BILL.
The House went into committee on the
Land Bill, Mr. Kitchin in the chair.

An amendment proposed by Hon. Mr.
Turner to reduce the quantity of Govern-
ment land which might be sold from 160 to
50 acres was adopted.

The committee rose and reported progress
and the House rose.

EVENING SESSION.
The House met again at 7:45, and went
into committee on the Land Bill, Mr.
Kitchin in the chair.

After some discussion the committee rose
and reported the bill complete with amend-
ments.

Reports on Place Mine Bill and Provin-
cial Tax Bill were adopted, the bills read a
third time and passed.

HON. MR. DAVIS in moving the second
reading of the Act for the Protection of
Cattle, explained that the object of the bill
was to make railways, whether under the
operation of Provincial or Dominion
Railway Acts, responsible for killing
cattle on their lines of railway. He was
of the opinion that the province had the right
to deal with property and civil rights
Railways should be liable for cattle killed by
them, unless they fenced their lines.

Second reading carried.

HON. MR. DAVIS moved the second
reading of the B. C. Railway Bill, and
read it twice as a public bill, and
considered it in committee of the whole.

The resolution reported from committee of
the whole to refer to a Select committee
sets no doubt on the status of the bill, and
it is only a question of time when it will be
considered in committee of the whole. He
contended that doubt is felt. Taking into
consideration all the circumstances - the fact
that the required notices were published;
that the bill came in as a public measure;
that it has been read twice and referred to
committee of the whole as a public bill; that
the public have had ample opportunity to be
heard for and against it; and that both
public and private interests are involved, I
am of opinion that the bill should be re-
garded as a public bill, and that the order
for committee of the whole is in order.

The House rose for recess.

EVENING SESSION.
The House again went into committee on
the Vancouver, Northern Pacific and Alaska
R. R. Bill.

MR. KELLIE claimed that the bill was bogus,
and that the House was being made an
oat's pail of by its promoters, who were
merely trying to boom a few acres of land
on the north side of Vancouver harbor.

The bill was reported complete with
amendments.

REGULATING COAL MINES.
MR. KEITH in moving the second read-
ing of his bill for the regulation of coal
mines, stated that the bill had been passed
unanimously to make illegal the
employment of Chinese underground. The miners
had, at that time, sent in a petition, signed
by 1,421 male adults, praying the House to
prevent Chinese working underground.

HON. MR. DAVIS undertook to show this
bill to come up again on Friday, and after
some further discussion the motion to ad-
journ the debate was adopted.

The following bills were read a third time
and passed: The University Bill, the Na-
vesino Tramway Bill and the Upper Colum-
bia Bill.

On the motion to adopt the report on the
Hof Springs and Coast River Tram-
way Bill, Mr. Beaven moved his Chinese
amendment, which was rejected, and the
report on the bill was adopted.

The committee of the House considered the
Vancouver City Bill, for a short
time and reported progress.

The House adjourned at 12:10.

IMPORTED CIGARS.
Figures Showing the Number of Havanas
Consumed in This Country.

"As near as we can get at it," said a
cigar dealer the other day to a repre-
sentative of the Chicago Evening Jour-
nal, "we calculate that there are thirty-
seven million smokers in the United
States. We haven't been able to get it
down fine enough yet to estimate how
many of these smoke cigars, what por-
tion the pipe, or the number of 1899
who inhale the delusive cigarette, but
we can get pretty close to this number
to go for imported cigars. And that
number surprised me when I figured it
out. Not one person in a thousand
would be able to guess anywhere near
it, after knowing the total number of
smokers in the country. Now, out of
these thirty-seven million smokers how
many indulge in Havanas?"

"About four million," replied the re-
porter.

"That's the nearest to the number of
any guess I've had, and I have a stand-
ing offer of a box of the Best Perfectos
to the man who guesses within half a
million of the actual figures. I'm sorry,
but near as you came you haven't won
the box. You're out of the way, though,
only about four million in your guess.
Now, then, if you'll tell me whether you
are too high or too low I'll give you the
Perfectos."

"Too low, of course."

"Exactly. That's what they all think.
I'm sorry, young man, but you don't get
the box. You're just about 60,000 persons
too high in your estimate. Hardly be-
lieve it, would you? Nobody would
believe it, and there's no getting
around it. Why, if there were 4,000,000
consumers of Havana cigars in this
country, how often do you suppose each
one would get a Havana to smoke? Just
about three a month. That is, if all the
cigars imported from Cuba into the United
States were equally divided among
4,000,000 smokers, each smoker would
have twenty-five cigars and a piece of
one. At the outside, we take from Cuba
110,000,000 cigars a year. This is all the
demand calls for. Consequently, we
smoke in round numbers 330,000 of them
every day."

made between the employment of Chinese
in coal mines and their employment else-
where.

MR. BEAVER said he had been called upon
to take part in the inquiry into the disaster
by which, in 1887, some 90 as fine fellows
as he had ever seen had lost their lives in
No. 1 shaft, as well as some
of the finest and bravest of our
miners. The evidence showed that the accident had
been caused by a white miner, who had lost
his life in the accident. He had attended
numerous inquests and never had heard
anything to show that a single one of these
terrible accidents had been caused by a
Chinese.

HON. MR. DAVIS said if it were conceded
that the bill of last year was a proper one,
it followed as a matter of course that the
amendment proposed by Mr. Beaven was
not a proper one. He was not
prepared to admit that he had made a mis-
take, in connection with the act of last ses-
sion. He complimented the member for
Nanaimo on the way in which he had
placed the facts and figures before the
House. He had voted for the measure of last
session without hearing the evidence. This
year he did not intend to do the same and
should not vote until he had made himself
fully acquainted with the evidence. He referred
to the contradictory character of the state-
ments made by the President of the Council
and the member for Nanaimo. He intended
to carefully look into all the evidence
obtainable, and until he had done so should
not be prepared to vote. If this bill were
not passed the only logical thing to do was
to repeal the Act of last session. He agreed
with the President of the Council that the
Miners' Union were the enemies of the pro-
cess of the province and the province of
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